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Any game that is good enough can easily feed a group of streamers.

The opposite is true as well.

When all streamers unanimously choose to broadcast a certain game, they can continuously provide heat for it!

On live streaming platforms.

As Xun attracted a massive audience with "PlayerUnknown's Battlegrounds," other streamers were quickly alerted:

"What's up with Xun?"

"How come his stats have suddenly skyrocketed?"

"Did the platform actually arrange a homepage recommendation for a third-tier streamer like him!?"

"Look at this!"

"What game is he streaming?"

"Seems like it's a new shooting game; it looks pretty interesting, and the audience is so enthusiastic in sending bullet comments."

"I'm streaming this game today too!"

The olfactory sense of the live streaming industry is very sharp, Xun's success instantly made other streamers of the same category envious.

Whoosh whoosh!

Streamers of the same type across various platforms also began to try out, downloading and broadcasting the game.

As a result...

Many audience members who enjoy watching game streams found out:

Today, a lot of streamers are broadcasting the same new shooting game, including some big-name streamers!

Initially, there must have been those who resisted the game.

The appearance and acceptance of new things inevitably go through a process.

But as everyone saw the streamers constantly showcasing the charm of "PlayerUnknown's Battlegrounds," more and more viewers were completely attracted by the game's unique gameplay.

"Interesting!"

A lot of viewers, becoming itchy to try, directly downloaded the game!

Their concerns had disappeared.

A large number of streamers' trials let the audience learn about the excellent aspects of this game.

This allowed "PlayerUnknown's Battlegrounds," the newly launched game, to suddenly surge with a massive influx of players, culminating in the first wave of enthusiastic responses in just a few hours!

"This game is too much fun!"

"I scavenged for half an hour, only to die within a second upon encounter, and yet I find it incredibly interesting. Is there no hope for me?"

"Came here on a streamer's recommendation, he played three rounds and won two chickens, but I'm way better, having taken off on the plane more than thirty times in one hour."

"Running around and ending up winning a chicken dinner, can you believe that?"

"This game allows you to play exactly how you want, whether you want to recklessly engage everyone you see or sneak around delivering express packages till the end, or you can work as a team with clear roles, offering intense and varied gameplay that easily gets you hooked!"

"Died again as soon as I landed, must I be the reincarnation of the Box Spirit?"

"Noobs play a battle of gods, pros play the mortal's game of Zhu Xian, average players are in a desperate escape, while you all are just simulating parachuting."

The game's review section was abuzz with banter.

Things like 'extreme parachuting simulator.'

And 'instantly turning into a box upon landing' started trending among the players.

At home.

In the campus.

In internet cafes.

And so on and so forth.

People everywhere were trying out the game and became loyal fans in a very short time.

Of course.

Not everyone loves this game, as tastes differ, but "PlayerUnknown's Battlegrounds" is bound to be a game that a large majority will enjoy. In an era when various shooting games on the market are becoming more and more homogenized, the sudden appearance of a game with novel and unique gameplay is terrifying in its influence!

Meanwhile.

As the game designer, Admirable Fish, after sweeping multiple awards at the music festival, again became the focus of people's attention and heated discussions.

"Fish Papa's planning ability is unbeatable!"

"Now I'm torn and conflicted, on one hand, I hope Fish Papa can devote his energy to music, on the other hand, I hope Fish Papa can create a few more interesting games like this one."

"Fish Papa's game is way more exciting than Plants vs. Zombies!"

"Actually, Plants vs. Zombies is pretty epic too, but that game is single-player, so it's not that meaningful to compare the two."

"Both games are indeed very successful."

"Let's get back to that classic question: apart from being a dad, is there anything Xian Yu can't do?"

Netizens burst out laughing instantaneously.

This was a meme about Xian Yu that was popular online.

Because Xian Yu was skilled in so many areas, such jocular remarks were common.

In the days that followed.

The craze for PlayerUnknown's Battlegrounds continued to ferment, even showing signs of dominating half the territory in Internet cafes!

This is the advantage of fps games.

Since these games require high-end specs, many people's home rigs can't meet the standard. Additionally, since these games are best enjoyed with friends, Internet cafes are the ideal place to team up and play.

Under normal circumstances.

Different customers in Internet cafes play different games and it's rare for any single game to dominate.

Now, PlayerUnknown's Battlegrounds was showing this trend.

If someone entered an Internet cafe at that point, they'd find that nearly half of the customers' computer screens displayed the PlayerUnknown's Battlegrounds interface!

Meanwhile.

At Yuan Huo Game Company.

Excited voices could be heard one after another as the entire team plunged into massive revelry:

"Our online user count is getting higher and higher!"

"Since noon yesterday, our game has officially broken through one million concurrent players, with a total daily active user count close to five million—we're making a killing with this surge!"

"Teacher Admirable Fish is awesome!"

"Teacher Admirable Fish's understanding of game creativity is truly terrifying. We've left so many games of the same type far behind us. Loads of Internet cafe owners are thanking us because our game has increased their business by a lot!"

"We need to update and upgrade the servers!"

"The player growth isn't over; it looks like our game is going to be insanely popular for a while. A colleague from my previous game company chatted with me last night, and he was green with envy!"

Indeed.

The statistical data for PlayerUnknown's Battlegrounds was so high that the players' enthusiasm directly affected the Internet cafe business, a feat that made the entire industry take notice!

Previously.

When Xian Yu's Plants vs. Zombies became a massive hit, some thought it was because Xian Yu was a genius, while others couldn't help but ascribe it to luck.

But this time.

No one doubted Xian Yu's success as mere luck; the man truly understood gaming, delving into it even more deeply than many old-timers who had been in the game industry for years!

The media was also busy.

The news about PlayerUnknown's Battlegrounds rolled in one wave after another.

"Xian Yu makes another shot at shooting games—have you eaten chicken today?"

"From single-player to fps: industry praise for Xian Yu's game planning talent"

"Xian Yu, a Maestro distracted by show business?"

"Xian Yu shakes up the gaming industry, Internet cafes hit by PlayerUnknown's Battlegrounds craze!"

"Winner winner, chicken dinner: How does a game where you mostly just run around maps catch fire?"

"..."

Following the shock, there were countless analyses, discussions, and studies. Following Plants vs. Zombies, Xian Yu finally had cemented his reputation as a genius game planner in the industry.

What no one knew, however, was this.

Lin Yuan couldn't help himself and sneakily fired up PlayerUnknown's Battlegrounds again.

After getting headshot by an opponent, he quickly uninstalled the game again, the speed of his actions almost leaving onlookers speechless.

"Crappy game, so boring."

The person hailed by the industry as a "genius game designer" thus assessed his own creation.

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Chapter 948 - 879 The Legend of the Condor Heroes

Lin Yuan gave up struggling.

He would never touch "PlayerUnknown's Battlegrounds" again in his life.

To play again is foolish!

After shutting off the computer, Lin Yuan summoned the System to check his reputation in various fields.

Recently, the reputation in both painting and gaming categories had been rising particularly fast, clearly surpassing the other fields—

The rise in painting reputation was definitely due to the impact of those five paintings at the Yu Dynasty Hotel;

The rise in gaming reputation was because of the recent popularity of PlayerUnknown's Battlegrounds, as players like Lin Yuan were a minority.

At present,

His gaming reputation had reached 345,653.

This figure was a significant improvement over before, but Lin Yuan did not choose gaming as his next main focus.

The reason was simple.

The input and reputation feedback of gaming were too long, needing at least several months at the base.

By comparison,

The easiest way for Lin Yuan to gain reputation was still through music, novels, and painting—the classic three categories.

There were five more years in the lifespan task.

Although it wasn't urgent, Lin Yuan still hoped to complete this task soon so he could be completely at ease.

However...

Currently, besides gaming, music and painting were also areas Lin Yuan planned to slow down.

He had just become a Maestro.

Lin Yuan had been active on the seasonal leaderboard for an entire twelve months last year; continuing to dominate the leaderboard in every way would elicit dissatisfaction from other Maestros.

As for painting, it was because Lin Yuan did not want to frequently use Paintfection.

Without using Paintfection, Lin Yuan did not want to paint ordinary paintings because they posed an appreciation threshold and might give people the illusion of "Shadow's declining quality," especially to those who required the skill of Paintfection to appreciate the artistic conceptions of those paintings.

This was not what Lin Yuan wanted to see.

Thus, he could only choose novels as the main direction going forward.

It wasn't just because it was inconvenient for Lin Yuan to engage in music and painting, but mainly because his sister mentioned that the Literature and Art Association was planning some kind of literary festival.

This kind of award setting was tailor-made for Chu Kuang!

It so happened that Lin Yuan had always been planning to make Chu Kuang more active, and this fit perfectly into the scheme.

Considering this,

Lin Yuan went to the company.

Upon arriving at the company, Lin Yuan turned on the computer, started setting up a document, and simultaneously pondered the work that would involve Chu Kuang next.

Beside him,

Gu Dong skillfully brewed tea for Lin Yuan, brought the tea to Lin Yuan's desk, and suddenly said, "Mr. Lin, have you heard about the matter with the Tribe?"

"What's happened with the Tribe again?"

Lin Yuan was very sensitive to these two words.

Gu Dong heard the dissatisfaction in Lin Yuan's tone.

It seemed that Mr. Lin really disliked the Tribe.

Feeling reflective, Gu Dong spoke, "Due to the popularity of 'Yang Xiaofan and Qin Tiange', there have been many more martial arts dramas on the market, following our lead, including a few that have become quite popular. The audience's interest in martial arts dramas has noticeably increased, and with the newly integrated Zhao people who particularly love martial arts dramas, even martial arts novels always have decent sales there, as they do favor historical genres. Thus, the potential market is immense, and the company plans to specifically focus on this by remaking another martial arts classic. For this, we even sought out Lancet, who had previously collaborated with our company, and invited him to personally adapt his work."

Lancet is the author of 'Yang Xiaofan and Qin Tiange.'

As one of Blue Star's top martial arts masters, he has not only 'Yang Xiaofan and Qin Tiange' but also many other classic works.

Basically,

All major film and TV companies on Blue Star who want to remake various classic martial arts dramas cannot bypass the works of Lancet and a few other top martial arts masters.

Lin Yuan frowned, "What does this have to do with the Tribe?"

Gu Dong shook his head, "The company was interested in one of Lancet's representative works 'Trap the Tiger'. The negotiations were going smoothly until last night when the Tribe suddenly cut in ahead of us and bought the TV adaptation rights to this work. As a result, Minister Zhao Jue was severely reprimanded by some leaders. Additionally, they copied our approach by promising Lancet that he would personally adapt this work."

Speaking of this,

Gu Dong suddenly pouted,

"It is said that after Lancet saw Chu Kuang's adaptation of 'Yang Xiaofan and Qin Tiange', he was so upset that he couldn't eat or sleep well for several days. He complained to many people that Chu Kuang's adaptation was outrageous and completely betrayed his original intention of the creation. So this time, he insisted on nobody else adapting it but himself. Perhaps his decision to cooperate with the Tribe was also due to his dissatisfaction with us since it was our company that initially invited Chu Kuang to take on the task of adapting that drama. Wasn't it just about writing characters to death? Was there a need to be so overly cautious?"

Lin Yuan: "..."

He felt like he was the scapegoat.

The Tribe cutting ahead of Starlight, taking the work was because of him; Lancet's prioritizing cooperation with the Tribe was also because of him. Lin Yuan hadn't forgotten who the current film and TV head of the Tribe was.

Ling Kong.

Due to different stances, Gu Dong also had no fondness for the Tribe:

"Now the Tribe's targeting of our Starlight is becoming more frequent. Today, after criticizing Minister Zhao Jue in the meeting room, the chairman publicly declared that the company would go to war with the Tribe, one after Mr. Lin and Yu Dynasty, all of our company's artists and others will also switch to blogging entirely, abandoning the Tribe as a battleground."

"Hmm."

Lin Yuan finally made a sound, his voice flat, revealing none of his thoughts at that moment.

"Actually, it's not a big deal."

Gu Dong smiled, "Blue Star doesn't only have Lancet as a martial arts master. Minister Zhao Jue is already planning to seek collaboration with other martial arts masters. Moreover, martial arts dramas worth remaking are far more than just 'Trap the Tiger.'

Lin Yuan suddenly asked, "Why must we remake them?"

Gu Dong paused, then said, "It's decided by the audience. In recent years, original martial arts dramas haven't been very successful, carrying a significant investment risk. Compared to that, people feel nostalgic about those once-popular classic martial arts dramas, like 'Yang Xiaofan and Qin Tiange'. That drama was not only popular because of Chu Kuang's exceptional adaptation but also because it had a very high audience base originally. The drama was full of classic characters that everyone was familiar with. If it weren't for that, even if Chu Kuang had written those characters to their deaths, it wouldn't have triggered such a big reaction from the audience."

Remakes can be popular?

Martial arts rely on nostalgia?

Original martial arts aren't effective?

Lin Yuan didn't speak again, but typed five characters on his computer document. If Gu Dong walked behind Lin Yuan, he would definitely see that these characters had a similar resonance with the title 'Trap the Tiger':

The Legend of the Condor Heroes.

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Chapter 949 - 880 Artistic Touch

After Gu Dong left, Lin Yuan gazed at the words "The Legend of the Condor Heroes" he had typed out and was slightly lost in thought.

Blue Starian have Blue Starian sentimentality.

Lin Yuan also had his own sentiments.

And Jin Yong's wuxia novels were precisely Lin Yuan's sentiments.

Whether it was The Condor Trilogy or Elder Jin's later works, each and every one had left a brilliant and vivid mark in Lin Yuan's memory, and it wasn't just the original novels, but also included countless versions of blooming TV dramas and those widely acclaimed soundtracks, and so on.

Alright then.

Writing a wuxia novel was actually a spontaneous decision for Lin Yuan.

It was unexpected yet reasonable, after all, wuxia was the ultimate romance for a man, and the absence of those masterpieces from Earth's wuxia authors on Blue Star was certainly a regret.

Most importantly:

Wuxia actually did have a market.

The success of the wuxia drama "Yang Xiaofan and Qin Tiange" indirectly proved this; the constant acceptance and love of various wuxia dramas by audiences also proved this; the fact that wuxia novels remain popular in the newly joined Zhao Continent further proved this!

The only difference was:

In today's Blue Star, wuxia novels had descended from their past sanctity and become a niche in the eyes of numerous Blue Starian readers.

And who could change the status quo of wuxia?

Lin Yuan could give the simplest and most powerful answer, which was Jin Yong.

Perhaps Gu Long could also be one of the answers to this question, but this time Lin Yuan wanted to play it safe. He intended to first pave a new path for Blue Star wuxia with the rightfully grand King's Path wuxia!

As for the backdrop of the wuxia story?

Let's just treat the Southern Song Dynasty as a parallel universe.

That wasn't a flaw in the novel, but rather an opportunity.

Regarding those scenes set in a different space-time, Lin Yuan did have some rudimentary ideas. This foray into wuxia could be seen as an interesting experiment that might bring unexpected surprises.

"The drama and the book must be combined."

Lin Yuan pondered that having Chu Kuang merely write "The Legend of the Condor Heroes" was not enough.

This time, Lin Yuan wanted to release the drama before the book and ideally launch the corresponding original novel when the TV series was halfway through its run, allowing both to bolster each other.

The TV drama would boost the novel's sales.

The novel's sales would, in turn, boost the TV drama's popularity.

That was an experiment that even Jin Yong couldn't have attempted back then, given the vastly different conditions and circumstances, but Lin Yuan wasn't worried about the TV drama lacking a fan base.

The reason was simple.

Because the story was captivating enough!

Lin Yuan faintly remembered that he had watched "The Legend of the Condor Heroes" TV series before he became curious and went to read the novel.

This suggested:

Whether it's a novel or a TV series, as long as the plot is thrilling, the lack of a preexisting fan base is not a decisive factor.

Just as many say that Marvel's success is because of its comics.

That's undeniable, but what's even more undeniable is:

Many fans in the Celestial Dynasty have never read the comics or, even if they have, they haven't read many.

Otherwise, why is it that Iron Man, who isn't exactly top-tier in the comics, is so immensely popular in the Marvel movies?

The content...

The actors...

For visual media, these are the decisive factors.

There are some works that can transcend the so-called foundation and achieve the same explosive effect across the market through different forms.

With this idea in mind,

Lin Yuan asked the System to customize the novel "The Legend of the Condor Heroes."

Well.

He wrote the title down but didn't start writing for a long while because he only remembered the title.'

However,

To Lin Yuan's surprise, just as he was customizing this novel, the System suddenly became enthusiastic:

"Ding-dong, congratulations to the host for triggering a new mission!"

Immediately following, blue virtual text appeared before Lin Yuan:

[Mission Name: Martial Arts Novel Revival]

[Mission Content: Martial arts novels on Blue Star are gradually declining. The host needs to inject new thought and vitality into Blue Starian martial arts, making martial arts novels the beloved white moonlight in the hearts of countless readers again. The specific completion will be based on the influence of the host's works and may not be achievable with just one or two novels. Host, please make an effort.]

[Mission Reward: Artistic Touch Skill]

[Artistic Touch: A special skill corresponding to Paintfection, allowing the audience to perfectly sense the calligraphic mood and charm created by the host]

A special skill?

Artistic Touch?

Lin Yuan was slightly stunned, he hadn't expected that calligraphy would also correspond to a special skill!

He had experienced the charm of Paintfection before.

Even those who knew nothing about painting could feel the allure of those artworks.

This was a metaphysical skill akin to a bug!

As a skill of the same kind, Artistic Touch was definitely worth looking forward to!

Without this skill, Lin Yuan was really afraid that even if he wrote "Lanting Preface", the audience would remain indifferent!

"Accept!"

This made Lin Yuan somewhat excited. He hadn't expected that deciding to write martial arts novels would come with such benefits. It seemed that the System also believed that martial arts had great potential, for so far all the missions issued by the System were achievable. If a mission was hopeless, the System would never release it!

He decisively accepted the mission.

After accepting the mission, Lin Yuan suddenly had a slightly fiery thought!

He asked the System:

"If painting and calligraphy both have corresponding special skills, does that mean other arts like music also have skills that allow ordinary people to feel their beauty?"

He had previously released Chopin's "Nocturnes."

But the threshold for appreciating classical music was too high.

Indeed many people liked Chopin's "Nocturnes," but there were also many fans who said they couldn't quite appreciate the charm of this classical music, and some even fell asleep listening to it.

But what if there were a skill similar to Paintfection?

Would his classical music pieces then have the potential to break through the so-called threshold of appreciation, allowing all listeners to enjoy them, both refined and vulgar?

"Yes, the skill exists, named [Soulmate]."

The System gave an affirmative answer: "However, the Soulmate skill is not for sale. The host can only hope to obtain it after acquiring a Gold Treasure Chest."

There really was one!

Lin Yuan's eyes widened.

As for the difficulty of obtaining this skill, Lin Yuan had been prepared for it and didn't find it inappropriate. The more extraordinary the skill, the harder it was to obtain; isn't that common sense?

Forget it.

Don't think about that now.

Lin Yuan was quite eager for the [Artistic Touch] skill.

Considering the difficulty of the mission itself, perhaps he would have to release more than one martial arts novel.

He wondered if the three parts of The Legend of the Condor Heroes added together would be enough?

If not, Chu Kuang would have a lot of work to do in the future.

With that thought.

Lin Yuan began typing energetically on the keyboard, even exchanging some special potions with the System.

Only then could he finish "The Legend of the Condor Heroes" in the shortest possible time.

He was very conscientious when it came to solving problems for the company.

Not just because he was a shareholder of the company and his interests were tied to the company's, but also because the conflict between Tribe and Starlight ultimately revolved around Lin Yuan.

If the Tribe targeted Starlight, he would target them back.

Holding The Legend of the Condor Heroes, Lin Yuan was unflinching in his standoff with the Tribe!

ps: Although I said I wasn't planning to write martial arts, in the end it became "truly fragrant." Martial arts dramas are indeed a very good entry point, and previously I neglected those representative pieces of martial arts drama music, which could have synergistic effects with Xian Yu's plot. My favorite "A Hard Scripture to Read", apart from "Loyalty Unto Death" and several other classics from The Legend of the Condor Heroes, what other songs are there? Can anyone recommend?

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Chapter 950 - 881: The Craze for Martial Arts Dramas

Zhao Jue's recent mood has been quite gloomy.

Ever since "Yang Xiaofan and Qin Tiange" became a hit, the TV industry suddenly ignited a frenzy for wuxia adaptations!

The market trend arrived with incredible swiftness!

Those classic martial arts novels that had been adapted numerous times, even a dozen or more, were once again fiercely snatched up by countless film and television companies!

Everyone was inspired by Chu Kuang's adaptation!

Once the film and television companies acquired the rights to those classic wuxia novels, their adaptations were bolder than the next, with the most exaggerated among them going even further than Chu Kuang. They simply donned the skin of the original characters, while the plot developments were utterly chaotic, almost completely devoid of any traces of the original work!

Most of these adaptations were heavily criticized by audiences.

Not everyone possesses Chu Kuang's skill, who, despite greatly altering the story, was able to captivate viewers who cursed while eagerly following the plot.

However...

Some adaptations achieved quite impressive results. While sparking controversy, they also garnered pleasing viewership ratings, becoming the second, the third, or even more entities to enjoy the spoils!

Some tasted success.

The adaptation rights for those classic martial arts dramas suddenly became hotter than ever before!

And so.

Zhao Jue wanted to taste success again and thus reached out to Lancet for another collaboration.

After all, the cooperation on "Yang Xiaofan and Qin Tiange" was quite pleasant.

Unexpectedly, what she thought of as pleasant turned out not to be the case for Lancet.

With the Tribe meddling, Lancet immediately turned coat, and the perfectly good collaboration fell through. The Crown Prince from the Tribe named Ling Kong successfully intercepted the rights that Starlight was eyeing, and Zhao Jue got a severe reprimand from the company's leaders because of it.

It couldn't be helped.

Zhao Jue could only look for other wuxia novels' film and television adaptation rights.

However, to Zhao Jue's astonishment, she looked for quite some time and couldn't find any suitable works.

The good works had almost all been seized by the big companies!

Once they signed for the rights, it was for a minimum of two years. Zhao Jue would have to wait at least two years to buy the rights to adapt any of them.

But would the market still favor the same trend after two years?

There were some lesser works available, but Zhao Jue was not content, as the adaptations of these inferior works would surely not compare to those classics!

Now she was truly out of options.

Her assistant suggested, "Why don't we just avoid this muddy water? The market has a limited capacity to digest content, and with so many companies involved in adapting and remaking wuxia dramas, the competition will surely be unprecedentedly fierce."

"Zhao Continent, ah."

Zhao Jue sighed, "Zhao Continent's martial arts market is too vast. It's a new continent entering the scene. The people of this continent are extremely passionate about wuxia dramas and even about martial arts novels that other continents have pretty much given up on. The content that this continent can consume alone can satisfy the whole market's demand."

The popularity of wuxia is one aspect.

The real key that stimulated this wuxia drama craze is Zhao Continent.

The adaptation of "Yang Xiaofan and Qin Tiange" by Chu Kuang started it off well, and the addition of Zhao Continent served as the best catalyst, hinting at the start of a wuxia revival.

"So, shall we buy the rights to adapt a slightly lower quality martial arts work?"

The assistant whispered, "After all, many of these adaptations are so changed that even the original authors can't recognize them..."

"That seems to be the only option now."

Zhao Jue spoke with a frown, "But we still have one advantage."

"Chu Kuang?"

The assistant guessed Zhao Jue's thoughts.

Zhao Jue nodded, "I'll ask Teacher Admirable Fish to try and invite Chu Kuang to take part once more. If he's willing to contribute, it might not matter if the original work is a bit inferior. In the end, they all have to die."

All have to die? Seriously?

The assistant wanted to retort: In your eyes, is Chu Kuang someone who always draws blood whenever he makes a move?

But then the assistant thought about it.

This old rascal... he might actually be that kind of person.

. . .

Zhao Jue ultimately did not choose to finalize the work first but went to see Lin Yuan instead.

If Chu Kuang was unwilling to make a move, she planned to directly give up the remake of the martial arts drama because with the original work being relatively mediocre, Chu Kuang was her only trustworthy assurance.

At that time.

Lin Yuan was writing "The Legend of the Condor Heroes."

This was his fifth consecutive day of typing, and he had already written over three hundred thousand words of "The Legend of the Condor Heroes." Despite his explosive speed augmented by some potion, Lin Yuan was somewhat dissatisfied; he still missed

the days when the System would directly provide the entire original work, saving him the effort of writing it himself.

That day.

Knowing Zhao Jue's intention, the prepared Lin Yuan said:

"Here's a novel manuscript. Ms. Zhao, have some screenwriters take a look at it, then have them write it into a screenplay, but the content must not be altered in the slightest."

"A novel manuscript?"

Zhao Jue asked subconsciously, "Whose is it?"

Lin Yuan stated as a matter of fact, "Written by Chu Kuang."

Zhao Jue was astonished, "You mean, Teacher Admirable Fish wrote a martial arts novel?"

"Isn't that the trend lately?"

Lin Yuan said, "He became interested and wrote a bit. Let's just produce this; there's no need to buy someone else's work to adapt."

"But..."

Zhao Jue always felt something was amiss.

What does it mean this is the trend lately? The current martial arts craze is actually about dramas, not novels. Martial arts novels haven't been popular for eight hundred years, and what people want to see are remakes. Would the audience accept a TV show made from Chu Kuang's original martial arts novel?

The words reached the tip of her tongue.

Zhao Jue suddenly paused again.

When has Chu Kuang, that old rascal, ever needed to worry about audience acceptance? At this point, shouldn't one ask whether the audience could even withstand it?

She laughed at her concerns.

Chu Kuang, like Xian Yu, was a unique individual. Market rules seemed to have little effect on such people. Roads impassable for others always seemed open to them!

Moreover, it had come to this.

She either had to give up on martial arts or choose to trust Chu Kuang!

Zhao Jue, no fool, wouldn't just ignore Chu Kuang's newly written manuscript in favor of other people's martial arts novels to ask Chu Kuang to adapt. If she persisted, the situation would be too serious.

How could she doubt Chu Kuang?

If she did not trust Chu Kuang, then she should not expect to ask him for help in the future either, and it could even affect the relationship between Xian Yu and Chu Kuang. After all, it must be Chu Kuang's consideration for Xian Yu that made him consistently choose to collaborate with Starlight. Otherwise, why would Starlight have gotten the rights to "Journey to the West" in the first place?

With gritted teeth.

Zhao Jue said, "Then I'll produce this one."

Lin Yuan smiled, "He will continue to write the subsequent manuscripts. Just adapt these contents into a screenplay, and I will be responsible for reviewing the screenplay."

The novel was already being written.

There was no need for Lin Yuan to take on the extra role of screenwriter.

The screenwriters of Starlight had to prove their strength to join the company, they couldn't possibly fail to produce a screenplay when they had a novel at hand.

"Okay!"

Zhao Jue clutched the screenplay tightly in her hand, the words "The Legend of the Condor Heroes" caught her eye.

Oddly.

A bizarre curiosity flashed through her mind:

How many had died in here?

In that moment, Zhao Jue realized that it was no wonder people were like scalpels trembling at the sight of snakes!

Chu Kuang had plenty of tricks up his sleeve!

ps: It's the end of the month, please cast a monthly vote if you can, they expire soon~~

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Chapter 951 - 882: The Thigh Has Returned

In the following days, Lin Yuan continued to write "The Legend of the Condor Heroes," progressing even more smoothly than before. At this point, the content was already half completed.

He planned to finish it within a month.

With the aid of his spasmodic typing skills and system concoctions, this was not a difficult feat for Lin Yuan, though such a thing, if spoken aloud, might lead people to dissect him for study.

Of course.

Lin Yuan did not conceal the fact that he was writing a wuxia novel from Jin Mu.

Upon learning about Lin Yuan's new book project, a tremendous roar erupted inside Jin Mu's heart:

"It's starting!"

"He's starting again!"

The decline of wuxia novels on Blue Star had not been a matter of just a day or two. Apart from the newly joined Zhao Continent, hardly anyone still had any interest in wuxia novels.

In the novel market.

Wuxia was special.

This genre once reached the pinnacle of brilliance and was regarded by Blue Star's major publishing houses as the most esteemed novel category, once dominating the

Blue Star novel market with back-to-back bestsellers, truly the moonlight in the hearts of countless novel enthusiasts!

Unfortunately.

In today's decline of wuxia, the past brilliance no longer existed.

Declaring the end of wuxia might be an exaggeration, but this genre was definitely in its twilight.

And the last vestige of wuxia on Blue Star was none other than Zhao Continent, who still retained a fervent passion for wuxia after the merger.

Under such circumstances.

Apart from Zhao Continent, almost no writers were willing to touch this genre!

But who was Chu Kuang?

As a pioneer in the literary world, Chu Kuang had never been one to play by the rules since his debut!

Sports competition...

Classical fantasy...

Mystery adventure...

Whatever genre was obscure, Chu Kuang wrote in it!

It was only in recent years that Chu Kuang had normalized, starting to write mainstream genres like mystery, so much so that the world had almost forgotten how willful and unique this novelist was in choosing his themes!

This was the reason for Jin Mu's inner exclamation:

The old rascal, Chu Kuang, who the more he was marginalized by his peers, the more he was disparaged by others, the more he desired to write in those related genres, had returned!

"No big deal."

Jin Mu felt uneasy inside, yet forced a smile as he spoke:

"Although wuxia has declined, people in Zhao Continent still really like this genre. If it's written well enough, the sales volumes Zhao Continent can provide will be considerable."

The tone was quite strained.

Jin Mu's words were primarily self-consoling.

Although the sales volume one continent could provide was indeed substantial, targeting just readers from one continent as Chu Kuang's audience was seriously low for a cap!

You see.

If Chu Kuang continued writing mysteries, then Qin, Qi, Chu, Yan, Han, Zhao—six continents—would all be buyers, which would far surpass the sales limit that Zhao Continent could offer.

One continent versus six continents, which was lighter and which heavier?

However, Jin Mu's words weren't all about self-consolation.

Although Chu Kuang writing wuxia meant a lower cost-effectiveness, potentially abandoning the market of five continents in Qin, Qi, Chu, Yan, Han, the recent craze in wuxia drama remakes was burning hot, which was a fact known by all.

Qin, Qi, Chu, Yan, Han might not read wuxia novels, but that didn't mean they wouldn't watch wuxia dramas!

If the TV drama produced from Chu Kuang's wuxia novel could become a hit, it could indeed make up for the lacking sales to some extent.

This was the way of copyright.

There were some novelists on Blue Star whose book sales might be ordinary, but their works could always sell the rights to be made into movies or TV dramas. By leveraging the success of these adaptations, they achieved the same ends through different means.

The publishing houses might feel a headache over this issue.

After all, this wasn't the most suitable route for Chu Kuang; book sales were where they made their money.

After thinking it over.

Jin Mu added, "I would advise not to release the drama before the book. Instead, publish the novel first and then schedule the TV drama premiere. That's more beneficial."

"Is that so?"

Lin Yuan nodded, untroubled, "Let's do it your way then."

"Then I'll contact the publishing house."

Seeing that Lin Yuan had no objections, Jin Mu also nodded, then mumbled to himself, "Which department is currently responsible for the wuxia category at Silver Blue Books?"

This just showed how far wuxia had fallen. search the * website to access chapters of novels early and in the highest quality.

If it were the heyday of wuxia, there would be no need to puzzle over this question; any publishing house would have a dedicated wuxia department, and the wuxia novel category could well support an independent department.

But times had changed.

Wuxia novels could no longer support an independent department, and major publishing houses had merged the wuxia category into other departments.

It seemed to be the Fantasy Department?

Jin Mu raised an eyebrow and began contacting Silver Blue Books.

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Silver Blue Books.

Fantasy Editorial Department.

Chief Editor Xiong was working in his office when his cellphone suddenly rang.

"Chu Kuang's agent, Jin Mu"

Upon seeing the caller ID, Xiong's entire body shook violently, and a look of great anticipation, as if rekindled after many years, flashed deep in his eyes. His heartbeat abruptly sped up:

"Mr. Jin, hello!"

"Chief Editor Xiong, sorry to bother you."

Jin Mu greeted and went straight to the point, "Chu Kuang's new book is already half-written. It should be published in Silver Blue Books' Fantasy Department. Shall I send it to you now?"

Silence.

The silence on the other end of the phone was like death.

If it were not for the suddenly heavy breathing that came from the other side, Jin Mu would have almost thought there was a problem with his signal.

What he didn't know was

at that moment, Xiong's emotions were tumultuous, his lips trembling slightly and he even felt an urge to cry!

It's back!

The heavy hitter is back!

Chu Kuang, the main pillar of Silver Blue Books, was finally returning to our Fantasy Department from the mystery department!

Ever since Chu Kuang was personally sent to the hands of Dezhi, the chief editor of the mystery department, starting from Poirot to the wildly popular Sherlock Holmes series, Chu Kuang had never returned.

Xiong's heart was about to die.

He dreamt of Chu Kuang's return, the man who was a walking performance boost within the company. Now that Chu Kuang declared his return to the Fantasy Department, Xiong was so excited that he felt numb all over, pinching his own thigh hard:

"Good!"

"Let's do that."

After Jin Mu hung up the phone, he immediately sent the half-completed "Legend of the Condor Heroes" by Lin Yuan to the Fantasy Department of Silver Blue Books via email.

Meanwhile.

Xiong burst open the office door, shouting to the busy editors, "Chu Kuang's new book is a fantasy genre, handled by our department, drop everything you are doing and start reviewing it immediately!"

The editors were all stunned by his shout.

Chu Kuang's new book is a fantasy genre?

Is Chu Kuang finally writing a fantasy novel again?

They looked at each other in baffled excitement, and the Editorial Department suddenly became lively!

"Chu Kuang's new book is written by us!?"

"Hahaha, let the folks from the mystery department brag all they want; now that Chu Kuang is back, the Fantasy Department is rising!"

"Awesome!"

"I need to speak with my friends in the mystery department during lunch in the cafeteria. Chu Kuang wrote two mystery novels that skyrocketed their performance, and seeing them boast annoyed me!"

"What is the new book about?"

"Hurry and check; I can't wait any longer!"

"Doesn't matter what it is, as long as Chu Kuang wrote it, even the least popular subject would be fine. 'The pioneer' is no joke after all!"

The editors couldn't wait to open their emails.

"YangFeng" had the fastest hands.

YangFeng was Chu Kuang's first editor, who discovered "King of the Net."

Due to handling an author like Chu Kuang, YangFeng's performance soared, and he was rumored to be nominated as deputy chief editor this year; no one cared more about the new book than he did!

Swipe.

The email transitioned.

The file sent by Jin Mu suddenly appeared.

Suppressing his excitement, YangFeng clicked on the document, and then the details of the novel unfolded before his eyes.

[Title: Legend of the Condor Heroes]

[Genre: Wuxia]

[Synopsis: In the middle of the Southern Song Dynasty, amidst chaotic times, the Guo and Yang families face tragic destruction. Their descendants scatter. Guo Jing, upright and resilient from an early age, learns martial arts from the Seven Freaks of Jiangnan and later masters skills from Hong Qigong...]

He didn't finish the synopsis.

YangFeng's gaze fixated on the novel's genre, and he felt completely numb.

Around him.

The other editors also gradually saw the manuscript and finally focused on the word "Wuxia," and the whole department seemed as if splashed with cold water, their enthusiasm extinguished in an instant.

At that moment.

Even the editor who had said "even the least popular subject would be fine" had a vacant look on his face.

"What's wrong?"

Seeing everyone suddenly fall silent, Xiong felt a bit uneasy.

"Wuxia."

The editor closest to Xiong said in a very complex tone, "Chu Kuang's new book is a Wuxia genre."

"What?"

Xiong was flabbergasted, his bulky frame leaning forward toward the editor's computer, and then he cried out, carrying a bit of heartache and sadness:

"Why is it Wuxia!"

Tip: You can use left, right keyboard keys to browse between chapters.

Chapter 952 - 883: This is Very Chu Kuang

A moment later.

The Fantasy Editorial Department finally returned to normal, but everyone's expressions were filled with helplessness.

This was so Chu Kuang!

YangFeng forced a smile and said, "He never takes the conventional path and always challenges the least popular themes. Whatever the readers are least interested in, he insists on writing about that. That's Chu Kuang for you. It's actually our reactions that are strange. Shouldn't we have been used to this kind of thing by now?"

"Alas."

"We were all too optimistic before, thinking that after writing two detective novels, Teacher Chu Kuang was getting closer to mainstream themes. The reality proves that Teacher Chu Kuang is still the same Chu Kuang."

"Utterly willful!"

"Since his debut, aside from detective stories, Chu Kuang has never really written any mainstream long-form themes. In the readers' words: 'This person seems to have been born to oppose the readers and even the editors.'"

"What's the big deal about writing death?"

"From the very choice of novel themes, he has fully demonstrated an unfriendly attitude towards readers, as if he's challenging everyone with this tactic: 'You don't like this? Great, then I'll write this, and I will write it until you do like it!'"

As the editors discussed.

Ol' Xiong took a deep breath, "Wuxia mainly targets the Zhao Continent readers. It's far-fetched, but this isn't the most far-fetched thing Chu Kuang has done. Perhaps this novel can also bring us a pleasant surprise."

"I believe so too!"

YangFeng gritted his teeth, "Even if wuxia is in its twilight days, Chu Kuang is still Chu Kuang after all!"

No one denied those words.

If Chu Kuang ever became normal one day, everyone would actually find it abnormal.

Once everyone accepted Chu Kuang's setup, they suddenly found the pace becoming familiar, and even somewhat endearing.

"Let's read!"

Without further discussion, the editors started to read with pinched noses.

Could they read without pinching their noses?

Everyone present had lived through the most glorious era of wuxia, and many were fed up with this type of novel. It was only because of Chu Kuang that everyone, trust in hand and teeth gritted, continued to read.

. . .

Everyone began reading.

YangFeng did the same, slightly shortsighted and disliking glasses, he lay close to the screen, silently scrolling with his mouse.

Whirrr!

The story had just begun to unfold when a strange dynasty vividly came to life before YangFeng!

The Southern Song Dynasty!

Yue Fei?

The Jin-Song Wars?

Mongolia?

Historical fiction wasn't anything new, Blue Star had many historical novels that liked this approach, as it allowed authors more freedom. Real history could restrict the development of the story, but previous wuxia novels rarely wrote in this way, combining ancient history with court politics and even the great trends of the world in a single wuxia novel!

Majestic and grand!

Chu Kuang's writing was as strong as ever. Even though it was about a fictional dynasty, his writing made it seem as if such a special era had truly existed in the world. Just this point alone was not something ordinary authors could match. For instance, the

mention of Yue Fei in the book made YangFeng feel a deep yearning and admiration, lamenting that such a person could exist in the world!

War and chaos.

People living in misery.

The shame of Jingkang.

The book's detailed descriptions truly made one believe they were real. Unconsciously, YangFeng felt as if he had become a Han Chinese from the Great Song, tasting the sweet and sour, the bitter and spicy of that era. The profound sense of history hit him full in the face.

Ten thousand words.

Fifty thousand words.

One hundred thousand words.

As the pages kept turning, more of the story unfolded, with characters like Yang Tie Xin, Guo Xiaotian, Bao Xiruo, and even Qiu Chuji making their dramatic entries in the early stages.

Unknowingly,

"YangFeng" became immersed in it.

He couldn't quite explain whether it was the Southern Song Dynasty that evoked a strange sense of identification in him or whether it was the story itself that captivated him, but either way, these words seemed to possess a magic power that gradually drew him in.

It was strange.

The pace of the book was slow, and the protagonist Guo Jing was a stark contrast to current popular protagonists. He was both simple and naive, not at all like the intelligent and wise protagonists Chu Kuang had written about before.

That's not right.

"YangFeng" remembered that the protagonist Zhang Xiaofan in "Zhu Xian" bore some resemblance to Guo Jing, but Guo Jing, with his wooden head, was far more stupid than Zhang Xiaofan. Yet "YangFeng" didn't feel any dislike for this protagonist, instead, there was an appreciation, as if such a protagonist was endearingly naive and familiar.

"The characters are very distinct."

As "YangFeng" read on, he felt that every character in this book was well-crafted and lifelike, even Guo Jing's unremarkable mother, Li Ping, who leaped off the page as the story unfolded!

You should know,

Initially, "YangFeng" had no feelings for Li Ping. She was not particularly good-looking, had a rough disposition, and was simply a countrywoman. Especially in the first chapter of the novel, when compared to Bao Xiruo, Li Ping seemed like a gap between a broken tile and a fine jade.

Bao Xiruo was so beautiful!

Kind and fragile, even the Zhao king of the powerful kingdom of Mongolia fell for her, using any means necessary to possess her.

And Li Ping?

Just a village aunt.

However, as the story progressed, Li Ping completely overshadowed Bao Xiruo!

Bao Xiruo became completely helpless in the face of drastic changes, her soft disposition causing headaches for the reader, while Li Ping was able to act shamelessly and throw tantrums on the road for the sake of her child, just to leave clues for the Seven Freaks of Jiangnan. She was not intimidated even after being beaten by Duan Tiande, spitting out a mouthful of blood and still daring to stand her ground!

Even as her belly grew larger;

Even as she grew tired from carrying her load across great distances;

Li Ping, with a resolve to avenge her loved ones, managed to hide her tracks. She finally escaped from the chaos of war and, in the midst of exhaustion and heavy snow, gave birth to Guo Jing—

She used her teeth to cut the umbilical cord, hugging her baby close against the flesh, giving birth in the snow!

It was a situation that seemed certain to end in death, but upon seeing her child, Li Ping somehow summoned the strength to struggle and rise!

War and slaughter!

The battlefield was littered with corpses and broken swords, not a single soul alive!

Faced with such a hellish realm, "YangFeng" felt that he would have been so scared that he couldn't walk, but Li Ping went through the corpses to find flint and clothes, survived on horse meat, and in the vast desert, she fought to protect the infant Guo Jing with an incredibly strong will, adding yet another striking chapter to the glory and greatness of maternal love in the world!

Wan Yan Hong Lie was a man of grand ambition.

Qiu Chuji faced his enemies with an air of otherworldliness.

The Seven Freaks of Jiangnan risked their lives for justice.

They were all heroic figures of the first order, but Li Ping, with her village girl image, was by no means inferior to them. In fact, the stark contrast made "YangFeng" even more moved, to the point of pounding the table in astonishment!

Suddenly,

"YangFeng" had an inexplicable strong premonition:

The martial heroes genre, silent for many years, seemed to have a terrifying torrent churning in the dark!

The winds of change were blowing silently,

And "The Legend of the Condor Heroes" in his hands would become the source of it all!

PS: Finally adjusted to the timezone. Following updates will be during the daytime. Asking for monthly votes at the beginning of the month~!

Tip: You can use left, right keyboard keys to browse between chapters.

Chapter 953 - 884 Zhao Continent Wait for Me

"YangFeng" and other editors were reading "The Legend of the Condor Heroes". Being the chief editor of the Fantasy Department, Ol' Xiong naturally did the same.

Afternoon.

Five thirty.

The standard closing time for Silver Blue Books.

Except for those who needed to work overtime, employees from other departments gradually left until the floors were empty.

Only the Fantasy Department remained, including Chief Editor Ol' Xiong, none of whom moved. They all sat obediently in front of their computers, engrossed in the screens.

Their seriousness even made the passing company leaders nod in approval.

The work attitude and enthusiasm in the Fantasy Department are impressive, they've even learned to work overtime on their own!

If the leaders came in for a closer look, they would discover:

On every computer screen in the entire Fantasy Department, the content of "The Legend of the Condor Heroes" was displayed.

In other words.

These people weren't working overtime at all, they were simply addicted to reading novels.

They hadn't even completed their basic work very well; most of their time was consumed by this unpublished novel, fully utilizing their editor status to laze around openly.

Fantasy novel editors, after all.

Reading fantasy novels during working hours, how is that not reasonable?

Suddenly.

The main door to the chief editor's office opened.

Ol' Xiong hurriedly prepared to go home.

If he didn't return soon, the "tigress" at home would suspect he was out partying with the general editor again.

However.

When Ol' Xiong saw that no one in the entire editorial department had left and that everyone was glued to their novels at their computers, he halted in his tracks.

"Ahem."

He coughed.

The Fantasy Department was dead silent; no one responded to him.

Ol' Xiong coughed louder, still no response.

Feeling his authority was being challenged, Ol' Xiong couldn't help but use his tried-and-true method:

"Meeting!"

Only then did people gradually look up, each of them complaining:

"Really, Chief Editor? We've already clocked out."

"I haven't finished the novel yet, Chu Kuang's writing is absolutely brilliant!"

"Chu Kuang's book brings back the excitement I felt reading martial arts novels in the past; it's an old theme, but Chu Kuang is Chu Kuang. You just can't stop reading after a few chapters!"

"I really like Huang Rong!"

"Huang Rong and Guo Jing are such a great match, though Huazheng is a bit unfortunate. I really enjoyed the segment with the 'Golden Saber Prince Consort,' but if I had to choose, it would still be Huang Rong. Chu Kuang writes romantic plots that are simply unbeatable, personally, I think Guo Jing and Huang Rong are the most perfect couple in martial arts history!"

"The East Heretic, West Poison, South Emperor, North Beggar, Central Divine, the Five Greats, and the Duel Atop Mount Hua setting are so high-class!"

"Then there's Mei Chaofeng's introduction of the 'Nine Yin Manual', and even skills like 'Eighteen Dragon Subduing Palms' and 'Toad Skill,' all are classic martial skills settings, combined with 'Wumu Yi Shu' and such, Chu Kuang's martial arts novel is simply incredible!"

While complaining.

They even started to exchange reading insights.

All the editors were captivated by this novel!

At this moment.

One editor discussed with the person beside him:

"Where did you leave off? I was just reading the part where Guo Jing tries to steal the 'Wumu Yi Shu'."

"I'm ahead of you, let me tell you, later on Guo Jing becomes incredibly powerful, and he and Huang Rong..."

"Shut up!"

An editor attempted to spoil the plot.

Instantly, other editors glared at him.

Knowing better, this editor promptly shut his mouth.

Seeing everyone's reactions, and thinking about how he too had spent the entire day in his office reading the book, even having his assistant bring lunch there, Ol' Xiong had a quiet epiphany:

First, present you with a topic that initially seems unappealing, then make you willingly buy into it.

This point is still very much Chu Kuang.

Just like what a certain editor had just mentioned, this novel seems to revive the excitement of reading martial arts novels for the first time!

"Prepare the promotional preview."

"Weren't you going to have a meeting, Chief Editor?"

"That meeting just now was already concluded."

Ol' Xiong smiled faintly, then left the editorial department.

After exchanging glances, the editors began discussing "The Legend of the Condor Heroes" again.

Since Chu Kuang had left the Fantasy Department, it had been a long time since everyone had engaged in such a heated discussion about a single novel.

That evening,

Silver Blue Books finally released a teaser for Chu Kuang's new book.

Of course, Chu Kuang's novel needed pre-launch promotion. The publisher revealed the title "The Legend of the Condor Heroes," and did not hide the novel's genre from the readers.

Martial Arts!

Following this announcement, Silver Blue Books was prepared to face public skepticism.

Who didn't know how unpopular martial arts novels were these days?

Except for the Zhao people, hardly anyone was interested in the martial arts genre.

However,

To Silver Blue Bookstore's astonishment, readers did not express much skepticism.

The comments section had a surprisingly unified front:

"Used to it."

"Just as expected."

"The same old trick again."

"You think I'd fall for that?"

"Classic old rascal style, those who know, know."

"Does Silver Blue actually think we'd be surprised?"

"Does the old rascal think we'd distrust him?"

"I don't believe..."

Okay, we actually don't trust! Indeed, there were various suspicions, but we can't say them out loud; it's better to keep these things in your heart, admitting them means losing!

Martial Arts!

Nobody anticipated that Chu Kuang's new book would delve into martial arts—a genre that makes everyone frown upon hearing it!

However,

Considering who Chu Kuang is, nobody felt surprised anymore—the old rascal wasn't new to this game!

The forever willful old rascal!

Only the newly joined Zhao people looked completely baffled, feeling like readers from other continents seemed quite experienced?

What does "Used to it" mean?

What does "Those who know, know" imply?

A Zhao person couldn't help asking, "Mysterious riddlers, just scram, could you clearly explain how you got used to it?"

The Blue Star Merger.

It had been more than a month since Zhao Continent joined the merger, and everyone knew how averse readers from other continents were to martial arts.

What's strange is:

Chu Kuang, a widely known author across the Qin, Qi, Chu, Yan, and Han, suddenly started writing martial arts novels, even for the first time, but readers from various continents didn't show much resistance.

Have we misunderstood?

Not just us Zhao people, readers from Qin, Qi, Chu, Yan, and Han actually quite like martial arts novels?

Netizens from other continents explained:

"You Zhao people will get used to it too. This Chu Kuang, nicknamed 'old rascal,' is the most infuriating author in the whole Blue Star literary circle. His purpose in writing is to provoke the readers; the more a genre is disliked by the readers, the more he'll write about it. In his books, the more the readers like a character, the more likely he's going to kill that character off. He even tries to join the ranks of examiners to throw extremely tough and unfair questions at everyone during college entrance exams. To put it simply, as long as the readers are unhappy, Chu Kuang is thrilled!"

Zhao people: ???

Blue Star has authors who deliberately antagonize their readers?

This author is quite famous in Qin, Qi, Chu, Yan, and Han, isn't he?

A Zhao person mocked, "Such a weird author still has an audience; seems like some readers are really undiscerning. Who knows which fools are supporting him? That just makes the readers the author's sons. Anyway, we Zhao people firmly oppose such authors. In our Zhao Continent, readers are always the authors' dads; if Daddy Reader isn't satisfied, then the author's son has to obediently tone down!"

Qin Continent: ...

Qi Continent: ...

Chu Continent: ...

Yan Continent: ...

Han Continent: ...

We, from Qin, Qi, Chu, Yan, and Han, intended to educate you newcomers with a friendly attitude, and you still curse at us!

Zhao Continent, right?

Heard you like martial arts novels?

Just wait, you'll be crying soon!

ps: Recommending a new book "Rebirth of a Thousand-Face Actor," the author has rich experience in writing entertainment; those interested might take a look, then continue to ask for monthly tickets. Went to bed at around 10 pm last night, and started getting up at 5 am today to write; probably won't wake up this early in the future, should wake up around 7 or 8 am once the time adjustment is completely back to normal.

Tip: You can use left, right keyboard keys to browse between chapters.

Chapter 954 - 885: The Completion of The Legend of the Condor Heroes

Readers from Qin, Qi, Chu, Yan, and Han felt offended.

Because they were the so-called "sons" of readers in the mouths of Zhao people.

They were the group of "fools" who fed Chu Kuang according to Zhao people.

Some readers from Qin, Qi, Chu, Yan, and Han were furious and, for the first time, hoped that Chu Kuang would give those readers from Zhao Continent a good beating and let that group of Zhao people know what an old rascal is!

To be honest.

Why weren't the readers from Qin, Qi, Chu, Yan, and Han that resistant to Chu Kuang's new book about martial arts?

It wasn't just because everyone was used to Chu Kuang's penchant for choosing niche genres for his creations, but more because everyone thought that Chu Kuang was aiming to attract fans from Zhao Continent.

This was normal.

Whenever a new continent joined the merger, many creators would shift their creative styles to cater to that continent, thereby acquiring the local fan market as quickly as possible, or at least securing a foothold—

Doesn't Zhao Continent love martial arts?

People understood that Chu Kuang wanted to capture more of the market in Zhao Continent, as the market of a continent was very large indeed.

Therefore.

In many people's minds, Chu Kuang's martial arts work should not target the user readership of Qin, Qi, Chu, Yan, and Han, but be tailor-made for Zhao people.

"It's kind of sour, isn't it?"

"When Qi Continent joined the merger, how come Chu Kuang didn't write a novel especially for us, Qi people?"

"The same goes for us in Han Continent."

"And for us in Chu Continent too!"

"This is the first time the old rascal is writing a genre specifically for a continent, isn't it? Only Zhao people really like martial arts."

"Exactly."

"Chu Kuang had better kill off more characters in this book. If he doesn't hand out enough death sentences, I'll be mad at him!"

Qin, Qi, Chu, Yan, Han.

The readers were maliciously looking forward to it.

In fact, not only did readers think so, but even those in the industry, upon learning that Chu Kuang was going to write martial arts, had similar thoughts.

"Martial arts novels?"

"He must be aiming to enter the Zhao Continent market."

"For a writer of Chu Kuang's caliber, the reader base in Qin, Qi, Chu, Yan, and Han is already very stable, so it's understandable for him to want to capture the Zhao Continent market."

"After all, it's hard for him to make progress now."

"If he wants to further his influence, he must start with the newly joined continent."

"Chu Kuang's goal is probably the whole Blue Star, since the Blue Star's big merger is also coming up, and only two continents will remain."

"With his strength, he indeed has the chance to capture readers from the entire Blue Star."

Zhao Continent had just joined.

And Chu Kuang just happened to write martial arts.

It was very normal for everyone to think this way, so the industry wasn't too surprised either, as it was quite normal for Chu Kuang to write about a niche genre, given his nature.

If the Zhao people are the primary target group?

This genre can't even be considered completely niche, at least not as niche as the sports competition genre that Chu Kuang wrote about when he first debuted.

It's like when a commercial film star suddenly makes an arthouse film.

Everyone knows the star is aiming for awards, not for the box office.

When you're not the target audience, forcing a debate about the arthouse film being too niche doesn't make much sense.

Now everyone is just curious about one thing:

Can Chu Kuang's martial arts novel, tailor-made for Zhao Continent, create a storm among Zhao people and let them understand why Chu Kuang is so popular among the readers of Qin, Qi, Chu, Yan, and Han!

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For others, writing a book is both a mental and physical task, but for Lin Yuan, it's purely physical, the kind where his hands can't keep up with his brain.

At home.

In the studio.

At Starlight Entertainment.

Lin Yuan wrote wherever he went, never minding what the outside world thought of Chu Kuang writing martial arts novels.

Jin Yong's works had undergone several revisions.

That included novels such as "The Legend of the Condor Heroes." While Jin Yong was alive, he would make adjustments every few years, sometimes in small details, other times in larger directions.

Lin Yuan was different.

The manuscript he received was meticulously prepared by the System, including various plotlines that were most widely accepted by readers in his past life, ensuring the novel's solid foundation to the greatest extent.

In addition.

Lin Yuan made virtually no changes to the historical background in the book, even adding and introducing more about it, so that everyone could have a deeper understanding of the world situation at that time.

It didn't matter if the readers from Blue Star didn't understand.

When such plots appeared in the novel, they could simply be regarded as alternate historical events.

Over thousands of years,

Earth's history was splendid and varied.

Great figures like Yue Fei emerged from it, also serving as a spectacle and highlight. Lin Yuan even planned to write about this period of Earth's history in novel form, as those real-life stories were even more fascinating than fiction!

There was no better subject for an alternate historical genre than true stories that had actually happened!

And as Lin Yuan kept pressing the keys non-stop, the sound of typing echoed continuously.

The story was ultimately completed smoothly:

[Genghis Khan raised his eyebrows, a proud look on his face, and said loudly, "I have conquered the world and destroyed countless nations in my life. Are you saying that doesn't make me a hero? Hah, what childish talk!"]

In late February,

On a mellow, sun-drenched afternoon, Lin Yuan finished "The Legend of the Condor Heroes," typing out three words at the end of the novel:

"The End"

Genghis Khan fell.

Guo Jing and Huang Rong flew together.

The book didn't present any major surprises. Not only was the ending satisfying, but the plot overall was in no sense torturous. With both enjoyment and depth well balanced, it's no wonder someone once commented, "With 'The Legend of the Condor Heroes' out, other martial arts novels are mere shadows." This statement is subjective, but it at least reflects the special significance of this work within the martial arts genre.

"Readers have too many misconceptions about Chu Kuang."

Lin Yuan felt somewhat wronged since Chu Kuang's writings were mostly thrilling, yet everyone remembered only the tortuous parts. He believed that "The Legend of the Condor Heroes" would salvage Chu Kuang's reputation!

What?

People died in this book too?

That wasn't the point. At least the characters who "bit the dust" didn't distress the readers too much. On the whole, the integrity was still there.

Even Ouyang Feng going mad wasn't a point of cruelty,

because Ouyang Feng was a villain in this book.

Moreover, tough characters like Ke Zhen'e survived until the end, someone who dared to challenge the Five Greats. Although he could never win a fight, he never lost when it came to showboating!

Thinking like this,

Lin Yuan had Jin Mu send the complete novel to Silver Blue Books and arranged for Gu Dong to take his manuscript and contact the TV department.

The TV series had to be prepared as quickly as possible.

After making these arrangements, Lin Yuan tapped his fingers on the table.

If that had been a piano, one might have noticed that Lin Yuan was playing a certain melody, each finger strike matching a specific piano key.

The song was called "Iron-Blooded Heart."

This was one of the most popular songs from the old TV adaptation of "The Legend of the Condor Heroes," and Lin Yuan planned to use the song in the Starlight TV series as well.

The TV series would require a number of songs.

Shortly after Silver Blue Books received the novel, the official website announced the publication preview for "The Legend of the Condor Heroes":

"Chu Kuang's new book to be released in March!"

This was just the simplest of announcements. Over the next few days, overwhelming promotions would follow, as Chu Kuang was Silver Blue Books' biggest draw and pillar.

However,

For an author of Chu Kuang's caliber, even the simplest of announcements was enough to spark countless discussions...

ps: Honey, I've splurged on two more ten-pack special card draws and still no sign of Sun Yaohuo. I urgently need some consolation with monthly tickets, help me out!

Tip: You can use left, right keyboard keys to browse between chapters.

Chapter 955 - 955: 886 Release Day

Readers from every continent were discussing.

However, unlike before, the most intense discussions about Chu Kuang's new book weren't by readers across the continents but by major bookstores in the Blue Star literary circle.

At that moment.

All the major bookstores were in a dilemma.

Normally, when Chu Kuang released a new book, all the major bookstores would scramble to buy it!

Especially after experiencing shortages due to underestimating the market for "Zhu Xian" years ago.

Insiders, cautious of underestimating Chu Kuang's new books, would conservatively order more to ensure a sufficient supply for the market.

However, this time was somewhat special.

Chu Kuang's new book was a wuxia theme, specifically targeted for the audience in Zhao Continent, precisely selecting its audience by genre!

Outside Zhao Continent.

Readers from Qin, Qi, Chu, Yan, and Han were not at all interested in wuxia novels.

Given this, how many copies of "The Legend of the Condor Heroes" should bookstores from Qin, Qi, Chu, Yan, and Han order to be appropriate?

Keep in mind.

Even if the readers from Qin, Qi, Chu, Yan, and Han weren't interested in wuxia, they were interested in Chu Kuang. Who knew how many readers from these places would buy "The Legend of the Condor Heroes" just because of the old rascal's reputation?

There would definitely be some sales.

While the major bookstores in Qin, Qi, Chu, Yan, and Han were struggling to decide, the major bookstores in Zhao Continent were extremely enthusiastic!

Over at Silver Blue Books.

Loads of orders from Zhao Continent came pouring in!

Anyone in Zhao Continent could easily find out who Chu Kuang was!

With such a top-tier author creating a wuxia novel specifically for Zhao people, would the residents of Zhao Continent not buy it?

Of course.

Although the bookstores in Qin, Qi, Chu, Yan, and Han were hesitant, they eventually ordered a significant amount from Silver Blue Books, albeit being a bit more conservative than usual, mostly around hundreds of thousands of copies each.

Alright.

For Chu Kuang's new book, ordering in the hundreds of thousands was considered conservative for major bookstores, but if compared to other authors, this order quantity was definitely exceptional!

Don't forget.

Before "Zhu Xian" was released.

Tranquility Bookstore had pre-ordered seven hundred thousand copies of "Zhu Xian," which had stunned many people.

Such was Chu Kuang's market appeal now!

Even if he wrote wuxia, targeting an audience that wasn't from Qin, Qi, Chu, Yan, and Han, these bookstores dared not order too few, fearing the unexpected.

After all, there were bloody lessons from the past.

On the other side.

Starlight Entertainment's TV department had already started working on the screenplay for "The Legend of the Condor Heroes."

With the original work right before them, and no need to alter the plot, a group of screenwriters worked together on it, and the screenplay progressed very quickly; the TV drama version of "The Legend of the Condor Heroes" was officially started when about a third of the screenplay was written.

The director chosen for the TV drama was...

Ding Xiao!

As the director of "Yang Xiaofan and Qin Tiange," Ding Xiao was already experienced in filming wuxia.

The recent "Treasured Lotus Lamp" had further established Ding Xiao as one of Starlight Television's leading directors, at least in terms of ratings security.

Proficiency in his field.

Choosing him to direct "The Legend of the Condor Heroes" also represented the company's emphasis on this drama.

However...

When the news of the TV drama "The Legend of the Condor Heroes" being shot spread, and the outside world saw who the director was, they laughed.

Netizens from Qin, Qi, Chu, Yan, and Han celebrated like it was New Year:

"It's actually Ding Xiao!"

"Guys, this is a sure win!"

"Hehehe, seeing the choice of director, I feel like I already know something, those who know, know."

"Zhao people, face the storm!"

"Dare to mock our readers from Qin, Qi, Chu, Yan, and Han, crush these ignorant newcomers!"

"Hahahaha, I wasn't interested in martial arts novels, but seeing that Ding Xiao is directing the TV show, I'm suddenly looking forward to 'The Legend of the Condor Heroes'!"

"This is the first time I'm so looking forward to the old rascal causing trouble!"

"You guys are crazy, just to see the Zhao people's joke, you actually started looking forward to the old rascal serving lunch!"

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The TV industry.

Major companies soon learned that Chu Kuang's new book 'The Legend of the Condor Heroes' was to be adapted into a TV series.

"Starlight really has faith in Chu Kuang."

"The novel hasn't even been tested in the market yet, and they're already planning to shoot a related TV series, following the original martial arts routine?"

"After all, it's Chu Kuang, with that trump card in hand, who wouldn't want to take a gamble?"

"Taking original creations to compete against those classic martial arts adaptations and remakes, they really have guts."

"The market is in Zhao Continent, let's see if the Zhao people buy it or not."

"Considering that Ding Xiao is the director, should this show follow the route of 'Yang Xiaofan and Qin Tiange', where the villain kills wildly throughout?"

Meanwhile.

Lancet, who was working on adapting 'Trap the Tiger', also noticed this news.

Lancet had complex feelings toward Chu Kuang.

On one hand, Lancet admired his ability to create a viewership miracle with 'Yang Xiaofan and Qin Tiange', benefiting immensely from it and even making martial arts drama remakes trendy;

On the other hand, Lancet was filled with anger towards Chu Kuang.

To him, 'Yang Xiaofan and Qin Tiange' was like his own child.

Chu Kuang's adaptation had twisted the novel so much that even he hardly recognized it, and seeing the characters being killed off one by one by Chu Kuang was truly heartbreaking!

This was good.

Lancet's eyes flashed with determination: "I will demonstrate the correct method of novel adaptation and remake with 'Trap the Tiger'!"

Ultimately, there were still some unresolved feelings.

He could never forget the excruciating pain he felt watching 'Yang Xiaofan and Qin Tiange'.

And in Zhao Continent.

Many forums were discussing Chu Kuang's move into writing martial arts novels.

The Zhao people had only been merged for less than two months; the culture and arts of Qin, Qi, Chu, Yan, and Han were vast like an ocean. Not many among the Zhao people truly understood Chu Kuang, most had only heard his name but hadn't read any of his specific novels.

"This Chu Kuang has a big reputation in Qin, Qi, Chu, Yan, and Han, and I'm quite interested in his martial arts books."

"I'm also curious how he earned such a big name."

"Writing martial arts novels is something we Zhao people excel at, personally, I don't really believe this Chu Kuang can write a martial arts novel that we Zhao people would like, after all, we have seen more martial arts novels than all the other continents combined, what haven't we seen!"

"Right."

"Maybe this Chu Kuang really is talented, but when it comes to martial arts novels, we still prefer the works of our own martial arts masters in Zhao Continent. However, since he specifically writes for the Zhao Continent market, I am still very interested in buying a book to read, hoping it's not just the usual martial arts stuff, he better bring something new, otherwise, we don't care how famous he is in Qin, Qi, Chu, Yan, and Han."

Curiosity.

The people of Zhao Continent were still full of curiosity toward Chu Kuang.

Especially those who had heard of his fame but had never actually read his novels.

Amidst different expectations from various continents,

time finally proceeded to March.

On the first day of the month, 'The Legend of the Condor Heroes' was officially released!

ps: Today's first ten consecutive draws included Sun Yaohuo, now I've collected a full set of all-arts cards, the 489th person with insane luck!

Tip: You can use left, right keyboard keys to browse between chapters.

Chapter 956 - 956: 887 days, Mount Tai, Big Dipper

March 1st.

9 AM.

Peng Lan, the head of Su City's New Cathay Bookstore in Qin Continent, had arrived early with her personal assistant to inspect the main store.

By this time, "The Legend of the Condor Heroes" had already been released.

She wanted to know the first-day sales of Chu Kuang's new book.

Due to the special circumstances of this release, although the major bookstores across Qin, Qi, Chu, Yan, and Han had adopted a conservative strategy, the total volume of stock was still substantial. Everyone was worried about sales, so there were many managers like Peng Lan who personally visited bookstores to observe the situation.

However.

when Peng Lan and her assistant entered the Su City New Cathay main store, they were startled by the scene inside.

Inside the bookstore,

customer after customer filled the different seats.

Upon closer inspection, one could see that nearly every customer was holding a copy of "The Legend of the Condor Heroes"!

At the front desk,

the crowded crowd was slightly noisy, with many customers holding "The Legend of the Condor Heroes" checking out at the cashier, creating a bustling scene:

"Where's Chu Kuang's new book?"

"One copy of Chu Kuang's new book, please!"

"The same for me, the old rascal's new book."

"Two copies of 'The Legend of the Condor Heroes,' thank you!"

"Is this Chu Kuang the old rascal's new book? Oh, yes, then I'll take one, two, three, four, five... six copies, and also a few for my five sons in the dorm."

Peng Lan was dumbstruck.

The assistant beside her was also astonished.

If Chu Kuang had written a detective novel or such, the two would not have been shocked by such a sales scene.

The old rascal had the market appeal.

But the issue here was that this was a martial arts novel!

Since when did the readers from Qin, Qi, Chu, Yan, and Han take such an interest in martial arts?

And that was knowing full well that this martial arts novel was written by Chu Kuang for the readers of Zhao Continent?

Ask around.

Peng Lan turned to a customer who was holding "The Legend of the Condor Heroes" and preparing to check out, curious,

"Young man, do you like martial arts novels?"

"Who likes this stuff?" the young customer replied casually.

Peng Lan was almost puzzled, "If you don't like martial arts, why do you still buy them?"

The young customer replied matter-of-factly, "To read, of course!"

Peng Lan: "..."

Is someone forcing you to read at knifepoint?

Seeing Peng Lan's reaction, the young customer looked like she was from a village without internet access,

"Those folks from Zhao Continent mocked us before. We want to see for ourselves how Chu Kuang tortures them to death with this novel. How would we know how they get tortured without reading it!"

Huh?

That works?

You bought the books just to see how this novel tortures the people of Zhao?

Peng Lan's head was spinning, she asked subconsciously,

"How do you know this book is so torturous?"

"Could it not be torturous if written by the old rascal Chu Kuang?"

A customer, also about to buy "The Legend of the Condor Heroes," couldn't help but join the conversation. He seemed to find Peng Lan's question odd, as if it were common knowledge.

Several customers lining up to check out also joined the discussion:

"This novel is going to be turned into a drama soon, directed by Ding Xiao. Have you not heard of Ding Xiao? He is that guy who feels uneasy if he doesn't torture the audience!"

"Chu Kuang and Ding Xiao! This combination just means a huge pitfall!"

"I'm really looking forward to seeing the people of Zhao crying under the old rascal's torture!"

"It's not entirely for that reason though, mainly because I love Chu Kuang's novels."

"Yes, it's been a long time since the old rascal Chu Kuang released a new book. Finally, here's one, even if it's a martial arts book, I still have to buy it and give it a look, I'm starving for his works!"

"Starving for his works, count me in."

"Whatever he writes, I can't help but want to take a look."

Peng Lan and the assistant exchanged glances, then joy quickly spread across their faces!

No matter what, good sales are good news. The batch of books we brought in should be able to sell now!

Chu Kuang, solid!

Meanwhile, outside New Cathay,

similar scenes were unfolding in other bookstores as well.

Although Chu Kuang was writing martial arts, the major bookstores were surprised to find that the buying power of the readers from Qin, Qi, Chu, Yan, and Han was still very strong!

Swish, swish, swish!

The relatively conservative inventory managed to perfectly handle the situation, avoiding any unsold books!

This also brought relief to the managers of the various bookstores.

"Lucky I had a big picture view!"

"Yeah, mainly because we've been educated by Chu Kuang more than once before, knowing that even the most conservative estimate for his books should be at least a few hundred thousand copies."

"Never thought that one day martial arts could sell like this."

"Old rascal Chu Kuang still disregards genre."

"It's not really disregarding genre though, the readers' enthusiasm is high, but it's still relative to martial arts. If Chu Kuang's new book was a mystery, do you believe that the doors of the bookstores would burst, a few hundred thousand copies wouldn't be enough to sell."

"That's true."

"After all, it's a martial arts novel, and no matter how enthusiastic the response, 'The Legend of the Condor Heroes' just doesn't sell as well as his mystery novels, which really saw explosive sales when the Poirot and Sherlock Holmes series were published - truly phenomenal."

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In Zhao Continent.

The major bookstores were likewise bustling with people.

Although the people of Zhao Continent were far less familiar with Chu Kuang than those from Qin, Qi, Chu, Yan, and Han, they had, after all, heard of his great name.

The Wuxia novel that Chu Kuang had written was exactly the type that the Zhao people loved.

Fueled by such curiosity,

many Zhao people couldn't help but stop by a bookstore to buy a copy of "The Legend of the Condor Heroes" when they passed one.

Meanwhile, inside a small bookstore on a certain street corner,

numerous newly published copies of "The Legend of the Condor Heroes" were placed on the shelves.

At that moment,

an old man entered the bookstore and picked up two copies of "The Legend of the Condor Heroes" to purchase.

"You are..."

After taking the money, the bookstore owner suddenly looked shocked, staring intently at the old man in front of him, his voice trembling:

"Mr. Canyang?"

"Didn't expect someone would still recognize me,"

the old man replied with a carefree smile, "I am Canyang."

The bookstore owner became incredibly excited, "Mr. Canyang, I am your fan! Could you sign for me? I've always cherished your works, especially 'The Command of Huayue'. Oh, and these two novels are on the house — it's my honor to have my idol buy books from my shop!"

Canyang!

A standard-bearer for the older generation of Wuxia writers from the Zhao Continent, his Wuxia novels had influenced an entire generation, esteemed and respected within the whole Wuxia literary circle!

Even though Canyang had formally retired from writing three years ago, his legends were still found everywhere in the martial arts world.

The owner of this bookstore had grown up reading Canyang's Wuxia novels; Canyang was his god of martial arts!

"Sure,"

Canyang kindly agreed. After signing, he left under the admiring and adoring gaze of the owner, though of course, he still paid the money.

After leaving,

Canyang drove to a manor.

Inside the manor, an old man around Canyang's age was drinking tea; he immediately stood up when he spotted Canyang:

"Brother Canyang, nice to see you well."

Canyang replied with a smile, "Brother Duan still looks so vigorous, no need to retire from writing like I did."

Had there been bystanders, they would have recognized the manor's occupant's identity; this was Duan Qingyun, another top Wuxia master from the Zhao Continent.

There's a saying in the Martial Arts World of Zhao Continent about "Mount Tai and the North Star."

Canyang was Mount Tai, and Duan Qingyun was the North Star.

Similar to Canyang, Duan Qingyun had also retired from writing two years ago and hadn't touched any Wuxia novel since then.

"You don't know the reason I retired?"

Duan Qingyun sighed, "There's not much left to write in Wuxia; I can't see a new path to explore."

On hearing this, Canyang fell briefly silent.

Others might know that Wuxia from Blue Star was declining, except the Zhao people still held a very high passion for this genre.

Few people knew:

Even in Zhao Continent, the market for Wuxia was shrinking year by year.

Someday, it might become like other continents, losing interest in Wuxia novels.

Just as Duan Qingyun said,

There wasn't much left to write in Wuxia.

The decision for the two "Mount Tai and North Stars" of the Martial Arts World to retire was not due to a decline in energy but mainly because they felt the constraints of creativity —

more precisely, the constraints pertinent to Wuxia.

Under such constraints, there was no broader future visible for Wuxia.

Even they, universally recognized as the top figures in the Martial Arts World, could no longer write works surpassing their previous ones — this was the real reason behind their successive retirements.

The mood became somewhat melancholic.

Duan Qingyun shook his head, "Let's not talk about that. We haven't seen each other for a long time. Sit down, have some tea, play chess. By the way, what are you holding?"

"Novels. Wuxia novels."

Canyang took out the copies of "The Legend of the Condor Heroes" he had bought from the bookstore: "Visiting Brother Lu, how could I come empty-handed."

"Interesting, whose work?"

"Chu Kuang, you should have heard of him."

"Rings a bell; his 'Journey to the West' had me unable to put it down. He's written Wuxia novels too? Let me see!"

Duan Qingyun became interested.

Canyang laughed heartily, "Aren't you not writing Wuxia anymore?"

Duan Qingyun rolled his eyes, "Aren't you not writing either? I can still read Wuxia, right?"

"It shows your heart for Wuxia hasn't died."

Canyang expressed revealingly, "Like me, you must often keep an eye on other Wuxia writers' works."

"Let's not talk about such pointless things."

Now that they were old acquaintances, Duan Qingyun didn't mind forgoing pleasantries and direct manners, taking a copy of "The Legend of the Condor Heroes" straight from Canyang,

"Pour the tea yourself, I'm going to read."

"Let's do it together, remember back in the day we used to sit together, drink tea, and read novels, quite pleasant indeed,"

Canyang remarked nostalgically.

The two men, at the peak of their creative years, continually learned from other Wuxia masters to refine their own craft, hence producing serially more fantastic Wuxia novels.

It's a pity that in recent years both began to falter.

Back then, they understood that for Wuxia novels to break new ground, someone had to forge a new path!

However, easy as it is to say, how challenging is it to actually forge it?

At least for these two, it was hard to imagine what that new path should be — that was also why they always kept an eye on other Wuxia writers, merely hoping someone would accomplish what they could not.

Amid all these thoughts,

they had both opened the novels in their hands.

[The vast waters of the Qiantang River endlessly flowed day and night, passing alongside Niujia Village in Lin'an as it hurried eastward to the sea. A row of dozens of black cypress trees, their leaves as red as fire, marked the month of August.]

The world of "The Legend of the Condor Heroes" slowly began to unfold.

ps: Recent encumbrances resulted in subpar updates, but fortunately, I can return to my little den tomorrow to focus on writing. In a couple of days, let me show you what a true writing maestro is. Hold me to that!

Tip: You can use left, right keyboard keys to browse between chapters.

Chapter 957 - 888 I See the Future of Martial Arts

The opening of The Legend of the Condor Heroes begins with an ancient poem recited with cadence and rhythm by an old storyteller:

"The little peach tree blooms on its own without a master,

The tobacco fields stretch vast, carrying the crows at dusk.

Several dilapidated walls surround the old well,

Once upon a time, each was a household's dwelling."

Duan Qingyun's eyes immediately lit up, and he soon exclaimed, "Nevermind the beginning, this quatrain is truly poetic brilliance."

"Good poem!"

Canyang nodded in agreement upon reading this passage.

Actually, this is a work by Dai Fugu, a poet of the Southern Song Dynasty, making its first appearance in Blue Star, and naturally both took it for an original creation by Chu Kuang.

Afterward.

The two no longer conversed, each deeply immersed in the spiritual world crafted by The Legend of the Condor Heroes.

Actually, the pace of The Legend of the Condor Heroes is quite slow; the protagonist does not even appear by the end of the first chapter, only entering the scene in the second.

However, the groundwork laid in the first chapter carries both necessity and inevitability.

Whether it's the origins of Guo Xiaotian and Yang Tie Xin, as well as Qiu Chuji, or the children in the wombs of Li Ping and Bao Xiruo, who, due to their parents' misfortunes, are sent on wholly different life paths, there's an undercurrent running miles beneath the surface.

The text repeatedly uses contrasts and juxtapositions of characters' fates:

Bao Xiruo, having lost her husband, feels secretly delighted when praised for her beauty by Wan Yan Hong Lie, even succumbing to the current and following this man.

Facing the same loss of a spouse,

Li Ping, however, is consumed by thoughts of revenge and refuses to submit to the great villain Duan Tiande, enduring beatings and insults with gritted teeth, even feigning madness and stupidity to barely survive.

Amidst the fluttering snowflakes,

Guo Jing is born with a cry.

At that time, the child in Bao Xiruo's womb, Yang Kang, had already become a Jin prince;

Whereas Guo Jing is but an ordinary child of the vast desert.

Yet, the story's focus is not on Yang Kang, but on Guo Jing.

From Guo Jing's rescue of Zhebie, to his resolve to not disclose Zhebie's hiding place even at the cost of his life, finally earning the respect of Temujin and the Mongolian warriors, the character's qualities and image vividly come to life.

Afterward.

The Seven Freaks of Jiangnan appear, Mei Chaofeng and Chen Xuan Feng becoming the notorious Black Wind Twins.

Amidst their fierce battle, the young Guo Jing intervenes, gaining the recognition of the Seven Freaks and also unveiling a corner of the enigmatic Huang Yaoshi, one of the "Five Greats."

Unknowingly,

The contrast between Yang Kang and Guo Jing grows even stronger.

Both have famous masters, both find themselves among other cultures as Han Chinese earning the favor of foreign leaders, and both have a brilliant future within easy reach, yet their worldviews could not be more different.

And when Huang Rong appears,

With her beggar-like demeanor and crafty charm, she easily tricks the generous Guo Jing into parting with his money, Duan Qingyun's face shows a tremendous change for the first time...

By then,

The tea has gone cold.

A breeze brings a chill to the pavilion.

The tea gently ripples, revealing its jade green shade.

The two titans of the Martial Arts World, each holding a copy of The Legend of the Condor Heroes, remain silent, their eyes seemingly rooted to the pages unfurling before them.

Before they know it, it's afternoon.

The sunlight gradually intensifies.

As they sip the cooled tea, without any exchange of glances, it's only when a family member reminds Duan Qingyun to eat that they snap back to reality as if roused from a dream.

"How long have we been reading?"

"About three or four hours."

Canyang rubs his slightly sore eyes, having not been so engrossed in a novel for a long time.

Duan Qingyun feels a strange surge of emotion but finds himself at a loss for words, his fingertips turning white from gripping the book pages so tightly.

"Let's eat first,"

Canyang suggests.

Duan Qingyun has the meal brought into the pavilion; he merely nibbles at a few bites, his gaze never leaving the book.

Beside him,

Canyang's reaction isn't much better than Duan Qingyun's, also focused on the book throughout the meal until he picks up a piece of ginger with his chopsticks, only then realizing he's still eating, although the ginger has already been swallowed.

After the meal.

Without prior agreement, both were once again immersed in the world of the book, as if the allure of this volume surpassed everything in the world.

One hour.

Two hours.

Three hours.

The difference from the morning lay in:

In the afternoon, the two no longer read in complete silence.

Although there wasn't much conversation, whenever the plot reached an exciting point, one could often hear the other person slapping the table in amazement and cheering loudly.

Finally.

The setting sun appeared on the horizon.

From the sunrise to the sunlight that struck after dinner, to a hint of red appearing in the sky, the air took on a tinge of chill.

The sky gradually darkened.

When the two snapped back to reality for the second time, they looked at each other by chance, only to simultaneously see shock in the other's eyes!

"Brother Duan..."

Although he hadn't finished reading, Canyang's emotions had already been thoroughly stirred by "The Legend of the Condor Heroes," his voice trembling slightly:

"What is this?"

"The future of martial arts fiction!"

This was Duan Qingyun's response, his face flushed, he spoke assertively and without hesitation, "This is a completely new path for martial arts fiction!"

Martial arts fiction is running out of things to write?

Before having read the novel in their hands, the two had regretfully discussed this topic, agreeing that for martial arts fiction to continue, it must carve out a completely new path, otherwise it would never break free from the shackles looming over the sky of martial arts. But upon reading this novel, even though they hadn't finished it yet, their outlook was suddenly enlightened!

How could someone write a martial arts novel like this?

Canyang's heart surged, as if bursting with endless vitality, his lips moved continuously:

"So it turns out martial arts fiction can be written like this!"

"I feel this is not just a martial arts novel, this is literature!"

For the first time, Duan Qingyun felt justified in calling martial arts literature, and Chu Kuang truly blazed a new trail for the genre!

An incredible new path!

In past martial arts novels, the Jianghu represented a dark place in opposition to the court, a haven for anti-imperial factions and troupes of performers.

What annihilation of clans.

What revenge.

What supreme mastery of martial arts.

Such main themes were too numerous to count.

After reading them too often, one couldn't avoid sensing a pettiness.

Yet within "The Legend of the Condor Heroes," the Jianghu was like a breath of fresh air, clearing away the musty air of old—

The peak of Mount Hua and the vast desert unfolded like a wide silver screen that instantly broadened one's horizon, a pair of white eagles stirred the imagination, the sea's tide made the martial arts that previously couldn't make it to the big screen sublime and ethereal, while the Dog Beating Staff brought the legend back to the worldly and familiar.

Whose jade flute mourns the falling plum blossoms?

An endless variety, an infinite delight!

This is a work that is a precursor in history!

The piece not only points to a direction for the future of martial arts fiction that no one could have imagined based on its own captivating plot; it also weaves the poignant changes of the country with the narrative, and these seemingly superfluous elements perfectly blend with the martial arts aspects within the main text!

The imaginative power of martial arts fiction fully unleashed!

Direct narration, flashback, aside, foreshadowing, setting the scene...

There is the soaring dragon in the skies, the powerful dragon's tail sweep, lifelike and vibrant, at times the noise of flutes and drums is loud, at times the shadow of flowers is dense.

Another dimension.

Someone once commented:

With the arrival of "The Legend of the Condor Heroes," even the spirits are startled.

To ordinary people, such praise might seem exaggerated, but to those veterans steeped in the martial arts realm for years, the true meaning of this acclaim was clear.

At this moment.

As two major constellations of the Martial Arts World in Zhao Continent, they too could not help but be astounded by it, let alone other readers who were gradually opening this novel.

The heat of "The Legend of the Condor Heroes" was coming!

PS: I just got back home and started working again. Today's update is as usual. Don't rush to mock me, I'll start writing intensively tomorrow. This time I must explode to prove you all wrong o(*____*)o.

Tip: You can use left, right keyboard keys to browse between chapters.

Chapter 958 - 889: Do We Have Enough Inventory to Sell?

The first burst of "The Legend of the Condor Heroes" occurred in Zhao Continent.

As the last bastion for the martial arts genre, the love of the Zhao people for martial arts is well-known across Blue Star.

Thus.

During the time when Canyang and Duan Qingshan were excitedly discussing "The Legend of the Condor Heroes" to the point of no return.

A storm suddenly swept through the martial arts forums of Zhao Continent!

The storm started with a post, which was simple, but the tone of the poster was incredibly exaggerated:

"Aaaaaah, who has read 'The Legend of the Condor Heroes'!?"

As a result.

That post exploded with countless readers who had just started reading "The Legend of the Condor Heroes"!

Hundreds of replies!

"Reading it, reading it, from afternoon till night, can't put it down!"

"You think that's something? I've been reading from 8 AM to 6 PM, a whole ten hours without a break, even forgot to make lunch, now I'm so hungry my stomach is growling, and I don't want to waste time cooking when I could be reading, so I had to order takeout. I freaking hate takeout, but what I hate even more is Bao Xiruo, this green tea. If she could die earlier, I would be willing to eat takeout for a month!"

"Turns out I'm not the only one who feels this way. This martial arts novel is incredible!"

"Me too, me too. This novel is simply addictive, I just can't stop reading. How can a martial arts novel be this thrilling!"

"This novel completely shattered my preconceived notions about martial arts. It's totally different from our Zhao Continent's style!"

"King's Path, huh. 'The Legend of the Condor Heroes' style is the real King's Path of martial arts!"

"This Chu Kuang is really awesome. No wonder he's so famous across Qin, Qi, Chu, Yan, and Han. He's just too good!"

"I'm totally infatuated with Huang Rong. She's the most perfect heroine I've seen in martial arts novels. Compared to Huang Rong, other heroines from martial arts novels are just pretty faces used to advance the plot!"

"Only after reading 'The Legend of the Condor Heroes' did I realize how one-sided my understanding of the martial world has been!"

"I really love this novel's original setting. The oppression of the Song Dynasty by the Jin people makes me so angry, and the Mongolians are really strong. Unfortunately, Chu Kuang's depiction of this fictional history isn't rich enough. Otherwise, it would be even more exciting. Who knew combining martial arts novels with fictional history could be this exhilarating!"

"The various settings inside are too cool!"

"Eighteen Dragon Subduing Palms, Branch Beats the White Chimpanzee, Nine Yin Manual, and things like Eastern Heretic, Western Poison, Southern Emperor, Northern Beggar, Central Diviner, and Duel Atop Mount Hua are just too awesome!"

The people of Zhao Continent read a lot of martial arts.

However, "The Legend of the Condor Heroes" was a style they had never experienced before!

The impact of this new style directly caused the first batch of Zhao readers who picked up the novel to fall for it!

And after Zhao Continent.

Qin, Qi, Chu, Yan, and Han also started to stir.

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Qin Continent.

"Oh my, is this still the martial arts I know? Why is it so thrilling? I haven't been able to get into a martial arts novel for eight hundred years. But Chu Kuang's 'The Legend of the Condor Heroes' brought back the excitement I felt when I first read a martial arts novel all those years ago!"

"The Legend of the Condor Heroes? Chu Kuang's new book? Is it good? Isn't it just a martial arts novel?"

"You've made me curious. I saw online reviews saying it was written for Zhao people, never imagined I'd see so many of our Qin readers recommending it too."

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Qi Continent.

"Damn, worthy of the old rascal, even turning clichéd martial arts into something fresh. 'The Legend of the Condor Heroes' is too captivating. This is the real charm of martial arts!?"

"Are you sure, upstairs?"

"No need for upstairs to confirm, I can confirm for you. I'm someone who can't stand watching a single martial arts drama, yet I devoured Chu Kuang's book for half a day!"

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Chu Continent.

"Strongly recommend 'The Legend of the Condor Heroes.' Don't miss out on this novel just because you don't read martial arts. You'll realize you actually love this genre after reading it!"

"Really?"

"Isn't it said that the old rascal wrote this book specifically for Zhao people?"

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Yan Continent.

"I was just casually flipping through 'The Legend of the Condor Heroes,' since it's the old rascal's new book, but once I started reading, I was hooked. He writes really well, it's just unfortunate for Princess Huazheng!"

"Chu Kuang's martial arts novel?"

"It's just a martial arts novel, is it that good? I'll find some time to buy and read it."

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Han Continent.

"If you haven't read 'The Legend of the Condor Heroes' yet, hurry up and dive in. I have a feeling that if you're late, you won't be able to buy it anymore—at that time, don't blame your brother for not warning you!"

"What? Are you a shill for the bookstore?"

"Is Chu Kuang's wuxia novel really that good? I bought a copy, thinking about reading it, but somehow I just can't bring myself to open it and flip through."

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Unlike Zhao Continent.

On Zhao Continent, readers of 'The Legend of the Condor Heroes' were numerous, and they all read it at the first opportunity, truly loving wuxia and genuinely curious about Chu Kuang.

In the five continents of Qin, Qi, Chu, Yan, and Han,

the readers who bought 'The Legend of the Condor Heroes' were far fewer than the Zhao people.

Even though quite a few readers bought 'The Legend of the Condor Heroes,' many didn't read it at all due to a lack of motivation.

However,

when the readers from Qin, Qi, Chu, Yan, and Han saw so many people recommending the novel, they couldn't help but become interested.

Could it be that with a theme like wuxia, the old rascal also managed to create something spectacular?

Could it be that 'The Legend of the Condor Heroes' was not only written for Zhao people, but also something that we from Qin, Qi, Chu, Yan, and Han would enjoy?

With this thought,

the next day, the bookstores in each of the states of Qin, Qi, Chu, Yan, and Han were even busier than the first day!

"Give me a copy of 'The Legend of the Condor Heroes'!"

"I'll buy one too!"

"Old Luo, can't I just borrow yours and see it, why should I buy it too? What a waste of money."

"Nonsense, I haven't finished it yet. Hurry up and buy it. Don't you see how many people are queuing up?"

"Fine, one copy of 'The Legend of the Condor Heroes'. If it's not as good as you say, I'm coming after you tonight."

"I want 'The Legend of the Condor Heroes'!"

Eagles are a protected species, you know.

The managers of the major bookstores, noticing the situation inside the stores, were once again complacently proud!

That's what you call vision!

They had thought that after the first day, the sales of 'The Legend of the Condor Heroes' would decrease.

Most of the first-day buyers were die-hard fans of Chu Kuang, and such fans are limited in number after all.

Yet, who knew?

By the second day of release, 'The Legend of the Condor Heroes' sold even better!

Luckily we had the foresight to order hundreds of thousands of stocks, even if we went the conservative route!

However,

just when the bookstore managers were nearly squinting their eyes shut from grinning, the third day since 'The Legend of the Condor Heroes' release arrived.

That day,

many readers had already completely finished reading 'The Legend of the Condor Heroes'.

After all, the book was just over a million words, and for some seasoned readers, that meant just a couple of days of reading.

Morning,

clients coming to purchase 'The Legend of the Condor Heroes' at various bookstores were even more preposterous, lining up in long queues for the first time.

One bookstore owner quicky calculated and was shocked to find that just the number of buyers that morning alone was more than the total number of customers from the previous two days combined!

At that moment.

some started having doubts:

"Manager, this trend seems a bit off, don't you think? How come the number of readers buying books is getting scarier each day?"

"Our vision..."

"Ah no, it's our stock... "

"Do we have enough stock to sell?"

ps: Thanks to the grand Alliance Hierarch of Yu Yang830711, offering my knees to the big boss—may riches come your way, and tomorrow you transform into a coding powerhouse!

Tip: You can use left, right keyboard keys to browse between chapters.

Chapter 959 - 890 JingRong's Romance (First Update)

Is there enough stock to sell?

Of course there isn't enough to sell!

The number of readers coming to the bookstore to buy books on the third day was terrifying.

It was around nine o'clock in the morning when a certain large chain bookstore reluctantly put up the "The Legend of the Condor Heroes sold out" sign first.

And then.

It was like a domino effect.

Following the first bookstore's inability to cope, more and more bookstores found themselves in the awkward situation of having nothing to sell, and more "The Legend of the Condor Heroes sold out" signs were reluctantly put up.

Soaring Dragon Bookstore sold out!

Universal Bookstore sold out!

Pinnacle Bookstore sold out!

Tranquility Bookstore sold out!

New Cathay Bookstore sold out!

Countless bookstores across the five continents of Qin, Qi, Chu, Yan, and Han sold out in turn; "The Legend of the Condor Heroes" suddenly became out of stock!

Too small!

The scale was too small!

Just yesterday, the person in charge of each major bookstore was all smiles, but today they're all cursing under their breath, hurriedly contacting Silver Blue Books for restocking!

What the hell is happening!

Since when did wuxia become so popular?

Wasn't it said that readers from Qin, Qi, Chu, Yan, and Han don't like to read wuxia?

You can't even trust a single punctuation mark in what these readers say!

Previously, all major bookstores thought that the first day's sales would be the highest. They didn't expect the second day to be even higher, and just when they thought the second day was the limit, the third day's sales exceeded the sum of the first two days!

And all this actually had a reason.

As the first batch of readers finished the entire novel, the reputation of this work completely exploded online!

Its most direct manifestation is:

A 9.3 rating for The Legend of the Condor Heroes on Starry Sky Web!

And the number of reviewers exceeded 600,000!

Almost no decent negative comments could be found in the entire comments section:

"This 'The Legend of the Condor Heroes' alone has an aura that completely crushes all previous wuxia novels. The book's vast, boundless and touching atmosphere can't simply be described as shocking. Chu Kuang made me fall in love with wuxia all over again!"

"Two words only: Holy shit!"

"Wuxia can portray chivalry and righteousness seen in everyday life; romance reflects people's desires. The former is idealistic, while the latter is realistic, yet this kind of realism really hits home for me. I cried and laughed, my soul was moved. I don't know how many people, like me, are fascinated by the fictional history laid out in the book, feeling that this era seems grand. The fictional historical figures mentioned by Chu Kuang in the book, like Yue Fei, Yang Guang, and Emperor Wu of Han, all seem to have a lot to talk about."

"I want to eat the food cooked by Huang Rong."

"Wuxia is the eternal love in my heart, but honestly, I haven't read this genre for many years. I thought I had stopped loving wuxia, but after reading The Legend of the Condor Heroes, I realized that my love for wuxia had never diminished by even a bit. It was just that I was growing up, while wuxia had made no progress for many years. When a wuxia work that could keep up with my growth appeared, my love for wuxia was just like first love. Also... cough, I want to learn the Eighteen Dragon Subduing Palms."

"Is this the rhythm of a wuxia revival?"

"Guo Jing and Huang Rong are absolutely the most perfect couple in wuxia history. They embody the traditional Chinese concept of harmony without uniformity. Chu Kuang

hasn't written serious romance scenes in a long time, but when he does it seriously, those romance novel writers should come and pay homage to their ancestors!"

"I like Huang Yaoshi the most!"

"I prefer Zhou Botong. Wang Chongyang definitely isn't a steady person, otherwise how could he have raised Zhou Botong, this naughty child? Also, Master Yideng's deep love, though briefly described, left a deep impression on me. The different kinds of love depicted in this book are thought-provoking. The JingRong romance even moved me deeply. I can only say sorry to Huazheng: You are really good, but I can only love Rong'er."

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After the release of The Legend of the Condor Heroes, no matter the concept of Duel Atop Mount Hua or the Five Greats, or the variety of martial skills, nothing compared to the endless discussion about JingRong's romance among readers.

Jin Yong is good at writing romance.

And among his works, Guo Jing and Huang Rong as a couple are definitely one of the most popular, almost becoming a cultural symbol.

In the book.

When Huang Rong mistakenly thought Guo Jing had perished at sea, she was determined to die to join him.

And when Huang Rong was critically injured by the Iron Palm, with Guo Jing holding her in the vast wilderness, it was so heartbreakingly desperate.

"In death, carry me on your back."

"In life, carry me on your back."

Huang Rong's expressions were truly shocking to the heart.

The response from Guo Jing was even more heart-wrenching as tears flowed uncontrollably, "Rong'er, life and death are predestined, and the length of life is difficult to predict. If your wound is truly incurable, then you will always have your Jing brother to accompany you on the road to the netherworld."

The emotions were written to a climax.

And the scenes were laid out to the utmost extreme.

With grand imagined histories encompassing even the court and the current situation, igniting the blood and passion to surge tumultuously.

This is a wuxia novel that encompasses everything, its scale truly incomparable to that of ordinary martial arts fiction.

The mighty The Legend of the Condor Heroes craze finally started to sweep across the sky!

Tribes.

Blogs.

On Blue Star's major social media platforms and forums, discussions about The Legend of the Condor Heroes were emerging one after another, completely dominating the trending searches.

#GuoJingHuangRong#

#Dog-Beating Stick Technique#

#Duel Atop Mount Hua#

#Eighteen Dragon Subduing Palms#

#Chu Kuang's The Legend of the Condor Heroes#

#Eastern Heretic, Western Venom, Southern Emperor, Northern Beggar, Central Divine#

Under various derivative topics, discussions on the plot of The Legend of the Condor Heroes became more in-depth, down to the minutiae of the text.

At this time.

Many readers who hadn't been able to buy the book, yet were completely enticed by the various online comments, became desperate:

"Is Chu Kuang's new book really that good?"

"All my friends are recommending it!"

"I went to a bookstore to buy it, and they were sold out, can you believe that?"

"What kind of world is this, where I actually can't buy a wuxia book that I want to read?"

"Whoever has finished reading The Legend of the Condor Heroes, can you sell it to me second-hand? I'll pay the original price!"

"I kind of regret not buying a copy earlier."

"I have a friend who works in a bookstore, and he said that there is a shortage in every continent now. Silver Blue is reprinting, but they still can't meet the demand. Only Zhao Continent has stock left, but even Zhao Continent's online bookstores are out of stock. You have to go to their physical stores."

This was a curious psychology.

The harder a book was to buy, the more everyone wanted to get their hands on it.

For this reason, some people even bought plane tickets specifically to go to Zhao Continent to purchase the book and return, posting their plane ticket information online afterward.

"Damn!"

"Crazy!"

"The money you spent on the plane ticket could've bought so many copies of The Legend of the Condor Heroes!"

"I thought it was already outrageous when I saw a rich, pretty girl in Qin Continent taking a plane to Qi Continent just to have a meal, and now I've come across something even more ridiculous. It's just a novel, how much could it possibly cost!"

"That's showing off!"

"Couldn't you have just paid someone in Zhao Continent to buy a copy and mail it to you? With today's delivery speed, the book would arrive in a day or two."

"This must be what it's like to have money to burn!"

"Big brother, is it worth it? Time is money too!"

That very night.

The blogger who had specifically flown to Zhao Continent to buy the book replied to the top-liked comment questioning whether the trip was worth it.

The content was:

"Right after buying it and on the way home, I felt like I might have been a bit feverish, but reading The Legend of the Condor Heroes on the plane made me realize that this trip was so worth it!"

Damn!

Is it really that good?

The readers who hadn't managed to buy the book became even more anxious!

Tip: You can use left, right keyboard keys to browse between chapters.

Chapter 960 - 891: Five Uniques (2nd Update)

Actually, the printing speed of Silver Blue Books wasn't that slow, and major bookstores replenished their stocks quickly after less than two days of running out.

This was the fifth day since the release of The Legend of the Condor Heroes!

This time, there was no embarrassment of being sold out, as the shelves of major bookstores were well-stocked with The Legend of the Condor Heroes.

Amid such a big commotion, the media of course could not remain silent.

For instance, Qin Continent News did a special report early in the morning.

The program began.

The host started with a broadcaster's tone, introducing the situation:

"Renowned author Chu Kuang recently launched his new work The Legend of the Condor Heroes, a wuxia novel. As everyone knows, apart from on Zhao Continent, wuxia novels don't have a big market on Blue Star. This is a generally recognized niche genre. Yet, a work of such a niche genre was continuously sold out in major bookstores within three days of its release, until it was restocked this morning. Now, let's see what kind of magic this wuxia novel holds for its readers..."

As the host narrated, the screen switched to the entrances of various major bookstores.

New Cathay Bookstore, Soaring Dragon Bookstore, Tranquility Bookstore, and other famous national bookstores flashed one by one on the screen.

Followed by close-ups of various covers of The Legend of the Condor Heroes on the shelves.

Then, a field reporter randomly interviewed customers at the bookstore entrances.

"I came to buy The Legend of the Condor Heroes."

A male customer waved the book in his hand at the camera.

The reporter asked a standard question, "Do you really like reading wuxia novels?"

The male customer nodded and then shook his head, speaking again amidst the reporter's confusion, "I like wuxia, but I've stopped reading wuxia novels because after a while, they seem uninteresting. But the day before yesterday, my buddy bought a copy of The Legend of the Condor Heroes, and I casually flipped through a few pages and was completely hooked..."

"What hooked you?"

"Of course it's because it's interesting, I can't quite put my finger on it, but I just feel this wuxia novel is different from the others."

The screen flickered again.

Similarly, several random street interviews.

"This book is so hard to get, I barely managed to buy it!"

"I don't know if it's good or not, but since so many people online recommend it, it probably won't be bad."

"I trust the old rascal, everyone says it's good, so it can't be too bad."

"No time for interviews, I'm off to buy The Legend of the Condor Heroes."

These were scenes captured randomly at the entrances of various bookstores, and as more people got their hands on The Legend of the Condor Heroes, the resounding boom of its popularity finally peaked!

At home.

Between bookstores.

On the subway.

Inside companies.

Even in tense classrooms, people were sneaking peeks at The Legend of the Condor Heroes they had just bought.

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At a university.

Some male student was buried in reading The Legend of the Condor Heroes, completely immersed in the world of martial arts, completely forgetting that he was in class.

Suddenly.

Someone beside him asked, "Is that book any good?"

The male student, without even lifting his head, said, "Definitely!"

With a snort,

the surrounding burst into laughter.

The male student then realized something was amiss, looked up perplexedly, and just happened to meet the stern face of the professor.

"Professor... Professor Wang..."

The male student quickly put away The Legend of the Condor Heroes and stood up conscientiously, his face turning pale with awkwardness and tension.

Professor Wang was terrifying!

As a professor in the literature department, the thing Professor Wang hated most was when students read so-called frivolous books with no literary value.

Fantasy literature like wuxia novels couldn't possibly appeal to Professor Wang.

Today, not only had he read such a book, but he had done so during the professor's class, so he could only imagine the forthcoming storm.

The other students also gradually stopped laughing.

Given Professor Wang's style, someone reading a wuxia novel in his class was bound to make him extremely angry.

However.

Just when everyone thought Professor Wang would burst into a fury.

Professor Wang surprisingly picked up "The Legend of the Condor Heroes" from the student's hands, then raised it and asked everyone:

"Have you all read this book?"

No one dared to answer, each bowing their heads as if playing dead.

Professor Wang smiled, "None of you have read this book, isn't that a bit outdated? Even I, an old man, have almost finished reading it!"

What?

The crowd was stunned and then quickly said, "We have read it!"

Professor Wang's laugh grew even heartier, "This class discusses the symbolic meaning of literary creation, as well as the methods and techniques involved. Since you've all read this book, I can talk to you about these aspects."

The students below widened their eyes in astonishment!

Was the sun rising from the west?

Professor Wang had read "The Legend of the Condor Heroes"?

And it seemed like he had a positive impression of this novel?

Hadn't Professor Wang always been dismissive of martial arts novels before?

What's going on here?

In the students' curiosity, Professor Wang returned to the podium.

He still held "The Legend of the Condor Heroes" in his hands:

"I know what you're thinking. I indeed don't like the whole set of martial arts novels; martial arts, martial arts, the emphasis should be on 'arts'. However, ninety-nine percent of martial arts novels on the market only know how to fight and kill. They focus on 'martial', yet they are ignorant of the fact that 'arts' should restrain 'martial'. These so-called vibrant revenges are just a patchwork troupe named 'rivers and lakes', lawless,

with only their moral standards, sometimes right but not always. Yet, they always think they are right. This idealistic moral standard can easily corrupt children. The inadvertent reveal of self, yet cheaply crowned with the name of heroism, is the scariest part."

The conversation took a turn.

Professor Wang continued, "However, there are a few martial arts novels that know the emphasis of martial arts should be on 'arts', like Canyang, like Duan Qingshan among the greats of the genre, and even Chu Kuang's 'The Legend of the Condor Heroes'. Even the concept of heroism carried in Chu Kuang's novel, as well as its superior literary scope, is better executed than those two top figures of Zhao Continent, in my opinion. I believe those in the literary field would agree."

"You think 'The Legend of the Condor Heroes' is literature?"

A student spoke in astonishment.

Although everyone liked "The Legend of the Condor Heroes", pulling a fantasy novel into the category of literary works seemed somewhat exaggerated, didn't it?

It was like everyone enjoying those fast-paced exhilarating web novels.

But as appealing as they were,

web novels were web novels, and literature was literature; the two should not be confused, a fact well understood by the readers.

"I think it is."

Professor Wang smiled faintly, "Speaking this from my mouth might attract some criticism, but I firmly believe so. Why don't you answer me a question first, do you all know what the Great Five are?"

"Yesl"

The students below spoke in unison.

Nearly everyone in the literary department had read "The Legend of the Condor Heroes."

Their interest in this type of class far exceeded the knowledge in textbooks!

As for the Great Five?

Anyone who had read the book knew about the top masters in the martial world like the Eastern Heretic, Western Poison, Southern Emperor, and Northern Beggar.

"Very good."

Professor Wang placed "The Legend of the Condor Heroes" on the podium:

"Then do you know why Huang Yaoshi is called the Eastern Heretic, why Ouyang Feng is called the Western Poison, why Master Yideng is the Southern Emperor, and why Hong Qigong is the Northern Beggar—why not Winter Poison, Western Heretic or such names, but specifically these directions?"

The students looked at each other in bewilderment.

Why Eastern Heretic and Western Poison?

Isn't it all just random naming by Chu Kuang?

Could it not be because those names rhyme and sound more domineering when shouted?

Seeing the response of the students, Professor Wang sighed:

"It seems you have returned all the knowledge I previously taught you, undamaged. Do you still remember our previous discussion about the Five Elements and Bagua?"

The Five Elements?

The Bagua?

The students grew even more bewildered.

Although they had learned about this before, it seemed unrelated to the Great Five, didn't it?

Tip: You can use left, right keyboard keys to browse between chapters.

Chapter 961 - 892: What Is a Hero (Third Update)

"Clumsy."

Professor Wang glared and said, "How can you not react to such an obvious hint? Is this how you read books?"

"What does it actually mean?"

The students below couldn't help but become curious.

Accustomed to being scolded by Professor Wang, nobody got angry.

Professor Wang wrote the names of Huang Yaoshi and others on the blackboard, then continued.

"In the theory of the Five Elements, the East is associated with wood, hence the Eastern Heretic is Huang Yaoshi, and Huang has the grass radical, which means wood. The West is associated with metal, so the 'Feng' in Western Poison Ouyang Feng's name is from the metal radical. The North is associated with water, hence Hong Qigong's 'Hong' has the three water dots. As for the center, it is earth, which corresponds to Wang Chongyang, since earth represents the center and Wang Chongyang's original name, mentioned once in the novel, is Wang Zhe. The South is associated with fire. Do I still need to explain why Master Yideng represents fire?"

"No way!"

The students were stunned!

Was this the origin of the names of the Five Greats? There was such a theory?

In the novel, Chu Kuang never mentioned this point, causing everyone to never even consider this direction!

Was naming in this novel so meticulous?

A student was skeptical, "Could it be a coincidence?"

Professor Wang said, "Since fire overcomes metal, Master Yideng's One Yang Finger can counter Ouyang Feng's Toad Skill, and because metal overcomes wood, that's why Ouyang Feng chased Huang Rong around, bullying her to death for his nephew. If you still want a reason, think carefully about Peach Blossom Island and why Huang Yaoshi's 'Bi Hai Chao Sheng' further clarifies why the Eastern Heretic represents wood."

Logical and convincing!

Impressive!

Now, no one dared to question this matter further. However, once everyone digested this information, a student couldn't help but say, "But Professor Wang, even so, The Legend of the Condor Heroes cannot be considered literature just yet, right? Can the ostentatious martial skills in wuxia novels really be interpreted through literature?"

"Let's talk about martial skills."

Professor Wang said, "Take the most domineering 'Eighteen Dragon Subduing Palms', for example. Do you know the names of the moves within it?"

"Regret of the Arrogant Dragon!"

"Submerged Dragon Should Not Be Used!"

Some students vaguely remembered a few.

Professor Wang asked, "Don't those names sound cool?"

Everyone nodded; indeed, those names sparked excitement.

Professor Wang, however, said, "But do you know? On the surface, 'Regret of the Arrogant Dragon' suggests that the move can be retracted after being executed, but it actually teaches us to understand when to advance or retreat, to not be arrogant; 'Submerged Dragon Should Not Be Used' indicates that each palm strike in the Eighteen Dragon Subduing Palms is solid, every move is powerful and shocking, so if there is no opportunity, do not use it, because otherwise, it's a waste of energy with no purpose. Furthermore, when you combine the rest of the moves, it becomes a philosophy of life!"

A girl in the front row whispered, "Is this your personal interpretation?"

Professor Wang shrugged his shoulders, "Then let's talk about something that's not my personal interpretation, but I'm afraid you might not understand with your level, huh. 'Regret of the Arrogant Dragon' corresponds to the Qian hexagram in 'The Book of Changes', saying the upper nine; 'Dragon Soaring the Sky' is also Qian hexagram, saying nine five, and 'Seeing the Dragon in the Field' is still Qian hexagram, saying nine two. As for 'Hong Jian Yu Lu', it corresponds to the Jian hexagram, saying: nine three..."

Damn it!

We got schooled by him!

As Professor Wang introduced 'The Book of Changes,' the students felt deep respect, while becoming even more astonished!

The Eighteen Dragon Subduing Palms came from 'The Book of Changes'?

Martial art techniques, hiding life philosophies?

At this moment.

Students could not help but to argue for the sake of argument, "Then what does the 'Nine Yin Manual' say?"

Professor Wang was completely unconcerned and casually cited, "The way of heaven is to diminish the excess and supplement the deficient, thus the intangible triumphs over the tangible, and that which is lacking overcomes that which is abundant. Its meaning is extensive, its principle profound, and its intrigue deep. It divides the images of heaven and earth, lists the signs of Yin and Yang, expresses the causes of change, and makes clear the omens of life and death. Without conniving, traces naturally coincide; without compact, the subtle and the obvious are in harmony. Considering its words in detail, the verification with reality is faultless. It can truly be called the tenet of the ultimate way and the beginning of nurturing life..."

Upon reaching this point, Professor Wang slapped the table:

"This was adapted from the 'Tao Te Ching'. You young people are ignorant and have not fully understood Chu Kuang's intention in writing these martial arts techniques. The various settings in his books all have a cultural foundation, with references to so many ancient texts. They're not just made up out of thin air as you imagine!"

This was also why Professor Wang loved 'The Legend of the Condor Heroes'.

In other martial arts novels, the martial arts moves are all made up randomly, to be as domineering as possible. Chu Kuang, however, drew his martial arts moves from ancient texts, turning the fictional martial arts into an orderly and intrinsically logical compendium!

Below the stage.

The students were stunned by the critique!

No one had expected that in Chu Kuang's book, not only did the outstanding figures correspond to directions and the five elements, but even the martial skills themselves carried such connotations. They even made use of Laozi's 'Tao Te Ching'!

"Is this the literary nature of 'The Legend of the Condor Heroes'?"

After the shock, a student muttered under their breath.

Professor Wang shook his head, "This is the literary nature of 'The Legend of the Condor Heroes', but it is not the entirety of its literary attributes. This book encompasses poetry, calligraphy, painting, music, chess, and even Confucianism, Taoism, and Buddhism, as well as astronomy and geography. Moreover, it uniquely integrates the mysterious Qimen Dunjia, Yin and Yang, and the five elements. In a way, it could be called a mini-encyclopedia of traditional culture. To fully understand 'The Legend of the Condor Heroes', you wouldn't have to go through so much trouble in my class. Let's test

you again: do you know about the various philosophers referenced in 'The Legend of the Condor Heroes'?"

The various philosophers?

The students looked at each other with odd expressions, clearly thinking:

Please, continue showing off!

"I knew you wouldn't understand. Huang Yaoshi, who grew weary of the world and lived in isolation, embraced Zhuangzi's Taoist philosophy that views fame and gain as passing clouds. There's no need to say much about Master Yideng, who represents Buddhism, renouncing the world and converting to the Three Jewels. As for Ouyang Feng, he is like the strategist school, using all sorts of schemes and stopping at nothing. Hong Qigong embodies the Mohist ideals, helping the distressed and saving those in trouble..."

So impressive!

A student asked, "What about Guo Jing?"

The corner of Professor Wang's mouth curled up, "Guo Jing embodies Confucian orthodox thought, not only in his personality but also in his fervent desire to serve his country."

"Is there a specific instance of that?"

The students were completely led by the nose by Professor Wang, only realizing today how profound his literary cultivation was; even a regular person reading a martial arts novel would not reach his level of understanding!

"You all really have a knack for questions."

Professor Wang flipped through 'The Legend of the Condor Heroes', quickly finding the information he was looking for:

"In the thirty-seventh chapter, the Mongol army attacks Samarkand but cannot breach it for a long time. Temujin then declares that whomever can conquer the city shall be rewarded with all its treasures. Eventually, Guo Jing devises a plan to take the city and Temujin, true to his word, is set to reward him. However, Guo Jing had already privately decided to use the opportunity to ask Temujin to cancel his engagement with Princess Huazheng. But then they encounter the Mongol army slaughtering the city's people, with tens of thousands of innocent lives brutally taken. Seeing this, Guo Jing resolutely changes his request to 'spare these tens of thousands of lives' and does not regret it. This is an embodiment of Confucian character, and also the reason why I hold Guo Jing

in such high regard. Moreover, this plot point precisely highlights the main narrative thread of the story!"

The students were utterly convinced!

No matter what questions they asked, Professor Wang was unshakable!

Then a student subconsciously asked, "What is the main theme of 'The Legend of the Condor Heroes'?"

Professor Wang sighed, "That's a good question. Initially, I thought the main theme of 'The Legend of the Condor Heroes' should be the Duel Atop Mount Hua; later I believed it should be helping Temujin sweep across the world. But only at the end did I understand that the main theme of this book is national duty and righteousness - something that makes this novel stronger than all other martial arts novels. Just like the final question Guo Jing asks Temujin before his death, today I also ask you, what kind of person can be called a hero?"

He shook his head.

Professor Wang said, "This question is too complex for you, given your intelligence it's hard to understand. Let's change to another question, which will also be your homework for this class. Tomorrow, each of you must write a summary for me. As an old man without much culture, I need you to tell me..."

Holding the chalk.

Professor Wang wrote the character for 'hero' on the blackboard, then turned to face the students, his gaze filled with expectation:

"What is heroism!?"

Tip: You can use left, right keyboard keys to browse between chapters.

Chapter 962 - 893: The Greatness of a Hero, For the Country, For the People (4th Update)

What is a hero?

The students scratched their heads in puzzlement.

And in the following class, Professor Wang not only sparred with the students but also dissected "The Legend of the Condor Heroes" to reveal the aspects of its cultural representation. He made various extensive references, so much so that when class ended, the students were still reluctant to leave!

"Professor Wang, tell us more!"

"We haven't had enough yet!"

"You've just finished analyzing Huang Yaoshi. How about analyzing some of the others next, like Master Yideng?"

"Professor Wang is GOAT!"

"I'll never call you an old rascal again!"

"Anyone who dares to say Professor Wang's class is boring, I'll fight them!"

Professor Wang: "..."

He used to be polite to these students, and they didn't appreciate it; today, he scolded them vigorously, and they seemed to enjoy it?

"Class is over!"

He waved his hand, "We'll continue with 'The Legend of the Condor Heroes' next class. Now go back and do your homework properly!"

What is a hero?

This question was the homework Professor Wang had left them.

Just as Professor Wang was preparing to leave, a somewhat embarrassed student approached him and said, "Professor Wang, today's class was too exciting, I couldn't help but record a video. Can I post it online?"

" ..."

Playing with your phone during class?

Professor Wang responded with irritation, "Not again!"

The student excitedly replied, "Understood, Professor Wang!"

Sure enough.

The student quickly uploaded the video online.

To the student's surprise, Professor Wang's lecture went viral rapidly!

His elaborate analysis of "The Legend of the Condor Heroes" in class had won countless netizens' admiration and awe!

"Damn!"

"GOAT, I bow down to Professor Wang!"

"As expected from a literature professor. Are we even reading the same novel? 'The Legend of the Condor Heroes' has so many literary allusions?"

"A marvel to behold!"

"The talk about the Five Elements and the Bagua was brilliant!"

"The coolest part was the martial skills analysis. I had no idea that techniques like the 'Eighteen Dragon Subduing Palms' originated from ancient texts!"

"Ah, this professor is so adorable, saying he's uneducated. Who is he dissing?"

"Spending the whole lecture roasting students in various imposing ways, yet it ends up making you speechless because he truly understands!" Search the Novel fire(.)ne*t website to access chapters of novels early and in the highest quality.

"After watching the professor's analysis, I realized just how terrifying this old rascal is. The other martial arts novels pale in comparison to 'The Legend of the Condor Heroes'!"

"Talking about nationalism is easy, but who dares make it the main theme?"

"Only Chu Kuang could handle that theme. Normal martial arts writers simply can't grasp it. But seriously, after listening to Professor Wang's analysis, I realized 'The Legend of the Condor Heroes' is even more GOAT than I thought!"

The netizens were truly shocked!

Everyone was solely focused on the storyline when reading "The Legend of the Condor Heroes," completely overlooking the numerous traditional cultural references embedded in the text!

Professor Wang is outstanding!

Chu Kuang is even more so!

A martial arts novel was endowed with such profound literary depth by Chu Kuang, that even Professor Wang, a proponent of traditional culture, couldn't help but give a thumbs up in praise!

You should know.

The traditional culture circle has always been mainly critical of fantasy works, and it is rare for such works to receive such outright approval!

And as netizens were busy lavishing praise,

the student who uploaded the video couldn't help but say:

"Don't just spit rainbows; offer some suggestions. OI' Wang is asking what a hero is!"

"How should we know!"

The netizens certainly weren't interested in doing homework.

But Professor Wang's lecture gained not only the likes and approval of netizens.

Other renowned figures from the field of traditional culture also shared the video, affirming this viewpoint.

This was a first.

The traditional culture circle has such respect for a wuxia novel!

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Meanwhile.

Starlight Entertainment.

Lin Yuan was sitting in his office writing a novel.

If someone were standing behind Lin Yuan, they would certainly see that the document he was writing was boldly titled "The Return of the Condor Heroes"!

Yes.

After finishing "The Legend of the Condor Heroes," Lin Yuan didn't fall into his usual salted fish mode.

He immediately began writing "The Return of the Condor Heroes".

Jin Yong is known for the Condor Trilogy, consisting of "The Legend of the Condor Heroes," "The Return of the Condor Heroes," and "Heaven-Reliant Dragon Slayer".

Among them.

The stories of The Legend of the Condor Heroes and The Return of the Condor Heroes are tightly connected.

Lin Yuan could put off "Heaven-Reliant Dragon Slayer" for later, but he couldn't let go of the story of The Return of the Condor Heroes.

Only with the release of "The Return of the Condor Heroes" would the character development of Guo Jing be truly completed.

Of course.

This was also related to Lin Yuan's need for Chu Kuang to earn him more reputation points.

Lin Yuan was aware of how popular "The Legend of the Condor Heroes" was, and he knew that striking while the iron was hot would ensure good sales for subsequent works.

And until today.

He had already finished nearly half of "The Return of the Condor Heroes" and planned to complete it before April and then publish it.

Just like that.

He continued writing until four in the afternoon before deciding to call it a day.

Sitting in the car on the way home, Lin Yuan took out his phone to check the online comments about The Legend of the Condor Heroes.

It had become a daily routine for Lin Yuan to assess the System's mission progress of reviving the martial arts stories by reading silly netizens' comments on "The Legend of the Condor Heroes".

At that moment.

Lin Yuan saw Professor Wang's classroom video.

After watching the video, Lin Yuan couldn't help but smile.

The interpretation was excellent!

Actually, "The Legend of the Condor Heroes" encompasses a rich array of cultures and ideas, and Professor Wang had only revealed the tip of the iceberg.

However, one must know:

It has been only a few days since The Legend of the Condor Heroes was published.

Being able to discern so much in just a couple of days showed Professor Wang's literary accomplishment.

This saved Lin Yuan quite a bit of trouble.

If these things weren't pointed out by others, Lin Yuan would have had to log in to Yi An's account and boast about it himself. Although there would be nothing wrong with that, it might be somewhat embarrassing, fearing that he could potentially embarrass himself in public one day.

However...

At the end of the class, the question left by Professor Wang was indeed very interesting, nearly striking at the core of "The Legend of the Condor Heroes".

With a thought.

Lin Yuan felt it was better to let Yi An fill in the gaps, as Yi An's existence was indeed meant for this.

With that thought.

Lin Yuan quickly logged into Yi An's account and took the opportunity to share the video on his blog.

In the comments section, Lin Yuan typed out eight characters:

"The hero's greatest pursuit, for the country and for the people!"

Actually, this phrase would be more concretely exemplified in "The Return of the Condor Heroes" and also complements the character development of Guo Jing.

With The Return of the Condor Heroes yet to be released.

Lin Yuan deciding to write out this phrase earlier would help people understand Guo Jing's actions and thoughts more deeply.

Making up his mind.

Lin Yuan clicked "Publish".

Thus, the concept of "The hero's greatest pursuit, for the country and for the people" in wuxia was introduced for the first time on Blue Star!

ps: Does this bit capture the essence of a prolific word-spinner?

Tip: You can use left, right keyboard keys to browse between chapters.

Chapter 963 - 894: Heaven's Deficiency, Earth's Scarcity

The post was live for three seconds.

The page notified, "[Posting failed, please check your network.]"

Lin Yuan looked and realized it was just a temporary network hiccup. He didn't pay it much mind and was about to repost when his finger hesitated slightly.

Something's not right!

Lin Yuan had a sudden realization.

He almost forgot the phrase "The greatest duty of a hero is to serve their country and its people," which had an original line in "The Return of the Condor Heroes," spoken by Guo Jing to Yang Guo.

If Yi An said this first, what would Chu Kuang say?

Was Chu Kuang supposed to copy Yi An's book review?

What kind of author copies a reader's book review?

Lin Yuan felt somewhat fortunate; this timely network glitch saved Chu Kuang from being criticized by readers for plagiarizing Yi An's review.

Cancel the post.

Lin Yuan decided to keep Yi An undercover.

Blue Star was not short on people like Professor Wang.

With such individuals around, the various designs within "The Legend of the Condor Heroes" would naturally not escape their eyes.

Analyzing the martial skills of The Legend of the Condor Heroes;

Ranking The Legend of the Condor Heroes top experts;

Down to the structure of the characters;

Even the study of fictitious history.

Every topic about The Legend of the Condor Heroes was spreading its influence with great momentum, making the novel increasingly resonate deeply with people—

Especially with the hearts of the people of Zhao Continent!

Chu Kuang managed to leave a profound impression on the Zhao people because of this book.

This newly joined merged continent now viewed Chu Kuang extraordinarily favorably.

Of course.

The popularity of "The Legend of the Condor Heroes" remained undiminished in the regions of Qin, Qi, Chu, Yan, and Han as well.

However, unlike the people of Zhao,

The readers from Qin, Qi, Chu, Yan, and Han actually expressed dissatisfaction with the book!

A reader complained:

"Everything's great with this book by the old rascal, except that he gives out too few lunch boxes, so there are hardly any tear-jerking moments from start to finish. Weren't the Zhao people mocking us before? I really want to see the old rascal ruthlessly torment the readers of Zhao Continent, what's going on now, hey?"

"The old rascal doesn't torment readers anymore, there goes my youth!"

"Has the old rascal changed his ways? This Legend of the Condor Heroes is so stirring, not a single hiccup from start to finish, he really has bowed down to the market (dog head)"

"Old rascal, I beg you to torment us!"

"So he's really going against the readers, huh? When we hope he doesn't torment anybody, he torments us terribly, and when we hope he'd give the Zhao Continent readers a hard time, he ends up not tormenting at all?"

"Throwing hard punches at us but meekly nodding along with Zhao Continent?"

"It's one thing for him to write a book specifically for Zhao Continent, but did he really have to write something so thrilling? Not a single important character dies, isn't that letting those Zhao people off too easy!"

It's unfair.

The readers from Qin, Qi, Chu, Yan, and Han felt imbalanced.

Especially since the Zhao people had previously mocked them.

This had left the readers from Qin, Qi, Chu, Yan, and Han fuming internally, eager to see the old rascal torment them thoroughly; and yet, who could have predicted that the old rascal wouldn't play by the rules at all!

The very moment when he should've been toughest!

He suddenly became kind!

Look at the storyline of "The Legend of the Condor Heroes"!

The ones who died happened to be characters readers weren't deeply connected to, whose emotions were not yet fully engaged.

Like a few from the Seven Freaks of Jiangnan with minor storylines, or complicated figures like Yang Kang; beloved characters remained safely alive!

Could it be the old rascal genuinely turned over a new leaf?

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Back home.

My sister, my little sister, and mom were huddled together, engaged in an animated discussion about something.

Seeing Lin Yuan,

Mom laughed, "You're back just in time, we're planning to go on a trip, do you want to join us?"

Lin Yuan paused, "A trip?"

My sister explained, "Big Yaoyao and mom are home all the time, and I'm afraid they'll get bored. The company is about to have a few days off, so I thought it'd be nice to take them out for a trip. Transportation is so convenient these days, it's easy to go anywhere."

Lin Yuan asked, "Where to for the trip?"

My sister excited, "I want to go to Mount Hua. Your good buddy Chu Kuang recently wrote 'The Legend of the Condor Heroes,' right? The part about Duel Atop Mount Hua in the book was so thrilling that now many people are influenced by this novel to visit Mount Hua. Even the local advertisers at Mount Hua are using the hype around the Duel Atop Mount Hua to promote tourism!"

Travel to Mount Hua?

Lin Yuan was somewhat surprised.

Blue Star and Earth share quite a few similarities, such as some histories preceding the Second Emperor of Qin, Hu Hai.

In terms of geographical locations, the two worlds also have many similar places—for example, Mount Hua exists on Blue Star just as it does on Earth.

But what Lin Yuan hadn't expected was

that Mount Hua's tourism was being boosted because of the concept of Duel Atop Mount Hua from 'The Legend of the Condor Heroes.'

However, after some thought, Lin Yuan suddenly didn't find it strange anymore.

'Grave Robbers' Chronicles' by Nanpai Sanshu repeatedly mentioned Changbai Mountain, resulting in Earth's Changbai Mountain tourism benefiting greatly from the novel. This was similar to how 'The Legend of the Condor Heroes' stimulated tourism for Mount Hua.

This is the power of novels.

They may seem like just bunches of text, but their impact on people is actually huge.

"Sure."

Lin Yuan didn't refuse.

Spending more time with family by traveling together seemed like a good idea, and he didn't have anything else to do since he was recently writing 'The Return of the Condor Heroes.'

Novels can be written anywhere.

Even writing while on a trip is completely okay.

Without discussing the trip itinerary with the family, Lin Yuan went upstairs, turned on his computer, and casually looked up recent news about Mount Hua.

Indeed, as my sister had said,

due to the concept of Duel Atop Mount Hua from 'The Legend of the Condor Heroes,' a lot of people were traveling there.

In the comments section, some even suspected Chu Kuang of taking money from Mount Hua's officials to so vigorously promote Mount Hua in the novel—

This was one of the rare instances on Blue Star when a novel influenced tourism to a particular location.

Not dwelling on these matters anymore,

Lin Yuan opened the document to continue writing 'The Return of the Condor Heroes.' With the recent efforts, he had completed half of the novel.

This included the plot where Little Dragon Maiden's chastity is compromised.

For this part of the story, Lin Yuan fully respected the original work.

Emotionally, Lin Yuan really wanted to change the Dragon Rider's storyline. The part where Little Dragon Maiden is defiled by Zhen Zhibing is definitely a sore point for countless fans of 'The Return of the Condor Heroes,' forever an unresolved grievance.

But:

Yang Guo's arm amputation and Little Dragon Maiden's loss of chastity echoed the novel's theme of "incompleteness."

Jin Yong's novel went through several revisions and yet this segment of the story remained, indicating that, artistically, it was necessary. Hence, Lin Yuan decided to be rational about it and keep the plot.

Even if readers might not like it.

It wasn't Chu Kuang's first time writing plot points that upset readers anyway.

After all, having been called the old rascal for so many years, the persona was established, and one more act of mischief wouldn't hurt.

Alright then.

Unknowingly, Lin Yuan had started to accept the setup that Chu Kuang was the "old rascal."

ps: The character of Dragon Rider aligns too well with Chu Kuang's persona, so you understand. However, the part about Yi An is a copy... Following everyone's suggestions, let's have Chu Kuang answer what "Hero's Mate" is.

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Chapter 964 - 895: Drinking on the Lakeside, The Sunshine Followed by Rain

In fact, Jin Yong didn't completely avoid altering the Dragon Rider storyline in "The Return of the Condor Heroes."

Yeah.

Dragon Rider changed from Yin Zhiping to Zhen Zhibing.

Since Yin Zhiping was a real person, causing protests from Taoism, he was replaced with a character like Zhen Zhibing.

Lin Yuan made changes as well.

It's indeed inappropriate to tarnish the reputation of a real historical figure.

Even though Blue Star didn't have Yin Zhiping, the proper respect was still necessary.

Half an hour later.

Lin Yuan went downstairs for dinner.

His sister suddenly expressed her regret, "It looks like we can't go to Mount Hua anymore, let's head to the nearby West Lake first and then keep traveling."

Lin Yuan asked, "What happened?"

His sister gestured towards the TV, "Take a look."

Lin Yuan looked at the television, where the news presenter was explaining the situation:

"According to reports from Qi Continent, today, Blue Star's famous tourist spot Mount Hua's traffic has nearly collapsed. From the footage, we can see the area is completely overcrowded; countless vehicles have been stuck for hours unable to move. The traffic police started clearing the roads early in the morning. This scene was caused by Chu Kuang's martial arts novel 'The Legend of the Condor Heroes', which mentions Duel Atop Mount Hua..."

Lin Yuan secretly rejoiced in his heart.

Seeing the significant influence of "The Legend of the Condor Heroes", he was naturally happy for Chu Kuang, the old rascal.

However, it was now impossible to visit Mount Hua.

If tourism turned into counting heads, then undoubtedly, the mere sight of countless tourists squeezing through would already be enough to deter any interest in visiting.

"Officials at Mount Hua must be thrilled."

His sister said with a grimace, frustrated that they couldn't witness Duel Atop Mount Hua, even though there was no such event there actually.

But Lin Xuan was right.

Officials at Mount Hua were indeed ecstatic.

At that moment, there was excitement in the staff group chat of the local scenic area:

"Chu Kuang's novel is a godsend, Mount Hua hasn't been this lively in a long time!"

"If his book had been published a few years earlier, we wouldn't have lost to Mount Tai by a slight margin in the last selection for Blue Star's outstanding scenic areas, such a pity!"

"You should be glad he didn't write about Duel Atop Mount Tai!"

"After all, our Duel Atop Mount Hua just sounds more powerful!"

"I think this concept is fantastic, we could host an event called Duel Atop Mount Hua in the future? We'll pay Chu Kuang royalties, although we never charged him any."

"It's a good idea, we can't be ungrateful."

"Hehehe, other scenic areas are so envious now, long live The Legend of the Condor Heroes, long live martial arts fiction, long live Chu Kuang!"

The guesswork at Mount Hua wasn't wrong.

Indeed, other scenic areas were looking on enviously:

"It's just a novel, how can it have such a huge impact!"

"It's not just any mention of Mount Hua in the novel, but the splendid depiction of the Duel Atop Mount Hua in 'The Legend of the Condor Heroes' is mostly responsible!"

"Can we contact Chu Kuang and ask for his help in advertising for us too?"

"We can try, but there's no guarantee that Chu Kuang will agree, and the situation at Mount Hua is likely hard to replicate."

"They're lucky!"

"The most distressed are those at Mount Tai, whose fame is similar to Mount Hua's. Perhaps many people originally intended to visit Mount Tai, but changed their plans because of Chu Kuang's novel. The competition between these two sites has always been fierce!"

"Let's set aside that issue, we should also think of ways to use literary works to boost our promotions."

As various major scenic areas envied Mount Hua's situation.

Many scenic areas, inspired by the success of Mount Hua's publicity, came up with the idea of using literature to promote local tourism, all thanks to Chu Kuang's novel.

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The travel plans started three days later.

That day.

Lin Yuan, who had packed his bags and accompanied by a bodyguard, set out with his family.

Sun Yaohuo was left to look after Antarctica.

Their first stop was West Lake.

Just like Blue Star had famous places such as Mount Hua and Mount Tai, West Lake on Blue Star was also a very famous scenic area.

Most importantly:

West Lake was very close to Su City.

It took only an hour's drive for Lin Yuan and his group to reach their destination.

Although he had bodyguards with him, Lin Yuan still disguised himself to prevent passersby from recognizing him.

However, his method of disguise was different from the celebrities who liked to use a cap combined with a mask and sunglasses for cover.

He wore gold-framed glasses, and his usually loose bangs were combed back at an angle, giving him a very different temperament from usual.

Just to be safe, he also added a mask for himself.

His sister was in charge of this look.

She even wanted to do Lin Yuan's makeup, but he had refused.

He didn't like the feeling of having stuff on his face and only submitted to makeup artists during shows for the sake of camera effects.

After arriving at West Lake.

The family strolled along the path, admiring the views and tasting snacks, enjoying a leisurely and happy time.

Nobody recognized Lin Yuan.

Even when Lin Yuan occasionally took off his mask to eat, he only managed to attract more looks due to his looks and demeanor, but he didn't encounter any incidents of fans recognizing him on the spot.

It was a rare relaxation.

Lin Yuan couldn't help but enjoy the scenery as well.

Blue Star's West Lake was also beautiful, with mountains and waters, truly poetic and picturesque.

At that moment.

His sister suddenly pointed at the boats on West Lake, "Let's go for a boat ride!"

Everyone happily agreed.

At the ferry point, a boat was parked.

This was a boat rowed by a boatman, more popular than the electric boats.

After Lin Yuan and his family boarded the boat, a light rain suddenly began to fall from the sky, its beautiful, misty appearance making it even more memorable.

"Lin Yuan."

His sister stretched out her hand to touch the raindrops from the sky, "Aren't you known for your brilliant literary talent? Don't you feel the impulse to compose a poem in such a scene?"

Lin Yuan shook his head, "No."

His sister rolled her eyes, then prodded Big Yaoyao:

"Big Yaoyao, since you're a top student, come up with one to show your brother your strength!"

"I'll try."

After pondering for a while, the sister struggled to begin, "Slanted shadows reflect on the black awning, West Lake's expanse drifts away. Landscape enters dreams stealthily, rain wakens the cloudy skies."

His sister applauded, "Not bad, Big Yaoyao."

Big Yaoyao shook her head, "It's not written very well."

Lin Yuan nodded in agreement, "Indeed, it's not very good."

This author's level of poetry writing was indeed somewhat lacking.

Big Yaoyao was not pleased, since she disliked being negated by her brother:

"Then you write one."

A thought struck Lin Yuan, "Then you're eating greens tonight!"

His sister gritted her teeth, resolutely deciding, "I'll eat them, but you need to write better than me... write well enough!"

Writing better than herself was still simple for him, so she changed her condition. Writing "well enough" was a very subjective standard, where whether it was good enough would be for her to decide.

"Okay."

Lin Yuan began without hesitation or any excessive gestures, merely stating monotonously, "The water's glistening reflection is best when it's clear..."

"Continue."

Big Yaoyao stared at Lin Yuan.

Lin Yuan, looking at the distance, recited, "The mountain's colors are misty, the rain also strange."

His sister looked at Lin Yuan in amazement, her expression clearly conveying, "Although I don't know what you're saying, it seems quite impressive."

"Desiring to compare West Lake to Xi Shi..."

When Lin Yuan recited this line, his mom's attention was also drawn to him, seemingly curious about his next line.

This was Su Immortal's famous work, "Drinking on the Lakeside, The Sunshine Followed by Rain."

Luckily this world had Xi Shi, Lin Yuan thought to himself, reciting the final line, "Light makeup or thick, always so fitting."

His mom looked on, clearly astonished.

His sister didn't quite grasp the brilliance.

Big Yaoyao was struck dumb.

ps: Today the typing warrior lays down his swords, don't be too quick to jeer, I will see your right cheek swollen too.

Tip: You can use left, right keyboard keys to browse between chapters.

Chapter 965 - 896: Advertising for West Lake

The sky had cleared.

The rain had stopped.

Lin Yuan's family went ashore.

The recent rain hadn't been heavy, and the number of visitors at West Lake hadn't decreased; instead, the air was fresher than before, carrying a moist sensation. As a breeze blew by, it even had a refreshing and rejuvenating effect.

They continued sightseeing around.

After passing a bridge, they suddenly encountered a bustling scene, seemingly an event, with quite a crowd gathered inside and out.

A voice rose among them:

"Welcome all visitors to our beautiful West Lake. Today, our scenic area proudly presents a poetry collection event. Here you can compose a poem about the scenic beauty of West Lake. If your work catches our judges' favor, you will get a chance to win a prize in our draw. The least you can win is a free boat ticket, and the highest could be our grand prize of ten thousand yuan. Please grace us with your talents, and who knows, your work might even appear on a TV program as a commercial for promoting our scenic area, and there will be additional compensation..."

Poetry?

A draw?

The sister laughed, hugging Lin Yuan, "The poem you just wrote on the boat wasn't bad. How about we use that to try our luck in the draw?"

Lin Yuan: "..."

I'll thank Su Da Xian Ren for you.

To trade the most famous poem about West Lake for a chance in a draw, the maximum reward being only ten thousand yuan?

"Don't hesitate!"

The sister eagerly persuaded, "You're wearing a mask, no one will recognize you."

Their mother suddenly laughed, "West Lake's collection of poetry for promotion must be learning from Mount Hua's method. By capitalizing on the fame of 'Duel Atop Mount Hua' from 'The Legend of the Condor Heroes', West Lake wants to carve out a path using the influence of poetry."

Learning from Mount Hua?

Using literary works to promote a scenic area, Lin Yuan, sensing an opportunity for fame, suddenly said:

"Then let's sign up."

"I'll go line up right now."

The sister was very enthusiastic.

In fact, many tourists present were quite eager, and the event saw high participation, with people occasionally composing a poem.

Soon, it was Lin Yuan's turn.

Lin Yuan took his own form, preparing to write when his sister suddenly asked the staff, "Do you have a brush, ink, paper, and inkstone?"

"Yes."

The staff member was taken aback for a moment but then nodded, smiling, "Are you folks from Zhao Continent? Zhao people really enjoy writing with brushes."

The sister smiled. "We are locals."

West Lake wasn't far from Su City, and saying they were locals wasn't entirely wrong since West Lake was within the Qin Continent. Being one of the top attractions in Qin Continent supported the massive daily influx of tourists, nearly sustaining half a city, and the entire continent felt a certain ownership over the site.

Soon.

The brush, ink, paper, and inkstone were ready.

While most were filling out forms, using a brush and ink was rare, so Lin Yuan attracted quite a bit of attention, with some even attempting to see his face, but unable to due to the mask and hat.

No one found it odd.

Occasionally, visitors wearing hats and masks appeared at West Lake, sometimes even sunglasses, resembling a celebrity out and about.

With a flick of his wrist.

Lin Yuan began to write.

Without the slightest hesitation, a poem quickly appeared before the eyes of the spectators, titled "Drinking on the Lakeside, The Sunshine Followed by Rain":

[The light of the water shines beautifully when clear; the mountain hues mystically blend with the rain.]

[Desiring to compare West Lake to Xizi, light or heavy makeup all seem appropriate.]

Upon seeing this poem, expressions changed among the crowd, with everyone's first thought being:

Beautiful handwriting!

Lin Yuan possessed Master Level calligraphy skills, and although he had not yet required the "Artistic Touch" skill, the threshold for appreciating calligraphy was somewhat lower than that for painting. Moreover, as everyone can write, it's evident when handwriting is good or bad, although the specifics and extent of its excellence might not be clear to the layperson.

The second reaction was:

Excellent poem, this poetry is too good!

Initially, everyone's focus had been on the handwriting, so they didn't immediately delve into the poetry itself, which required time to appreciate. However, once they emerged from the charm of the handwriting, they instantly fell into the perfect atmosphere of the poem itself, a beauty even surpassing that of the calligraphy itself:

The shimmering waters on a sunny day;

The mountain scenery on a rainy day was mysterious;

the contrast between West Lake and Xizi;

the harmony between light makeup and heavy application;

Whether it was the beauty of appearances, the beauty of the atmosphere, or even the beauty of the text itself, all could be appreciated from different angles!

"Damn!"

"Awesome!"

"This poem, it's really... awesome!"

"Too bad I'm uneducated... great handwriting, even better poetry!"

"Big shot!"

"Master in disquise?"

The scene immediately erupted in cheers, and tourists even started clapping, with the intermittent "Damn!"

"Can we participate in a raffle?"

The sister was eager to try.

The staff nearby, astounded by the beauty, subtly changed their attitude, "Please wait a moment, I'll ask the judges to take a look."

"I am right here..."

A middle-aged man beside them spoke up, who was the judge officiating the event.

It turned out the judge had been drawn over by the crowd, stood up, and moved closer, but when he saw Lin Yuan's poem, he was stunned!

Staff: "Can we participate in the draw?"

The judge, with tears of laughter, replied, "'Do we even need to mention it, Sunny Day is fine, but Rain is also unique.' Not to mention the neat antithesis, this atmosphere alone is overwhelmingly beautiful, the last two lines are absolutely striking, a true masterpiece. This guy is a master, making me judge him is simply demeaning me!"

"So we can enter the raffle then!"

The sister ran over excitedly, but before she could act, Big Yaoyao turned the raffle wheel and won a boat ticket.

Hmm.

The least desirable reward.

The sister's face turned pale instantly: "You jinx!"

Big Yaoyao looked innocently, "Didn't we win?"

Well.

Better than nothing.

It's not too bad to take another boat ride.

However, when Lin Yuan and others were leaving, the judge insisted on getting their contact details, and finally, Lin Yuan whispered something in his ear.

The man was stunned instantly!

While he was still dazed, Lin Yuan quickly dragged his family and made a run for it.

Big Yaoyao was curious, "What did you tell him?"

Lin Yuan said, "I am Xian Yu."

The sister burst into laughter, "You actually revealed your identity? No wonder his face changed completely, wonder if he believed it or not."

Lin Yuan said, "We'll find out if he verifies it."

He had intentionally exposed his identity as Xian Yu to ensure that the poem would be selected by the West Lake Scenic Area. Lin Yuan understood the impact of celebrity quite well.

As for why not Chu Kuang?

Because Chu Kuang has never shown his face in reality.

Lin Yuan felt that the identity of Xian Yu was safer.

After all, whether it was Chu Kuang or Xian Yu writing poetry, there was no problem.

As for the reason for revealing his identity, that was even simpler:

Given the terrifying traffic of West Lake, if this poem was adopted as an advertising tagline, then ultimately, the publicity should be able to bring quite a bit of reputation to Lin Yuan.

Moreover, hadn't Chu Kuang already advertised for Mount Hua?

Then why couldn't Xian Yu advertise for West Lake?

PS: The second update will be a bit late, the countdown is almost over, tomorrow I transform into a typing machine!

Tip: You can use left, right keyboard keys to browse between chapters.

Chapter 966 - 897: Please Invite Xian Yu as the Brand Ambassador

In an office within the West Lake Scenic Area.

The person in charge of the scenic area, Qiu Long, shook hands with a middle-aged man:

"Thank you so much, Teacher Sheng Yuan. I spent a day meticulously studying your 'Ode to West Lake,' and I must say, I was astounded by the ingenious and subtle variations in the text, which are astounding. If it is ultimately adopted as West Lake Scenic Area's comprehensive advertisement phrase across Blue Star, we will definitely provide additional compensation afterward ..."

Mount Hua has recently become incredibly popular!

All the major scenic spots are envious!

West Lake, of course, is not willing to be outdone and plans to adopt Mount Tai's model of using literature and art to advertise the scenic area.

Blue Star people just love this approach.

Just as this year's tourism peak season is around the corner, all major scenic spots are gearing up to unleash their full range of promotional tactics.

West Lake is taking this advertisement very seriously.

The budget for the advertisement is frighteningly high.

After all, this has been the ongoing practice among Blue Star's scenic spots for years.

For this purpose, West Lake Scenic Area's person in charge, Qiu Long, contacted the renowned poet from Zhao Continent, Sheng Yuan, to write a poem as an advertisement for West Lake.

Sheng Yuan was very supportive.

He wrote a poem titled 'Ode to West Lake,' which pleased many leaders from West Lake Scenic Area.

"High praise."

Sheng Yuan smiled faintly, "I don't have the skills like Chu Kuang, who could bring a tourism boom to Mount Hua through a novel. West Lake itself is a Blue Starian classic that resembles a heavenly paradise. The scenes in my humble work are merely gilding the lily."

Upon hearing this, Qiu Long gave a bitter smile.

An example like Mount Hua's is indeed hard to replicate, which is why everyone has been envious of Mount Hua lately.

Just then.

A somewhat excited voice suddenly came from outside the door, "Manager, manager, we have solicited a great poem, this poem might just work for our West Lake's promotion ..."

The person entered the room.

The voice suddenly halted.

This was a junior leader of the scenic area, who hadn't expected to find Teacher Sheng Yuan in the office.

Talking about using another poem for West Lake's promotion in front of Sheng Yuan—wasn't this a slap in Sheng Yuan's face?

Qiu Long's face darkened: "Get out!"

Turning his head.

Qiu Long awkwardly explained to Sheng Yuan, "Teacher Sheng Yuan, I'm sorry, but someone in our scenic area insisted on organizing an event to collect poems from tourists for promoting West Lake. It's just nonsense; how can the poems written by tourists compare to those of a great poet like you ..."

"You are mistaken,"

Sheng Yuan earnestly said, "There might very well be people of astonishing talent among the populace. A poet's fame does not represent authority. Even among those we call great poets in our Zhao Continent, who didn't start from obscurity and slowly rise to where they are today? Since it has come up, why not listen to the poem?"

Qiu Long became even more embarrassed: "Is that appropriate?"

Sheng Yuan laughed: "There's nothing inappropriate about it. I'm also curious what kind of lines made this person so excited."

"Alright then."

Qiu Long, annoyed, glared at the junior leader: "Where's the poem?"

The person's face was sweaty, and he bravely said, "Here, here!"

He took out a piece of paper and laid it flat on the desk; it was unmistakably Lin Yuan's 'Drinking on the Lakeside, The Sunshine Followed by Rain'.

As a result.

Just one glance.

Sheng Yuan was momentarily stunned.

Qiu Long also slightly opened his mouth in surprise.

A moment later, Sheng Yuan suddenly slammed the desk!

Qiu Long jumped, thinking Sheng Yuan was angry, but surprisingly, Sheng Yuan began to heap praise:

"What a poem!"

After finishing, Sheng Yuan suddenly smiled bitterly:

"Is it some great figure from our Zhao Continent who passed by here? This 'Drinking on the Lakeside, The Sunshine Followed by Rain' is impeccable in its verses, and even the

handwriting reveals an extraordinary touch. I am but a faint glow, how can I compete with the bright moon? I'm embarrassed, I'm embarrassed."

"I'm asking you!"

Qiu Long spoke in haste.

This time, it was not merely to save face for Sheng Yuan — he was genuinely curious about the author of the poem, as this was no ordinary piece of writing!

From the characters!

To the poem!

Especially this poem, which almost forcibly exceeded Sheng Yuan's "Ode to West Lake" by a whole level!

"Teacher Admirable Fish!"

The junior leader quickly said, "We confirmed with Teacher Admirable Fish's assistant that he just happened to be visiting West Lake today, so he participated in that poetry collection activity!"

"Admirable Fish?"

Qiu Long was taken aback.

What a coincidence to encounter Admirable Fish visiting the scenic area, and he had even written a poem?

Sheng Yuan then burst into hearty laughter, "If it's Admirable Fish, then there's no problem. Although Zhao Continent has just recently joined the merger, I have carefully studied Admirable Fish's works. Especially his 'Peach Blossom Poem' which made me feel quite embarrassed; the world laughs at my madness, I laugh at others' inability to see through, each time I read it, I secretly feel ashamed. However, I didn't expect not only Admirable Fish's poetry to be excellent, but his calligraphy is also worthy of a master; Brother Qiu, could you do me a favor?"

"What is it?"

"This piece of writing in front of us, how about you gift it to me? I don't need any payment for the 'Ode to West Lake,' whether you use it or not, I don't mind, it's just that this writing... it delights my heart..."

"Agreed!"

Qiu Long made a decision that would later cause him endless regret and sorrow during countless late nights.

At that moment, his thoughts were not on the calligraphy, but on the poem.

With this poem, the "Ode to West Lake" was definitely unneeded, so he also felt the need to compensate Sheng Yuan, and was even somewhat relieved:

At least he hadn't offended Sheng Yuan.

"Thank you!"

Sheng Yuan, ecstatic as if treasure had been bestowed upon him, grabbed the piece of writing from the table and ran.

His quick action made Qiu Long even start to wonder whether he should have agreed so readily.

Was it just a piece of writing?

Could it be that Sheng Yuan was a fan of Admirable Fish?

Was this a burst of excitement similar to fans getting an autograph from their idol?

Soon, Qiu Long stopped dwelling on this issue. After Sheng Yuan left, his eyes suddenly blazed with intensity, and he said to the junior leader next to him,

"Notify all departments for a meeting!"

"The meeting topic will be 'Drinking on the Lakeside, The Sunshine Followed by Rain'!"

"My opinion is to use this poem as the highlight of West Lake's advertising campaign this time!"

"Including the filming of this advertisement, it will also revolve around this poem, encompassing both sunny and rainy scenes!"

"Furthermore..."

"Contact the company Admirable Fish is affiliated with, invite them to cooperate, and it would be best if Admirable Fish could endorse our West Lake Scenic Area once!"

"Having him as a brand ambassador would be ideal!"

"Also, release the news of Admirable Fish's visit to West Lake Scenic Area. Admirable Fish is well-known, and he should be able to attract some visitors!"

"Also, send the poem to my phone."

West Lake Scenic Area has never chosen any spokespersons or brand ambassadors, as no celebrity was deemed suitable.

However, Admirable Fish could be considered an exception.

"Yes!"

The junior leader quickly went to prepare, "I have already sent you the poem!"

"Hmm." search the Novel fire(.)ne*t website to access chapters of novels early and in the highest quality.

Qiu Long nodded his head, took out his phone, and started reading the poem repeatedly.

However.

For some reason.

Qiu Long suddenly felt that viewing the poem on his phone was not as impactful as seeing Admirable Fish's original calligraphy just now.

"Could it be because brushwork and ancient poetry are more compatible?"

Tip: You can use left, right keyboard keys to browse between chapters.

Chapter 967 - 898 West Lake is Hot (1st Update)

ps: I made a small modification to the last chapter; the scenic area did not give the painting away.

In the following days, Lin Yuan accompanied his family to various scenic areas, enjoying the natural landscapes of different places.

A week later.

The journey ended.

By the time they returned home, the whole family was exhausted.

Traveling is supposed to relax the mind, but it actually requires a lot of physical energy, especially activities like climbing mountains are quite challenging.

You can't spend the whole trip in a car, can you?

Moreover, traveling by car for several consecutive days is not easy either.

However, the gains from this trip were also quite significant.

Lin Yuan checked in at many famous scenic areas and even visited the renowned Mount Tai— Sëarch the website to access chapters of novels early and in the highest quality.

because Mount Hua was too crowded, so Lin Yuan's family chose Mount Tai instead to avoid the throngs.

Regarding the use of "Drinking on the Lakeside, The Sunshine Followed by Rain" for promotional activities at West Lake, Lin Yuan had already heard from Gu Dong.

The other party had directly contacted Starlight Entertainment.

It was said that West Lake initially even considered having Teacher Admirable Fish as the spokesperson, but since there was no prior precedent, it ultimately did not happen.

It's worth mentioning:

After adopting this poem, West Lake even directed a reward of one million as an official royalty into Lin Yuan's account.

It must be said, such formal entities handle matters very meticulously.

The modern-day value of Su Immortal's poem "Drinking on the Lakeside, The Sunshine Followed by Rain" is of course inestimable; the one million isn't a price, but a gesture of sincerity from West Lake towards the poem and Teacher Admirable Fish.

Lin Yuan accepted it promptly, then continued to bury his head in writing "The Return of the Condor Heroes."

With the busy past few days, "The Return of the Condor Heroes" was now two-thirds complete.

Heading downstairs.

Just as Lin Yuan was preparing to go out for a stroll, he suddenly saw his sister excitedly lifting her phone, "It's released, it's released, it's released!"

Big Yaoyao asked, "What's released?"

His sister joyfully said, "Quick, look at the video shared in my social circle, the latest promotional video from West Lake Scenic Area went viral today, they used 'Drinking on the Lakeside, The Sunshine Followed by Rain' in their advertisement!"

"Let me see!"

Their mother hurriedly leaned over to watch, "Oh, the scenery is shot so beautifully!"

His sister also took out her phone to watch, while saying, "The scenery in the camera matches perfectly with the verses, we should watch it on the big screen for a better effect."

With that, his sister turned on the home projector.

The projector lit up.

Lin Yuan looked up.

The first shot in the video was likely an aerial view, capturing the entire beauty of West Lake in one fell swoop!

At the same time.

A voice filled with poetic and picturesque grace began to sound, magnetic, stirring a sense of intoxication in the heart:

"The water's gleam is flickering, fine weather so perfect..."

In the center of West Lake, two ancient scholars were drifting in a boat, sitting and drinking tea.

At that moment, the sunlight was bright and clear, casting its radiant glow which made the waters of West Lake ripple, creating shimmering waves and ripples on the surface.

Even through the screen, one could almost smell the fresh aroma of West Lake.

"The mountain colors are hazily enveloped, even the rain is splendid..."

The sky gradually began to rain, the close-up of the raindrops sparkling incomparably, and then falling on the lake surface, splashing up little white flowers.

In the drizzle.

The mountains around West Lake appeared misty and vast, as if faintly visible through the rainy mist, revealing another magical scenery, irresistibly inviting one to explore its serene depths.

From the shimmering light on the water to the dense misty rain.

The lake's light and the mountain's colors reflected each other intriguingly, both the clear day's scenery and the rainy day's charm were present, resembling a beautiful ancient scroll.

"If West Lake were compared to Xi Shi..."

As the third line of the poem echoed, a hazy silhouette appeared in the frame,

The silhouette gently fanned a silk fan as she walked, with each step blossoming into lotuses, though her face wasn't clear, one could imagine her beauty.

This was Xi Shi.

Xi Shi's image isn't uniformly defined, as various portraits have been handed down through ancient times, so the promotional video used a hazy interpretation, offering great room for imagination.

"Subtle makeup or heavy, both are appropriate..."

It wasn't just the alternation of sunshine and rain, but also the cyclic transformation of the four seasons.

This was the montage technique used in filming, every characteristic of each season was perfectly captured on camera.

The beauty of spring.

The charm of summer.

The richness of autumn.

The scenery of winter.

And this indeed adhered to the phrase "simple or adorned, always fitting," suggesting that West Lake was always beautiful, no matter how it was dressed.

Different seasons.

Different weather,

Even in the morning and at night, West Lake had its unique artistic conception and beauty.

The entire video was five minutes long.

The background music was the continuous sound of the guqin and se.

Besides the first minute of shooting the whole West Lake Scenic Area, each following minute used different shots to present the images expressed by the verses, captivating the audience.

And as the screen gradually darkened.

A caption flashed up:

"This promotional film is dedicated to every visitor; West Lake welcomes you to visit. Special thanks to Teacher Admirable Fish for the poem 'Drinking on the Lakeside, The Sunshine Followed by Rain' written live at West Lake. Treasures of Teacher Admirable Fish's calligraphy are preserved within the scenic area..."

The living room was somewhat silent.

My sister, unusually serious, spoke softly, "I finally understand what's good about this poem."

The poetic blend of literature and physics.

Even those who knew nothing about poetry would understand the artistic conception of the poem after watching this video!

Indeed.

The distribution channels for the West Lake promotional video were extensive.

Besides being promoted on social networks.

Traditional TV stations also scheduled it for broadcast.

It was even visible everywhere in high-speed trains and subway stations, this promotional video filmed at West Lake!

Of course.

The video was also everywhere online.

Swipe, swipe, swipe!

Countless people shared it!

This promotional video went viral!

"West Lake is so beautiful, no wonder since ancient times countless scholars and poets have lingered there, inspired to write numerous masterpieces. Boating on West Lake must feel amazing. I must go there this year to see the scenery described by Fish Papa!"

"The scenery is beautiful, the poetry even more so!"

"This poem was actually written by Teacher Admirable Fish! When I was watching the video, I said to my sisters, the author of this poem must be a great poet, and I laughed when seeing at the end that it was Fish Papa. But calling Fish Papa a great poet doesn't sound wrong, does it?"

"The promotional piece said Fish Papa wrote it live?"

"Fish Papa truly has an amazing literary talent, such wonderful poetry written live, comparing West Lake to Xi Shi and concluding with 'simple or adorned, always fitting,' seven characters that perfectly summarize. Xi Shi was considered the foremost beauty of her time!"

"The first two lines are also brilliant!"

"The upper half is about the exchange of sceneries, an integration of scenes and emotions. Between the lines, the sceneries correspond to each other without detailed descriptions yet encapsulate the beauty of West Lake perfectly. I thought these two lines were the best, but the last two were even more amazing. The phrase 'simple or adorned' is classic!"

"Isn't the point that West Lake has an original poem written by Fish Papa?"

"Got it, I'm booking tickets to Qin Continent right now, West Lake, here I come!"

"This is the best-shot promotional film for a scenic area I've seen this year. Other scenic areas should really learn from this method of promotion. The combination of poetic verses and scenic beauty was too compelling. It makes me want to visit West Lake right now to experience the beauty described by the poet!"

Netizens were amazed!

The celebrity effect, the poetic effect, and the scenic effect, along with West Lake's already famed beauty on Blue Star.

The effect was freakishly good.

The beauty of the poetry complemented the beauty of the scenery, and almost overnight following the promotional video's sensation, the visitor count at West Lake surged dramatically!

It was still March.

It wasn't even the peak tourist season yet, but the number of visitors at West Lake exceeded even the peak times!

Wow!

West Lake became an instant hit!

ps: The CD has ended, and the supreme coder returns online, continuing to write.

Tip: You can use left, right keyboard keys to browse between chapters.

Chapter 968 - 899: Soundtrack (2nd Update)

Yes.

West Lake went viral!

In the following days.

An endless stream of tourists started arriving at West Lake!

Some visitors were even watching the promotional video "Drinking on the Lakeside, The Sunshine Followed by Rain" while exploring, tirelessly searching for the highlighted sights from the video!

Some tourists hired guides.

The guides would introduce various scenic spots along the way, especially mentioning the poem by Xian Yu:

"This poem 'Drinking on the Lakeside, The Sunshine Followed by Rain' was composed by Teacher Admirable Fish during his visit to West Lake. Some online speculated that Teacher Admirable Fish had written it in advance, but many tourists can testify that Teacher Admirable Fish composed this poem on the spot during a small event organized by our scenic area. The weather was sunny at first, but around noon, it suddenly started to drizzle. Perhaps Teacher Admirable Fish noticed the unique beauty of West Lake in the rain, as the mountain scenery gradually became hazy through the raindrops..."

The guide paused here.

She noticed that the tourists beside her were all looking up at the sky, and someone complained:

"Damn it!"

"Why isn't it raining yet!"

Hearing this, the guide twitched the corner of her mouth.

These tourists were quite quirky.

Normally, tourists would worry about changes in the weather, fearing sudden rain that could spoil their fun.

Today, on the contrary, they were hoping for rain!

Just as the saying goes, "The water's gleam is loveliest in sunny weather, and the mountain's charm is unique in the mist of rain."

Visitors who came to play seemed to want to witness for themselves West Lake's scenery of "sunshine followed by rain."

Unfortunately.

This kind of weather was not something you could experience every day.

With the financial power of the West Lake Scenic Area, they could create artificial rain, but where could that compare to the charm of natural rain? It would seem forced instead.

Meanwhile.

The media was also busy.

There was news reporting on the related events:

"This year's tourism peak season seems to have arrived early, with Mount Hua's traffic congestion followed by the surge of tourists at West Lake. Mount Hua's popularity benefited from Chu Kuang's novel, while West Lake's buzz also benefited from Xian Yu's poem..."

In the news.

The scene of the West Lake bustling with people appeared on the screen.

The host said with a smile, "What's interesting is that Xian Yu and Chu Kuang are close friends, and now one has written about the Duel Atop Mount Hua in a book, while the other has written about the post-rain sunshine at West Lake, causing both tourist spots to become hugely popular. This has become a delightful story in itself."

At this point.

The camera shifted to the poem "Drinking on the Lakeside, The Sunshine Followed by Rain" handwritten by Xian Yu, a piece of beautiful regular script instantly capturing the audience's attention.

"I'm sure everyone has noticed,"

said the host, "Teacher Admirable Fish's calligraphy is extremely beautiful. His creation in regular script has reached Master Level. Even many people from Zhao Continent, who are proficient in brush calligraphy, have nothing but praise for it. Some have compared Teacher Admirable Fish's poem to Chu Kuang's autograph from the past and concluded that Teacher Admirable Fish's calligraphy surpasses the other by a notch."

That was to be expected.

Lin Yuan's calligraphy level was at the Professional Level for Chu Kuang's autograph wave.

And for Xian Yu's poem-writing wave, Lin Yuan's calligraphy level had reached Master Level.

Although one was in pen and the other in brush, making them not directly comparable, the difference was still noticeable.

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The impact of the promotional video and poetry continued to ferment.

The buzz about West Lake kept escalating, almost catching up to Mount Hua!

On the internet.

Netizens were also discussing all sorts of topics.

Some netizens even said, "This really has a bit of a 'South Xian Yu, North Chu Kuang' feel to it. I've just checked the map, and indeed, West Lake is to the south and Mount Hua to the north."

It was a coincidence.

And what surprised Lin Yuan was:

His cultural prestige actually increased significantly with this round of promotional videos for West Lake.

Why was this?

Lin Yuan had written poems before, but rarely did they bring him such high prestige gains.

"Could it be related to the influence of West Lake itself?"

The tourist throughput of West Lake was tremendous. The poem, combined with the influence of West Lake itself, received the greatest boost, which might be the answer to this sudden surge in prestige.

This gave Lin Yuan something to ponder.

Should the other scenic spots also have a go?

He shook his head, deciding not to bother with that for now.

Priorities must be set in doing things.

It's alright to occasionally go out and have fun with family.

But the matters of The Legend of the Condor Heroes trilogy must be given priority, especially now that he had started writing the ending for The Return of the Condor Heroes.

Yes.

It was only mid-March, but Lin Yuan was already close to finishing The Return of the Condor Heroes.

The rhythm was still to publish the whole book at once.

Jin Yong's martial arts novels were very suitable for binge-reading.

And as the novel was nearing completion, Lin Yuan and Jin Mu revealed the news of the new book.

"The Legend of the Condor Heroes trilogy?"

When Jin Mu heard Lin Yuan's plan, his expression was a mix of surprise and astonishment,

"You mean to say that the storyline of this book called The Return of the Condor Heroes is somewhat like a sequel to The Legend of the Condor Heroes?"

"That's one way to understand it."

Jin Mu grew even more excited. This was Lin Yuan's first time writing a sequel to his novel. With the popularity of The Legend of the Condor Heroes as a foundation, it was almost foreseeable how much the readers would appreciate it,

"Are the protagonists still Guo Jing and Huang Rong?"

It's not that Jin Mu was slow, but the title of the book was too misleading.

The title was related to the condors again, and it emphasized the word "Hero's Mate", so wasn't it referring to Guo Jing and Huang Rong?

"No."

Lin Yuan spoke, "This time, the male lead is the son of Yang Kang and Mu Nianci."

"The son of Yang Kang?"

Jin Mu frowned subconsciously, then quickly relaxed.

What day wasn't Chu Kuang bringing surprises his way? If there weren't any, would he still be Chu Kuang?

There was no need to worry about surprises of just this magnitude. Jin Mu smiled and said, "The timeline follows the previous book closely, so the couple Guo Jing and Huang Rong should continue to make appearances?"

"Hmm."

Jin Mu did not ask for more specific content, instead changing the topic, "Did you hear about Starlight's official announcement this morning about The Legend of the Condor Heroes TV series airing at the end of the month?"

"Hmm."

Lin Yuan nodded.

Gu Dong had already told Lin Yuan about it. The Legend of the Condor Heroes went smoothly from filming to post-production. After all, Starlight's film and television team was already very mature, and they could even manage airing while filming without any issue, let alone with such prepared production.

"Did you do the music for the TV series?"

"It will be completed in a few days."

The Legend of the Condor Heroes TV series required several songs, and Lin Yuan planned to process them internally within the Yu Dynasty.

For example, Iron-Blooded Heart is a duet.

Lin Yuan intended to collaborate Chen Zhiyu and Zhao Ying Ge, creating a version tailored to their vocal characteristics – this song is a textbook example of harmonization!

Another song, The World Always Welcomes You, is also performed by these two.

These two songs were in the Qi language.

The rest focused more on instrumental music. Some scenes were better with music alone; adding lyrics would only break the mood.

However, Lin Yuan considered that the audience might also want to hear something in Mandarin, so he planned to add Heaven and Earth are in My Heart.

Many may not realize, but this is a song that has been greatly underestimated because the intro is too long and it's from the Zhang Jizhong version of The Legend of the Condor Heroes.

The version was controversial, which affected the song's spread.

In fact, Lin Yuan thought that among the many adaptations, it was notable.

Was it some sort of inexplicable political correctness at the time to criticize the big beard appearance?

In reality, this is one of the rare songs that completely lacks romantic elements and contains only an ambitious and grand martial arts spirit.

The intro may be long, but the morin khuur and variations are truly exciting; the lyrics are well-crafted and have a strong martial arts flavor.

The line "A horse gallops, an arrow is drawn to the bow, heaven and earth are in my heart" from the lyrics offers a profound sentiment and is sufficiently serious to match the theme of The Legend of the Condor Heroes with its ties to the grand historical setting.

Lin Yuan believed:

With these songs, The Legend of the Condor Heroes TV series should not disappoint.

PS: No time to explain, must keep writing!

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Chapter 969 - 900: A 50-50 Split with Chu Kuang (3rd Update)

Yu Dynasty had recorded songs with Lin Yuan so many times that it had become second nature, just like how directors and actors...

...develop a tacit understanding after working together for a long time.

Lin Yuan and the singers from Yu Dynasty had developed this kind of understanding as well.

About a week's effort.

Several songs were recorded smoothly——

The decision to choose Zhao Ying Ge and Chen Zhiyu for the duet was of course deliberate.

Because Sun Yaohuo and Jiang Kui from Yu Dynasty had already become the King and Queen of Singing respectively, Lin Yuan wanted to give other people a chance to reach that status, so he made such an arrangement.

You can't just focus on promoting one or two individuals exclusively.

Meanwhile, online anticipation for the TV drama adaptation of "The Legend of the Condor Heroes" was growing louder and louder.

Under the official Starlight account.

The comment section was full of excited original novel fans howling.

Those most looking forward to the TV adaptations of novels are often these original fans.

As a result.

At that moment...

Tribe Film and Television suddenly announced a piece of news:

"Tribe Film and Television is proud to announce that 'Trap the Tiger,' adapted in collaboration with Lancet, will officially air on the 23rd of this month. Stay tuned!"

Don't forget.

There has been a martial arts craze in the television drama circle recently.

Every so often, several classic martial arts adaptations are announced, with dates set for their release, or they go straight to airing.

It was under this trend that Lin Yuan decided to write "The Legend of the Condor Heroes."

Among them, "Trap the Tiger," a collaboration between Tribe and Lancet, is the hottest super favorite among this batch of martial arts adaptations. Their choice to air it this month makes perfect sense.

A huge audience is looking forward to it too!

After all, Lancet's "Trap the Tiger" is a classic martial arts novel etched in many people's memories and is considered the masterpiece of this martial arts legend.

Its influence even exceeds that of Starlight's previously adapted "Yang Xiaofan and Qin Tiange."

Not to mention!

The drama is personally adapted by Lancet, the original author of the novel!

Most other martial arts dramas are adapted by screenwriters, and it is rare for original authors to personally take charge of the adaptation.

Therefore.

Everyone was curious as to how Lancet would adapt his own pinnacle masterpiece, "Trap the Tiger."

He wouldn't be following Chu Kuang's approach and completely overhaul his "Trap the Tiger," letting the antagonists go on a chaotic killing spree, would he?

There would be fun then.

After all, Lancet himself had made big claims in an interview, stating that his adaptation would be a self-subversion, guaranteed to surprise and delight the audience...

This had garnered a lot of attention for "Trap the Tiger."

Originally, this had nothing to do with "The Legend of the Condor Heroes" airing this month.

It's not unusual to have multiple TV dramas airing in the same month, and such coincidences are not a big deal, with no conflicts between the two.

However.

What left everyone dumbfounded was!

Shortly after "Trap the Tiger" set its air date, Starlight also officially set theirs:

"Chu Kuang's martial arts masterpiece 'The Legend of the Condor Heroes' will air on the 23rd of this month. Stay tuned!"

What now?

Wow, that's bold!

Manufacturing conflict on purpose?

Starlight surely did it intentionally!

Their new drama "The Legend of the Condor Heroes" was going to air on the same day as Tribe's "Trap the Tiger"!?

Airing in the same month is too common to even count as a coincidence.

But airing on the same day?

And they announced it one after the other?

That changes the concept entirely!

All of a sudden, the whole internet was abuzz!

This was the first time Starlight took such a clear shot at a rival!

"The feud between Starlight and Tribe is irreversible now. This year, all Starlight artists have left Tribe for blogs, and now the two sides have completely fallen out. Are they confronting each other head on?"

"So domineering!"

"Tribe has been suppressing Starlight for a while, some Starlight artists got traffic-limited there, they say it was technical issues, so that's why the Starlight artists left Tribe. This move today is more than just a head-on challenge; it's Starlight launching an official counterattack on Tribe."

"A martial arts showdown?"

"Chu Kuang's previous adaptation of 'Yang Xiaofan and Qin Tiange' was heavily criticized because the old rascal made some ruthless cuts. I heard Lancet was quite unhappy about it. Now, Chu Kuang has brought out his own original wuxia to go head-to-head with Lancet. It does seem a bit like a martial arts showdown. Even though Lancet's works can't compare to 'The Legend of the Condor Heroes,' you can't ignore that his works were released earlier and have a larger viewer base."

"It reminds me of the battle between 'Journey to the West' and 'The Primordial Chaos.'

"I remember now—that time when Starlight's 'Journey to the West' TV drama was scheduled, 'The Primordial Chaos' announced their schedule half an hour later, clearly targeting them. But despite 'The Primordial Chaos' having such a high viewer base, they still lost disastrously, completely dominated by 'Journey to the West.' As a result, Starlight appears to have learned from 'The Primordial Chaos.' Not a good sign."

"I think not necessarily, think about who the original authors of these two dramas are."

Who is the original author?

Some netizens paused, then suddenly realized with astonishment!

The author of 'Journey to the West' and 'The Legend of the Condor Heroes' is the same person!

It's Chu Kuang, the old rascal himself!

Last time, Starlight was crazily producing content under the guidance of the old rascal Chu Kuang!

Netizens are calling it expert moves!

Starlight clearly wants to replicate the ultimate battle scenes from 'Journey to the West' versus 'The Primordial Chaos'!

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Meanwhile, at a certain venue.

Ling Kong was holding a press conference with Lancet for "Trap the Tiger," surrounded by stars and with numerous reporters in attendance. This was the Tribe's credibility at stake, even more impressive than what entertainment companies could muster!

The press conference was halfway through.

A reporter suddenly said, "We just received news that Starlight's new drama 'The Legend of the Condor Heroes' will be broadcast on the same day as your TV drama. What does Mr. Ling Kong think about this?"

What?

Same day broadcast?

Ling Kong's eyelids twitched rapidly.

Lancet, standing beside Ling Kong, also looked somewhat displeased.

Both of them had been attending the press conference and were not aware of this news. Hearing about it all of a sudden, their first reaction was:

Provocation!

This is a provocation!

Starlight is clearly not taking 'Trap the Tiger' seriously!

The reporter turned to Lancet: "If it's a contest for viewership ratings, how does Teacher Lancet think the contest will go?"

Lancet raised his eyebrows, calming himself, and said indifferently:

"If it's a showdown with TV dramas, I'd say Chu Kuang and I are evenly matched."

Lancet understood in his heart.

He couldn't compete with the novels.

'The Legend of the Condor Heroes' almost pioneered a school of its own in the martial arts world, and even Lancet had to admit that Chu Kuang's talent was among the top in the entire martial arts world.

But TV dramas were full of uncertainties.

A successful novel doesn't always translate into a successful TV adaptation.

This is common sense!

Ling Kong, hearing this, breathed a sigh of relief.

An even match, huh? That result wasn't too bad.

It was enough that they had a chance to fight. He was no longer bullish, and after repeated setbacks, he had gradually begun to see himself more clearly.

Ling Kong also thought back carefully:

After making enemies with the Three Bros, he was most harshly defeated by Shadow.

Xian Yu had beaten him too, but not too harshly.

As for Chu Kuang?

He hadn't really been attacked by the other party much.

If he could use this wave to beat Chu Kuang in the TV drama battle, he could regain some face when facing the Three Bros in the future.

That would be good.

Let Chu Kuang bear the sins committed by Shadow and Xian Yu. Why should he do so, when the three of them always move together and oppose the Tribe?

However, it's true that wherever he goes, he can't avoid these three.

Ling Kong thought with a bit of a headache.

Even going to the Golden Hall to listen to a tune, he could run into Xian Yu, which was incredibly frustrating.

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After the TV drama "Trap the Tiger" press conference concluded.

A news headline appeared on the top page of the media:

[Starlight and Tribe's new shows to air on the same day, Teacher Lancet says: Chu Kuang and I are evenly matched!]

ps: Continuing to write, the serious wordsmiths don't joke around.

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Chapter 970 - 901: The World Always Welcomes You (4th Update)

Martial Arts World.

Many people were paying attention to "The Legend of the Condor Heroes" TV series, which quickly became a source of bemused frustration because of the news.

"A fifty-fifty chance?"

"What was that supposed to mean?"

"Given the standard of 'The Legend of the Condor Heroes', neither Canyang nor Qingyun would dare claim they're on par with Chu Kuang, but Lancet had the nerve to say it."

"He was talking about the TV series."

"Then he should have added 'the TV series' after his statement, otherwise it's irritating no matter how you hear it, and doesn't he feel ashamed?"

"If the TV series beats Chu Kuang, I bet Lancet would brag about it for a year."

Some people in the Martial Arts World were not happy.

It wasn't that everyone supported Chu Kuang.

They simply disliked Lancet's statement, "I'm on par with Chu Kuang", which was an act of concept-switching. Those who were unaware might actually think he was talking about being on an equal footing with him in terms of martial arts novel writing.

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The TV industry.

There were also many people paying attention, especially after Starlight directly challenged Tribe, the industry was abuzz with discussions!

"Since when has Starlight been so aggressive?"

"Probably because they were pushed too hard by Tribe. Tribe controls many resources and imposes all kinds of restrictions on Starlight's artists, resulting in them being targeted in many activities. Despite both being capital, Tribe is much larger than Starlight."

"Tribe's influence is already declining, though."

"The Three Bros did make the blog colorful after joining, but a camel at its weakest is still bigger than a horse—Tribe is far from being seriously hurt."

"Who do you think will come out on top this time?"

"Starlight is betting on 'The Legend of the Condor Heroes', and Tribe is 'Trap the Tiger'. It's hard to say. No matter how good the novel is, it all depends on how the TV series is made. Lancet wasn't wrong; it's fifty-fifty."

'The Legend of the Condor Heroes', 'Trap the Tiger'.

The TV series from both sides had a combative tone starting from their very titles—something that everyone had somehow missed before.

Now upon reflection:

It would be odd if they didn't face off.

The two sides were deeply entangled, such as the feud between Ling Kong and the Three Bros, the relationship between Chu Kuang and Lancet, and the increasingly fierce conflict between Starlight and Tribe.

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Online.

Netizens' enthusiasm for gossip was sky-high; it felt like a return to the days of the epic "Journey to the West" versus "The Primordial Chaos" battles as supporters of both sides voiced their opinions.

"I'm rooting for 'The Legend of the Condor Heroes'!"

"I'm more interested in 'Trap the Tiger'. Lancet said his adaptation would revolutionize our understanding of the work, and that has really piqued my curiosity."

"I've loved 'Trap the Tiger' since I was a kid."

"I read Lancet's novels too, but after watching 'The Legend of the Condor Heroes', I suddenly found all other martial arts novels dull. I'm still supporting Starlight."

"Maybe they'll both end up sharing the spoils?"

"For 'The Legend of the Condor Heroes', it mainly depends on how it's made. If the adaptation is faithful, there will be no problem. For 'Trap the Tiger', it all hinges on how it's changed. If Lancet really can surprise the audience, he's got a good chance."

"Just start broadcasting it!"

"As long as the plot is good, I'll watch both series. Why make it complicated when it's such a simple matter?

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In the midst of everyone's anticipation,

March 23rd finally arrived!

That night,

In a certain household in Qin Continent.

The aroma of dinner filled the air.

Mother took off her apron and yelled:

"Li Feng, dinner's ready!"

A young man next door cheerfully emerged from the bedroom.

This young person was named Li Feng, a recent graduate who was working as an intern, exhausted from his job daily. The happiest time of his day was having dinner with his parents in the evening.

"By the way,"

Father picked up the remote control: "The TV series is about to start."

Li Feng asked subconsciously, "What TV series?"

Father replied, "Your favorite writer, Chu Kuang's 'The Legend of the Condor Heroes', is said to have three episodes airing back-to-back tonight."

"I don't like him!"

Li Feng became immediately indignant upon hearing this: "The person I hate the most is that old rascal Chu Kuang! From the moment he killed off Biyao, I swore that I would never again read any of Chu Kuang's novels for the rest of my life, let alone watch a TV adaptation of one!"

Who is Biyao?

Father had never read "Zhu Xian," he said with satisfaction:

"I have no idea what you're talking about, but I'm a loyal fan of 'The Legend of the Condor Heroes.' You won't go wrong liking Chu Kuang; there's nobody in our factory who doesn't read that novel."

"..."

Li Feng was speechless.

Father used to forbid him from reading Chu Kuang's novels.

More precisely, he forbade him from reading all sorts of novels, saying that students should prioritize their studies.

Now that he had graduated.

He, on the other hand, was the first one to start reading novels.

It would have been fine if he'd chosen to read some other novel. Instead, he was reading the works of Chu Kuang, the very "old rascal" he'd once forbidden him from reading.

His status within the family was too low.

All he could do was keep his head down and eat his meal.

Eaters gonna eat, and those who dine have the spirit; to dine is to rise above the rest!

An advertisement was playing on TV; "The Legend of the Condor Heroes" hadn't started broadcasting yet.

The family was eating together.

Father was watching the television with anticipation.

Mother occasionally glanced at it too.

Li Feng, however, never raised his head.

He really hated that old rascal Chu Kuang. After "Zhu Xian," he indeed had the willpower to never read Chu Kuang's novels again.

It turned out that his decision was a wise one.

He often heard friends who were still reading Chu Kuang's novels complain about the old rascal, how torturous his writing could be. Whenever this happened, Li Feng would secretly feel relieved:

As long as I don't read the old rascal's works!

He can never hurt me!

Just then.

Father suddenly got excited, "It's starting!"

Mother was a bit surprised, "I haven't seen you this excited in a while."

Li Feng burrowed his head even deeper. He wished he could block his ears too; he must have absolutely nothing to do with that old rascal!

However, his ears were not something he could block.

Suddenly, a song started playing beside him—it must be the TV series' theme song:

"Is this mountain the highest in the world?

Or is there another place higher than the sky?

In this world, there are indeed mountains higher

But no love can be found greater than yours

None can compare to you (a mountain still higher than a mountain)

True love is as high as the sky (love even higher)

A thousand types of good

In terms of martial skills, in this mundane world, don't know who else could be higher

Perhaps the ultimate moves differ, roads diverge

But I know, in terms of love, none is better

Await my heart

The world always welcomes you..."

The song, titled "The World Always Welcomes You," was instantly popular when it was released, securing a spot among the top ten hits of the year. It was an unforgettable classic in the memories of many. Now with Lin Yuan's arrangement, while retaining the original work's soaring atmosphere, it also added richer, subtler emotional layers.

Chen Zhiyu and Zhao Ying Ge's duet brought out the perfect harmony of the Yu Dynasty to the fullest.

After the two harmonized their voices, combined with the already exceptional melody, they captivated the entire family in an instant.

"Brilliant!"

Father's face showed a hint of pride, "The lyrics are amazing; asking if this mountain is the highest in the world doesn't just refer to Mount Hua, it's also questioning who is the best in the world. Yet in the end, it all comes back to the love story of JingRong, with true love as high as the sky. With this song as a foundation, this TV series can't go wrong!"

"It really is beautiful!"

Mother seemed quite enchanted by it, and she didn't notice anything wrong with the Qi language.

Nowadays, the season's charts were filled with all sorts of music, with both Qi language and English songs becoming mainstream.

Of course, Li Feng thought the song was excellent too, but due to his innate aversion to the old rascal Chu Kuang, he decidedly put a damper on things by saying:

"Haven't you heard that terrible movies produce divine songs?"

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Chapter 971 - 902 Iron-Blooded Heart

Father and mother ignored Li Feng.

After the theme song ended, the plot officially began.

Less than ten minutes in, father couldn't help but praise,

"This series is filmed so well, the actors' emotions are perfectly grasped. Qiu Chuji has the charm of the character in the novel, and the part about Niujia Village perfectly restores the scene from the novel!"

"Which one is the protagonist?"

Mother asked curiously, already captivated by the plot.

Father laughed, "The protagonist is still in Li Ping's belly, according to the director's method of sticking to the original script, he will definitely appear in the second episode. Bring my wine, I'm in a great mood today, I'll drink a bit!"

"Drink less."

Mother scolded gently, pouring father a small glass of wine.

Father took a quiet sip and continued watching the TV, feeling very delighted and extremely satisfied with the filming of this series.

Meanwhile.

Li Feng seemed indifferent, but his eyes stealthily focused on "The Legend of the Condor Heroes" being shown on TV.

Humph!

I'll just watch a little bit!

I'm not watching this by choice.

It's just that I'm eating, and father is watching the series. I have no choice but to be here.

Li Feng quietly consoled himself internally, then joined his family in watching and gradually formed an idea of the series.

However.

When the first episode ended.

Li Feng's bowl of rice was long finished, yet he still sat in front of the TV, unmoving.

"I almost forgot to do the dishes!"

Mother slapped her forehead, as she too was engrossed in the TV.

She prepared to get up to clean up, but just as her buttocks lifted from the chair, a song suddenly filled her ears.

In that moment.

Mother who had just stood up sat down again, her gaze returning to the TV.

At the same time.

Li Feng and father unconsciously widened their eyes, quietly savoring the song in the silent air.

"Seemingly seen before in dreams

Inner upheaval appears

Forsaking worldly matters, severing sorrow and resentment

Accompanying to the horizon

Chasing grass in all directions (cold winds blow)

Vast deserts (the sky so vast)

Unafraid of frost attacking the face (vines and trees entwine)

Shooting hawks, drawing bows (fierce wind and sand)

Racing beyond the borders (wilderness vast)

Laughing defiant in this life without weariness (vines intimately twine)

Should know love is like flowing water (the sky so vast, wilderness vast)

Unbreakable, yet chaos persists (all things change)

Having survived countless trials, still within my heart

Difficult to sever kindness and righteousness..."

It was still Chen Zhiyu and Zhao Ying Ge's male-female duet, textbook-level harmony. Although they were singing different lyrics, there was an unexpectedly harmonious beauty.

This is "Iron-Blooded Heart"!

Listening to the song, father suddenly slapped his thigh hard, then downed the rest of the wine in his glass:

"Sung so well!"

"Even better than the opening song!"

Mother, enjoying it, silently noted down the song title displayed in the subtitles, planning to download it to listen to later.

"It was written by Xian Yu, right?"

Li Feng couldn't help but interject. Both the opening and ending songs were indeed very classic, it was rare for a martial arts drama to have such a soundtrack.

"Eh?"

Mother chuckled as she looked at her son and said, "You've finished eating, why are you still here? Didn't someone say they were absolutely not going to watch..."

"Didn't you insist on watching it?"

Li Feng, indifferent, stood up and said, "Continue watching, I'm not interested in TV dramas adapted from Chu Kuang's novels, I'm going back to my room to work!"

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At the same time.

The TV series "Trap the Tiger" also premiered!

Many people were curious about how Lancet, the original author, would adapt his own signature work. When the first episode aired, countless viewers were astounded!

"Fuck!"

"This change is so radical!"

"The number one antagonist from the original, the leader of the Devil Sect, was changed into a woman, and she fell in love with the male protagonist from the start?"

"What is this twist?"

"The female protagonist in the original didn't know martial arts, but in this version, she starts off even stronger than the male protagonist, even taking away the protagonist's initial trump card, and she becomes the number one beauty pursued by many in the martial world?"

"The antagonist and the female protagonist both fall in love with the male protagonist?"

"The plot starts with the female protagonist and a feminized leader of the Devil Sect fighting fiercely, even seemingly jealous over the male protagonist?"

"I love this plot!"

"Lancet is so daring in making changes!"

"Love what? This is just making things up, the feminized Devil Sect leader is obviously mimicking Jiang Yuyan!"

"I can't accept this change, I'd rather watch 'Yang Xiaofan and Qin Tiange' adapted by Chu Kuang."

"I find it pretty interesting, all these unexpected plot twists!"

As Lancet said:

The changes in "Trap the Tiger" were extremely subversive. Several of the most important characters in the book were unprecedentedly adjusted, changing the main plotline from the usual struggle between the heroes and villains to a complex feud involving the male and female protagonists and the female leader of the Devil Sect.

Some liked it.

Some did not.

The changes brought about significant controversy!

But these days, television dramas aren't afraid of controversy!

Sometimes, the more the audience criticizes, the more exciting they find the watch, like "Yang Xiaofan and Qin Tiange," so many people have developed great confidence in the series, even starting to admire Lancet's courage to subvert himself!

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Back to the bedroom.

Li Feng began to work.

But for some reason, after working for about fifteen minutes, he just couldn't get into the groove, making mistake after mistake in his work.

Li Ping's child is the protagonist of the novel?

The second episode's protagonist should appear now, right?

How will the plot develop below...

Li Feng became inexplicably agitated, realizing that his mind was so preoccupied with The Legend of the Condor Heroes that he couldn't concentrate on his work at all.

At this moment.

Outside, his father and mother's excited voices again came through, seemingly discussing the plot of the second episode of The Legend of the Condor Heroes?

The second episode has started?

This made Li Feng even more irritated.

He suddenly, as if possessed, picked up the tablet on his bedside table, took a deep breath, and quietly logged onto the video website.

This is a TV series!

Not Chu Kuang's novel!

What I said before was about not watching Chu Kuang's novels; this series' script isn't written by Chu Kuang, so it doesn't matter if I watch it!

He gritted his teeth.

Li Feng clicked on the second episode of The Legend of the Condor Heroes.

The series was available not only on television but also on the video website, where such major dramas are usually broadcast simultaneously.

And when the second episode started.

Quickly, Li Feng found himself engrossed and uncontrollably finished the third episode as well.

At the end of the third episode, a Daoist agreed to teach Guo Jing martial skills and asked him to come to the cliff in three days to learn.

The plot stopped abruptly at this point.

Damn!

Li Feng was eagerly anticipating great progress in Guo Jing's martial skills when the director suddenly played a cliffhanger, causing him to scratch his head in frustration.

That's it?

How could it just end?

His eagerness to know what happened next not only remained unsatisfied but also grew into greater irritation!

Suddenly.

He had an idea:

Why not buy a copy of the original novel to read?

As soon as this idea emerged, Li Feng shook his head forcefully, "No way, I can't possibly watch his novels again, I'll just patiently wait for the TV series to update."

He got up to go to the bathroom to take a shower.

To calm the turmoil inside.

After the shower.

Li Feng indeed felt much calmer, "I was almost bewitched into falling back into Chu Kuang's trap..."

Huh?

What's this?

Li Feng suddenly saw a book placed in front of the bathroom mirror, and the book was none other than The Legend of the Condor Heroes!

It must have been bought by his father.

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Li Feng's calm heart suddenly began to tumult again, the book in front of him seemed to possess some magic power, tempting him to open it.

Finally.

This time.

Li Feng couldn't resist.

He reached out, picked up the book, opened it in one smooth motion, yet comforted himself internally:

"I'll just look at the content of the fourth episode."

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Five minutes later.

"I'll check the content of the fifth episode."

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Some time later.

"Why not also check the content of the sixth episode?"

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The line was crossed again and again.

Until the knocking from his father came from outside, "You can't be constipated that long, I need to use the toilet!"

"Coming out right now!"

Li Feng, feeling a bit guilty, hurriedly opened the door and went out.

His father entered the bathroom, sat on the toilet, and subconsciously searched for something, but after a long search didn't find it, he muttered tipsily:

"Where is my book?"

Meanwhile, Li Feng had already returned to his bedroom.

He sneakily took out The Legend of the Condor Heroes that he had just smuggled from the bathroom and started flipping through it eagerly while sitting on his bed...

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Chapter 972 - 903: Ratings (2nd Update)

At that moment, both dramas had finished their premieres, and the entire network suddenly came alive!

Blogs.

"Starlight's 'The Legend of the Condor Heroes' is just too good to watch. The director's fidelity to the original is very high, especially the songs in this drama blow me away!"

"Especially love 'The World Always Welcomes You'!"

"The ending song 'Iron-Blooded Heart' is truly a classic!"

It's been months since we've seen Fish Papa on the seasonal charts. This round of 'The Legend of the Condor Heroes' series has finally released the songs he should have released. Both songs are as classic and evergreen as always. The seasonal chart is already out. I suggest everyone download it!"

"Downloaded it early, just not sure about the popularity."

"The request chart has already exploded. 'The Legend of the Condor Heroes' is first in daily requests!"

"That doesn't prove anything, next door 'Trap the Tiger' is also first in daily requests."

"These two chose different video streaming sites for their collaboration, so it's impossible to compare directly. Let's wait and see the TV ratings."

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Tribe.

"Lancet's adaptation of 'Trap the Tiger' is so much fun!"

"Hahaha, turning the villain into a big demon lady, can you believe it!"

"The changes to the female lead are fun too. She even overshadowed the male lead. I feel like what Lancet meant is that this novel shifted from a dominant male lead to a dominant female lead."

"Am I the only one who thinks this change is absurd?"

"Can't bear to watch it anymore, the moment I see the female demon lord I drop out of the show. Lancet's changes are simply insulting his own original work. It's nowhere near as successful as 'Yang Xiaofan and Qin Tiange'."

"Successful or not, we'll see which one is hotter compared to the 'The Legend of the Condor Heroes' next door, right?"

"'The Legend of the Condor Heroes' is broadcast on Penguin Video, and 'Trap the Tiger' is on Catmill. Both are first in requests, there's no way to compare. Also, Tribe is all about 'Trap the Tiger,' while blogs are discussing 'The Legend of the Condor Heroes' more. Guess why?"

"Look at the TV ratings, those don't lie."

An official third-party regulatory department has been established, so there is no forgery allowed in the TV ratings, and their credibility is solid.

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This scene is very interesting.

The Tribe is discussing 'Trap the Tiger';

The blogs are discussing 'The Legend of the Condor Heroes';

Clearly, this is a result deliberately guided by both platforms.

They chose different video streaming websites for collaboration, each topping the request charts.

In this situation, the TV ratings of the two major TV stations became the focus of competition between these two dramas!

Because the TV stations broadcasting these dramas are both very high-profile stations.

Among them.

Starlight's 'The Legend of the Condor Heroes' chose Qin Continent's Channel One, the largest TV station in Qin Continent.

The Tribe's 'Trap the Tiger' chose Chu Continent's Channel One, the largest TV station in Chu Continent.

Qin, Qi, Chu, Yan, Han, Zhao Six Continents have now merged, and everyone can watch TV stations from other continents, so the competition is fair.

Because the audience base of the two TV stations are quite similar.

For a time.

Everyone was paying attention.

Just half an hour after the first broadcast of the two dramas ended, the prime-time TV ratings from various stations in Blue Star were released!

Prime-Time Drama Rankings for Qin, Qi, Chu, Yan, Han, Zhao!

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First place: Qin Continent Channel One

Drama: The Legend of the Condor Heroes

Rating: 2.22%

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Second place: Qi Continent Channel One

Drama: Bright Moon Palace

Rating: 2.01%

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Fifth place: Chu Continent Channel One

Drama: Trap the Tiger

Rating: 1.04%

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Boom!

Everyone was astonished!

First in prime-time ratings!

Starlight's 'The Legend of the Condor Heroes,' a martial arts drama, actually helped Qin Continent's Channel One suppress Qi Continent's drama, securing the first place in the prime-time ratings!

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Tribe.

"Oh my God!"

"This must be the first martial arts drama to top the ratings in recent years, it even beat the drama from Qi Continent! Qi Continent is our famous Blue Star film and television palace. Moreover, 'Bright Moon Palace' has dominated the ratings of the evening drama across six continents since it started airing at the beginning of the month, and yet, it tanked tonight!"

"It actually took down 'Bright Moon Palace'?"

"I'm shocked. 'Bright Moon Palace' was airing its grand finale tonight, which has been the highest-rated episode since it began, truly the brightest moment of the entire series, and it was suddenly knocked over by 'The Legend of the Condor Heroes'!"

"It looks like 'The Legend of the Condor Heroes' was never even considering 'Trap the Tiger' as a competitor!"

"When 'Trap the Tiger' was about to face 'The Legend of the Condor Heroes' head-on, 'The Legend of the Condor Heroes' had already silently targeted 'Bright Moon Palace'!"

"'Trap the Tiger' is fifth in ratings, not even half of what 'The Legend of the Condor Heroes' got!"

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Blog.

"This is definitely a crush!"

"Total domination, the premiere's ratings broke two, is Chu Kuang on track to become the top rights holder of Blue Star?"

"I don't really understand, what does a rating over two mean?"

"TV ratings indicate the percentage of television viewers within a specific time period who watch a particular channel out of the total television audience."

"In other words, combining the populations of the Qin, Qi, Chu, Yan, Han, and Zhao continents, an average of two percent of all people watching TV tonight watched 'The Legend of the Condor Heroes'. You figure out just how many people that is."

"Oh my God, that's insane!"

"And it gets crazier, because the TV ratings don't count online streaming, and nowadays many viewers choose to follow shows online. Not many people watch TV series as much, and if you include those watching dramas online, the numbers would be even more terrifying!"

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Martial Arts Circle.

"Has the spring of martial arts arrived!?"

"Looking at the ratings of 'Trap the Tiger', I thought they were high enough, but the ratings of 'The Legend of the Condor Heroes' are even more terrifying. This seems to be the first time in decades that a martial arts drama has topped the ratings!"

"You can remove the 'seems'."

"Although the TV industry keeps hyping up the martial arts craze, we know very well that no matter how popular martial arts dramas get, they can't beat those costume romances. The emergence of 'The Legend of the Condor Heroes' has broken this deadlock, and I never thought I'd see a martial arts drama top the charts in this day and age!"

"This is the real martial arts frenzy!"

"Lancet once said, he and Chu Kuang fifty-fifty, wasn't it?"

"From now on, I'm willing to call Lancet 'Mr. Fifty-Fifty'!"

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TV Industry.

"What the hell, straight to number one!?"

"Isn't 'Bright Moon Palace' from Qi Continent having its grand finale tonight? When it was at its hottest, its invincible rating was suddenly broken?"

"Pfft!"

"Qi Continent must be furious. Our Tribe stirred up Starlight, and in the end, our drama mistakenly hurt 'Bright Moon Palace'. Originally, this drama had been leading the ratings from the start to its finale!"

"Starlight has defied the heavens this time!"

"If only Tribe's new drama had aired one day later, Starlight would have definitely targeted the same slot, and then 'Bright Moon Palace' would have smoothly continued to top the evening ratings until the end!"

"The martial arts craze is really coming!"

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Qi Continent 'Bright Moon Palace' production team.

"Damn it, we had maintained the top rating for a whole twenty-eight days, and just as we were about to hold on to the end, we were suddenly overturned by a martial arts drama!"

"Tribe is so infuriating!"

"Tribe and Starlight were fighting, but Tribe's drama wasn't even enough to fill the gaps in Starlight's teeth, and they turned around and wiped us out instead!"

"Why did Tribe have to air on the 23rd!"

"If they had aired on the 24th, letting Starlight also follow on the 24th, wouldn't we have been the top-rated throughout?"

"That leader of Tribe, Ling Kong, is the one to blame!"

"Damn Ling Kong!"

The Qi Continent 'Bright Moon Palace' production team was truly infuriated!

And what infuriated them the most was not Starlight or 'The Legend of the Condor Heroes'!

It was Tribe!

Because it was Tribe that set the airing date!

They just happened to air on the day of the 'Bright Moon Palace' finale, which was why Starlight followed suit immediately afterward!

This feeling made the 'Bright Moon Palace' production team so frustrated they wanted to vomit blood!

How to describe it?

It's like Xian Yu had already won eleven consecutive titles, and the twelfth was almost in hand, but then, suddenly due to a bizarre accident, the twelfth title was lost. Wouldn't you be furious too?

ps: I recommend the veteran's new book 'This Doctor is Dangerous'. The veteran is very talented. Previously specializing in medical dramas, this new venture has also performed exceedingly well. Those interested can check it out, direct link below!

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Chapter 973 - 973: 904

The next day!

The news was everywhere!

"Model Student of Martial Arts Dramas: The Legend of the Condor Heroes!"

"The Legend of the Condor Heroes Tops Evening Ratings in Qin, Qi, Chu, Yan, Han, Zhao—All Six Continents!"

"The True Martial Arts Fever Begins!"

"Trap the Tiger Falls to The Legend of the Condor Heroes, Tribe Defeated Heavily by Starlight!"

"Director of The Legend of the Condor Heroes Interview: The biggest credit goes to Chu Kuang, second only to me. People said I only thrived on depressing themes, but I've

shown everyone with this drama that I can create great TV without tormenting the audience!"

"Ten Years Later, Martial Arts Returns!"

In the shock of countless people, The Legend of the Condor Heroes TV drama soared sky-high!

The reason why this event was so shocking wasn't just because the drama clinched the top spot in ratings.

Fundamentally, it was because:

This was a martial arts drama!

Even though martial arts dramas always had an audience;

Even though the martial arts craze increased the number of martial arts fans;

Even though major film and television companies always held expectations for the market of martial arts dramas;

But capturing the top spot in evening ratings across six continents was something major film and television companies wouldn't even dare to dream of, let alone that the drama defeated a rival from Qi Continent!

Martial Arts Revival!

If The Legend of the Condor Heroes as a martial arts drama could top the ratings, what else could this be if not a revival of martial arts?

I get it!

Invest in martial arts dramas!

There's profit to be made!

At this moment, major film and television companies valued the market for martial arts dramas even more!

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The Legend of the Condor Heroes is a raging success!

Lancet has also hit it big!

It might sound odd to say this, but more precisely:

It was something Lancet said that has gained fame!

During The Legend of the Condor Heroes' standoff with Trap the Tiger, Lancet once said at a press conference:

"Let's call it fifty-fifty with Chu Kuang."

This statement has now become an internet catchphrase!

Incredibly, countless silly netizens flocked to Lancet's Tribe's comment section, calling him "Mr. Fifty-Fifty"!

Some even stopped calling him "Mr. Fifty-Fifty" altogether.

Who knows where they picked it up from; they came straight out calling him "Brother Kai Lei"!

Seeing these silly netizens' comments made Lancet so angry he wanted to smash something.

Screw your 'Kai'!

But in the end, he held back.

Because he realized Ling Kong was even angrier than him.

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Ling Kong was truly seething!

He discovered he might be the only one in Blue Star who had been humiliated by the Three Bros in turns!?

First by Shadow, then by Xian Yu!

Then by Chu Kuang after Xian Yu!

Do you think I'm a punching bag?

What made Ling Kong absolutely furious was:

There were even people from Qi Continent blaming him, saying that because of him, The Daming Palace flopped during its grand finale.

This made absolutely no sense.

It's like every time Tribe got bullied by the Three Bros, they'd heavily scold themselves.

In fact, this thing had nothing to do with him, go blame The Legend of the Condor Heroes, why blame me?

Picking on the soft targets?

You just know how to shift the blame around!

Can't beat the opponent and start looking for reasons in your teammates?

Luckily, this time Tribe didn't scold Ling Kong. They knew the basics of justice.

After all, Trap the Tiger's loss to its opponent wasn't because Ling Kong wasn't good; it was because the opponent was too strong!

Just based on ratings, Trap the Tiger, as a martial arts drama, ranked fifth in the evening dramas across six continents, which definitely wasn't disappointing!

It could even be considered a great success!

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Ling Kong thought so.

However, what happened next gradually drove Ling Kong to despair.

Because both The Legend of the Condor Heroes and Trap the Tiger were martial arts dramas, their audience overlapped significantly.

The more popular The Legend of the Condor Heroes became, the more viewers it garnered!

And most of these viewers had switched from watching Trap the Tiger!

This led to a steady increase in viewership for The Legend of the Condor Heroes in the following days, while Trap the Tiger's viewership was continuously eroded and kept declining.

When the fifth day arrived.

As The Legend of the Condor Heroes reached its fifteenth episode, Trap the Tiger's viewership had already dropped below 1%!

What was more frightening was:

The Legend of the Condor Heroes, during its broadcast, even attracted many "Chu Kuang haters" who started watching the drama, causing the viewership to soar even higher!

Someone once joked online:

Who leads in haters? Look among the Three Bros at Chu Kuang!

When it comes to the number of haters, even if Xian Yu and Shadow were combined and multiplied several times, they wouldn't match Chu Kuang, the old rascal!

Yes.

Chu Kuang had a lot of haters.

These haters shared similar traits with Li Feng, as they had all been disappointed and frustrated by Chu Kuang in the past.

For various reasons, they were highly resistant to Chu Kuang's novels, hardly ever reading his works anymore, and whenever Chu Kuang was mentioned, it was inevitable that they would bristle with anger.

However.

As The Legend of the Condor Heroes TV drama became a big hit, many people like Li Feng started reading Chu Kuang's novels again because of the drama's influence.

This was evidenced by the sudden jump in sales of The Legend of the Condor Heroes novel following the TV show.

Everyone was captivated by the drama, and complaining about the slow updates, so they decided to buy the original novels to read.

But when this group of people finished reading Chu Kuang's novel, they were unexpectedly surprised:

The book actually wasn't heartbreaking!

Many people had even prepared themselves for heart-wrenching contents as they read the book, only to find out after finishing it that it wasn't at all what they had imagined!

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On the blog.

Soon someone started a topic:

#Chu Kuang is getting better#

The topic even suddenly shot to number one on the trending list!

This was a discussion that revolved around the massive popularity of both the novel and TV show of The Legend of the Condor Heroes, with lots of Chu Kuang's "haters" eagerly joining in!

"Is this a book written by Chu Kuang?"

"I watched The Legend of the Condor Heroes with fear and trepidation, but to the grand finale, it was thrilling all the way through without any unbearable heartbreaking plots. It seems I can safely continue watching the TV show!"

"Has the old rascal really changed his ways?"

"Guys, Chu Kuang is getting better!"

"To err is human, to forgive, divine, I'm so relieved. For this attitude alone, I've decided to continue reading the old rascal's books!"

"After not reading the old rascal's books for so long, I realized that he still writes so entertainingly. Other authors just can't give me this feeling!"

"With the old rascal's skill, I'll bear with a little heartache in the future."

"It's such a slap in the face, I said I'd never read the old rascal's novels again, but a TV show broke through my defenses, and I fell right back into this old rascal's trap. I hope this topic is true, and the old rascal really is getting better."

And in various discussions.

A netizen pointed out sharply:

"Actually, The Legend of the Condor Heroes does have heartbreaking plots, but if it were any other author, you'd still be anxious. It's just that, those who understand the nature of the old rascal Chu Kuang know, after watching a lot, you build up resistance. Now, even if Chu Kuang writes more heartbreaking plots, I'll just give a faint smile."

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At home.

Lin Yuan, seeing all the buzz caused by The Legend of the Condor Heroes TV drama, couldn't wait to call out the System:

"Has wuxia been revived yet?"

Reviving wuxia was his most concerning task at the moment.

System: "Wuxia has been in decline for many years, and many people still hold old views about it. Right now, it's only reaching the stage of a revival."

Revival.

Renewal.

The former signified that the dormant wuxia was beginning to awaken, but to reach the booming levels of the past, there was still a long way to go.

"Oh."

Lin Yuan's gaze became serious.

Come forth, The Return of the Condor Heroes!

ps: Ssss... Guys, to be honest, I'm kind of tired... just three updates for today, let's take a break... I need a little cooldown on my typing skills...

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Chapter 974 - 905: There Is No Light in His Eyes

The TV series continued airing.

The viewership of "The Legend of the Condor Heroes" continued to soar.

The daily release of three episodes gradually sparked a viewing craze across six continents!

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A certain vegetable market.

"Did you watch 'The Legend of the Condor Heroes' yesterday?"

"Guo Jing learned the Eighteen Dragon Subduing Palms!"

"I watched it!"

"It was so exciting!"

"Huang Rong's Branch Beats the White Chimpanzee is also very impressive!"

"Huang Rong is now the leader of the Beggars' Guild, the world's largest gang!"

"The part where the Beggars' Guild spit on Huang Rong killed me!"

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The entertainment circle.

"The viewership of 'The Legend of the Condor Heroes' is about to break three percent!"

"It's likely that it will break three on the finale's day!"

"No wonder the film and television rights for Chu Kuang's novels are causing a frenzy in the industry!"

"Whenever his novels are made into TV series, they basically explode in popularity!"

"This time, 'The Legend of the Condor Heroes' is particularly hot!"

"The value of several actors in this series has skyrocketed. I feel like Starlight is becoming more and more impressive. Previously the films were stable because of Xian Yu, and now the TV series has caught the tailwind of Chu Kuang..."

"With Xian Yu around, the Three Bros all help Starlight. I'm so envious!"

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Online.

"After reading the novel and then watching the TV series, it still feels so exciting. Even though I know exactly what's going to happen, I still can't help but feel anxious for the plot."

"It's shot so well!"

"The recent plot even introduced a theme song titled 'The World Is in Me Now,' and this song is also really good, boldly brave but with a slight melancholy, feeling like as per this setting, the Great Song is going to be doomed."

"The most powerful force in the book is still Mongolia."

"It would be great if Chu Kuang could write a book specifically about this fictional history. I think that the part of the historical fiction in this book is written with a really great feel!"

"Agreed!"

"Those fabricated empires like Great Jin, Great Song, Mongolia, etc., are so convincingly written by the old rascal that they even include extremely detailed and captivating descriptions of the era's environment!"

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In the public.

On the internet.

In the industry.

"The Legend of the Condor Heroes" discussion is ubiquitous!

And in all discussion forums, this TV series finally welcomed its grand finale!

That day.

That episode.

The Duel Atop Mount Hua!

Driven mad by Huang Rong's misguidance, Ouyang Feng ended up contending with his own shadow for the title of the world's number one!

Guo Jing and Huang Rong arrived in Xiangyang.

To protect the subjects of Great Song, the couple defeated the invading Mongols.

Later.

Guo Jing went to Mongolia to discuss what makes a hero with Temujin.

That evening.

Hero
Hero
This former Great Khan, who once shot down a giant eagle with his bow and led Mongol cavalry to conquer far and wide, passed away amid such complex emotions.
That night,
the viewership for "The Legend of the Condor Heroes" TV series broke 3%!
This was the first time in ten years that a martial arts series had reached such a level of popularity!
Even the elderly men and women at the vegetable markets, who chatted after starting their morning work, were all talking about Guo Jing and Huang Rong!
There was indeed a sense of "Who doesn't recognize the lord?" sweeping through the lands.
While the media reported in shock about the record-breaking finale of "The Legend of the Condor Heroes" achieving a viewership of over three percent, many themed articles unanimously praised the romance between Guo Jing and Huang Rong with a new title:
National Couple!
Now that Qin, Qi, Chu, Yan, Han, Zhao, and the six continents have merged, making up the majority of Blue Star's population.
And with JingRong's love so deeply rooted in people's hearts, describing them as the "National Couple" seems rather fitting.

Ol' Xiong was browsing the latest news online.

Silver Blue Books.

Fantasy Department.

On Temujin's deathbed, he repeatedly murmured:

When he saw the words "National Couple," he couldn't help but smile.

With the influence of the novels complementing the TV series, Guo Jing and Huang Rong had become the romantic model of martial arts novels and even the entire Blue Star.

This influence was terrifying.

It's said that many girls are studying how to cook better in emulation of Huang Rong,

given that in addition to her unparalleled wisdom, her cooking skills in the book are indescribably marvelous, even impressing such a person as Hong Qigong and thereby agreeing to teach Guo Jing martial arts.

"I just don't know when we will see Chu Kuang write martial arts again."

After the smile.

A sense of regret started to form in OI' Xiong's heart.

Chu Kuang writes books very whimsically, the leap between subjects could definitely be described as fantastical.

From sports competition to xianxia, from xianxia to mystery, from mystery to detective, and even from detective to fairy tale genre, he surprisingly chose martial arts this time—a theme that has been dormant for ages...

In such a case.

Ol' Xiong felt the likelihood of Chu Kuang's next book continuing with martial arts was extremely low.

However, whether he writes martial arts or not is not the most important.

Ol' Xiong just hoped that Chu Kuang would continue to stay in the Fantasy Department and not wander off again.

At this morning's meeting.

The look Cao Dezhi from the mystery department gave Ol' Xiong was full of sorrow.

Ol' Xiong didn't need to guess; he knew that Dezhi was feeling gloomy since Chu Kuang was no longer writing mysteries.

Besides.

Even people from the Fairy Tale Department were giving him a strange look, probably hoping that Chu Kuang would write fairy tales again.

It can't be helped.

Chu Kuang was a major support no matter where he went!

Anyone would want such achievements.

"No way!"

Ol' Xiong still felt a strong sense of crisis, "We need to take the initiative!"

He planned to proactively contact Chu Kuang, trying to persuade him to continue staying in the Fantasy Department.

Pulling out his phone.

Before Ol' Xiong could make the call, his phone unexpectedly rang first.

It was Jin Mu calling!

Feeling stirred, Ol' Xiong immediately answered the call, his voice filled with anticipation:

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Chapter 975 - 905: There Is No Light in His Eyes_2

"Is there news about Teacher Chu Kuang's new book!?"

"Haha, Chief Editor Xiong, you really have a divine insight. It is indeed Teacher Chu Kuang's new book. The work has been completed, and I'll send it to you in a moment..."

"A fantasy theme?"

"To be precise, it's still martial arts."

Jin Mu's voice was filled with laughter, while Ol' Xiong's expression turned instantly excited, happy like a 300-pound child!

At this moment.

Jin Mu added, "This time the situation is somewhat special. Teacher Chu Kuang's new book continues the story of the next generation of characters from 'The Legend of the Condor Heroes,' so you can think of it as a sequel to 'The Legend of the Condor Heroes.'"

Whoosh!

Ol' Xiong suddenly stood up, his flesh trembling all over, while his mind rapidly flashed through the hot topic online recently:

Chu Kuang is back on form!

Isn't it just booming!

After writing "The Legend of the Condor Heroes," this martial arts novel,

Chu Kuang didn't jump to other genres as impulsively as before. Instead, he chose to continue writing martial arts, and even wrote the story following 'The Legend of the Condor Heroes'!

This had never happened before!

"That's great!"

Ol' Xiong immediately voiced his assurance, his gaze sharp, "I will personally handle the publicity and ensure that this book surpasses 'The Legend of the Condor Heroes'!"

Surpass 'The Legend of the Condor Heroes'!

Ol' Xiong wasn't joking.

Because Chu Kuang's new book is the sequel to "The Legend of the Condor Heroes!"

With the foundation laid by the previous work, as long as Chu Kuang's level doesn't decline, exceeding the success of 'The Legend of the Condor Heroes' isn't difficult!

"Okay, I have sent the book to you."

Speaking of this, Jin Mu's tone suddenly became strange, "I haven't had the chance to read this book yet, but in the end, Teacher Chu Kuang asked me to pass a message to you."

"What?"

"He said, 'Don't change the plot.'"

Upon hearing this, Jin Mu felt an inexplicable thump in his heart, not knowing what he had thought of, he suddenly burst into laughter:

"Here we go again?"

"Very likely."

The two talked in riddles, yet those who understood, understood.

When those words were spoken, it generally indicated that another somewhat heartwrenching plot had appeared in Chu Kuang's novel.

"Don't worry!"

Ol' Xiong was very open about it, "We've known Teacher Chu Kuang for a long time, and we're familiar with his style. This time, let him play however he wants, our editorial department has no objections, after all, even the readers have gotten used to it!"

Is it just torment?

Bring it on!

After hanging up the phone, Ol' Xiong received the manuscript for "The Return of the Condor Heroes," sent by Jin Mu.

"The Return of the Condor Heroes!"

Ol' Xiong's fingers trembled with excitement, he quickly opened the novel, "Let me be the first reader of this novel!"

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Chu Kuang had written many novels and had cooperated with the Fantasy Department more than once.

And due to the special nature of his job as an editor, Ol' Xiong had read Chu Kuang's every novel from beginning to end.

Over these many years of collaboration.

Among all of Chu Kuang's high-selling novels,

The martial arts genre was the one that best suited OI' Xiong's taste!

Martial arts are the fairy tales of adults. For old men like Ol' Xiong, the passion for martial arts stories is deepest.

He had lived through the most splendid era of martial arts, clutching a martial arts novel in his youth.

Back then, Ol' Xiong was incredibly happy.

It is fair to say that Ol' Xiong ended up in the editorial profession due to the trend of martial arts that completely mesmerized him with novels.

Unfortunately, martial arts declined thereafter.

And Ol' Xiong could no longer find joy in martial arts.

Until ...

'The Legend of the Condor Heroes' appeared!

This novel brought back the happiness Ol' Xiong felt when he first read martial arts novels and immersed him once again in a dream-like jianghu!

In such circumstances,

Receiving "The Return of the Condor Heroes," which is said to be a sequel to 'The Legend of the Condor Heroes,' Ol' Xiong was, of course, eager to start reading immediately!

The first chapter!

The second chapter!

The third chapter!

Ol' Xiong was very absorbed in reading and quickly finished the first five chapters.

From Yang Guo's appearance to the appearance of Guo Jing and Huang Rong, the plot was as thrilling as ever, Chu Kuang's narrative strength hadn't diminished in the slightest!

However,

Ol' Xiong's brow furrowed slightly after a particular segment of the plot, "Isn't Huang Rong's character a bit ruined?"

This feeling made him very uncomfortable.

Ol' Xiong, watching The Legend of the Condor Heroes, liked Huang Yaoshi and his daughter Huang Rong the best!

Particularly Huang Rong, elf-like girl, intelligent and wise, and could cook a great meal, one could say that Huang Rong was responsible for half of Guo Jing's achievements!

After watching The Legend of the Condor Heroes.

How many people fell madly in love with Huang Rong!

However, by The Return of the Condor Heroes, although Ol' Xiong had only read a few chapters, he could clearly feel that Huang Rong was quite harsh on the protagonist, Yang Guo, showing much selfishness, fearing that Yang Guo might seek revenge from Guo Jing after learning about Yang Kang's deeds, going so far as to begrudgingly target the boy, subtly no longer the goddess that people once adored at first sight.

"What an old rascal indeed."

Ol' Xiong muttered gloomily, but he ultimately suppressed his dissatisfaction.

Because aside from the slight ruin of Huang Rong's character, this novel's level of excitement was in no way discounted.

Zhong Nanshan!

Ancient Tomb School!

Little Dragon Maiden!

Chu Kuang's world of martial heroes was still as dreamy and beautiful, yet carried a brutal attraction!

And Yang Guo, the protagonist, although the son of Yang Kang, didn't elicit the expected aversion at all, instead capturing Ol' Xiong's empathy and pity from his very first appearance:

Ol' Xiong analyzed quietly:

"With a completely different personality from Guo Jing, this Yang Guo has a cleverness about him, even somewhat reminiscent of Huang Rong when she first appeared in The Legend of the Condor Heroes, so appealing at a glance that one instantly loves him. Perhaps more appealing than the young Guo Jing by a notch. Could Huang Rong's dislike for Yang Guo, aside from the reason of Yang Kang, also be related to this cleverness Yang Guo possesses?"

He sighed internally.

Ol' Xiong finally understood why Jin Mu told Chu Kuang not to change the plot.

It must be because of Huang Rong.

Perhaps that old rascal was worried that the Fantasy Editorial Department might be discontent with his re-portrayal of Huang Rong?

What was the need?

In the Fantasy Department, and even the whole of Silver Blue Books or the entire novel circle, who dared to tell Chu Kuang what to do?

Who dared to guide Chu Kuang on writing?

Except for that time with Sherlock Holmes when Xian Yu spoke up, when had this old rascal truly altered his storyline and settings?

Moreover.

The beauty of Huang Rong was already fully showcased in the previous novel.

The protagonist of this novel was Yang Guo.

A new generation, a new story of the martial heroes!

Although readers would definitely be discontented with the changes in Huang Rong, considering Chu Kuang's previous notorious records, what did this level of heartache count for?

Netizens weren't wrong:

Having read so many of Chu Kuang's novels, everyone's resistance was maxed out.

Even if he caused more trouble, everyone would just lightly laugh it off, as long as the plot itself remained exciting.

Moreover, although Huang Rong became a regret, Little Dragon Maiden had entered the scene!

Ol' Xiong originally thought it would be difficult for Chu Kuang's new book to create a matchless character like Huang Rong, but Little Dragon Maiden's debut was just as impressive as the reception Huang Rong initially brought!

This new character was incredibly appealing!

Not only was the character setting free of any redundancy, but her charm was also not lacking at all!

Huang Rong was a woman with the aura of worldly concerns, her peerless intelligence and beauty complemented her charm!

Little Dragon Maiden, however, was a woman without the traces of worldly life, naive and seemed like a banished immortal, with an indescribable innocence and allure!

Compared to Huang Rong, each had their own merits!

Perhaps the outline of this book is already subtly revealed!

Yang Guo and Little Dragon Maiden, seemingly mentor and disciple, yet the future holds many possibilities.

Ol' Xiong hadn't read further yet his thoughts were already running wild, "I have to say, when Chu Kuang seriously writes about women, he truly has a knack for it. JingRong, the national couple, might just meet their match. If Little Dragon Maiden isn't the female lead, I might consider sending Chu Kuang razor blades again. Although after that last event on the blog, all of us at Silver Blue secretly sent him razor blades, I even borrowed family accounts to send some more, he wouldn't know anyway..."

He didn't think further.

Ol' Xiong continued reading.

The plot was extremely compelling.

Even more addictive than The Legend of the Condor Heroes.

Ol' Xiong was eager to know Yang Guo's future destiny.

And this driving force for reading was precisely the basis that allows a novel to become hugely popular.

Ol' Xiong seemed to see a glimpse of the future where The Return of the Condor Heroes would triumph!

However.

Just as Ol' Xiong excitedly opened the next chapter.

Boom!

The Dragon Rider arrived!

Ol' Xiong felt as if struck by lightning, his smile instantly vanished, his face turned pale instantly!

Subsequently.

A roar filled with grief and extreme pain suddenly exploded in Silver Blue Books, frightening all the major editorial departments:

"Chu Kuang, you old rascal, die!"

In that moment, there was no light in Ol' Xiong's eyes.

ps: Polluted White continues to write, be brave, and fear no difficulties!

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Chapter 976 - 906: I Broke His Leg

No matter how Ol' Xiong reacted, with Chu Kuang having given a heads-up, the news about "The Return of the Condor Heroes" was officially announced.

Silver Blue Books:

"Chu Kuang's new martial arts novel 'The Return of the Condor Heroes' is in the midst of a heated printing process. As a sequel to 'The Legend of the Condor Heroes,' not only will the love story between Guo Jing and JingRong be further perfected and supplemented in the tale, but the subsequent fates of the characters from 'The Legend of the Condor Heroes' will also be revealed in the new book, making it an unmissable excitement!"

At this moment.

The television drama "The Legend of the Condor Heroes" had just reached its grand finale. Whether they were fans of the book or the drama, everyone felt a lingering desire for more of the story.

In this lingering state,

When everyone suddenly saw the words "sequel to 'The Legend of the Condor Heroes,'" you can imagine their level of surprise!

Every statement in the official announcement was highly attractive, but netizens quickly extracted the key term:

"Sequel to 'The Legend of the Condor Heroes'!"

These four words represented the greatest magic, the kind that could instantly trigger a collective climax among book and drama fans!

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Online.

"There's actually a sequel!!!"

"Ahhhh, I love that old rascal! Has he finally gotten a clue and knows to write a sequel? Don't say anything else; as soon as this book comes out, I'm buying it immediately!"

"Buy, buy, buy, buy, buy!"

"Guys, Chu Kuang is really back on form, even knows to write a sequel on his own! Damn, damn, I'm becoming incoherent; I'm just too excited!"

"Chu Kuang, respect!"

"Can I pre-order 'The Return of the Condor Heroes' right now?"

"In my lifetime, I get to see Chu Kuang actively writing a sequel to his novel; it seems the old rascal is also quite satisfied with 'The Legend of the Condor Heroes' story. Also, I must say, the new book's title is very much to my liking!"

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In the martial arts world.

"If martial arts are truly to be revived, then Chu Kuang will be the greatest contributor to this grand martial arts revolution. 'The Legend of the Condor Heroes' was just the beginning; his new book will make more people pick up martial arts again!"

"No wonder!"

"I said it, 'The Legend of the Condor Heroes' clearly left some room, many characters' endings weren't well concluded, including Guo Jing's character arc not fully developed. With a sequel, everything becomes clear. It seems that Chu Kuang writing martial arts was not by chance, but pre-planned."

"Yes."

"He hadn't written a new book for a long time, probably preparing for 'The Legend of the Condor Heroes' and its sequel. As expected, once he acted, it was earth-shattering in the martial arts world. The title 'The Return of the Condor Heroes' follows the previous work, also featuring a hero and his mate, and has the 'Condor' involved."

"Not just the readers, I'm looking forward to it too!"

"The brilliance of 'The Legend of the Condor Heroes' is unprecedented. If it were someone else, I would worry about them botching the sequel, but with Chu Kuang, I actually have a feeling that he might create another glory!"

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In the television industry.

"The Legend of the Condor Heroes' actually has a follow-up; can we purchase the rights to 'The Return of the Condor Heroes'?"

"Contact Chu Kuang immediately!"

"The Legend of the Condor Heroes' is too popular, a 'The Return of the Condor Heroes' TV series would definitely be a smash hit!" Sëarch the novelFire.net website to access chapters of novels early and in the highest quality.

"I don't care what the relationship between Chu Kuang, Xian Yu, and Starlight is, I just want to buy the rights to 'The Return of the Condor Heroes' now. I'll handle the budget issues, you guys contact them immediately!"

"Secure his film and television rights right away!"

"We can't let Starlight take advantage again, winning Chu Kuang's rights is imperative for us!"

"With 'The Legend of the Condor Heroes' leading the way, the television industry's marsh arts fever has been raging. Now the whole nation is anticipating the sequel to 'The Legend of the Condor Heroes.' Contact Chu Kuang at all costs, whoever secures 'The Return of the Condor Heroes' secures the world!"

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All sides were stirred by the news!

Ding ding ding ding ding ding!

Jin Mu's phone was practically exploding!

Major film and television companies were all seeking to buy the rights to 'The Return of the Condor Heroes'!

Though Chu Kuang's film and television rights had always been in demand, none of his previous novels had ever received this kind of treatment.

The books hadn't even been released, yet all the major film and television companies were going crazy, waving their checkbooks and vying to buy the film and television rights!

This was the benefit of writing a sequel. 'The Legend of the Condor Heroes' was too popular, so the film and television market for his new book was predictable. Any film and television company with a bit of sense knew what this meant.

"Sorry, Chu Kuang's new book rights have been reserved by Starlight."

"It's not about the money."

"No need to raise the price anymore, the contract is already signed."

"I'm not deceiving you, you're the sixteenth company to inquire about the rights."

"The rights to the second adaptation?"

"That actually can be discussed, but only after Starlight has finished airing the series."

"Alright then."

"We'll have the opportunity to work together in the future!"

After taking the sixteenth phone call of the day, Jin Mu looked at Lin Yuan with a wry smile:

"If it weren't for the boss having shares in Starlight, I would honestly advise you to sell the rights to these companies. They keep calling non-stop, and I don't even have time to read novels. You have no idea how crazy their offers are for the series."

"Don't tell me."

Lin Yuan did not want to know; knowing would only be futile and painful, after all, "The Return of the Condor Heroes" was definitely going to be handed over to Starlight for production.

He was a shareholder of Starlight.

Starlight needed to grow more robust to confront the Tribe more aggressively.

Jin Mu sighed, "Quite a few companies are also interested in remakes, and we'll be able to make some money off that too. Including 'The Legend of the Condor Heroes', many companies want to remake it. I guess you will probably set a record for the most number of remakes of martial arts dramas on Blue Star in the future."

"You decide on that."

Anyway, the first taste of the crab was reserved for himself; remakes were just recycled meat by now.

Jin Mu curled his lips, "Then I'll put my phone on silent mode for now. I'm taking a few hours off from work today—I'm going to watch 'The Return of the Condor Heroes'."

A pang hit his heart.

Lin Yuan asked, "Which chapter are you on?"

Jin Mu replied with a smile, "Progress is slow. I've only reached Chapter Six. Recently, the influence of 'The Legend of the Condor Heroes' has left me with too much work."

As he spoke,

Jin Mu turned on his phone and continued indulging in "The Return of the Condor Heroes", adopting a demeanor of complete absorption.

For both Ol' Xiong and Jin Mu, having early access to read Chu Kuang's novels was an incredibly fulfilling achievement.

Take "The Return of the Condor Heroes" for example.

The flurry of phone calls just now had made it clear that the price for the film and television rights of this novel alone was an astonishing figure.

This was no longer just a novel but a gold mine of incalculable value!

"Then you keep reading."

Lin Yuan's voice suddenly became smaller:

"I have some things to take care of, so I'm leaving first. If nothing unexpected happens, I won't be coming to the studio for the next few days."

"What's so urgent?"

Jin Mu raised his head and glanced at Lin Yuan.

Lin Yuan avoided Jin Mu's gaze, "Personal matters."

Jin Mu's eyes returned to the screen, "Call me if you need anything."

"Sure."

Seeing that Jin Mu didn't ask further and was buried again in "The Return of the Condor Heroes", Lin Yuan couldn't help but guicken his pace and swiftly leave.

And a minute later,

Jin Mu's eyes in front of the screen suddenly froze, and then he exploded!

"Damn it, where's my knife!"

He rarely cursed, but now he abruptly stood up looking for Lin Yuan's silhouette, only to find that the other party had already left, not a trace in sight.

"Aaaaah!"

Jin Mu felt an insane hatred, the effect of "Dragon Rider" was particularly lethal!

He finally understood why Lin Yuan had asked which chapter he had reached; why he left in such a hurry; and why he wouldn't be coming to the studio for the next few days—what the hell kind of plot was this!

Lin Yuan really dared to come?

I'll break his legs!!!

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Chapter 977 - 907 Let the Old Rascal Unleash Himself

After Ol' Xiong, Jin Mu got mad too!

However, the outside world absolutely didn't expect the first batch of readers of "The Return of the Condor Heroes" to react like this.

But considering the old rascal's notorious track record.

After the news of the new book of "The Return of the Condor Heroes" was officially announced.

Indeed, there were some readers guessing whether this so-called sequel to "The Legend of the Condor Heroes" would start off with suffering and tragedy.

Stemming from this reason.

Following the blog topic #TheOldRascallsGettingBetter#, once again, a hot topic related to Chu Kuang surfaced and rapidly climbed the trending searches.

This time the topic was:

#WillTheReturnoftheCondorHeroesStartWithTragedy#

The initiator of this topic was a book-related internet influencer, with the ID being Soybean, whose profession was akin to that of a book critic.

"I think Chu Kuang's new book might start off with tragedy!"

After Soybean started the topic, he provided his reasoning:

"Many people say that 'The Legend of the Condor Heroes' isn't tragic at all, feeling exhilarated and comfortable all the way through, their hearts filled with boundless pride, making me, Chu Kuang's number one hater, quite puzzled. I even thought this old rascal truly turned over a new leaf, until today when I saw the news about "The Legend of the Condor Heroes" having a sequel and then it suddenly dawned on me, the cunning move was hidden right here!"

"I admit that 'The Legend of the Condor Heroes' isn't tragic, that's a fact!"

"But 'The Legend of the Condor Heroes' isn't non-tragic because Chu Kuang got better, but because the story of 'The Legend of the Condor Heroes' hasn't ended yet. Chu Kuang usually starts off with tragedy towards the end of the novel, not by writing heartwrenching plots in the beginning!"

"And now, our emotional attachment to the characters of 'The Legend of the Condor Heroes' is already very deep."

"So, if I'm not wrong, this book, 'The Return of the Condor Heroes', is probably where Chu Kuang starts the tragedy. This is the old rascal's usual tactic!"

At this moment.

Online discussions about "The Return of the Condor Heroes" were everywhere, naturally generating immense popularity.

And this topic was closely related to the previous one about Chu Kuang turning over a new leaf, thus it instantly sparked massive attention.

However.

The trend of the discussions in the topic was quite odd!

"Right now, I'm not at all afraid of how tragic Chu Kuang's new book might be. What I'm freaking afraid of is if he doesn't make it tragic, aren't the Zhao people arrogant? Now I'm on my knees begging Chu Kuang to be ruthlessly cruel, it would only be good if he brings them to their knees!"

"Can't argue with that!"

"If not now, then when?"

"Chu Kuang, you must live up to your reputation. Let the Zhao people see what the words 'old rascal' truly mean!"

"The fact that 'The Legend of the Condor Heroes' isn't tragic is my greatest regret!"

"Only heaven knows how much I want to see the Zhao people trembling under the feet of Chu Kuang, the old rascal writer dad. Don't forget how they used to mock us!"

"They are just too young and have no idea how terrifying the old rascal is!"

"It would be best to just annihilate the Zhao people. Our resistance is high nowadays, Zhao people don't share our resistance level."

"It's probably because the number of readers has increased that I feel Chu Kuang has started to consciously pander to the readers. To be honest, I am quite disappointed about this. I liked the old rascal's attitude of 'criticize all you want, I'll write whatever I want'. I don't want him to consciously pander to the readers of Zhao Continent. He never pandered to us like that!"

What the hell?

Soybean was stupefied.

Are you all masochists?

Weren't you the ones who hated Chu Kuang the most for writing such tragic stories?

Now, how come you are hoping that Chu Kuang will be harshly tragic?

But soon enough, Soybean understood why the comments were so strangely angled.

Two reasons.

The first reason, Chu Kuang is suspected of catering to the readers of Zhao Continent, causing a psychological imbalance among the readers from the other five continents.

The second reason...

The Zhao people were just too arrogant!

You see, before "The Legend of the Condor Heroes" was released, the readers from Qin, Qi, Chu, Yan, and Han had tried to educate the Zhao people about the old rascal's notorious past, but those group of Zhao people just played dumb, claiming "In Zhao Continent, the readers are the writer's fathers," and mocked the readers from the five continents for being unworthy, even becoming "the sons of the writer."

That would have been fine.

Things happen and then they're gone.

However, what no one expected was that, with the release of "The Legend of the Condor Heroes," the Zhao people became even more audacious, constantly being sarcastic in front of the Qin, Qi, Chu, Yan, and Han readers:

"That's it?"

"No way?"

"Heard it's the old rascal?"

"Heard his books are really brutal?"

"I thought it'd be more brutal. You guys can't handle this level? Your endurance is too low. Is this your first time reading Wuxia novels or what?"

Well, well.

This really got the readers from Qin, Qi, Chu, Yan, and Han mad. Now they're begging Chu Kuang to be ruthless with them, just so the Zhao people can experience the fear of being dominated by the old rascal!

Actually, it was the same before The Legend of the Condor Heroes was released.

Many bought The Legend of the Condor Heroes just to see how Chu Kuang would brutally treat the Zhao people, but unfortunately, The Legend of the Condor Heroes didn't become brutal.

About that.

Some radical readers even left comments in Chu Kuang's review section saying, "Old rascal, don't hold yourself back anymore. Let yourself go in your next book!"

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Now that the states of Qin, Qi, Chu, Yan, Han, and Zhao have merged and the internet is shared, the topic started by Soybean has been seen by the people of Zhao Continent.

At first glance.

The Zhao people were amused!

Some Zhao people took screenshots of the discussions and shared them with more Zhao people, instantly attracting a large number of netizens from Zhao Continent to the fray, which is why the topic quickly heated up.

A Zhao person said:

"Here you go again, huh? We Zhao people are not like you. If Chu Kuang dares to be brutal, we dare to abandon the book and tame him. Zhao readers will never be slaves. Some authors in our Zhao Continent tried that before, and later no one read their books. They had to start over with a pseudonym, and even when their cover was blown, they got cursed out eighteen streets. Do you have that kind of drive?"

"We'll see who ends up tormenting whom."

"In fact, Chu Kuang was spoiled by you guys. He was too soft. We Zhao people don't pamper such writers. Look what happened, Teacher Chu Kuang corrected his ways with The Legend of the Condor Heroes, didn't he?"

"It's still the same old saying, readers are the real bosses!"

"Serve the readers well, and your novel will sell like hotcakes. Offend the readers, and no one will read your books!"

"Actually, based on The Legend of the Condor Heroes, I think Teacher Chu Kuang is quite nice. It could be that it's you readers from Qin, Qi, Chu, Yan, and Han who are slandering Teacher Chu Kuang."

"I actually have a similar opinion."

"Don't say we Zhao people don't understand Chu Kuang. I specifically looked at those so-called heart-wrenching works of Chu Kuang, and they are not as exaggerated as you

say. Your resistance is just not high enough. We Zhao people have been reading Wuxia for so many years. Our resistance in this area was maxed out a long time ago."

Damn!

Some readers from Qin, Qi, Chu, Yan, and Han were angered and even felt a little aggrieved after reading these comments!

Chu Kuang is a good person?

We are slandering Chu Kuang?

You Zhao people can tame him?

We readers from the five continents are too weak?

Are these even human words?

Do you know what we have been through?

Even Soybean couldn't stand it anymore. He put his foot down:

"Just wait and see. My prediction won't be wrong. This book by Chu Kuang will definitely be brutal, and it will make you Zhao people's livers ache. Don't say I didn't warn you in advance. As for your saying that Chu Kuang's previous novels weren't brutal, that's because with warnings from netizens from other continents, you had expectations, so you found them not so bad. And about taming the old rascal, we'll see who tames whom when the time comes!"

Heh.

The Return of the Condor Heroes will definitely be brutal?

The Zhao people are not afraid at all. They believe in Chu Kuang and have confidence in themselves, and they are unwilling to be outdone in resilience by the other five continents.

They don't buy it!

Where in the world is there an author who goes against the readers and still gets hotter and hotter?

What happens in other continents, they don't care.

In Zhao Continent, they don't allow such an awesome existence!

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And amidst all the discussions.

Silver Blue Books once again stirred:

Chu Kuang's new book, The Return of the Condor Heroes, will be officially released in three days!

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Chapter 978 - 908 Dragon Rider

"It's here!"

Everyone's heart skipped a beat!

This was a novel that had propped up countless expectations before it even hit the shelves!

The Legend of the Condor Heroes still had lingering influence.

Not a single bookstore dared to underestimate the prospects of The Return of the Condor Heroes, and no bookstore doubted the wuxia genre anymore...

In such an atmosphere.

Three days passed in the blink of an eye.

Three days later.

It was just after dawn.

Readers were already setting out, unable to wait any longer!

At some major bookstores, countless customers even formed long, dragon-like queues at the entrances!

And at the entrances of all the major bookstores.

Countless standees and banners had been unfurled early on.

Things like "Chu Kuang's New Book Shocks the Market", "The Legend of the Condor Heroes Sequel Now On Sale", "Chu Kuang's Second Martial Arts Masterpiece The Return of the Condor Heroes following The Legend of the Condor Heroes", and so on.

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New Cathay Bookstore.

"Please don't push!"

"Everyone, please queue in an orderly manner to buy books to prevent accidents!"

"Do you have enough books this time?"

"Don't tell me again that you're short on stock and need to reorder, wasting my time for nothing."

"Rest assured!"

"We have plenty of stock this time, absolutely no problem, we know everyone's enthusiasm for The Return of the Condor Heroes!"

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Soaring Dragon Bookstore.

"The doors are opening, they're opening!"

"Why are you only opening at seven o'clock!"

"I've been here since six in the morning, waiting in vain for an hour at the door."

"That's nothing."

"I came over at five!"

"Lucky it's Saturday today, so I don't have to go to work. Otherwise, I'd really be afraid I wouldn't get a copy."

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Universal Bookstore.

"Start lining up!"

"I can see the books inside."

"Oh my god!"

"The first three rows of shelves at the main store of Universal Bookstore are completely filled with The Return of the Condor Heroes—it's the first time I've seen such a scene!"

"Other books have been relegated to the corners!"

"Even Mr. Antarctica's bestsellers have been squeezed onto the back shelves!"

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Tranquility Bookstore.

"Two copies of The Return of the Condor Heroes!"

"I'll take a copy of Chu Kuang the old rascal's The Return of the Condor Heroes too!"

"Old rascal, please, don't spare my feelings. I'm resilient now and can take it. You must absolutely torment the Zhao people in this one!"

"Hahaha, brother, a fellow enthusiast indeed!"

"The Zhao people are too arrogant."

"Can you all stop it, I'm a Zhao person, and I'm not afraid of being tormented!"

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From morning to noon, such frenzied scenes played out in all the major bookstores!

No one wasted time reading the book before buying.

This time, everyone's trust in Chu Kuang seemed to have climbed another notch!

More than ninety-five percent of customers ran straight to the cash registers as soon as they got their books!

To pay quickly!

They were in a rush to go back and read!

The stock prepared by the bookstores this time was indeed sufficient.

Just as the shelves were about to be emptied, a number of staff members, who had been on standby from the start, would skillfully carry a new box of unopened books to restock.

This happened very frequently.

The shelves were always cleared out in no time.

The staff were so exhausted, not to mention the cashiers who had grown tired from handling all the money.

This was the best first-day sales for a new book of Chu Kuang's.

In the past, although Chu Kuang's books also sold well, they often took some time to ferment.

It was only after the word of mouth really picked up that the bookstores would experience a peak in sales.

This time was unique!

Due to the association between The Return of the Condor Heroes and The Legend of the Condor Heroes, readers burst forth with an unprecedented enthusiasm to buy the book!

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Silver Blue Books.

The relevant departments kept receiving calls, from Blue Star's major bookstores:

"We need to restock!"

"Another hundred thousand copies!"

"The branch in the west city is barely holding on, send us some more!"

"Our bookstore headquarters is a bit cramped, we want to set up a few stalls outside, but we don't have enough stock... City management? Don't worry about city management, just approve our order!"

"Stock up!"

"What we ordered before was enough, but it's always good to have a reserve, there will definitely be lots of readers coming to buy later on!"

The phone wouldn't stop ringing!

The hotter the book sales, the larger the inventory orders!

However, the editors at Silver Blue Books had complicated expressions on their faces.

If peers saw this scene, they would find it very strange:

Chu Kuang's new book is selling so well, and you, Silver Blue Books, as the publisher, why is everyone wearing a bitter face?

Fantasy Department.

An editor sighed:

"Once the readers see how Huang Rong is portrayed, they're probably going to explode."

"Huang Rong might not make readers explode, but the part about Little Dragon Maiden will, that's where I stopped. Anyway, I'm not Chu Kuang's editor, so I didn't have to force myself to finish the whole thing." S~earch the nôvel Fire.nët website to access chapters of novels early and in the highest quality.

"Lucky you didn't keep going."

"Holy shit, there's even worse stuff later on?"

"Personally, I think it's worse. Yang Guo loses an arm and becomes one-armed. That's where I stopped; I couldn't read any further."

"Fuck!"

"Yang Guo loses an arm!?"

"Huang Rong ruins her character, the female lead loses her chastity, the male lead loses an arm, Chu Kuang must be crazy. With so many readers buying the book, if they start to riot, it will be a huge scene!"

The editors were in total panic!

This old rascal has truly gone mad!

At that moment, Ol' Xiong appeared, his tone very grim:

"All of you, just focus on your own jobs. The company's PR department is already prepared. Once the readers start making noise, they will proceed with the prearranged plan to pacify them."

The editors were dumbfounded.

Is it that serious?

Silver Blue's PR department was prepared in advance?

In all the years, the company had never shown such a stance, right?

Chu Kuang's novels have always been tragic, but Silver Blue's PR department has never armed themselves in advance like today—

The reason Silver Blue Books couldn't get excited as the outside world imagined was because:

Many people inside knew just how heartbreaking Chu Kuang's new book was!

Even more so.

Silver Blue Books was already prepared for the fact that in a few days, maybe even tomorrow, the sales of "The Return of the Condor Heroes" would plummet.

Therefore.

The hotter "The Return of the Condor Heroes" sells now, the bigger the backlash might be later!

"That said."

At this moment, "YangFeng", Chu Kuang's first editor, suddenly spoke up: "Actually, I personally recommend everyone finish reading the book."

An editor responded incredulously, "How the hell are we supposed to continue reading it?"

"YangFeng" hesitated a bit: "I couldn't accept those heartbreaking parts when I read them, but after finishing, I had a lot of different feelings, feelings that are hard to experience without finishing the whole book. It gave me this vague feeling..."

Ol' Xiong looked up at him: "What feeling?"

"YangFeng" spoke softly: "I feel like Chu Kuang isn't senselessly tormenting the readers, he indeed wrote it on purpose, but he's also helpless because he can only write it this way, and only by writing it this way can he..."

"No way?"

The editor next to him interrupted "YangFeng" directly: "When we first saw the Dragon Rider plot, you were the one who criticized it the most in the department, so why the change of heart now?"

"It's still the same reason."

"YangFeng" looked deeply, speaking earnestly: "You'll understand how brilliant the novel is only after you've read it in its entirety."

Ol' Xiong appeared contemplative.

Although he hadn't finished "The Return of the Condor Heroes", he had still forced himself to read the sixteen-year reunion plot between Yang Guo and Little Dragon Maiden that morning.

That plot had moved Ol' Xiong like never before.

He had countless emotions in his heart, yet he didn't know how to express them.

For some reason, the previously furious emotions had quietly faded a lot.

Perhaps, as "YangFeng" said.

He should finish the book before reflecting and judging.

However, the other editors were curling their lips, quite annoyed with "YangFeng", thinking he had already stepped into a PR role, even including his own colleagues!

"I don't believe you for a second!"

Pulling out their phones, the editors started to refresh the internet, keeping an eye on the readers' reactions.

According to the time, some readers should have gotten to the part where Little Dragon Maiden loses her virginity.

As expected.

Glancing at the company website's message board, an editor sighed and said, "It's already started."

On the message board of Silver Blue Books.

A comment full of exclamation points was striking:

[Chu Kuang, you old rascal!! I can't quench the hatred in my heart unless you're dead!! Little Dragon Maiden was actually defiled by the antagonist!!!?]
The editors fell silent.
Ol' Xiong's heart skipped a beat.
What was bound to come, would always come; the unavoidable "Dragon Maiden Incident" had now begun to unfold
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Major platforms...

Everyone discussed from the first chapter of "The Return of the Condor Heroes" to the second, and from the second chapter to the third...

From Yang Guo's recognition of "The Legend of the Condor Heroes" to the conclusion where the crazed Ouyang Feng became a father, and then Guo Jing and Huang Rong officially appeared as a married couple...

The linking and continuation between "The Legend of the Condor Heroes" and "The Return of the Condor Heroes" thrilled the readers, as if just seeing the familiar characters appear could instantly evoke all their wonderful memories of "The Legend of the Condor Heroes"!

And the real climax of the discussion had actually started from the third chapter.

Because the plot of this chapter made it clear that Huang Rong's aversion to Yang Guo, the male protagonist of "The Return of the Condor Heroes", was openly displayed.

In the story of "The Legend of the Condor Heroes", Huang Rong is the goddess of the readers.

Even if this goddess occasionally acted spoiled and willful, she ultimately remained cunning and endearing, with an overall image that could be said to be nearly perfect in brilliance.

However.

In "The Return of the Condor Heroes", Huang Rong had changed!

In the plot of this chapter, when Yang Guo was bullied by Guo Fu and other warriors, Huang Rong protected Guo Fu and the others, making things difficult and guarded against Yang Guo!?

Come on, Auntie Huang!

Our little Guo is still a child!

Is it fun to scheme against a child?

After reading the first two chapters, everyone had gradually empathized with the new protagonist Yang Guo, but seeing Huang Rong's antics, akin to a common fishwife, immediately furrowed their brows and felt extremely uncomfortable!

Someone started blasting then!

Of course, the main ones blasting were the Zhao people.

Because many Zhao people were seeing such frustrating plot twists for the first time, feeling as though Chu Kuang had diminished Huang Rong's character!

The readers from Qin, Qi, Chu, Yan, Han also wanted to blast.

But when they saw Zhao people blasting, visibly unable to bear it, they suddenly rejoiced!

One by one, readers from Qin, Qi, Chu, Yan, Han felt an inexplicable satisfaction rise within them, finally seeing the Zhao people tortured by the old rascal Chu Kuang!

"Ah ha?"

"Zhao people can't hold up?"

"Still think the old rascal's book is good?"

"You guys are too weak, this level can't even break my defense."

"Why don't you show off your might, make the old rascal change the plot?"

"If you can make the old rascal submit, I will acknowledge that I'm the daddy of your book readers."

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Huang Rong had changed.

The readers from Qin, Qi, Chu, Yan, Han were also upset, unable to accept it, but in front of the Zhao people, they wouldn't admit that they had been tortured!

Actually, a previous saying was quite right.

Unwittingly, the resistance of readers from Qin, Qi, Chu, Yan, Han had been trained exceptionally high by Chu Kuang, so when Zhao people started cursing first, their reactions were slightly delayed.

Damn!

Reveling in others' misfortune?

The provocation by the readers from Qin, Qi, Chu, Yan, Han calmed the Zhao people down instead, as the matter touched upon a matter of face.

How could we let you revel in our suffering?

To show they didn't care, some Zhao people even specifically explained for Chu Kuang:

"It's not entirely unacceptable."

"Huang Rong has always had this personality."

"Think about it carefully, and you'll understand why, as we initially empathized with Guo Jing and Huang Rong, so seeing Huang Rong doing various things to protect Guo Jing felt thrilling."

"This time, we empathized with Yang Guo."

"Because the perspective changed, Yang Guo became the character bullied by Huang Rong, so we instinctively feel upset."

"However, all of this is understandable."

"Teacher Chu Kuang is incredible, if he hadn't written it this way, Huang Rong's character would have collapsed."

Qin, Qi, Chu, Yan, Han: "..."

These Zhao people really know how to put on a show, huh?

No worries, there's sure to be more torture ahead!

This book and "The Legend of the Condor Heroes" have a different tone, a certain inexplicable oppression—those familiar with Chu Kuang could already smell that unique scent.

Let's see how long you last!

With this in mind, readers from Qin, Qi, Chu, Yan, Han were actually looking forward to even more intense torture ahead, hopefully making the Zhao people cry!

And then.

As readers gradually reached chapter seven, the intensely torturous plot that the readers from Qin, Qi, Chu, Yan, Han had been eagerly anticipating finally emerged!

However.

When that moment arrived!

Both from Qin, Qi, Chu, Yan, Han and the readers from Zhao watched the scene, and their eyes instantly reddened! What is this? What the heck is this? Why is there such a plot? Why did this happen? Damn it! The Dragon Rider has arrived! Zhao people couldn't withstand it! Zhao people were crying from being tortured! But the readers from Qin, Qi, Chu, Yan, Han also instantly lost their defenses and forgot to mock the Zhao people, because they were crying from being tortured too! It exploded! Qin, Qi, Chu, Yan, Han, Zhao! Everyone exploded! Like the blast from a nuclear bomb, it instantly swept the entire internet, sparing no reader, and the so-called resistance was just a joke! Qin Continent. "Has Chu Kuang completely lost his mind!?" "Is this fake? Did I buy a pirated book, and did someone secretly alter the old rascal's plot? Huh? Is that so? Could any sane person write a plot like this!" "I don't believe it, it's false, all of it's false! Don't stop me, I'm going to kill the old rascal!"

Qi Continent.

"Little Dragon Maiden has been insulted!!!???"

"Chu Kuang must be a beast, how could he write like this, why would he write like this, how dare he write like this!"

"Old rascal, what's gotten into you? You might as well have directly killed the dragon princess, and might have killed Yang Guo as well, it would be more acceptable than this absurd plot!"

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Chu Continent.

"Paying big for Chu Kuang's home address!"

"When he was asked to fiercely torment the Zhao people, and he actually did, but he also dragged the readers from Qin, Qi, Chu, Han, and Yan into torment as well!"

"Cannot change a dog's nature to eat shit, not only does he continue to eat, he makes us eat it together!"

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Yan Continent.

"Goodbye!"

"Never see you again!"

"I won't read a madman's book, I've already torn it up, farewell! Also, I've got a thing, can someone tell me where Chu Kuang lives?"

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Han Continent.

"I was wrong, I should have never let this old rascal go freestyle!"

"Does Chu Kuang think he's being funny, thinking we encouraged this plot?"

"Completely broken down, is it all our own fault?"

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Zhao Continent.

"What is this, what the hell is this, can someone please tell me, what did he write?"

"Is this a joke?"

"We all misunderstood our brothers from Qin, Qi, Chu, Yan, and Han, they didn't deceive us! This old rascal really sucks! He clearly lures us Zhao people into the trap with 'The Legend of the Condor Heroes' and then feeds us crap with 'The Return of the Condor Heroes', us Zhao people are indeed too naive and too young, who would have thought Silver Blue would have such a heartless author!"

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The readers from the six continents were furious!

Swells of resentful curses suddenly filled the entire internet!

Huang Rong's character was destroyed, Yang Guo was cuckolded by villains, Little Dragon Maiden was humiliated and lost her chastity, Chu Kuang has gone mad...

Whoosh!

'The Return of the Condor Heroes' related topics quickly swept the entire net!

Silver Blue Books' website was overwhelmed with angry comments, and the servers collapsed in less than ten minutes!

Immediately following.

Tribe, blogs, and major online platforms across all continents were slammed with traffic amid a sea of curses!

There were even extreme acts of burning the paper version of 'The Return of the Condor Heroes' and posting it on social media!

At this moment.

There was no more regional conflict!

Readers from the six continents united like never before!

Readers from Qin, Qi, Chu, Yan, Han, and Zhao were no longer mocking each other!

They even comforted, supported, encouraged, and helped each other to step out of the shadows!

Their hearts were tightly connected!

Everyone unanimously targeted Chu Kuang, the six continents scorned him together, and their spit could form an ocean!

Unexpectedly, even the short story author Shen Jiarui, who was known as "Chu Kuang's number one fan," also posted a status update amid the torrent of curses!

He tagged Chu Kuang:

"Either change the plot to revise 'The Return of the Condor Heroes', restore Little Dragon Maiden's purity, or I'll turn from a fan to a hater, and never read your books again. I know my influence is small, but I believe, this is the collective voice of all readers!!!!"

Suddenly!

A storm erupted!

Chu Kuang's number one fan had turned against him!

Even the most loyal fans of Chu Kuang could not understand this kind of plot!

However.

It wasn't enough!

What shocked the whole net even more was!

Someone quickly reviewed the following plot amid a barrage of curses, and revealed information like an April Fool's joke:

"Oh my god!"

"I just rapidly flipped through 'The Return of the Condor Heroes' and accidentally saw in the twenty-sixth episode, Yang Guo's arm was chopped off by Guo Fu, Chu Kuang actually arranged for the protagonist, to have his arm chopped off by Guo Jing's daughter!"

Arm chopped off?

Is it true or false?

Isn't Huang Rong's character destruction enough?

Isn't Little Dragon Maiden's loss of chastity enough?

Isn't it enough that Yang Guo was cuckolded?

He still has to have his arm chopped off by someone in the next part?

At this moment, it's no longer just about whether Chu Kuang has gone mad!

At this moment, all readers are going mad along with him, even the few with unique tastes who can remain calm when Little Dragon Maiden is humiliated are completely losing their mental stability!

To be more precise:

At this moment, whenever someone opens the internet, they will find themselves surrounded by countless resentful voices, furiously blasting Chu Kuang!

An unprecedented spectacle!

An unprecedented scale!

An unprecedented unity!

Since ancient times, the only author who has been unanimously cursed by readers from all six continents is Silver Blue, and this, a one-of-a-kind instance!

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Chapter 980 - 1000 Remember to take a bulletproof car when you go out

No one could have expected Chu Kuang's "The Return of the Condor Heroes" to have such a sick and twisted plot!

And with public outrage reaching boiling point, every major field was shocked!

The entire publishing world caused a great uproar!

"What on Earth is Chu Kuang doing, anyway? If he had just honestly written this sequel, even if the plot wasn't as good as 'The Legend of the Condor Heroes,' the readers would have been completely willing to go along with it. So why did he have to come up with such an absurd plotline?"

"Is he having a spat with money?"

"Is he not on speaking terms with sales?"

"This is clearly saying he doesn't give a damn about his readers!"

"In the past, when you mentioned Chu Kuang, people in the industry would joke that he always went against the readers, but I always thought it was just a joke. It's only today I've realized he really does oppose the readers on purpose. This 'The Return of the Condor Heroes' is simply written to disgust readers!"

"Even I'm repulsed!"

"Although this plot is indeed unacceptable, as a competitor, I still want to pay my respects to Silver Blue Books in silence. Entrusted with such a capricious supreme god, the editors can't hold Chu Kuang back at all."

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Meanwhile,

the television industry is full of mixed emotions and even a sense of relief!

"What the hell is this? Would it kill him to write a decent book? Why go for this kind of storyline? Does Chu Kuang have some artsy-fartsy disorder, thinking that this is more profound?"

"Profound my ass!"

"What era are we in that someone would still write such degrading plots for female characters? Should I be glad that Chu Kuang didn't sell the rights of 'The Return of the Condor Heroes' to our company?"

"Thank God we didn't buy it!"

"How would we even film it?"

"Just this in the novel, even a mere passage of text, is enough to nauseate readers. If we actually filmed it, wouldn't the audience come throw rotten eggs at our company's front doorstep?"

"If we had actually bought it, we would be crying. Who would watch this crap?"

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In the martial arts fiction circle,

writers of the wuxia genre were dumbfounded!

"Is there some special reason behind this? How could Chu Kuang write such a plot? Even a novice writer knows that cuckolding is an absolute taboo!"

"What exactly is he trying to do?"

"Has he become arrogant, thinking that with his current strength, no matter how cruel the writing, the readers will accept it?"

"There were readers who asked for more cruelty before."

"Those readers asked for it, but who is Chu Kuang? They're not the ones to provoke him. If he really started being cruel, who could stand it?"

"I'm so angry I could spit blood!"

"Martial arts fiction was finally looking up, so why did he have to do this? If he doesn't change the plot, he might actually face a boycott from readers for many years or even his own reputation as the old rascal could be completely destroyed!"

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At this time, the media had already dropped their jaws, and the news directly referred to Chu Kuang as "old rascal"!

Headlines were flying everywhere!

"Has Chu Kuang, the old rascal, lost his mind?"

"The Most Resentful Author in History Is Born!"

"What exactly did the old rascal write that got readers across six continents cursing?"

"Universal Derision!"

"The Return of the Condor Heroes' new villain Little Dragon Maiden humiliated; readers claim they'll crowdfund to find Chu Kuang's address!"

"Old rascal sparks fury; how will he clean up this mess?"

"Huang Rong ruined, Little Dragon Maiden insulted, Yang Guo crippled, the old rascal's most unacceptable book to readers since his debut is born!"

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And amidst the continuous curses.

readers started to take to the streets in protests!

A large group of readers demanded refunds for "The Return of the Condor Heroes" outside bookstores!

The doors of Silver Blue Books were also besieged by a large number of readers!

Banners demanding "Change the Plot, Chu Kuang!" were raised one after another!

Silver Blue Books' PR department had already sprung into action!

Various prepared press releases were desperately pushed out!

Things like, "The reason everyone is so angry is ultimately because of the so-called virginity complex,"

and "Love is pure."

They also stated "To love someone is to love their soul."

Some press releases even tried to play the role of sensible netizens, suggesting "Love can transcend material and physical entities."

Unfortunately.

Such press releases simply couldn't offer any consolation to readers!

Countless people angrily stated, "We won't accept any form of whitewashing," "Internet trolls, go wash up and sleep," "I don't believe there are still true fans out there protecting this old rascal."

Clearly, the public relations strategy to whitewash had failed.

Online cursing didn't decrease at all, but rather intensified as more people saw the plot of "The Return of the Condor Heroes" and made an uproar!

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Jin Mu's phone was blowing up!

Under tremendous pressure, Silver Blue Books proactively discussed the possibility of Chu Kuang changing the storyline.

Even though Chu Kuang had already taken precautionary measures.

In the end,

The unsuspecting Jin Mu sighed, "I also hope he changes the plot, but the problem is I can't even contact him now."

"What a sin!"

The person on the other end hung up the phone in anger and grief.

He put down the phone.

Jin Mu looked at Lin Yuan with fiery eyes: "Boss, we can't suppress it anymore, this time it's different, the readers really can't accept it."

Yes.

At that time, Lin Yuan was at the studio.

He couldn't possibly stay away from the studio for days, leaving Jin Mu to face all this alone.

Though when he arrived at the studio today, he was almost beaten up by an unrestrained Jin Mu.

Even then, there was still some small revenge.

For example, Jin Mu had added a bit of sugar to the tea he made for Lin Yuan today, which tasted really strange.

In fact, Lin Yuan himself was somewhat helpless.

The plot of the Little Dragon Maiden being humiliated was written very subtly, Jin Yong was very restrained.

In his narrative, he deliberately chose a plain and brief approach, attempting to minimize the readers' backlash.

Clearly, he also knew:

Readers inherently reject such storylines.

And Lin Yuan knew how big the commotion online and in real life was; he had no choice but to respond.

The first one to respond was Jin Mu.

"Three days."

Lin Yuan estimated the time it would take for the first batch of readers to finish "The Return of the Condor Heroes," then spoke to Jin Mu:

"In three days, perhaps there will be a turn in public opinion."

Jin Mu was stunned, unsure where Lin Yuan's confidence came from: "Will it be like with Poirot before, where the readers figure it out on their own?"

Lin Yuan said, "There will always be some who figure it out, you can continue reading as well, and we'll talk after you've finished."

Jin Mu: "..."

So you're also watching to see how it goes, huh?

The problem is, reader riots aren't always resolved by just letting things take their course!

As the saying goes:

Nothing should be done to excess.

Starting with the Biyao incident, to the death of Poirot, to the readers' riot over Sherlock Holmes.

Chu Kuang had done this three times already!

Who would have thought Chu Kuang would do it a fourth time, and the situation seemed even worse than the previous three.

Alright.

Actually, it's not to say that this time the situation is definitely worse than before.

Mainly because Chu Kuang's influence was growing, the readership was larger, so this riot looked crazier than before—

If a little-known author wrote this, readers would at most curse a bit and then abandon the book.

"Fine then."

Jin Mu sighed: "I'll continue reading in a bit, and in three days, if there is no change for the better, then you seriously consider revising the text."

Lin Yuan didn't reply.

And that evening, the Chairman also gave Lin Yuan a call: "Don't go out these days."

Lin Yuan: "..."

The Chairman added, "If you really need to go out, remember to take the car I gave you, it can actually stop bullets."

PS: I was held up by something today, so the update is late, but I'll keep writing.

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Chapter 981 - 911: Professor Wang Comes Again

After responding to Jin Mu, Lin Yuan also had to respond to the readers.

However, not now, and definitely not as Chu Kuang.

Lin Yuan planned to ask Yi An to help explain to the readers later.

Because right now, apart from changing the plot of the novel, anything Chu Kuang says would fall on deaf ears; it might even rile up the readers more— Sëarch* The nôvel Fire.nët website to access chapters of novels early and in the highest quality.

At least for these few days.

Silence is golden for Chu Kuang.

And clearly, the readers are unable to comprehend Chu Kuang's thoughts.

Instead, many people think this is the "arrogance" coming from the old rascal.

Think about the previous incidents when the old rascal wrote heartbreaking plots that triggered reader riots.

Did the old rascal ever respond?

Sure, Sherlock Holmes had indeed responded.

But he didn't respond to the readers; he responded to Xian Yu.

This misunderstanding led to The Return of the Condor Heroes still facing a barrage of curses on the second day of its release.

Titles like "arrogant and contemptuous" were unavoidably mentioned repeatedly by readers.

Anyway, it wasn't the first time the old rascal was labeled with such titles.

Be it arrogance.

Or cold-heartedness.

They are the eternal tags belonging to the old rascal.

Fortunately, Lin Yuan's windows were not smashed.

The identity of Chu Kuang was still very well hidden.

There were rumors that:

Jin Yong's house was in turmoil back then because of this matter, which had been reported.

There were also rumors claiming that the scene where Little Dragon Maiden was defiled was ghostwritten by someone else, and not by Jin Yong himself.

This claim was personally denied by Jin Yong.

However, it was true that someone did ghostwrite parts of Demi-Gods and Semi-Devils later on.

And the most lively rumor was that Jin Yong wrote about Little Dragon Maiden's loss of chastity because of his unrequited love for Xia Meng—

Little Dragon Maiden was Xia Meng in his heart.

When Xia Meng embraced another, Little Dragon Maiden lost her virginity in The Return of the Condor Heroes.

"Reality is connected to fiction."

Let's not discuss the truth of these speculations for now.

Surely those who spread such gossip were malicious.

They were likely frustrated with the plotline about Little Dragon Maiden's loss of virginity and decided to concoct stories, even to disgust the author—

At least Jin Yong never called to tell him about it.

And when The Return of the Condor Heroes reached the third day of its release.

There was only one day left of Lin Yuan's three-day deadline.

Jin Mu grew impatient and called Lin Yuan, "There are still a lot of readers blocking the entrance at Silver Blue Books, why don't you post an update to calm them down?"

Lin Yuan counter-asked, "What do I say?"

Jin Mu was suddenly at a loss for words; anything Chu Kuang said now would be met with backlash.

Unless he was willing to recognize his faults and change.

Lin Yuan spoke up, "Tell Silver Blue Books to provide some food and drinks for everyone, I'll pay."

Jin Mu: "..."

The suggestion was not bad, and Jin Mu accepted it.

So.

That day.

Someone was eating food and drinking water provided by Chu Kuang, and after they were nicely fed, continued to protest.

At that moment.

A representative from the public relations department of Silver Blue Books commented softly, "The food and water you just had was courtesy of Teacher Chu Kuang."

Damn!

There's a saying that you're short-handed when you take someone's money and short-mouthed when you eat someone's food.

The faces of the readers gathered at the door changed, and their momentum in protesting almost vanished at this sudden turn.

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On the other side.

In a classroom at a university.

Professor Wang from the literature department walked in holding a copy of The Return of the Condor Heroes.

As soon as he entered the classroom, some students caught sight of The Return of the Condor Heroes in his hand.

Immediately, many students began shouting with a teasing tone, their faces filled with jest and ridicule:

"Professor Wang, have you read The Return of the Condor Heroes too?"

"I have, and even finished it, couldn't put it down for three days."

Professor Wang casually responded, leaving everyone dumbfounded with his answer.

Could not put it down, really?

This book that had shocked readers across all continents.

It was hard to imagine anyone describing their love for The Return of the Condor Heroes as "couldn't put it down," let alone think that these words would come from the old-fashioned Professor Wang.

Does Professor Wang have a special preference?

Professor Wang then countered the students below, "I have answered your question, but your responses to the assignment I gave you last time were broad and empty, all superficial. Now, you should know how to answer me, what is a 'hero's mate'?"

The students below: "..."

This question again?

Professor Wang looked disappointed, "Chu Kuang has already provided the answer in The Return of the Condor Heroes, haven't you understood it?"

"The greatest 'hero's mate' serves the country and its people."

As Professor Wang showed his disappointment, a girl wearing glasses in the front row suddenly spoke up.

Whoosh!

At those words, the entire classroom fell silent!

The greatest 'hero's mate' serves the country and its people?

Everyone was quietly savoring the answer, feeling an inexplicable stirring within.

They had all considered the answer to this question before, but no answer could compare to these eight characters!

And such an answer was actually found in The Return of the Condor Heroes?

On the podium.

Professor Wang was taken aback, "You finished it?"

He raised the copy of The Return of the Condor Heroes in his hand toward the girl who had spoken, showing a smile.

"I did," the girl smiled back.

Professor Wang asked, "Did you enjoy it?"

The girl answered, "It was incredibly beautiful."

Professor Wang, filled with gratification, said, "Very good, who else has finished reading? Show of hands."

Whoosh whoosh!

A third of the class raised their hands.

Professor Wang asked these students, "After finishing it, are you still angry?"

The group of readers hesitated for a moment before shaking their heads, their expressions complex.

The remaining two-thirds of the students looked perplexed; they certainly had read The Return of the Condor Heroes too but had not finished it.

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Chapter 982 - 911 Professor Wang Returns Again_2

Some were infuriated by Huang Rong.

Some were put off by the scene where Little Dragon Maiden dissuades.

Some gave up because of Yang Guo's arm amputation.

So they didn't understand:

Why so many people had finished "The Return of the Condor Heroes," and even subtly praised the book.

"Hehe."

Professor Wang laughed, "Finally, there are some who get it. Yet, there are many fools in this world who need teaching, so today's class will be about Chu Kuang's 'The Return of the Condor Heroes'!"

Pfft!

The students below couldn't help but cry and laugh:

"You're kidding, right?"

"This book is mind-blowing?"

"We have to dedicate a whole lecture to this book?"

"Do you truly think there's nothing problematic about 'The Return of the Condor Heroes'?"

"You must have maxed out your resistance to toxicity to actually finish this book, right?"

"Because our resistance isn't high enough, we are the fools now?"

The room burst into tumult.

Professor Wang tapped on the desk, "Could those who haven't finished the book tell me what you think is inappropriate?"

"Huang Rong!"

"Yang Guo!"

"Little Dragon Maiden!"

Most people called out "Little Dragon Maiden."

Professor Wang shrugged, "Then let's go in the order of the book's events, starting with Huang Rong—"

He paused.

Suddenly, Professor Wang turned to a sneaky-looking student, "Make sure to get me on camera this time!"

Alright.

It turned out this student was the one who had filmed during Professor Wang's lecture on "The Legend of the Condor Heroes" last time, and he was at it again today!

"Okay!"

The student gave an awkward smile, coughed, and then brazenly raised his smartphone.

Ignoring this student.

Professor Wang looked at his class, "You think the character design for Huang Rong collapsed, right?"

The crowd below nodded furiously.

But Professor Wang shook his head, clearly annoyed, "It seems like you've all wasted your time watching 'The Legend of the Condor Heroes,' to think I'd have to bring this to class for analysis!"

"But Huang Rong's character has collapsed indeed!"

"That's right!"

"Huang Rong in 'The Legend of the Condor Heroes' was so much better!"

"Huang Rong in 'The Return of the Condor Heroes' seems like a completely different person!"

"The old rascal forced a character collapse just to advance the plot!"

"Once he found a new favorite, he forgot about the old love, just because Huang Rong is no longer the female lead, he stopped caring!"

The students were unconvinced.

Professor Wang sighed:

"This is exactly why I say you've all watched 'The Legend of the Condor Heroes' in vain. When has Huang Rong's character ever collapsed?"

"Class, as people reach middle age they cannot help but brew goji berries in their thermoses."

Amidst the sighs, Professor Wang took a sip of his warm goji berry tea, sparking laughter.

This was, after all, a classroom.

Not the protest scene outside.

Extremist readers were, in the end, a minority.

Now everyone was curious about how Professor Wang planned to redeem Huang Rong in 'The Return of the Condor Heroes.'

Yes.

Redeem.

Everyone felt that Professor Wang was about to whitewash Huang Rong!

Indeed.

Professor Wang commenced, "When Huang Rong first appeared in 'The Legend of the Condor Heroes,' she was sixteen, naive, childish, capable of disguising herself as a man to run away from home, and could wreak havoc without care for proprieties. Back then, when she made mistakes, the whole world would forgive her, including you young readers. But what about later?"

Professor Wang shook his head:

"Latterly, her Jing had one foot in the establishment, and she herself became the leader of an organization like the Beggars' Guild. Were you still expecting her to ride great eagles and roam the martial world with Guo Jing with no restraints whatsoever?"

She was middle-aged.

After reaching middle age, one starts a family and one's life inadvertently becomes stained with the mundane, living diligently.

This was the helplessness of Huang Rong.

Take the plot of the Great Heroes' Assembly, for example, and let's see how Huang Rong spent that day.

That day, she got up and first discussed the marriage of Yang Guo and Guo Fu with Guo Jing, then passed on stick-fighting techniques to Lu Youjiao. Alas, Lu Youjiao was quite dull, and despite Huang Rong teaching for nearly two hours, he still hadn't learned it, which was truly exhausting for both body and mind.

Subsequently, Huang Rong took Yang Guo aside for a heart-to-heart talk to soothe his wounded heart.

Half the day passed, and the Great Heroes' Assembly hadn't even officially started yet, but she was already feeling unwell from tiredness.

Because at that time, she was pregnant with her second child, who was the unborn Little Guo Xiang!

When the Great Heroes' Assembly began.

While everyone was busy negotiating a leader to resist foreign enemies, Huodu led Golden Wheel Imperial Adviser and a group of experts to cause trouble.

Lu Youjiao lost to them, and the Dog Beating Staff was stolen. Huang Rong, the pregnant woman, had no choice but to step forward and retrieve the staff.

After such tribulations, Huodu and his cohorts were finally driven off, but Huang Rong still didn't get a chance to rest as she had to deal with the teacher-student romance between Yang Guo and Little Dragon Maiden...

Tired. wasn't she?

Of course, she was.

Professionally, she had to manage the affairs of the Beggars' Guild and be vigilant against foreign invasions;

At home, she had to raise children, balance the relationships among family members, and help her husband achieve his dreams. Sëarch the nôvel Fire.nët website to access chapters of novels early and in the highest quality.

This is the hardship of a middle-aged woman.

You say Huang Rong is no longer lovable; she may not be lovable, but she is indeed more respectable!"

Below.

Students who had seen this part of the story were lost in thought.

Those who hadn't were silently contemplating.

Finally, someone couldn't help but question, "These are not justifications for her attitude toward Yang Guo, right?"

"Have you forgotten Huang Rong was from ancient times?"

Professor Wang replied directly, "Yang Guo and Little Dragon Maiden had a teacher-student relation. The ancients said that having a teacher for one day equates to a father for life. Teacher-student romance, in today's terms, is like someone openly declaring they want to marry their mother. Wouldn't they be drowned in saliva by the public? As an elder, would you still allow the younger generation to continue this way?"

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Chapter 983 - 911: Professor Wang Returns Again_3

Upon hearing this, the critics were dumbfounded.

Many people think about issues with modern thinking and feel Yang Guo is not at fault.

Yang Guo indeed, was not at fault.

But in ancient times, this was the biggest issue—Guo Jing would have wished to slap Yang Guo to death!

In that era, thinking was extremely rigid.

Even for Huang Rong, having this kind of mindset was normal.

Professor Wang added,

"Moreover, wasn't Huang Rong cautious about Yang Guo because she feared he might seek revenge for his father Yang Kang? This character trait was established from "The Legend of the Condor Heroes", being willing to do anything for Guo Jing. Yang Guo might have wanted to kill Guo Jing, what reason did she have for not taking

precautions? Is it just because after reading "The Return of the Condor Heroes" you all empathize with Yang Guo, hence you switch sides? If Guo Jing remained the protagonist, would you still find this plot problematic?

I tell you, the ones who have changed their hearts aren't Chu Kuang!

It's you readers who have changed!

Huang Rong was incredibly intelligent, just as smart during the time of "The Legend of the Condor Heroes" and similarly in "The Return of the Condor Heroes", her intelligence never failed, that's why she saw through Yang Guo's intentions!

Was she wrong?

She wasn't wrong at all.

Yang Guo indeed wanted to kill Guo Jing, more than once, it was only after endless internal struggle that he eventually gave up.

With Huang Rong loving Guo Jing so much, could she gamble that Yang Guo's conscience would come into play?

She didn't end Yang Guo's life, that alone is greatly on account of her respect for Guo Jing.

In the end, she is still that Rong'er whose heart only contains Jing, it's just that being middle-aged and unavoidably despised by you all, that is precisely why I like "The Return of the Condor Heroes" the most.

Other novels wouldn't dare to be written like this nor could they manage it!

In Chu Kuang's novels, the character's growth and helplessness are all under his pen.

From "The Legend of the Condor Heroes" to "The Return of the Condor Heroes", Huang Rong's transformation is a stroke of genius but it unfairly gained infamy for not meeting readers' expectations.

If you wished Huang Rong to remain unchanged, she should not have married Guo Jing.

Because for women of that era, marrying someone meant marrying into a way of life.

I can say this:

The ultimate hero in Chu Kuang's novels is Guo Jing from "The Return of the Condor Heroes", not from "The Legend of the Condor Heroes"!

The ultimate heroine is Huang Rong from "The Return of the Condor Heroes", not from "The Legend of the Condor Heroes"!

And for Guo Jing and Huang Rong to deserve the reputation of a national couple, one must consider both books together – without the support of great heroism for the nation and the people, to speak of a national couple is perhaps too premature."

Down in the audience.

The students fell into complete silence.

This time, no one raised any more doubts!

Everyone was convinced by Professor Wang's analysis!

So Huang Rong truly hadn't changed.

She had just grown into a middle-aged woman with a husband, a family, a career, needing to consider everything carefully.

After all, managing a life to be orderly with someone like Guo Jing was very difficult.

Suddenly.

Rustle rustle.

Someone among the audience began clapping, and some students couldn't help expressing emotionally,

"We were wrong, Professor Wang's analysis was very good, Huang Rong in "The Return of the Condor Heroes" may not be adorable, but she is respectable; she is the best wife for Guo Jing!"

"I guess you all still have a 'but'."

Professor Wang said blandly, "But you can't understand Little Dragon Maiden's storyline?"

"Yes!"

Came the uniform reply from the audience!

Even some readers who had read the entire book showed indignant expressions.

Different issues should be addressed separately.

The book is good, but Chu Kuang remains an old rascal!

Professor Wang began, "Next, let's talk about Little Dragon Maiden, but we must also discuss Yang Guo's arm amputation, and we need to start with Guo Jing and Huang Rong again. It relates to our class topic, the issue of how to achieve self-breakthrough in literary creation. Chu Kuang's demonstration of self-breakthrough is a textbook case for the entire industry!"

Down in the audience, the students were dumbfounded.

Little Dragon Maiden's dishonor is Chu Kuang's creative breakthrough in textbook style?

That's outrageous!

This is what other authors are supposed to learn from?

And a student jokingly said, "It can't possibly be that Guo Jing and Huang Rong caused Little Dragon Maiden's dishonor, right?"

"Oh? You really shouldn't say that."

Professor Wang glanced at the student, "What you just mentioned, in some sense, is actually not wrong."

Swoosh swoosh!

The students were baffled.

This really wasn't wrong?

ps: The actual brilliance of "The Return of the Condor Heroes" is that despite the inability to accept the plot concerning Little Dragon Maiden, people still give a thumbs-up to the book as a classic.

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Chapter 984 - 912: Unprecedented Eternal Love

Finally, a student could not hold back anymore:

"What does this have to do with Guo Jing and Huang Rong!"

"It's not about the plot, but the relationship with the creation of the novel,"

Professor Wang's answer was both unexpected and reasonable to everyone.

He took a sip of tea.

Professor Wang spoke slowly and deliberately, "Previously, I have lectured you all several times on The Legend of the Condor Heroes, and while discussing it, I should have emphasized one thing:

the love between Guo Jing and Huang Rong is complementary.

Their union conforms to the ideal of harmony in diversity, emphasized in our traditional Blue Star thinking.

This also led to the combination of Guo Jing and Huang Rong being dubbed 'the nation's couple.'

If The Return of the Condor Heroes contributes to this, then this couple could almost be described as perfect.

However, at this moment.

Chu Kuang inevitably faced a problem:

If he chose the same creative approach, no matter how he wrote the love between Yang Guo and Little Dragon Maiden, this pairing could never surpass Guo Jing and Huang Rong.

You wouldn't think of this problem.

Because this belongs to the creative challenge for writers.

And in the end, Chu Kuang came up with a solution, which was to take the opposite approach!

The love between Yang Guo and Little Dragon Maiden, completely opposite to JingRong's romance, so as perfect as Guo Jing and Huang Rong are as a couple, Yang Guo and Little Dragon Maiden are equally tragic.

Yang Guo's arm was severed.

Little Dragon Maiden's honor was compromised.

What Chu Kuang wanted to express was:

Not all love in the world is as beautiful as JingRong's romance; even defective and unfortunate combinations can become a model for couples.

This is what I call a textbook breakthrough:

Because of Chu Kuang's bold action, he successfully explored another possibility for the emotional scenes in martial arts novels, an action that all other writers should learn from, a courage that all writers should admire!"

Below the stage.

The expressions on the students' faces gradually turned blank.

It's not that they did not understand, but they had never considered:

That Chu Kuang faced such creative difficulties when writing The Return of the Condor Heroes.

Professor Wang was right.

The JingRong romance pattern could not be surpassed.

If Chu Kuang did not change the pattern of the couple's union, The Return of the Condor Heroes could only be an extension of The Legend of the Condor Heroes, or even an imitation of it.

Chu Kuang had his own pursuit in writing.

This in itself was not wrong but rather commendable.

Should he, like most authors, write the same story over and over again, constantly imitating himself to swap out similar faces?

At this moment, someone began to somewhat understand this part of the plot.

Yet, some were still dissatisfied, and soon someone raised their hand to speak:

"Does this breakthrough necessarily have to come at the cost of Little Dragon Maiden's compromised honor?"

"It absolutely does,"

Professor Wang said, "If it weren't for the misunderstanding of Little Dragon Maiden's compromised honor leading to her departure in anger, in that era of sticking to traditional norms, would this master-student pair have realized their feelings for each other? This is the turning point in their emotions, unacceptable to the reader but perfectly logical to the author.

Because the main thread of this book is love!

Yang Guo and Little Dragon Maiden were destined to face trials.

Their student-teacher relationship was the world's test for them; the severed arm and lost virtue were tests for each other; the sixteen-year promise was the test of time for them.

And there was a fourth trial.

But this belonged to Yang Guo's trial, which was the Peach Blossom Tribulation.

So many girls in the novel were infatuated with Yang Guo, all of them so outstanding, yet Yang Guo never wavered from the beginning to the end.

These four trials are indispensable to The Return of the Condor Heroes!

Bause these four trials are precisely where the value and significance of the book lie.

If you faced these trials, who would dare to claim they could do the same?"

And without these trials as a prelude, how could Yang Guo's leap of desperation after sixteen years touch the hearts of every reader in an instant?

Let me ask again.

For those who have truly witnessed this plot segment, will you still remember the respective imperfections of Little Dragon Maiden's loss of chastity and Yang Guo's severed arm?

At least I wouldn't.

I am simply genuinely moved and wish them well in their joyful reunion.

This is the meaning of their mutual imperfections, all so that the readers could experience the most shocking emotional climax, witnessing that flower of love that, even after sixteen years, still blooms resiliently!"

At this moment.

Students in the audience felt an unusual stirring within, and to their astonishment, they found themselves being subtly convinced by Professor Wang.

"Four trials?"

"Could it be that Chu Kuang actually had such a profound purpose when he wrote about Little Dragon Maiden's loss of chastity and Yang Guo's severed arm?"

"The JingRong romance showed readers the beauty of love; the Dragon-Guo romance was to let readers feel the tragic side of love?"

"And Little Dragon Maiden's loss of chastity is an indispensable emotional turning point of the plot?"

"Thinking about it carefully, it does seem that way, doesn't it?"

"No wonder it's said that Yang Guo's amputation and Little Dragon Maiden's tarnished chastity should be analyzed together, so as to portray each of their own imperfections?"

At this moment.

More and more people were convinced.

No student stood up to question further, but Professor Wang didn't end his analysis: "When the teacher-student love faced trials, when Yang Guo learned of Little Dragon Maiden's loss of chastity, do you remember what he said?

He said:

'What about the teacher-student relationship, what about honor and purity, we should just fart on it all! Let it all go to hell!'

Reciting this line.

Professor Wang was as if he stepped into the character, swearing aloud through Yang Guo's words!

He looked towards the students:

"After thousands of years have passed, some people's eyes are still not beyond that barrier, yet Yang Guo, who might be from a thousand years ago, didn't struggle with it for even half a second. You think that Chu Kuang, in writing this plot, sullied the Little Dragon Maiden. However, what Chu Kuang wanted to do with this plot basis was to elevate the purest love in this world. Thanks to this, Yang Guo and Little Dragon Maiden put on a legendary romance, worthy of being Chu Kuang's second national couple on paper!"

Below the stage.

After silence.

Applause broke out again.

Whether or not they agreed with Professor Wang's interpretation, his speech was certainly commendable, and by now, everyone had come to accept this view:

"That was so well said!"

"It completely overturned my understanding of the Little Dragon Maiden's story!"

"Where's the overturning of my view of the Little Dragon Maiden's story? This has just completely changed my view of 'The Return of the Condor Heroes'!"

"So this novel is really about emotions!"

"I have to go back and finish the rest of the story!"

"Can I borrow your book to read?"

"Didn't you buy a copy too?"

"I'm ashamed to say, I was so angry before that I tore the book up."

" "

The class continued.

Meanwhile, the student who was responsible for recording momentarily stopped the filming and shared the content that Professor Wang had talked about!

Very soon.

Netizens took notice of this video.

Many recognized immediately:

This Professor Wang was none other than the irate old man who became famous for his interpretation of 'The Legend of the Condor Heroes'!

Click, click, click.

Countless people clicked on the video!

PS: I recommend the GOAT, robot Wally's new book, "Nighttime Hacker": A book blending cyberpunk, extraordinary professions, and mysticism, with a great flavor, dark humor, and an interesting story.

Tip: You can use left, right keyboard keys to browse between chapters.

Chapter 985 - 913: May you wander half your life and still return as a youth

"Huang Rong's assessment is too favorable!"

"She's not cute anymore, but she's more respectable!"

"As a pregnant mother with my second child, this part really resonates with me, Rong'er has it tough!"

"I understand all the reasons, but it's hard not to feel a sense of regret."

"Now that you mention it, I just realized that Huang Rong might be one of the characters who understands Yang Guo best in the book."

"Never mind Huang Rong, but what about Little Dragon Maiden?"

"From Professor Wang's perspective, it seems that the storyline with Little Dragon Maiden is also flawless?"

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The video starts off talking about Huang Rong.

The section discussing Huang Rong quickly received agreement from netizens.

The netizens didn't react much.

What everyone really cared about was the storyline where Little Dragon Maiden loses her chastity and Yang Guo loses his arm; it looks like Professor Wang wants to whitewash Chu Kuang, the old rascal!

However.

When everyone saw Professor Wang's assessment of the storyline involving Yang Guo and Little Dragon Maiden later, they were suddenly taken aback.

For a moment.

The comments noticeably thinned out.

The entire comment area suddenly became very silent.

After a long while.

A few scattered netizens spoke up:

"Is he reading the same book as me?"

"Little Dragon Maiden loses her chastity, Yang Guo loses his arm, and it can be interpreted like this?"

"I think I'm somewhat persuaded..."

"Me too..."

"I've read the whole book like Professor Wang, but I didn't think about the meaning behind it so much; I just thought the later plot was thrilling, without ever considering that those thrilling moments were actually set up by the heart-wrenching events before. And, he is absolutely right about one thing: after reading the entire book, I don't mind the Little Dragon Maiden's storyline as much as I thought I would."

"Damn!"

"Deceiving the public!"

"Don't be fooled, I won't listen, I can't accept a NTR storyline!!!"

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Some people were wavering.

Some were persuaded.

Others were in a state of confusion.

Of course, there were still those who harbored a deep resistance to The Return of the Condor Heroes.

However.

Certain changes don't lose their significance simply because some readers resist them.

In fact.

Before the release of Professor Wang's video talking about The Legend of the Condor Heroes, the public opinion on The Return of the Condor Heroes was no longer unanimously condemning Chu Kuang, the old rascal.

Because quite a few people had already read The Return of the Condor Heroes completely and began to objectively consider whether the storyline arrangement might indeed have the necessity that Professor Wang talked about.

But a reversal of public opinion always requires a process.

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At the same time.

Lin Yuan, who was silently following the online reviews of The Return of the Condor Heroes at home, also happened to see Professor Wang's video.

It was the third day since the release of The Return of the Condor Heroes.

It was also the second day of the agreement between Lin Yuan and Jin Mu.

The opportunity appeared earlier than he expected, and now that the readers were gradually calming down, he could respond earlier as well.

Thinking this.

Lin Yuan logged into Chu Kuang's account and forwarded Professor Wang's video, followed by a four-character comment:

"Crippled heaven, defective earth, the true explanation."

It was Chu Kuang's first statement after the Dragon Maiden Incident erupted!

Almost the moment this status update was released, countless netizens swarmed in!

God knows how many people were watching Chu Kuang's blog, just waiting for him to publicly talk about his interpretation of The Return of the Condor Heroes.

The video's view count exploded instantly!

Chu Kuang's comment section was immediately inundated with countless messages:

"What does he mean?"

"Crippled heaven, defective earth?"

"What's with this cryptic response from the old rascal?"

"Watch the video, this one's got something to it, it's from that Professor Wang who did the breakdown of The Legend of the Condor Heroes last time!"

"That hot-tempered professor who likes to argue with students?"

"I watched it, the beginning makes sense of Huang Rong's situation and it's really plausible."

"There's also the interpretation of Yang Guo and Little Dragon Maiden later on!"

"What's the relation between this and the so-called 'Crippled heaven, defective earth'?"

For a moment.

Netizens were bewildered.

Some pondered thoughtfully.

And just as everyone was paying all sorts of attention to and discussing Chu Kuang's response as well as Professor Wang's video.

Yi An suddenly reposted Chu Kuang's status, with an explanation, "Heaven's Lament is Yang Guo's severed arm, Earth's Defect is Little Dragon Maiden's lost virtue."

"Oh snap!"

"Yi An, the little thief, has shown up!"

"What Yi An, the little thief, call him Yi An, the boss. His explanation is spot-on, so 'Heaven's Lament, Earth's Defect' refers to the love between Dragon Maiden and Yang Guo!"

"How does Teacher Yi'an view The Return of the Condor Heroes?"

"Quick, quick, quick, Teacher Yi'an, give us a book review!"

"Teacher Yi'an's analyses of the old rascal's works have always been quite on point!"

"Speaking of which, the line repeatedly recited by Li Mochou in The Return of the Condor Heroes, 'What is love in this world that demands life and death allegiance,' I think it was previously reviewed by Yi An when he commented on Jiang Yuyan's writings!"

Clearly.

Netizens' attention had been drawn to Yi An!

His interpretation of the four characters "Heaven's Lament, Earth's Defect" had enlightened countless readers!

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Behind Chu Kuang stood Lin Yuan.

Naturally, Lin Yuan was also behind Yi An.

To overturn this public opinion, Lin Yuan successively used these two accounts, drawing attention with the "Heaven's Lament, Earth's Defect."

As for the connection between Chu Kuang and Yi An with the line "What is love in this world that demands life and death allegiance," it was also within Lin Yuan's expectations.

Otherwise, how could Yi An's appearance provoke a qualitative change in public opinion?

And when the massive attention poured in, Lin Yuan finally published the book review he had prepared for Yi An!

This review was titled "May you roam half your life, and return still a youth"!

Instantly.

Yi An's review was widely read!

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With the progress of time, the concept of national boundaries has ceased to exist in the far future.

But the emotions between people are eternal, an inexhaustible source of inspiration for artists, the perpetual theme of literary works.

I Believe:

Those who have truly finished and even understood The Return of the Condor Heroes will certainly not remember Yang Guo's severed arm or Little Dragon Maiden's dishonor.

They will be glad that they have witnessed the epic love story of Yang Guo and Little Dragon Maiden bit by bit!

They know the pain of the Love Flower!

They know the sixteen-year vow!

They know that one Deep Blue Palm!

Compared to Little Dragon Maiden's dishonor;

Compared to Yang Guo's severed arm;

What they should remember is the scene of Yang Guo chasing the sun at Broken Heart Cliff sixteen years later;

What they should remember is the scene where Yang Guo, overnight, had his black hair turned to white;

What they even more should remember is Yang Guo and Little Dragon Maiden's desperate reunion at the bottom of Passionless Valley.

When Yang Guo shouted loudly before jumping off the cliff, "How could you not keep your promise?";

When Yang Guo held Little Dragon Maiden in his left arm, smiling and saying:

Aunt, look, can't I still hold you with one arm?

At this time, whether it's Yang Guo or Little Dragon Maiden, perhaps neither are perfect, but this imperfection exactly constitutes another kind of perfection.

The perfection of pure love.

The perfection of those who are passionate and sincere ultimately finding happiness.

In the battle of Passionless Valley, if they were not profoundly in love with each other, they would not have jumped into the valley successively;

If Little Dragon Maiden had not lived in an ancient tomb since she was young, with a detached nature, she would not have been able to live alone at the bottom of the valley for sixteen years;

If Yang Guo was not a man of deep passion, he would not have waited and watched for sixteen years—

What perfection after imperfection, how perfect are the coincidences and fates!

I Believe one day you'll remember having read such a story:

That pair of young man and maiden, hand in hand in the woods of Zhongnan Mountain, watching the leaves fall in waves, suddenly looking at each other and smiling, with no other scenery in their eyes.

Oh.

This story.

It turns out to be about ideals.

Never changing one's original aspiration, never wavering in one's devoted heart.

May you roam half your life, and return still a youth.

...]

Originally this review was supposed to extensively discuss The Return of the Condor Heroes, but Professor Wang, with divine assistance, stole most of Yi An's lines.

Fortunately, sentimental prose has always found its market on Blue Star.

As readers gradually shifted their focus back to the story of Dragon Maiden and Yang Guo themselves, Yi An's review, which didn't quite read like a review, instantly struck the hearts of readers!

In someone's imagined social death.

Whoosh!

Public opinion reversed!

PS: One must not insult those who can produce words with might!! I'll leave it for today, and later I'll show you the real skill.

Tip: You can use left, right keyboard keys to browse between chapters.

Chapter 986 - 914: May you wander half your life and still return as a youth

"Teacher Yi'an, the old rascal, really does stand with Chu Kuang, the old rascal. So this is the origin of the dispute over 'The Return of the Condor Heroes' plot, huh? Was Chu Kuang's aim to push the emotional storyline between Yang Guo and Little Dragon Maiden to the extreme?"

"I was indeed deeply moved by the end."

"The book starts as torturous as the ending is exhilarating. When I saw Yang Guo and Huang Yaoshi arriving together in flight, it was genuinely cool—the 'Condor Hero' making a return like a king, it hypes me up every time I see it!"

"You really do need to finish the entire book to calmly reflect on the earlier plot."

"Teacher Yi'an puts it well, and while it's true in principle, my heart still aches when I read those heart-wrenching scenes, perhaps I am just a vulgar reader, who only hopes for perfect male and female leads."

"What a line, 'I wish that after you've wandered half of your life, you could return still as young."

"When Yang Guo returns under the old rascal's pen, he really is still that young man from before. In terms of personal charm, Yang Guo is no less impressive than Guo Jing."

"Alright then."

"It seems that once again, the old rascal has won and is probably off somewhere smugly chuckling to himself right now."

" . . . "

With Chu Kuang speaking out and with Teacher Yi'an rounding things up, together with Professor Wang's interpretation, public opinion completely shifted.

In the book reviews.

The line "I wish that after you've wandered half of your life, you could return still as young" became popular.

Countless netizens started quoting it: "Teacher Yi'an always seems to speak so eloquently. It is the case with 'The Legend of Wukong', even in a book review!"

It can only be said:

Most people were indeed furious with the early plot of 'The Return of the Condor Heroes', but there were still many readers who gritted their teeth and continued reading.

And as this group of people grew, a turnaround in public opinion was just a matter of time.

Of course, this isn't to say that everyone has completely accepted the heart-wrenching plot in the book without any misgivings.

It's just that with the decrease in criticism, readers gained a deeper understanding of the story's design and were able to offer their own evaluations more calmly and objectively.

"Love is something that can drive one to life-and-death pledges."

In the background of Little Dragon Maiden and Yang Guo departing into the distance, there lies a resolute detachment from worldly fame and riches, unconcerned with how the world turns.

My only wish is to draw your brows daily, to revel in these stars with you, to live incognito without fame with you, and to grow old together face to face.

Who cares who the top warrior in the world is?

And that evening, parades and protests eventually quieted down and came to an end.

There were still some who were dissatisfied, but they learned to reconcile and ended up giving positive reviews of the subsequent content.

For a time.

Everyone was reflecting.

A martial arts author who finished the entire book exclaimed.

"That such a severe creative accident could also be resolved is in the end due to the content that follows in Chu Kuang's novel, which gave readers more than they anticipated."

That's not wrong to say.

Black won't turn white; the issues with a novel still have to be resolved by the quality of the novel itself. Some outcomes are inevitable, and other things like analysis or summaries are just icing on the cake.

After the plot where the dragon princess loses her virtue.

Yang Guo just left Mount Hua, met Guo Jing and Huang Rong again, and ultimately reunited with Little Dragon Maiden at the great hero's feast, bringing the first climax to 'The Return of the Condor Heroes.'

During the contest.

Zhu Ziliu fought Huodu with a pen in place of fingers.

Dalba's vajra staff was defeated by the fishing hermit of Diancang.

And ultimately, all these plots are to pave the way for the male protagonist Yang Guo to take action.

Yang Guo, having learned martial arts from both Ouyang Feng and Hong Qigong, defeated Huodu and toyed with Dalba, making his name in a single battle.

Guo Fu, who bullied him as a child, along with big and little Wu, were soundly humiliated; in terms of martial skills and martial world influence, from this point on, they were no longer on the same level as Yang Guo.

The nearby Quanzhen sect members were even more dumbfounded.

This part of the storyline undoubtedly aimed to dilute the impact of the dragon princess losing her virtue.

After layers of suppression, the plot erupted in the most exhilarating way, directly driving the readers' enthusiasm for reading.

Afterwards.

Whether it's the Passionless Valley or the first encounter with the Condor, Yang Guo was always on the path to getting stronger, with countless exhilarating moments densely packed together.

From this point on.

The readers' discussions and attention finally returned to 'The Return of the Condor Heroes' itself.

Just like when 'The Legend of the Condor Heroes' was completed, there were extensive discussions on various forums about the multitude of plot points from the narrative.

For example, one question that readers were concerned about after finishing the book:

At the end of 'The Legend of the Condor Heroes', the title of the world's top warrior in the second Duel Atop Mount Hua went to Ouyang Feng, who became insane after practicing the Nine Yin Manual in reverse.

This was the result of the second duel.

It was an official pronouncement within the Martial World.

And who exactly is the number one in the world at the end of "The Return of the Condor Heroes"?

Some say it's Guo Jing, others say Zhou Botong, and some believe that the protagonist Yang Guo is second to none, claiming that he's the true embodiment of the title. There're even those who blurt out that Golden Wheel Imperial Adviser, with his ten-layer Dragon Elephant skill, is the real number one in the world. He was only momentarily careless and caught off guard by Yang Guo...

Opinions vary.

Each with its own reasoning.

One intriguing point that motivates everyone to think is:

Yang Guo's adventures are even more intense than those of Guo Jing.

He learned Ouyang Feng's Toad Skill, Hong Qigong's Dog-Beating Staff, Wang Chongyang's sword techniques created from the Nine Yin Manual, and later even Huang Yaoshi knew that he learned the Divine Fingering Skill.

The Five Greats of the world.

Yang Guo mastered four of them.

And there's another character, a point of interest that countless people repeatedly mention:

Lonely Dugu Seeking Defeat!

In the earlier parts of "The Return of the Condor Heroes," he taught Yang Guo martial arts.

Even the heavy iron sword that Yang Guo wielded was inherited from Lonely Dugu Seeking Defeat.

In a sense.

Yang Guo is considered to be a disciple of Lonely Dugu Seeking Defeat.

And the description of Lonely Dugu Seeking Defeat in the text has made countless readers daydream:

"Roaming the Martial World for over thirty years, he killed all his enemies, defeated all heroes, with no one left to oppose him, he had no choice but to withdraw to a deep valley to befriend only carvings.

Alas!

To live his life seeking an opponent and never to find one, truly a loneliness too difficult to bear!"

And there're incredible self-descriptions like, "After he turned forty, he was not confined by objects, treating grass, trees, bamboo, and rocks as swords. From there, he refined his skills and gradually reached a state where no sword is superior to having a sword."

Due to this.

Some readers seriously express:

The sword without intent, the flexible sword without constancy, the wooden sword without peer, and eventually, the ultimate state of no sword and no moves.

If we were to really discuss who is the number one in the world, Lonely Dugu Seeking Defeat, who did not appear, would be the one, a pity that he does not belong to the era of "The Return of the Condor Heroes."

However.

There is little dispute that Lonely Dugu Seeking Defeat has become the supreme martial artist in the world of Chu Kuang's writings.

Just then, a netizen asked in Yi An's comment section, "Besides the officially paired Little Dragon Maiden, what does Teacher Yi'an think of other female characters in the book, such as Gongsun Lü'e and even the most admirable Guo Xiang?"

Yi An became a focal point at the turn of public opinion.

Netizens were eager to hear more from Yi An about "The Return of the Condor Heroes," thus various questions emerged non-stop.

Among them, mentions of "Guo Xiang" are very popular.

Although Guo Xiang only appeared in the later parts of "The Return of the Condor Heroes," with very little page time, this female character somehow managed to win the readers' affection, which is truly amazing.

At that time.

Lin Yuan felt relieved that the storm over "The Return of the Condor Heroes" was subsiding when he suddenly saw this question and had a thought.

The next moment.

Yi An updated his status in response to that comment:

To see Yang Guo is to err a lifetime!

There have been countless evaluations of "The Return of the Condor Heroes" in previous lives, among which Eunice Lam's "To See Yang Guo and Err a Lifetime" is the most famous.

Drawing from that article, Lin Yuan then wrote his second book review about "The Return of the Condor Heroes":

"To encounter someone who haunts your soul and dreams is the comfort of a lifetime, yet the inability to have him is life's regret. When one's lover sees Xi Shi in their eyes, no one else in the world could ever compare.

Cheng Ying, Lu Wushuang, Gongsun Lü'e, Guo Xiang.

These four young beauties, intelligent and kind-hearted, met Yang Guo.

Their fleeting interactions left only heartache behind, with Gongsun Lü'e so disheartened she wished no longer to be human.

The other three found it hard to fall in love with anyone else.

For the Little Dragon Maiden, it was about love; for the others, it was also about affection.

Unfortunately, they met Yang Guo and erred for a lifetime.

Perhaps Guo Xiang was special, listening to idle chatter in Fenglingdu for one night planted a seed in her heart;

Bringing Guo Xiang to travel across Mountain of Beasts, deep within the black marsh, Valley of Ten Thousand Flowers, showing her the Martial World;

Giving her three gifts on her birthday, and then saving her under the walls of Xiangyang City, Yang Guo perfectly fulfilled the story of a girl's imagined Prince Charming.

You were not born when I was born;

When I was born, you were already old.

Thus, with thoughts of you at the ends of the earth that cannot be forgotten, that is Guo Xiang."

Tip: You can use left, right keyboard keys to browse between chapters.

Chapter 987 - 915: You were born before me; by the time I was born, you were already old.

"The so-called 'Seeing Yang Guo once, you err in life."

This was the original title in "The Return of the Condor Heroes."

In just seven words, it summed up the regrets of several girls in "The Legend of the Condor Heroes."

At the release of this book review, the trend of reversing public opinion had become unstoppable, and Yi An's comment section was particularly lively:

"Damn the charm of Yang Guo!"

"That old rascal Chu Kuang didn't forget to torture us severely with Guo Xiang's unrequited love in the end!"

"I really like Yi An's conclusion about Guo Xiang: 'You were born before me, and when I was born, you were already old.'"

"It's all about timing, alas."

"How many regrets in the world does this phrase encompass?"

"This is why I like Yi An's reviews, he comes up with such moving phrases effortlessly, like the previous one 'May you wander half your life and come back still young.' This

phrase 'You were born before me, and when I was born, you were already old' is even more amazing!"

"After reading this review, I feel even sorrier for Guo Xiang!"

"Let's make an irreverent guess about Little Dragon Maiden: if Guo Xiang were replaced by Guo Fu, then 'The Return of the Condor Heroes' might well have been about Yang Guo and Guo Xiang. When Yang Guo leapt off the cliff in the latter part of the novel, Guo Xiang jumped down with him—there's the evidence. That's why even Yi An lamented with the phrase, 'You were born before me, and when I was born, you were already old.' It all comes down to Guo Xiang appearing at the wrong time. When she met Yang Guo, his heart was already full of the Dragon Maiden."

Eunice Lam's original book review, of course, didn't contain such a sentence as "You were born before me, and when I was born, you were already old."

Including the previously mentioned summary "May you wander half your life and come back still young," was also Lin Yuan's spontaneous sentiment.

At this moment.

The popularity of the second book review was in no way inferior to the first one!

Even some media outlets quoted Yi An's two book reviews!

Like the phrase "May you wander half your life and come back still young," this book review popularized a phrase!

It was "You were born before me, and when I was born, you were already old," which resonated with countless readers!

For some literary youths, this phrase was nothing short of a coup de grace, enough to elevate their sympathy for Guo Xiang to heights of imagination!

Guo Xiang was certainly hot.

A certain writer on Earth named Cheng Lingsu wrote a piece called "To Guo Xiang":

As I walked past the mountains, the mountains didn't speak; as I passed by the sea, the sea was silent;

The donkey I was riding ticked along step by step, the Heaven's Sword I was carrying remained mute.

They say I live in seclusion on Emei Mountain because I love the hero Yang Guo and couldn't find him; in fact, I just like the mist on Emei Mountain, it's like the fireworks that bloomed when I was sixteen...

The charm of Guo Xiang is evident!

Lin Yuan considered writing this piece when he got the chance.

And as things developed to this point, all subsequent twists and turns came naturally!

The day after the protest march ended, and also on the third day that Lin Yuan and Jin Mu had agreed upon, the sales and popularity of "The Return of the Condor Heroes" surged dramatically, as the novel's reputation rebounded against the odds!

It should be noted:

After the Dragon Maiden Incident, the sales of "The Return of the Condor Heroes" were almost cut in half, scaring bookstores senseless, fearing they had truly been conned by the old rascal!

The book's reputation also plunged to rock bottom.

Accompanied by all kinds of profanity hurled at Chu Kuang by readers, the previous ratings for "The Return of the Condor Heroes" on Star Sky moved downward, uncharacteristically below what Chu Kuang had written!

Now everything was improving.

The thresholds of bookstores were trampled over once again, with readers coming to buy "The Return of the Condor Heroes" in an ever-more continuous stream!

Even more miraculously:

Although the Dragon Maiden Incident had brought a very adverse impact on "The Return of the Condor Heroes," looking back now, people realized that this controversy had formed an effect similar to perfect hype!

It sparked the curiosity of even more people about the book!

There were even conspiracy theorists who suspected that the incident itself was a publicity stunt!

Perhaps in the future, gossip would circulate like this: "Chu Kuang, to surpass 'The Legend of the Condor Heroes' in sales, did not hesitate to write about the Little Dragon Maiden's loss of chastity for the sake of hype."

And the conspiracy theories about "The Return of the Condor Heroes" didn't stop there.

A more outrageous claim suggested that the Little Dragon Maiden whom Yang Guo met after sixteen years was not the Little Dragon Maiden at all, but the daughter of Little Dragon Maiden and Zhen Zhibing?

Compared to this.

Some people saying that Yang Guo also had feelings for Guo Xiang, and even other female characters like Lu Wushuang and Sun Green Dew, hardly seemed remarkable.

Anyway, "The Return of the Condor Heroes" was a big hit!

This was probably the first time a novel experienced a resurgence twice!

Because this fire had died down for a day, then burned even more intensely!

More and more readers who previously abandoned the book due to the Dragon Maiden Incident finished "The Return of the Condor Heroes"!

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On the Tribe.

Netizens kept discussing:

"Didn't expect Ouyang Feng and Hong Qigong to end up dying together. Maybe that moment was foreshadowed on the big boat in 'The Legend of the Condor Heroes,' but because of the Dragon Maiden, when I read this part, I didn't feel it was too heartbreaking, just a sense of sorrow."

"Mainly because this part of the plot wasn't so tragic."

"It's quite meaningful that two legendary figures who fought all their lives could bury the hatchet with a smile in the end. The fact that Ouyang Feng regained his senses before dying is truly touching, I can't bring myself to hate this top villain from 'The Legend of the Condor Heroes' anymore."

"Damn it, this old rascal got away with it again!"

"I'll never dare let this old rascal write as he pleases again. I even left a message in his comment section before, telling him not to bow down to readers and the market. Damn it. and this is what he does!"

"I like 'The Return of the Condor Heroes' and hate the old rascal at the same time!"

"From Biyao to Poirot, and from Sherlock Holmes to 'The Return of the Condor Heroes,' they always say three strikes and you're out, but this old rascal actually caused four reader revolts, each with a scale and impact more exaggerated than the last!"

Meanwhile.

On blogs.

Likewise, a multitude of netizens discussed:

"Damn this old rascal, even though I was persuaded by Yi An and Professor Wang, my heart is still not satisfied!"

"Now that I think about it, I'm so angry. I don't know how other people accepted this part of the plot. Without it, I would still like 'The Return of the Condor Heroes' just fine!"

"Weren't they talking about heaven's loss and earth's lack?"

"Why doesn't the old rascal experience his own loss of heaven!"

"That's too harsh—loss of heaven refers to Yang Guo losing an arm, Chu Kuang needs his hands to write us books, losing a leg would be fine."

"Hahaha, that's wicked, I like it!"

And amid the intense discussions of the readers, some on the blogs suddenly said, "Look quickly, the blog is at it again, the rankings are reopening!"

The netizens looked, and indeed it was so!

The blog had whipped up that send-a-razor-blade event again!

And Chu Kuang's option was in the lead, his count of razor blades already far ahead!

Netizens got excited:

"Guys, hurry, hurry, hurry, send those blades flying, let this old rascal know we've forgiven him this time, but if he dares pull this stunt again, those blades will be hanging over his head!"

Swish swish!

Although it was fake and had no substantial meaning, the netizens' enthusiasm for sending razor blades was unprecedented!

Thirty million!

Fifty million!

One hundred million!

One hundred and twenty million!

Not long after the event started, Chu Kuang had already received over a hundred million blades, and that number was still crazily rising—who knew how many billion blades he would end up with!

At once.

The users of the Tribe were not happy:

"This Tribe has become less and less fun. Chu Kuang is on the blog, they can do a send-a-razor-blade event, and I can't even send him blades if I want to!"

"Simple, just register a blog account."

"I've already registered, from now on I'll play on the blog. That old rascal is mixing on the blog, I can only conveniently cuss him out there. From now on, when I'm in a bad mood, I'll just curse him!"

"Brother above, handshake, I've always done it this way."

"Hahahahaha, let's go, send razor blades on the blog!"

"I'm dying of laughter, the event has only been live for three hours, and Chu Kuang has already received two hundred and thirty million blades—how much resentment do these readers have to gather together? The second-place Yi An is lagging by eighteen million miles!"

"Obviously, everyone is using this method to disgust the old rascal."

"We must disgust him thoroughly, how many times has this guy disgusted us, I've never seen such a heartlessly insane author!"

"I've also cast a lot, even used my sister's account!"

Nobody expected this seemingly boring event to actually lead to a mass migration of users from the Tribe to the blog. It was unknown how much resentment the readers actually harbored against Chu Kuang.

Soon.

The Tribe's traffic plummeted!

Learning this news, the higher-ups at the Tribe were stunned!

They could never have anticipated that a small event on the blog could deal such a blow to their daily traffic!

What the hell?

Are you guys serious?

It's as if Chu Kuang could really receive those blades!

The internet is all virtual!

Damn!

If it weren't for the fear of being sued by Chu Kuang, they would have wanted to conduct a similar event.

One of the higher-ups shouted in anger: "I want to send him blades too!"

At that moment, another higher-up said faintly: "First, you would need a blog account."

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Meanwhile, amidst the raging send-a-razor-blade event.

The total number of razor blades received by Chu Kuang broke through five billion by seven o'clock that night, with the runner-up Yi An only at twenty million!

At that point.

The blog suddenly pulled a sly move.

They actually published the razor blade sending situation for each continent!

From the data of each continent's razor blade sending, it was clear that Zhao Continent's numbers were the most, definitely far ahead!

In that moment.

The netizens from Qin, Qi, Chu, Yan, and Han were laughing crazily—they could almost sense the Zhao people's gritted teeth against the old rascal through their screens!

"Are the Zhao Continent brothers still arrogant?"

"Do you now understand how hateful Chu Kuang is?"

"Didn't you say Zhao Continent wouldn't tolerate an author this awesome?"

"I remember there was a Zhao person who commented before: 'I've grown so big, I've never seen someone so arrogant.'"

"Hahaha!"

"Today you've witnessed it!"

"Chu Kuang's ability to slap readers in the face is on par with his writing skills, this wave the old rascal has really showed Zhao Continent how to be a person."

When the event ended, the unity and friendship were gone.

The netizens from Qin, Qi, Chu, Yan, and Han started mocking the Zhao people for fun again.

Damn it!

The Zhao Continent netizens angrily replied:

"Sending razor blades shows we hate him, maybe you guys are still supporting him, but there are hardly any people buying his books in our Zhao Continent now!"

"Exactly!"

"Who wants his crappy book!"

"Let 'The Return of the Condor Heroes' be unsellable in Zhao Continent!"

"I sure didn't buy it, no one around me did either, those who bought it tore it up; we will firmly boycott this author from now on. It's only you Qin, Qi, Chu, Yan, and Han readers who still treat him like a treasure."

"We Zhao people are all tough as nails!"

"This kind of author, Zhao Continent never indulges, no one can write NTR and think to leave unscathed, even using a pseudonym is useless!"

However.

Just then.

Suddenly the media researched the sales data for 'The Return of the Condor Heroes' across the continents.

In the sales data published by the media, the surprising and visible fact was—'The Return of the Condor Heroes' was most popular and best-selling in—

Zhao Continent!

Zhao Continent netizens: "???"

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Chapter 988 - 916: A Lifetime Mistake on First Meeting Yang Guo (Chu Kuang)

Blue Star has had five epic awkward moments.

The first was due to Xian Yu's bilingual "Farewell Kiss";

The second was due to Yi An's "Lotus Lantern," where Erlang Shen, Yang Jian, underwent a massive image reversal.

And today-

The third epic awkward moment occurred.

Triggered by Chu Kuang's "The Return of the Condor Heroes," which swept across Zhao Continent! S~earch the * website to access chapters of novels early and in the highest quality.

When the data showed that "The Return of the Condor Heroes" was the craziest selling book in Zhao Continent, all Zhao people were embarrassed, their toes could dig another continent right then and there...

Damn, damn, damn, damn!

Do we really have to be slapped in the face like this?

Readers in Zhao Continent instantly blushed.

They were just disparaging "The Return of the Condor Heroes" in their statements, and then the media used professional data to tell everyone:

How popular this book really was in Zhao Continent!

"Meow meow meow?"

"Hahahahahaha, weren't they adamant about not watching 'The Return of the Condor Heroes'? Were all these book buyers fake Zhao people?"

"Slapped in the face on the spot!"

"Zhao Continent: We really don't care for something like 'The Return of the Condor Heroes'!"

"Got visuals!"

"Classic case of the mouth saying no, but the body saying yes!"

"These Zhao people are basically the model of tsundere, acting like Lu Wushuang calling Yang Guo an idiot while her eyes are filled with affection!"

"It really is Zhao Continent where martial arts flourishes."

Netizens from Qin, Qi, Chu, Yan, and Han burst into laughter immediately, poking fun with all sorts of jokes and ironic comments; it was as lively as a party!

Data doesn't lie.

This blow was almost as harsh as when they found out about Little Dragon Maiden's loss of chastity in the story!

This made countless Zhao people furious; they immediately organized several waves of campaigns to send razor blades to Chu Kuang!

Damn it!

It all seemed to be Chu Kuang's fault!

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Of course, not all Zhao people felt embarrassed.

For example, Mr. Canyang, the "Beidou of Martial Arts World" in Zhao Continent.

In the evening.

Through a social media platform in Zhao Continent, Mr. Canyang published an article, "My Views on 'The Return of the Condor Heroes'," speaking highly of the book.

He added a sentimental interpretation of "The Legend of the Condor Heroes":

"It's often said that once one sees Yang Guo, one is mistaken for life; hence we've mentioned the love regrets of Lu Wushuang, Cheng Ying, Gongsun Lue, and Guo Xiang.

But the depiction of love in 'The Return of the Condor Heroes' goes beyond these.

Wu Santong, for instance, actually loved his goddaughter He Yuanjun, but couldn't confess due to their statuses:

Li Mochou was also madly in love with Zhan Yuan, unfortunately doomed not to have her wishes fulfilled, leading her to mad revenge.

In the end.

Zhan Yuan and He Yuanjun both died.

Leaving behind a half-mad Wu Santong and a venomous sorceress.

These stories are all quite sigh-worthy.

Likewise,

Lin Chaoying was deeply in love with Wang Chongyang, but he frustratingly refused to accept it, preferring to lose rather than embrace love.

The Tomb of the Living Dead and Chongyang Palace thus dumbly faced each other until they both died, turning into stories recounted by others.

It took years after Guo Fu married Yelü Qi to realize she had Yang Guo in her heart; before that, Da Wu and Xiao Wu were head over heels for her, nearly sacrificing their lives for her.

The master of Passionless Valley, Gongsun Zhi, is a tragic figure.

However, his and Qiu Qianchi's twisted affections are also guite poignant.

In the end, this pair of foes also died together, turned to mush, inseparable by anyone.

So when someone asks me, between 'The Return of the Condor Heroes' and 'The Legend of the Condor Heroes,' which is better, my answer is that each has its unique merits.

"Although 'The Return of the Condor Heroes' failed to recreate the grandeur and expansiveness of 'The Legend of the Condor Heroes,' it surpassed it in terms of the bizarre twists and turns of its story and the intensity of its emotional portrayals."

Shortly after Mr. Canyang published this review,

Qingyun, a prominent figure in the Martial Arts World, just as renowned as Mr. Canyang, reposted:

"Regarding which of 'The Return of the Condor Heroes' or 'The Legend of the Condor Heroes' is more brilliant, I've also considered this question. However, the conclusion I reached actually involves analyzing the characteristics of Yang Guo and Guo Jing.

I had previously read Professor Wang's comment stating that Guo Jing represents Confucianism.

I agree with this view.

Considering it from the perspective of the various schools of thought, Yang Guo embodies freedom, pursues individuality and unconstrainedness, and has a naturally carefree spirit, which indeed symbolizes the core ideas of Taoism.

The difference between 'The Return of the Condor Heroes' and 'The Legend of the Condor Heroes' is the difference between Taoism and Confucianism.

Looking at the stories before and after, the conflict between Yang Guo and Guo Jing, or the result of the Taoist and Confucian dispute, really ended in a draw.

In the end, Guo Jing acknowledged the marital status of Yang Guo and the Little Dragon Maiden.

Yang Guo, in turn, accepted Guo Jing's teaching that 'the greatest hero is he who serves his country and his people.'

Therefore, there is no superior book.

As neither Yang Guo nor Guo Jing could best the other."

Zhao Continent's two towering figures of the Martial Arts World combined the plot of 'The Legend of the Condor Heroes' to provide a deeper interpretation of 'The Return of the Condor Heroes,' which can be seen as the Martial Arts World's view of Chu Kuang's two works.

After monitoring various reviews, Lin Yuan knew that the storm around 'The Return of the Condor Heroes' had completely subsided.

However, upon seeing the startling 'blade chart' on his blog, Lin Yuan sneezed violently, unable to calculate just how many people were secretly cursing him behind his back.

There were even more severe instances!

More cruel than the dragon princess's loss of chastity!

Lin Yuan slyly smirked, then suddenly logged into Chu Kuang's account and posted a status:

"[I actually planned to kill off the Little Dragon Maiden, but later, out of sympathy for their bittersweet fate, I changed my mind...]"

This was not Lin Yuan spouting nonsense.

This was the original words mentioned by Jin Yong in an interview.

Some felt Jin Yong was compelled by reader pressure to let the Little Dragon Maiden and Yang Guo reunite.

The old master refuted this, stating he would not change his plot due to readers' opinions:

He did not kill the Little Dragon Maiden simply because he was also moved by the love between Yang Guo and the Little Dragon Maiden and felt sympathy, so he couldn't bring himself to do it.

Whether this is true or not is unknown.

Regardless, readers were terrified when they saw Chu Kuang's post and immediately flooded his comments section:

"You dare!"

"If you had killed the Little Dragon Maiden, I would really have blacklisted you and never read your books again!"

"Good thing your conscience got the better of you."

"If the Little Dragon Maiden had died, then what would 'The Return of the Condor Heroes' be about? Yang Guo certainly wouldn't have lived alone!"

"If both the male and female leads had died, then no one would read this book anymore."

"Okay then."

"Thank you, old rascal, for sparing her."

"I'm genuinely amazed by this guy, he writes so torturously, but in the end, we still have to thank him for his mercy?"

"Because he is Chu Kuang!"

"What kind of Kuang?"

"The brutally crazy kind!"

"What do they say about mistaking Yang Guo for a lifetime?"

"It was definitely mistaking Chu Kuang for a lifetime!"

Readers were genuinely frightened because Chu Kuang wasn't new to killing off main characters!

Other authors might joke about such things, but this guy really could do it!

Lin Yuan glanced at the comments, seeing the fearful messages from readers, and his resentment towards the blades immediately dissipated.

Heh.

You guys use blades to scare me.

And you think I won't scare you too?

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Chapter 989 - 917 Original TV Soundtrack

Ever since "The Return of the Condor Heroes" was released, various major media had been reporting non-stop, and even at this point, they were still arranging to put various top headlines on their front pages.

Chu Kuang: "I had originally planned to kill off the Little Dragon Maiden."

Zhao Continent's Martial World's Mount Tai and Big Dipper highly praises "The Return of the Condor Heroes"!

Do Yang Guo and Guo Jing represent the dispute between Daoism and Confucianism?

The possibilities that this novel didn't explicitly write about: Discussions from all sides on "The Return of the Condor Heroes"!

The greatest hero, for the nation and for the people!

The second national sweetheart couple born: Yang Guo and the Little Dragon Maiden!

Among them, the assertion by Chu Kuang that he had originally planned to kill off the Little Dragon Maiden had garnered the most attention.

However, no matter what, the book was already finished, and not even Chu Kuang, the old rascal, could truly cause actual harm to the readers again with his claims of the "original plan to kill off the Little Dragon Maiden" after scaring the netizens.

It was as if the knives were all virtual items that couldn't actually be sent to Lin Yuan's home.

But the aftermath that this book brought was really not small.

The next day.

Even when Lin Yuan arrived at the company, he could hear people discussing the plot of "The Return of the Condor Heroes"; evidently, they had all read the novel.

Among them.

Assistant Lil Goodoong was debating with Wu Yong, the deputy manager on the ninth floor, on whether Yang Guo had a secret admiration for Guo Fu or not.

This had also become a popular notion on the internet after the release of "The Return of the Condor Heroes".

Shareholders believed that Yang Guo had never liked Guo Fu, as the character was just too annoying. Search the website to access chapters of novels early and in the highest quality.

Wu Yong, on the other hand, brought up reasons like "inferiority complex," "wanting to attract attention, so deliberately annoying her" and went on to cite various pieces of evidence to explain that Yang Guo did have feelings for Guo Fu, it was just due to some strange psychology that he dared not express it.

Right at that moment, Lin Yuan passed by.

Lil Goodoong couldn't help but ask Lin Yuan, "Mr. Lin, you're familiar with Teacher Chu Kuang. Did he really hint that Yang Guo liked Guo Fu?"

Lin Yuan said, "The plot has the answer."

Wu Yong asked, "Which part of the plot gives the answer?"

Lin Yuan smiled and said three words, "Passionless Valley."

As shareholders and Wu Yong looked at each other, Lin Yuan had already entered his office, not giving them a chance to further question him.

A full half-minute later.

Lil Goodoong suddenly had an epiphany and looked at Wu Yong with triumph:

"Mr. Lin means that Yang Guo's love flower poison had never flared up because of Guo Fu!"

"Love flower poison?"

Wu Yong's eyes bulged.

This answer was a real trump card!

Lil Goodoong successfully won the argument, feeling great, and hastily followed Lin Yuan into his office, cheerfully saying:

"Mr. Lin, the TV series adaptation of 'The Return of the Condor Heroes' is almost finished. The TV department is asking what songs you plan to prepare this time."

Indeed.

Just like "The Legend of the Condor Heroes".

No sooner had "The Return of the Condor Heroes" been released than Lin Yuan threw the book at the company, letting the TV department arrange the filming of the series.

The TV department took it very seriously, so they made arrangements immediately.

At this point, the series was nearing completion.

In the process, Lin Yuan had also visited the set several times, using some little props to enhance the acting skills of the actors playing Yang Guo and the Little Dragon Maiden.

Hearing Lil Goodoong's words now, Lin Yuan said, "I'll bring people to record in a while."

The songs from "The Legend of the Condor Heroes" had received high praise, so naturally "The Return of the Condor Heroes" could not fall short, so Lin Yuan had already made a draft plan for it.

Just like "The Legend of the Condor Heroes".

Lin Yuan had prepared three main songs for "The Return of the Condor Heroes".

The first one naturally was "Myths and Words of Love," a very classic song in Qi language, and one that could be called one of the signature songs of "The Return of the Condor Heroes." Lin Yuan planned to use it as the main theme song for the series.

The second was "Unparalleled in the World."

The sentimental, mournful, and beautiful lyrics captured the essence and emotions of "The Return of the Condor Heroes" very aptly, so it was perfect as the series' ending theme.

And the third song?

This one was somewhat of a personal indulgence added by Lin Yuan.

He had decided to choose a Chinese-style pop song by Director Zhou as the theme song for "The Return of the Condor Heroes," and the name of the song was "Wordly Tavern"!

"The sword unsheathed, who laughs at the grievances

I only wish to embrace you today

The worldly tavern is as cruel as the wind, the sudden rain knocks on destiny

Let whoever owns the martial world show off

I would bend only for you

Wandering over desolate villages and ancient bridges seeking the path less travelled

Away from the worldly noise

The willow catkins flutter as we hold hands and roam freely..."

Although Director Zhou's initial intention for writing this song had nothing to do with Jin Yong's martial arts novels, there's always a myriad of commonalities in the world of emotions, and many songs with Chinese ancient styles can be fit into this context.

Moreover, the book contained a significant amount of romantic plot, involving a host of characters.

This even included the love marathon between Zhou Botong, the old naughty boy, and Aunt Ying.

It seemed that there were always lyrics from the song that could find a corresponding context in "The Return of the Condor Heroes," especially the expression in the excerpt above, which was the perfect depiction of the love between Yang Guo and Little Dragon Maiden.

Was this a coincidence?

Actually, it wasn't entirely coincidental.

What many people don't know is that, although Director Zhou's "Wordly Tavern" has nothing to do with Jin Yong's martial arts novels, Fang Wenshan's lyrics do have an unbreakable bond with them!

Because...

Fang Wenshan was a fan of Jin Yong's and Gu Long's martial arts novels.

The earliest inspiration for the lyrics of the song came from Fang Wenshan's makeup-free poetic rhyme "Under the Lamp."

And it was after reading Jin Yong and reflecting on it that Fang Wenshan wrote "Under the Lamp," which then led to Director Zhou composing the music.

That was in the year ten on Earth.

After reading Jin Yong's novels numerous times, Fang Wenshan finally completed the seven posts of zen.

Then in the year twelve, Fang Wenshan read Jin Yong's works again and pondered long before completing the lyrics for "Wordly Tavern."

Even though he was reading Jin Yong's martial arts novels, Fang Wenshan only embraced the romantic novelist side of Jin Yong, blending his own enlightenment with tender emotions into the creation.

So...

That's why "Wordly Tavern" seemed to have no connection with "The Return of the Condor Heroes," yet the lyrics coincidentally corresponded so well.

Let's not forget.

"The Return of the Condor Heroes" is, after all, one of Jin Yong's pinnacle works in writing about "emotions."

What's even less known is that "Wordly Tavern" has a mysterious "match" with another song.

This song can actually be sung to the accompaniment of "Blue and White Porcelain."

Some have tried, and it turns out there's no problem using the accompaniment of "Blue and White Porcelain."

Especially during the climax, matching it with the high point of "Wordly Tavern," it fits seamlessly.

This has to do with the fundamentally similar chord progression; if not for the arrangement differences, the two songs would actually have very similar styles.

Only that the former talks about love.

While the latter speaks of the children of the rivers and lakes.

Lin Yuan felt assured about these three songs.

And as Lin Yuan was contemplating these three songs, Jin Mu suddenly made a phone call:

"The Dragon Awards are about to start, and the committee has invited you to attend. Your movies from last year might have several nominations, do you want to go?"

"No."

Lin Yuan immediately declined.

Jin Mu laughed, "That's a pity. I think you're definitely in for a major award this year. The netizens have been saying you come out swinging in music but go along to get along in film. This could be your chance to hold your head high."

"Would my absence impact whether the awards are given out or not?"

"That wouldn't be the case. The Dragon Awards shouldn't dare to play it that way. The Literature and Art Association exercises strong oversight; attendance is entirely up to the creator's freedom."

"That's good then."

Whether he attended or not, Lin Yuan wasn't interested in being a runner-up this year. The awards themselves were one thing, but the Prestige Value was truly desirable!

PS: It's true that "Wordly Tavern" can be sung to the accompaniment of "Blue and White Porcelain," and it fits quite well. You can probably find attempts online, and the song indeed has many connections with Jin Yong's martial arts novels, not a forced addition by Polluted White.

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Chapter 990 - 918: The Condor Trilogy

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April 25.

The Dragon Awards officially announced the nominations for various films.

As expected, Xian Yu's two films from last year garnered multiple nominations.

Among them, "The Truman Show" was nominated for Best Actor, Best Screenwriter, Best Director, and Best Film – four major awards!

Meanwhile, "Life of Pi" received nominations for Best Visual Effects, Best Cinematography, Best Newcomer, Best Director, Best Screenwriter, and Best Film – six major awards!

Suddenly,

the whole internet erupted in hot discussion!

"Now, who dares say that Fish Papa only goes all-in with music but treads lightly in film? These ten Dragon Award nominations are quite a feat!"

"Awesome!"

"It's a pity that there are quite a few overlapping nominations."

"Having both films nominated for Best Director, Best Screenwriter, and Best Film, these heavyweight awards, means that Fish Papa not only has to face other competitors but also compete with himself."

"That's also a good thing, though."

"It's definitely beneficial because having one more nominated work than others significantly increases the chances of winning."

"Let's see who ultimately takes home the awards."

Being nominated and winning awards are two different concepts, so while the public heatedly discusses, they are even more curious about the actual award ceremony at the end of the month.

Because the award ceremony is on April 30.

However, Lin Yuan lost interest in following the Dragon Awards after learning about his nominations, knowing that a nomination isn't the same as winning.

He was pondering a question at the moment:

Should he finish writing the Condor Trilogy in one go?

Soon, Lin Yuan found his answer; he decided to write "The Heaven Sword and Dragon Saber."

Since that book would have to be written sooner or later, why not do it while the previous two parts were still hot, letting the Dragon Saber and the Heaven-reliant Sword emerge in this world.

"OCD."

Lin Yuan teased himself.

Having written the first two parts of the Condor Trilogy, he felt something would be missing if he didn't finish the trilogy in one shot.

Of course.

The OCD claim was just a joke. The real reason Lin Yuan wanted to write "The Heaven Sword and Dragon Saber" was that the System hadn't yet acknowledged the revival of martial arts fiction.

This meant that Lin Yuan's task was not yet complete.

Meanwhile, in the studio, when Jin Mu learned about the concept of the Condor Trilogy from Lin Yuan, his first reaction was sheer panic:

"This new book won't be more torturous than 'The Return of the Condor Heroes,' will it?"

"This time it's a satisfying story."

"Has Chu Kuang recovered?"

Jin Mu was skeptical and even used some online jests to tease Lin Yuan.

Lin Yuan didn't bother to explain; Jin Mu would understand once he saw the new book. Among all of Jin Yong's martial arts novels, "The Heaven Sword and Dragon Saber" definitely has a typical satisfying story structure, and its male protagonist, Zhang Wuji, has the highest degree of wish-fulfillment among all the male leads created by him.

"Alright then."

Seeing Lin Yuan's nonchalant demeanor, Jin Mu decided to trust him once more.

A hint of anticipation suddenly flashed in his eyes: "Since you're building the concept of the Condor Trilogy, will the new book feature Guo Xiang?"

Like many readers who had finished 'The Return of the Condor Heroes.'

Jin Mu also had a deep "Guo Xiang" complex and held a special affection for this character.

"Barely."

Lin Yuan said, "The next book will start with Guo Xiang, but she's not the protagonist because this story takes place a hundred years after 'The Return of the Condor Heroes.'"

"A hundred years later?"

Jin Mu couldn't help but laugh: "This third part spans quite a bit of time. By that point, the characters from 'The Return of the Condor Heroes' would have passed away. Will their endings be addressed?"

"Of course."

Lin Yuan gave a minor spoiler: "The third part's purpose is to resolve the endings of the characters from the first two parts, and it also fills in the gap left by the last chapter of 'The Return of the Condor Heroes."

"The gap in the ending?"

Jin Mu paused, then suddenly realized: "Are you talking about that inexplicable little monk, Zhang Jun Bao, at the end of 'The Return of the Condor Heroes'?"

At the end of 'The Return of the Condor Heroes,'

Zhang Jun Bao made his debut, showing off his terrifying martial arts talent in a fight under Yang Guo's guidance against Yin Ke Xi.

This plot point caught the attention of some readers, but it didn't provoke much discussion overall. Jin Mu didn't expect that this briefly featured character in the last chapter would be involved in Chu Kuang's next novel, the last part of the Condor Trilogy.

Little monk Zhang Jun Bao?

That name was really quite jarring.

Lin Yuan said, "In the future, everyone will call him Mr. Zhang, and he will become the Sect Leader of Wudang, a legend of his time."

Jin Mu was stunned: "Is Wudang similar to Taoism? A legend of his time? Mr. Zhang? That's not a simple title. You're not making Zhang Jun Bao the protagonist of the next book, are you? But the timeline doesn't seem to match up. Did this Mr. Zhang live for over a hundred years?"

Lin Yuan nodded: "Exactly, but he's not the protagonist either, the protagonist is his disciple's disciple."

"Alright then."

Jin Mu could accept this setting: "But you said it was part of the Condor Trilogy, right? Is this all the connection there is?"

"Of course not, there's also the white ape that followed Yin Ke Xi."

"The white ape?"

"I won't go into details now. Including the descendants of Yang Guo, they will also make a brief appearance in the new book, hinting at 'The Return of the Condor Heroes.' All these details you'll understand once you read the book. Also, do you remember Yang Guo's Heavy Iron Sword?"

"Of course!"

That was one of the most thrilling plot points in 'The Return of the Condor Heroes.'

Yang Guo met the giant condor and obtained the Heavy Iron Sword passed down by Dugu Qiubai!

Lin Yuan then mentioned the sequel to this Heavy Iron Sword: "In the end, Yang Guo gifted the Heavy Iron Sword to Guo Xiang, and in order to continue the legacy of resisting the Mongol invasion, Huang Rong and Guo Jing melted down the sword and split it into two, forming a saber and a sword."

"A saber and a sword?"

"More precisely, the Dragon Saber and the Heaven-reliant Sword."

"Such domineering names!"

"Indeed they are, and they also caused a storm of blood and violence in the martial world. The new book's protagonist's parents died because of that."

Martial arts fiction indeed cannot escape the trope of orphaned protagonists.

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"Hatred has always been the biggest and most fail-proof driving force in novel creation."

"Is this considered a spoiler?"

"This level doesn't really count as a spoiler."

The Heaven Sword and Dragon Saber started with a lot of plots, so indeed it's not considered a spoiler.

At least Lin Yuan didn't tell Jin Mu that hidden within the Dragon Saber and the Heaven Sword were Martial Skills Secret Manuals such as Wumu Yi Shu, the Nine Yin Manual, and even the Eighteen Dragon Subduing Palms, which were so incredible they defied the heavens. This was also to preserve the pleasure of Jin Mu's reading experience.

"Uh-huh."

Jin Mu asked another question that he was extremely concerned about, ultimately he still couldn't let go of Guo Xiang:

"Was Guo Xiang very powerful later on?"

"She founded the Emei Sect."

Lin Yuan thought for a moment and said, "The Wudang founded by Guo Xiang, as well as Wudang which was created by Zhang Sanfeng, also known as the little monk Zhang Jun Bao, are part of the Six Great Sects in the new book."

"Does that mean she was very impressive?"

"Yes, otherwise why would Mr. Zhang have been unable to forget her for so many years."

"Is there a love story too?"

"Unrequited love."

Guo Xiang couldn't escape the curse of "a single glimpse of Yang Guo leads to a lifetime of misjudgment."

One hundred and three years later.

On his deathbed, Zhang Sanfeng felt for a pair of cast iron Arhats beside him and told the people around him:

"These iron Arhats were given to me by Guo Xiang a hundred years ago..."

Joy and fun, parting sorrows, among them are even more foolish children and girls.

Grandmaster Zhang Sanfeng's cultivation was so profound that he should leave worldly concerns behind on his deathbed, but in the end, he still couldn't let go of that girl's smile.

Just as the girl had never forgotten the fireworks when she was sixteen.

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Five days after Lin Yuan and Jin Mu finished discussing Heaven-Reliant Dragon Slayer.

The Dragon Awards Ceremony finally began!

Unlike the previous times:

This time, Xian Yu wasn't just a runner-up.

The movie "The Truman Show" won both Best Actor and Best Picture, two heavyweight awards!

The movie "Life of Pi" won Best Visual Effects, Best Cinematography, and Best New Actor, three awards with not insignificant prestige.

A great harvest!

For both Xian Yu and Starlight, this was indeed a great harvest.

Although they still missed out on some major awards despite being nominated, considering the multitude of movies from Qin, Qi, Chu, Yan, Han, and Liu continents, and a lineup filled with strong competitors, this result was actually quite good.

At the same time.

Lin Yuan received a system notification: "Congratulations, Host, on completing the task of [Gaining Recognition at the Dragon Awards]. Reward: a random treasure chest!"

Lin Yuan checked it immediately.

However, Lin Yuan was disappointed:

It turned out to be a Silver Treasure Chest.

After seeing the allure of a Gold Treasure Chest, a Silver Treasure Chest hardly piqued Lin Yuan's interest anymore. It seemed his luck was not enough.

"Open it."

Lin Yuan directly opened the Silver Treasure Chest.

As soon as the Silver Treasure Chest was opened, a new notification from the System followed:

"Congratulations, Host, on acquiring the movie script for 'Kung Fu Hustle'!"

Eh?

It's Star Grandpa's "Kung Fu Hustle"?

Lin Yuan was stunned for a moment, but soon a smile appeared on his face.

To get such a movie from the Silver Treasure Chest was indeed a pretty good result.

"This could be considered a rather unconventional Wuxia movie, right?"

It seemed the System was also silently assisting in fulfilling the mission of reviving Wuxia, wasn't it?

You see.

This "Kung Fu Hustle" could be regarded as the pinnacle of Chinese action movies and also a work that encapsulated the later style of Star Grandpa!

In the movie.

The Wuxia elements were extremely strong.

The characters Landlord and Landlady had two names that would make anyone who has watched The Return of the Condor Heroes smile knowingly:

Yang Guo!

Little Dragon Maiden!

This was a tribute from Star Grandpa to Jin Yong, for which he even paid the Master royalties, only to be donated by the Master to a charity organization.

When Jin Yong mentioned this during an interview, he expressed surprise:

Zhou Xingchi was the first director to pay him royalties for merely referencing elements from his Wuxia novels in a film.

After all, the movie barely used the names Yang Guo, Little Dragon Maiden, and some basic martial skills names.

People say Star Grandpa is stingy, but it certainly wasn't evident in this instance.

Later, when "Kung Fu Hustle" was released, Jin Yong highly praised the film.

And for Lin Yuan, who was writing the Legend of the Condor Heroes trilogy, getting such a movie from the treasure chest was quite interesting.

In fact, it wasn't only Jin Yong.

The movie also paid tribute to "Spiderman," such as when a character dies, it borrowed the classic dialogue from that film:

"With great power comes great responsibility."

Lin Yuan had already filmed "Spiderman," and audiences could easily get the reference—

Without hesitation.

Lin Yuan decided to include this movie in his future film production plans.

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Chapter 991 - 919: Tribe's Revenge

Major media outlets reported the results of the Dragon Awards.

Online discussions about this edition of the Dragon Awards were everywhere.

Xian Yu's blog comments section was flooded with countless messages from fans and netizens:

"Oh, it's finally our time to shine!"

"Congrats to Fish Papa for winning so many awards. I thought it'd be another runner-up situation, but Fish Papa didn't participate in the Dragon Awards, did he? Is it because of previous disappointments?"

"This time, he finally proved himself with awards!"

"I must say, 'The Truman Show' truly deserved it!"

"Pity Fish Papa didn't get Best Screenwriter; that went to Qi Continent's film."

"There's not much to say about that; Qi Continent's film had official backing, after all."

"Personally, I think 'Life of Pi' had a more fascinating script. The study of human and animal nature really suited my tastes—so many metaphors, the deeper you dig, the more terrifying the implications!"

"Am I the only one who wishes Fish Papa would make more commercial films?"

"I also love the commercial films Fish Papa makes; 'Spiderman' really hit the spot for me!"

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Indeed, Lin Yuan didn't win Best Screenwriter.

That award ultimately went to a film from Qi Continent.

There wasn't much public discussion about this result.

Because the film that took Best Screenwriter was very special: it was released close to the end of the year and had an official backing, the shooting subject was very mainstream, and the reception wasn't bad either, so giving it Best Screenwriter was somewhat justifiable and uncontroversial.

As some people in the industry said:

Xian Yu got ganked by the officials again.

In fact, many had experienced similar situations.

Lin Yuan wasn't particularly frustrated; he had enjoyed official benefits before, like during the Bluelympics, and knew such situations were the least reasonable.

Besides, he did win Best Film.

In terms of prestige, this award was even higher than Best Screenwriter because the Best Screenplay award was a personal honor, but Best Picture was recognition of every aspect of a film.

He didn't dwell on the matter too much.

After breakfast, Lin Yuan went to the company.

At the office, Lin Yuan met Ol' Zhou who had come to see him:

"Last year's two films we shot made quite the splash at yesterday's Dragon Awards, so the company is thinking of capitalizing on this momentum by releasing your new movie 'Resident Evil' at the end of this month, what do you think?"

Lin Yuan had heard about this from Xia Fan.

'Resident Evil' was ready for release, and the company had been considering when to release it. Following Starlight's achievements at the Dragon Awards, Ol' Zhou felt the time was right, so he made this arrangement.

"Sure."

Lin Yuan had no objections.

Ol' Zhou smiled, "Since that's settled, I'll go ahead and get the publicity department started on the movie promotion. Just coordinate from your end."

"Publicity..."

Lin Yuan's gaze flickered.

After Ol' Zhou left, he made a phone call.

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That very night.

The promotion for 'Resident Evil' was released by Starlight.

Soon after, Lin Yuan was the first to share the promotional content from Xian Yu's account.

Sure enough.

Thanks to the hot discussions from today's Dragon Awards, news of Lin Yuan's new film sparked massive attention.

"A new movie? Resident Evil? Humans turning into zombies?"

"Not only is it a commercial film, but it seems to be a horror film too."

"Support Fish Papa's new movie, who would have thought that a man with Fish Papa's style would also make a horror film?"

"I really didn't expect Xian Yu to make a horror film. If you replaced the screenwriter's name with Chu Kuang, it wouldn't feel out of place. However, zombies have too low a horror element; they move slow and have weak defense. I could teach a zombie how to behave with just a sliding tackle."

"So you're saying you're quite brave?"

"Kidding, I'm super brave!"

"This film by Xian Yu is very different from his previous style. Not only does it have horror elements, but it also features a female lead for the first time. Is he planning to set up Xia Fan for a prominent leading lady role?"

"I remember the Tribe had a film with a leading lady too."

"Are you talking about 'Blade Lady'? That film should also be finished. I wonder when it will be released."

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Meanwhile,

the entertainment industry also saw the news of Xian Yu's new movie.

Once upon a time, Xian Yu was just a newcomer to the film industry.

No matter how successful he was in music, whether he could succeed in filmmaking was another matter.

However, with the great success of several of Xian Yu's films, his peers no longer dared to underestimate him, and many kept an eye on this film. Upon seeing it, many in the industry laughed:

"A leading lady?"

"Starlight is taking on the Tribe head-on, aren't they? The Tribe also made 'Blade Lady,' also with a leading lady. Do you think they might use that seven billion investment film to counter Starlight?"

"Hard to say."

"The Tribe's martial arts drama was completely dominated by Starlight. With Xian Yu this time, they might be feeling nervous."

"That Fish is really something."

"But I feel the Tribe's film can definitely suppress Starlight. Xian Yu's film choosing zombies as a focal point isn't enough in terms of horror elements. But if it's not a horror film, why bother with the zombie gimmick?"

"Probably wants to go down the gore route without ghostly spirits."

"That kind of route isn't popular, too niche, and the content could easily be restricted. The Tribe should know what to do next if they do their research. This is a great chance for them to seek revenge."

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At the Tribe,

The assistant looked at the latest news about Starlight, his eyes filled with excitement, "Director, our chance for revenge has come!"

"Revenge?"

Ling Kong furrowed his brows.

Seeing the news about Starlight's female lead film, Ling Kong was naturally interested.

He had a film, 'Blade Lady,' that had already been completed with an investment of a whopping seven billion!

From any angle, this film seemed to have more market competitiveness than whatever 'Resident Evil' that Starlight was shooting.

And Ling Kong knew the lead actress in that 'Resident Evil.'

The originally intended lead actress for 'Blade Lady,' whom he had ordered to be kicked out of the cast.

Such an opponent, by logic, 'Blade Lady' should easily be able to make a clear distinction.

But for some reason, Ling Kong didn't know why, his eyelids kept twitching, feeling an inexplicable unease.

This made him somewhat unsteady as if he lacked the usual immediate confidence to strike at the opponent.

Was I frightened by the Three Bros?

Feeling somewhat stifled, Ling Kong suddenly bit his lip:

"Then let's prepare to set a release date. We'll use 'Blade Lady' to strike at Starlight and commence our revenge plan. They dared to provoke with a TV drama; we'll win back the face we lost in the TV circle with a movie!"

The next day.

The Tribe's new film 'Blade Lady' started its promotion and was also set to release at the end of this month!

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Chapter 992 - 920: The Two Dinner-Scoring Guys

Here it comes!

Just as Tribe released the movie news for "Blade Woman," an unspoken smile spread across the industry.

At the same time.

Netizens instantly got a read on Tribe's intentions:

The martial arts TV show that Tribe invested in had been targeted by Starlight, so this time they must be aiming to strike back in the same way!

Suddenly!

The media began to fan the flames!

All kinds of news created sides.

And amidst such an atmosphere, the films from both sides began their respective promotions, full of explosive tension.

When Lin Yuan learned of this, he didn't have any particular thoughts.

He was quite confident in "Resident Evil."

Because the zombie settings in this movie would be novel to Blue Starian audiences.

Lin Yuan had done his research.

He knew that Blue Star didn't have a specific concept of zombies!

Don't be fooled by some Blue Starian people mentioning "zombies"; actually, they're referring to the undead.

Yes.

What Blue Starian audiences understand as zombies are, in fact, undead!

A one-letter difference between undead and zombies on the surface, but the setting actually has a significant difference!

The most obvious difference is:

Undead usually refer to a strange creature formed after a person has died and risen again.

Dealing with the undead often requires some magic methods, bullets don't have much effect on them.

While zombies are usually the result of a virus infection.

These creatures devour the flesh and blood of the living and have a strong ability to infect, though most can be taken care of if you have enough bullets.

Therefore:

Undead often appear individually as an embellishment to Blue Starian horror movies.

Like a demon possessing a corpse and then committing evil deeds in the guise of the undead, and so on.

In fact, even on Earth, the concept of zombies only spread to Celestial Dynasty after works like "Resident Evil."

Before that.

What Celestial Dynasty understood as zombies also included the meaning of undead.

In fact.

Even when the foreign concept of zombies reached Celestial Dynasty, sometimes it was translated into Chinese as undead, without realizing that there's an essential difference between the two when precisely distinguished.

This "Resident Evil" will for the first time introduce the concept of zombies.

Furthermore.

The movie introduces sci-fi concepts like the Red Queen.

Having this kind of intelligence appear as a sort of villain in the movie is very cool, with its classic iconic scenes such as the laser slicing bodies.

That's more terrifying than zombies.

It's inescapable despair.

Not to mention that Lin Yuan invested more in this movie, upgrading the scale of the original film's scenes.

As a series, "Resident Evil" has always had a low investment; the total for several movies combined is on par with just one movie's budget from the Marvel franchise, which is also why the latter sequels got progressively worse.

Lin Yuan increased the investment significantly.

The most direct impact of this investment upgrade was the stronger impact of the scenes, increased number of zombies, and higher-quality special effects, with creatures like the zombie dogs and the final monstrous zombie being quite well-rendered.

This led to the movie costing about three hundred million to shoot from start to finish.

Add in the current promotional expenses, and it's nearing four hundred million.

Although it can't compare with "Blade Woman," which claims an investment of seven hundred million plus advertising surely breaking eight hundred million, it's definitely a major production.

So.

Without paying too much attention to this, Lin Yuan buried himself in continuing to write "Heaven-Reliant Dragon Slayer."

It was Starlight, however, that became anxious, clearly intensifying their promotional efforts and investments as they obviously didn't want to lose to Tribe.

Thus.

Lin Yuan spent the following days immersed in writing "Heaven-Reliant Dragon Slayer."

And when half of this novel was completed, time finally moved towards the end of the month, and "Resident Evil" arrived!

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That day.

A cinema.

On the big screen in the lobby, the poster for "Resident Evil" was prominently displayed.

On the poster, the female protagonist Xia Fan wore a red dress that perfectly showcased her splendid figure, giving off a very cool and competent vibe.

Ticketing area.

A large number of viewers were buying tickets for "Resident Evil."

And in the theater's automatic massage chairs, two men holding their freshly obtained "Resident Evil" tickets casually chatted:

"The enthusiasm of the audience isn't bad,"

"It's the allure of the zombie theme, but mostly it's because of Xian Yu."

"After those previous works, Xian Yu's films have gradually developed their own brand. Our task is not going to be easy, if we're not careful, we could offend a large number of Xian Yu's fans."

"We have no choice, he's offered too much."

At this, the two men exchanged a glance and smiled simultaneously.

The man on the left was named Tu Zheng, and the man on the right was called Jia Haoren.

The two of them were film critics.

However, they did not come to the cinema today to simply write a couple of reviews for Resident Evil.

They were on a mission.

Someone from the Tribe had contacted them both, hoping they would write two negative reviews for Resident Evil!

At first, both men refused.

They were conscientious film critics, firmly sticking to their professional ethics. How could they purposefully trash a movie?

That would be unethical!

Until the liaison from the Tribe opened a suitcase: "If the effect turns out nicely, all of this will be yours."

The men agreed.

The Tribe really knew how to choose the right people.

After all, what Xian Yu was making this time was a commercial film.

Xian Yu's arthouse films mostly garnered overwhelming positive reviews, making it difficult to find angles to criticize, but commercial films were different, as it was not hard to find points of critique within them.

Actually, many people in the industry made this type of extra money.

It's just like those famous internet influencers who would accept money to act as a paid army setting the tone.

In today's era, to make a living by saying things that don't come from the heart is quite a normal thing.

Every industry has its gray areas.

And in the competition between movies, using such tactics to smear competitors had become not such a clever trick anymore.

Basically, all major film and television companies are well aware of it, and have more or less done similar things. For some film critics, this is just another way to monetize their influence.

At that moment.

There was an announcement reminding everyone to check their tickets.

Tu Zheng and Jia Haoren began to enter the theater with the crowd.

They had bought naked-eye 3D tickets, standard fare for a blockbuster.

The technology for naked-eye 3D viewing at Blue Star's major cinemas was already very mature.

Having been around for a dozen years, this technology had greatly propelled the film industry's development, keeping the Blue Starian love for cinema-going alive.

Lately, there were rumors saying:

The technology for naked-eye 3D viewing might soon become a staple in every household

Furthermore, the ultra-high definition cinematic technology, previously exclusive to theaters, might also be integrated into ordinary people's televisions...

Entering the cinema hall.

Tu Zheng and Jia Haoren sat down and simultaneously opened their notebooks.

Blackening someone is a skillful job, the reviews must be substantial.

Seeing the movie was a prerequisite. This was the essential difference between them and those keyboard warriors who would criticize a movie without even watching it. So, unlike ordinary audiences who watched movies for relaxation and leisure, they were ready to watch with serious intent.

And during the commercial break before the movie started.

Tu Zheng suddenly said, "Leaving our positions aside, which of the two movies do you think will explode at the box office?"

"Neither will explode."

Jia Haoren laughed. "I don't dislike female-led movies, but think about it, has there ever been an example of such a movie with a female lead that has blown up the box office in Blue Star before?"

"That's true."

Tu Zheng nodded. Although the ratio of men to women in the movie-going population was not much different, it did seem like there had never been a hit movie with a female lead.

After thinking a bit more.

Tu Zheng switched topics: "What about if we just compare these two?"

Jia Haoren replied, "From an overt perspective, I would of course favor the Tribe, but if considering Xian Yu's scripting abilities, I feel the outcome between the two movies is hard to say."

"Same here."

Tu Zheng said earnestly, "Although I find Xian Yu choosing zombies as a selling point perplexing, this guy always manages to come up with some rotten turns into magical ideas. Take Spiderman, for example; who would have thought he could come up with a next-door hero? So this time, I suspect he'll choose an entry point that is unexpected to everyone. Just what that entry point is remains unknown."

"Exactly."

Jia Haoren nodded.

Although both men were about to cash in on the Tribe's money, Jia Haoren and Tu Zheng's inner selves did not wholly side with Female Blade. Their success in grabbing the dirty money was irrelevant to whether one of the two movies made it big at the box office. They wouldn't lose a penny of the money they were to grab, hence the two could be somewhat objective in their judgment.

Alright then.

As film critics, their professional abilities were still quite remarkable, and their influence in reviews was significant. Otherwise, the Tribe wouldn't have targeted them.

At that moment.

The lights dimmed.

Resident Evil was about to begin!

PS: Every time I complete a major plot segment, I go through a painful process of difficult birth. Serialized novels often encounter such fluctuations in the author's condition. Please be understanding. Today will be just this one update, but tomorrow I will make it up to everyone with four more!

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Chapter 993 - 921 Umbrella Corporation

Not just this cinema, but several others across the continents of Qin, Qi, Chu, Yan, Han, and Zhao had arranged premieres for "Resident Evil"!

Swish.

The curtains drew open.

Against a red background, the sound of keystrokes suddenly filled the air, and lines of text appeared on the screen:

[Confidential Report]

[Subject: Raccoon City Incident]

At that moment, a voiceover began, accompanying the sound of typing:

[The Umbrella Corporation is one of America's largest suppliers of computer technology, healthcare products, and medical equipment, yet even many of the company's employees are unaware that its main profit comes from genetic experiments and bioweapons...]

Introduction complete.

The screen then displayed the interlaced red and white logo of what is presumably called the "Umbrella Corporation."

Afterwards.

The red letters "Resident Evil" appeared on the screen.

Tu Zheng casually jotted down a few keywords in his notebook: "Umbrella Corporation, genetic experiments, bioweapons..."

America.

Raccoon City.

No one paid attention to this.

Obviously, they were fictional countries and cities created for the movie.

Next to him, Jia Haoren didn't write anything, but his expression showed some surprise:

Could it be that Xian Yu intends to use science to explain the origin of zombies this time?

Without time to think.

The first act of the movie had already begun.

It was a high-tech laboratory that was evidently expensive to construct.

Various pieces of advanced laboratory equipment filled the room, clearly a scene built with a large budget.

A person, wrapped tightly and wearing a mask, was handling a robotic arm through glass, extracting several vials of mysterious solution.

Some solutions were blue.

Some solutions were green.

But when this person placed the vials into an automated safe, he took out a single blue vial and tossed it away.

Crash.

The blue vial shattered.

In the shot, the solution seemed to evaporate into the air.

Suddenly.

The camera locked onto the broken vial, and a disaster warning was issued.

Boom, boom, boom!

An alarm blared!

Employees throughout the company were startled.

Some thought it was a fire drill until the entire company was sealed shut, and no one could leave. That's when everyone realized something was wrong!

The next moment.

Darkness fell!

An elevator went out of control!

One by one, people started dying!

One woman's head got trapped on the outside.

Suddenly the elevator moved upward, her neck precisely at the level of the elevator opening.

Ahhh!

It was unclear whether the scream came from within the movie or from the shocked audience in the theater, but the screen abruptly went black!

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Inside the cinema.

Hearts raced among the audience!

"Damn!"

"That scared me to death!"

"The woman's head must have fallen off!"

"With that force, her head's definitely gone, for sure!"

"What on earth is going on, why did this company suddenly become a disaster site?"

"It must be related to that shattered blue vial!"

"This Umbrella Corporation specializes in genetics and biochemical research; the broken blue vial must signify a virus leak!"

"Does that mean someone is secretly monitoring all this, someone who didn't want the virus to get out, so they've sealed off the whole area and are now trying to kill everyone inside?"

"This movie is pretty interesting."

"That lab looks very high-tech, not like some movies where the top tech companies have a most critical lab with no sense of technology at all."

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Swish, swish, swish!

The audience was almost instantly captivated!

Meanwhile.

In the sixth row of seats.

Tu Zheng raised an eyebrow and said, "A very successful suspenseful opening."

Jia Haoren nodded, "The thrill is very well depicted. When the woman's head was stuck outside the elevator, it instantly grabbed the attention of the fearful audience, because everyone knows from the usual tropes that there's definitely a big problem with the elevator; even if it's a cliché, it still delivers a strong sense of horror."

The movie began with several mysteries!

What exactly was that shattered blue vial?

Why did the company descend into chaos the moment the blue vial broke?

Was someone controlling all this?

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At this moment,

the film scene shifted.

In a white bathtub, a woman with a beautiful figure, yet unclothed, woke up, a curtain concealing her vital parts.

At this instant,

the audience inwardly commented,

"Cameraman, you've lost your drumstick!"

This character was played by Xia Fan as the female lead.

After waking up, she faintly remembered fainting while taking a bath.

Dressed in red, she walked out of the room.

Suddenly a man appeared and quickly started pulling her to escape.

In her involuntary cry of surprise, someone threw a flashbang grenade through the window.

The next moment.

the music surged with excitement!

A group of armed personnel, weapons at the ready, entered!

The man was subdued, and the leader of the armed personnel, staring at the woman in red amid the howling night wind, said,

"Report to me!"

The woman, bewildered, "What?"

The armed leader spoke with a hoarse male voice, "I need your report, what has happened here?"

The woman replied, "I don't understand what you're talking about..."

At that moment, one of the armed personnel spoke up, "Sir, upon investigation, the facility's main defense system has been activated, she may still be under the influence of side effects."

"Take them."

"Enter the research facility."

The armed leader removed his mask to give the orders.

Instantly,

everyone entered the elevator.

However, what no one expected was:

After the elevator started, a man was hidden in a locked compartment of the train car.

The woman in red, seeing the ring on the man's hand, had several images flash through her mind:

She was marrying the man, along with scenes of them in bed.

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Inside the movie theater.

Without getting any answers,

the audience's confusion only grew,

"Who is the woman in red played by Xia Fan?"

"Who is this man who suddenly appeared?"

"Could he be the woman in red's husband, as the female lead's memories suggest they might be married?"

"They must be married, they've been in bed together."

"Then why do they seem not to recognize each other?"

"Earlier on, it was mentioned that there are side effects to activating the defense system, could the side effects be amnesia?"

"What about this group of armed personnel who look so formidable, where do they come from?"

Suspense!

The film had been playing for over ten minutes, yet the audience was enveloped in a suspenseful atmosphere, their thoughts subconsciously drawn along by the plot.

Tu Zheng and Jia Haoren communicated,

"This suspense is packed really tightly."

"Entering the lab should reveal some of the mysteries."

"The opening rhythm is excellent; it captivates the audience instantly."

"We're not simply spectators here."

Jia Haoren reminded him, then continued watching the film.

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Tu Zheng and Jia Haoren were not wrong. S~earch the Novel fire(.)ne*t website to access chapters of novels early and in the highest quality.

About twenty minutes into the film, as the group entered the research facility,

the leader of the armed personnel slowly revealed the truth upon the persistent questions of the woman in red, also explaining the opening mysteries of the movie:

It turned out that these people were armed personnel hired by the Umbrella Corporation.

The company that encountered problems at the beginning of the movie was actually a top-secret underground research facility hidden in Racoon City, owned and overseen by the Umbrella Corporation!

The female lead was the security supervisor in charge of guarding the passageways of the research facility.

As for the reason behind their memory loss, it was due to the inhalation of a toxic gas, a result of the research facility's defense mechanisms.

And the purpose of this armed squad was to shut down the Red Queen!

The so-called Red Queen was the research facility's intelligent mainframe, and also the world's most advanced intelligent mainframe!

Inside the research facility.

Over five hundred employees may have all perished.

And the chief culprit behind all this was the research facility's intelligent mainframe, the Red Queen!

"The battle between humans and intelligence..."

Jia Haoren was in the middle of speaking when suddenly his heart skipped a beat, and he looked at the screen in horror.

"Damn!"

At the same time.

Next to him, Jia Haoren, as well as all the audience members in the theater, involuntarily shuddered at the image suddenly appearing on the screen!

A body of a woman in a pool of water

suddenly opened her eyes!

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Chapter 994 - 922: Laser Corridor

All the viewers' faces drastically changed; some of the more timid spectators turned deathly pale!

"Holy shit!"

"I'm scared to death!"

"The female corpse suddenly opened her eyes, and with this music, it's simply terrifying!"

"Is this female corpse the zombie from the movie?"

"I almost forgot this damn thing is a zombie movie; the film has been playing for so long without showing a trace of a zombie, but instead, it introduced something like a smart AI."

"It's truly Fish Papa's brainchild, attempting to mix the least scientific zombies with science?"

"The Red Queen is quite an intriguing design, isn't she the major antagonist in Chu Kuang old rascal's fairy tale 'Alice in Wonderland'? Is Xian Yu creating a crossover and paying tribute?"

"No wonder no one could escape the disaster at the company; things like the elevators were all controlled by the smart AI, Red Queen!"

"The female lead and her companions haven't noticed the corpse's eyes opened!"

The audience slightly relaxed and then looked on with even greater curiosity.

The sci-fi development was beyond all viewers' expectations, and the concept of a smart AI dumbfounded the audience, arousing a more intense anticipation for the unfolding of the story.

At that time.

Although the movie resolved some of the mysteries, many still remained shrouded in fog, such as what roles the female lead and the two men played in this event.

They all suffered from amnesia. Sëarch* The nôvel Fire.nët website to access chapters of novels early and in the highest quality.

So what truth lay hidden in their memories?

Who is the good guy?

Who is the bad guy?

In the sixth row.

Butcher Zhengdao said, "The pace is truly perfect."

Beside him, Jia Haoren nodded, "The suspense is intricately designed."

The gripping suspense layered upon layers, seemed to envelop the events in a mysterious fog!

Just when the audience was about to be confused by the plot, the screenwriter suddenly revealed part of the mysteries!

This exquisite design not only kept the audience's interest but also sparked their curiosity to explore more mysteries!

Indeed, this was the case.

Now, the attention of the audience was completely captivated by the movie!

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The scene continued.

High-tech scenes were abundantly used.

It was in a different league compared to the original basic high-tech scenes.

The entire research facility exuded a futuristic and trendy vibe, especially the scenes scanned by the smart AI Red Queen through the monitoring perspective, which were filled with a strange sense of danger.

In the thirtieth minute of the movie.

They had to pass through a corridor.

The armed leader took the lead and placed a device on the door, which was then unlocked with the help of a tech personnel.

"Move."

The leader gave the command.

Several armed personnel followed him into the corridor.

However, just as the leader, among the four armed personnel, entered the corridor, the doors at both ends of the corridor suddenly shut!

Afterward.

One of the trapped armed personnel looked towards the end of the corridor, his expression blank and puzzled, and said,

"What is that?"

Before his words had fully settled, a white laser connecting the walls on both sides swiftly moved towards them!

"Get down!"

The leader's face changed dramatically as he quickly crouched down.

One of the armed personnel's five fingers were smoothly severed by the white laser, letting out a painful howl!

At the same time.

An armed woman failed to react in time and was directly hit by the laser.

In the eyes of all the spectators in the cinema.

A cut appeared on the neck of the female armed personnel.

The next moment.

Her head slid off.

This immediately plunged the entire cinema into horror!

Just as all viewers were engulfed in horror, the laser at the end of the corridor reappeared!

Swoosh!

The laser swept across.

The second armed personnel was cut in half, his body split into two!

Then,

the third laser appeared from the middle and even grazed toward the direction in which the human body dodged as it approached.

The third armed personnel member was killed!

Only the leader of the armed personnel remained alive!

At that moment, the fourth laser emerged and, just as it was about to reach the officer, it suddenly transformed into a net!

Swipe!

The officer's body was penetrated by this laser net, turning into fragments.

At this moment!

Everyone was silent!

There were no screams, no cries!

The whole theater was eerily quiet!

A tremendous shock enveloped everyone!

As the laser swept over, some audience members even felt as if they were part of the scene, almost unable to resist dodging along!

And when the laser turned into a net, countless viewers fell into despair in that instant!

In the face of technology, even the best skills were of no avail!

"What is this!"

"My scalp is tingling!"

"I still can't stop imagining myself in that scene, trying to figure out how to dodge that laser..."

"It's impossible to dodge a net!"

"My God, my back is all sweaty!"

"If I were in there, how desperate I would be at this moment!"

"What a twisted design!"

"Compared to this, the terror of the elevator scene at the beginning is child's play!"

Laser Corridor!

Terminate everything!

This is one of the most classic scenes in "Resident Evil"!

Heads severed, lasers turning into nets, this scene has left a psychological imprint on many!

Many people who have seen this movie might forget the plot, but they will never forget this lethal death corridor!

Such an impact was not only for this theater.

In every other theater across Blue Star where "Resident Evil" was being shown, the audience was freaking out!

"Damn it!"

"Oh my God!"

"The more I watch this scene, the more terrifying it feels!"

"This laser is simply unsolvable unless someone turns it off!"

"It's turned off, but it's too late, those four were wiped out in seconds!"

"Lucky they didn't all go in!"

"If everyone had gone in, it would have been a total wipeout!"

Tu Zheng took a deep breath, his face instantly covered with cold sweat.

This scene design was utterly shocking, a classic mess!

It wasn't particularly gory, as there was no splattering of blood, nor was the music eerily done...

But it was frightening!

The fright arose from the sheer visual shock!

Because everyone who viewed it subconsciously put themselves into the characters' place, especially with the naked-eye 3D viewing effect.

The result was just a slight projection, and despair immediately engulfed the heart!

"This scene will become a classic."

Jia Haoren swallowed, starting to speak with a rather dry voice, "The last man alive had the most pitiful death, directly chopped into pieces by the laser corridor."

"The movie's pacing is controlled so well."

Tu Zheng did not continue discussing the laser corridor, though he still couldn't forget the scene:

"The zombies haven't shown up yet."

"Has it been half an hour already?"

Even the two experienced film critics were somewhat surprised; it was ostensibly a movie about zombies, but the zombies had not yet appeared.

Fortunately,

shortly after the two mentioned zombies, zombies finally appeared!

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Chapter 995 - 923 Licker

At first, there was only one zombie.

It was a long-haired man in a white lab coat.

This man seemed impervious to bullets, shot numerous times, yet he kept advancing relentlessly.

However.

The audience didn't think it was anything special.

Some even laughed, "Is that all?"

The horror of the zombies was nothing compared to the laser corridor.

Tu Zheng and Jia Haoren both looked surprised; what was so scary about this kind of zombie?

But then.

The moment a horde of zombies appeared, the faces of the audience changed color, and even Tu Zheng and Jia Haoren were flabbergasted!

What was this?

A dense mass of zombies appeared!

You couldn't see the end of them in the entire basement!

The one leading the zombies, clearly with a broken foot, was still walking, dragging an axe in hand!

And some of the zombies had flesh so decomposed that even some were left with only half a face, creating an image of extreme horror!

Swish, swish, swish!

Everyone's scalp tightened again, their eyes suddenly bulging as if they had seen some unbelievable scene!

"Holy crap!"

"So many!"

"A zombie legion, no way!"

"This is too twisted!"

"That one with only half a face, is that special effects?"

"It looks so real!"

"Scared pissless!"

"These are not the zombies I remember!"

"My claustrophobia is kicking in, how can you kill them all, there aren't enough bullets, okay!"

Not the same!

Not the same at all!

This was the first time the Blue Star audience faced such a scene!

They had never thought that when zombies appeared in a dense swarm, it would cause such a huge shock!

And the movies from before, they'd never filmed anything like it!

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In a Qin Continent movie theater. "Are you telling me these motherfuckers are zombies?" "You're kidding me, how can there be so many zombies, I'm scared to pee!" "These zombies' appearances are so not cool!" ... In a Qi Continent movie theater. "This shit's too heavy for me, I love it!" "Zombies surge like a tide, like they're damn free!" "It's too thrilling!" In a Chu Continent movie theater. "What kind of zombies are these, for real!" "I take back what I said before, these zombies are way scarier than just one showing up!" "This is freaking awesome!" Netizens across the continents were dumbfounded!

But this was not the scariest part yet!

When the female lead acted alone, an even more terrifying zombie appeared!

To be precise:

This should not be a zombie, but a dog!

The dog's exterior flesh was completely decayed, its blurry bloodstains covering its entire body, as it howled at the female lead!

Seeing such a dog, the audience's hair stood on end almost instinctively!

"Damn it!"

"Even the dogs have mutated?"

"That dog looks so freaking scary!"

"We're done for!"

"What kind of freaky thing is this!"

"It's getting more and more exciting, this is even better than the laser corridor!"

"Dogs are more terrifying than human zombies, these creatures run damn fast!"

"A live dog, people aren't even a match, let alone a dead dog?"

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Of course, the female lead would be okay.

Just when the audience was curious how the female lead would solve the problem, she seemed to awaken some memory and displayed an impressive marksmanship!

Bang!

The dog was instantly killed!

And when the female lead ran into another room, the audience's breathing almost came to a halt!

Several dogs appeared all at once!

This pack of dogs, with blood and flesh blurred all over their bodies, growled fiercely and suddenly sped up, charging at the female lead!

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The result.

The protagonist directly shot most of the dogs dead with a gun.

When the bullets ran out, one dog remained unscathed; she stepped on the wall and delivered a side kick, hitting the dog right in the forehead!

Previously it was horror!

Then it turned into excitement!

Now, it had become thrilling and satisfying!

The audience never expected the protagonist to be a hidden expert!

When the protagonist killed the first dog, everyone thought it was luck, but now they realized it was pure skill!

"Am I the expert?"

"This plot twist, totally unexpected!"

"I thought the protagonist would just be a burden in this kind of situation, yet her shooting is divine, and her close combat level is so high?"

"Awesome!"

"For the first time, I feel that a woman can be so cool!"

"No wonder the protagonist is the security head of Umbrella Corporation; she's a born fighter for sure!"

"Was she amnesiac before, and now her combat instincts have been awakened?"

"It looks like the protagonist is the strongest among them all. I knew there was a reason for a lead female role in this movie; the highlights are right here!"

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One climax after another!

Zombies keep surging like tides!

The sudden appearances of the zombified dogs keep intensifying the horror and excitement!

And with the protagonist's sudden powerhouse performance, a massive climax was formed amidst the oppressing plot!

Up to this point.

The classic elements of commercial cinema have been fully utilized!

And as the dense horde of zombies pursues them, more mysteries in the movie are revealed.

The Red Queen explained everything upon rebooting:

It turns out these zombies were infected by a biohazard virus, turning into ravenous undead craving fresh flesh!

The dogs included.

At this moment, the protagonist finally remembered her name:

Alice!

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The audience in theaters were stunned.

Tu Zheng and Jia Haoren were stunned too.

They were no different from the regular audience at this moment, completely led by the nose by the plot!

The tide of zombies and the setting of the biohazard infection provided a scientific explanation for their origin, completely shattering any Blue Starians' conventional impression of so-called zombies!

And the appearance of the zombie dogs further escalated the excitement!

After the protagonist's breakout, a perfect balance between oppression and excitement was achieved!

"This way of continuously unveiling mysteries while throwing out new points of excitement, it's simply commercial cinematic elements at their finest!"

"How did Xian Yu come up with this plotline!"

"I can guarantee that after this movie, countless films will mimic its design of zombie hordes!"

"The idea that animals can also be infected and become terrifying monsters isn't new, but to put it in a zombie film like this, nobody has ever done it!"

This was virtually pioneering within the industry!

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Within layers of shock.

The pace of the plot finally slowed down a bit.

After recovering her memories, Alice's husband finally remembered his own memories too!

Turns out.

Alice's marriage to her husband was a sham, they had just gotten caught up in their own act.

And the disaster at the Racoon City research facility was brought about by Alice's husband.

This man wanted to steal the virus and antivirus to sell them, as there were buyers willing to pay a high price!

After stealing the items.

He intentionally broke the virus container, causing the disaster at the research facility.

Realizing this, the conflict was no longer just between humans and zombies and the Red Queen.

Conflicts among humans began to emerge.

In theaters everywhere, the audience's enthusiasm for watching was at its peak!

"So the protagonist is Alice!"

"Alice, the Red Queen, aren't those characters from 'Alice in Wonderland'?"

"Xian Yu is indeed crossing over with Chu Kuang!"

"The climax from the laser corridor is just one wave after another!"

"That husband is detestable!"

"Look quick!"

"What is this?"

With an alarming scream, another zombie appeared on the screen!

This zombie, in the blink of an eye, killed Alice's villainous husband!

If the threat level of a zombie dog is considered to be one notch higher than that of a human zombie, then this newly appeared zombie would probably be described as hellish in its danger!

This zombie was massive!

Its long tongue shot out a deep crimson color!

Its whole body was powerful and mighty, and it even possessed the ability to climb walls agilely, as if it combined the strengths of many animals!

Moreover.

This zombie's body was devoid of skin, with only blurred flesh and clearly visible sinews on display, stirring an instinctive fear—

The Licker!

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Chapter 996 - 924 This is Not the Kind of Zombie I Know

Yan Continent's certain movie theater.

"This, my friends, is the real big boss!"

"The Red Queen called this creature 'Licker'. It's a monster developed early on by the institute, with a bunch of special genes fused into it!"

"Next to this, those zombie dogs are like little brothers!"

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Han Continent's certain movie theater.

"My God!"

"The Licker can actually evolve!"

"Its body gets bigger, and its appearance becomes even more terrifying!" Zhao Continent's certain movie theater. "Such a terrifying monster!" "Alice probably isn't a match for it!" "She's totally outclassed, okay? I have no idea how the screenwriter plans to arrange the plot from here. Is it even possible to kill this thing?" Once the Licker appeared, all the major theaters went wild! The audience for this kind of movie loves the thrill and terror. Many people entered the theater without expecting that the mere setup of zombies could be played with such variety! In such an atmosphere, the movie finally entered the ultimate battle! Alice and the others, facing the Licker, chose to run without hesitation. A group of people boarded the train they had arrived on, fleeing indiscriminately! However, the Licker had already set its sights on them! The metal train carriage was directly torn open by the Licker's claws! A reporter named Matt got his arm raked, leaving behind a blurry trail of blood. Finally! The train door broke! The Licker's massive body squeezed in!

In the close-up shot,

the Licker was displayed in the clearest view to the audience!

This was a creature with no skin, only flesh and fascia connected; its body was severely decayed, with its eyeballs rotten beyond recognition, and it had no skull, as if it had been skinned alive, with a giant tongue like a tentacle shooting out, covered in barbs!

In a desperate situation,

Alice grabbed an iron rod, plunging it down fiercely!

The Licker's tongue was pierced from the base and firmly pinned to the train.

The train sped away.

The Licker's body was dragged along the tunnel.

Amidst sparks flying,

the Licker let out a piercing howl!

Its body gradually ignited with the friction against the rails!

When its tongue's base snapped,

the Licker had turned entirely into a fireball!

The shocking scene, with adrenaline pumping through the audience, left everyone feeling the exhilaration of a narrow escape!

Unfortunately,

in the process, everyone died!

Only Alice and reporter Matt survived.

"You won't die!"

Alice opened the antidote kit she had brought, attempting to give Matt an antidote since he had been scratched, too.

Some audience members exhaled in relief.

They thought this was the end of the story.

However,

the plot did not end.

Suddenly, there was a flickering light from outside.

Underneath the light, a group of men wearing masks appeared, seeming like doctors.

These men captured Alice and Matt.

"He's mutating!"

On the screen, it was clear to see sharp spikes growing from Matt's wound, as a voice called out from nearby.

On the other side,

Alice was being restrained.

The audience, who had been ready to leave it there, were suddenly on edge again:

"Are these people also from the Umbrella Corporation?"

"Has Alice been captured?"

"With such a twist at the end of the movie, could it be that there's a sequel?"

"Matt mutated?"

"This story obviously isn't over yet!"

"But according to the length, it should be about finished, right? If there's any more plot, we'll have to wait for the sequel, won't we?"

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The screen suddenly shifted.

Alice's figure reappeared in the frame.

To the audience's surprise, Alice was once again in the image from the beginning of the movie, with nothing but white drapes covering the key parts of her body.

What was even more shocking was this:

Alice's body was riddled with thin needles!

And as the audience watched in astonishment, Alice bore the pain and forcibly removed all the needles from her body! Search the nôvel Fire.nët website to access chapters of novels early and in the highest quality.

Covering her body simply,

Alice walked outside.

At that moment,

The camera suddenly zoomed out.

The entire city was in chaos, glass from countless skyscrapers shattered, and bloodstains were everywhere!

Horrifying!

Ghastly!

Desolate!

Alice walked on the streets, with cars haphazardly strewn about.

A gust of wind lifted a newspaper, and its front-page headline read with just four words:

"The Walking Dead!"

The text below was startling: "A terrifying event has erupted in Racoon City, with walking living dead everywhere..."

In the photo section,

An even vast horde of zombie pictures caused one's scalp to tingle!

And in the monitoring room of the room Alice was in before, the silhouette of a zombie flickered past.

This meaningful shot instantly sent shivers down the audience's spine!

"What does this mean?"

"The group that arrested Alice turned into zombies too?"

"Did they open the laboratory and let out all the zombies inside?"

"The newspaper clearly states that the whole Racoon City is damn well fallen!"

"If the armed squads are no match for so many zombies, how could ordinary people possibly resist?"

"Holy crap!"

"Fish Papa's imagination is breaking through the sky, an entire city of zombies, just think about it, it's thrilling!"

"I'm in love with this theme!"

"Completely not the kind of zombies I had imagined, zombies, zombie dogs, and even Lickers. According to the Red Queen's words, there are probably more monsters cultivated by the Umbrella Corporation than just the Lickers. It feels like the world is even more expansive than I imagined!"

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In major cinemas,

The audience did not leave but were fervently discussing.

In the cinema where Tu Zheng and Jia Haoren were present, there was also a large number of audiences discussing and admiring:

"What an exhilarating twist!"

"I didn't expect a lead female's movie to be this exciting!"

"The shot of Alice walking alone in the streets at the end was explosive. Could it be that she's the only living person left in the city?"

"I don't know."

"I'm really looking forward to the second part!"

"With such a big cliffhanger, there has to be a sequel!"

"Xian Yu is awesome, all this biochemical virus, genetic research, he completely overturned the old zombie formula. These aren't the kind of zombies I knew!"

Amidst the discussions,

Tu Zheng and Jia Haoren looked at each other.

Taking a deep breath, Jia Haoren exclaimed with a sense of realization, "This is getting a bit tricky."

"Not really tricky."

Tu Zheng's expression was somewhat complicated.

Jia Haoren was stunned, "From what angle do you plan to start criticizing? Surely you can't say Xian Yu is degenerating by making a commercial film again?"

Tu Zheng said expressionlessly, "I mean, I'm not cashing in on this."

"You..."

"This film is definitely going to set a precedent for zombie series films. In the future, who knows how many screenwriters will imitate this model. If I target a work that has set such a precedent, it's tantamount to having issues with those who want to follow the film's lead, a loss not worth the cost."

"That's the only option then..."

Jia Haoren looked at the excited audience who still had not left, as if they were prepared to listen through the movie's end credits, and finally made a decision.

Tu Zheng was right.

This movie set a precedent for zombie setups.

A bit like an upgraded version of zombies, the densely packed horde of zombies brought a visual impact that was too stimulating for the audience.

In the future, there will certainly be a crowd of imitators.

And targeting such a pioneering film, if this genre becomes hugely popular later on, wouldn't it mean getting a swollen face?

This dirty money, I can't take it!

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Chapter 997 - 925: Set a Small Goal First

Tribe.

Ling Kong was communicating with a theater chain manager.

Today was not only the premiere day of "Resident Evil."

Today was also the premiere day for Tribe's new movie "Blade Woman."

The theater chain manager laughed on the phone, "Congratulations, Mr. Ling, for making a good film for Blue Star. The initial audience reviews for 'Blade Woman' are quite good, and the attendance rate is high. If everything goes as expected, the box office should be very pleasing, it might even break the box office records for films with a female lead!"

"Thank you."

Ling Kong suppressed his excitement, "I'll need your continued support for the subsequent screenings."

"Of course."

Ling Kong then asked, "Do you know the situation with 'Resident Evil'?"

The other side laughed, "With so many films from Blue Star, there is competition among the theater chains. Our chain favors Tribe, so we did not bring in Teacher Admirable Fish's 'Resident Evil.' However, that movie also premiered today, and we should receive feedback soon."

"Understood."

After hanging up the phone, Ling Kong smiled.

The theater had reported that "Blade Woman" had a fine premiere, which boosted his confidence immensely about defeating Xian Yu this time.

Suddenly.

A panicked shout came from outside, "Mr. Ling, something has gone wrong, it's bad!"

Ling Kong's face darkened, "You're the one in trouble, your whole family is in trouble!"

The assistant rushed in, panting, "Mr. Ling, listen to me, it's those two film critics we found earlier who have switched sides and suddenly refused to help us write reviews to tarnish 'Resident Evil!'"

"Switched sides?"

Ling Kong frowned, "If they've switched sides, so be it. It's not a big problem."

The assistant said with a dismal face, "It's not that they switched sides, the problem is that after they switched sides, they publicly praised 'Resident Evil!'"

"What?"

Ling Kong's cheeks suddenly twitched, and a sense of unease came over him again.

The assistant was right.

After watching "Resident Evil," Tu Zheng and Jia Haoren did not tarnish the movie but rather sang its praises!

"Sensory shock, beyond imagination, Teacher Admirable Fish always finds the most unexpected entry points, 'Resident Evil,' a film that is bound to make you panic and fear, yet irresistibly compelling. Perhaps in the future, zombies and the undead will become two distinct concepts in film discussions..."

Jia Haoren mentioned the difference between zombies and the undead.

Tu Zheng's review was even longer, evaluating the film overall:

"Why does Teacher Admirable Fish's 'Resident Evil' bring a whole new sci-fi perspective? Before entering the cinema, no one would have thought Teacher Admirable Fish's movie would be so rich in sci-fi elements; everyone was fooled by the zombie gimmick.

It seems like Teacher Admirable Fish's movies can always surprise you unexpectedly.

The entire film is filled with suspense, constantly piquing your curiosity, and continually bringing surprises.

Who is the female lead? What are the secrets of these amnesiacs? Where did the zombies come from? Who will become zombies? Who will survive? Why does the artificial intelligence Red Queen want to kill people? How to deal with the final Licker?

We, holding all these questions, have become captives of Teacher Admirable Fish.

Like all the audience, I was willingly sitting in front of the screen, waiting for the answers to unfold.

And just when we thought we had understood everything, the film ends with a dramatic twist.

Alice escapes from that damned lab.

She cautiously holds her gun, bullet already chambered, but:

On the desolate streets, only she remains alone amidst total devastation.

With the news of the undead ravaging the city, this scene shocked me more than the death-laden laser corridor, even more than the tide of undead!

New questions arise.

In the quickly grand and fiery music, suspense rises instantly, and the passion overflows, truly irresistible!"

Tu Zheng's review even included slight spoilers, but they were not enough to affect the viewing experience.

Being a well-known and influential film critic, Tu Zheng's review naturally attracted a lot of comments from the audience!

"Couldn't agree more!"

"This movie completely defies imagination!"

"So good to watch!"

"The ending was indeed shocking; I even think it's one of the most compelling endings among all commercial films. If a sequel were released now, I'd definitely buy tickets without hesitation!"

"I gasped throughout the entire film!"

"I thought the Red Queen was the antagonist, only to find out at the end that her purpose was to protect humans!"

"The twist with the Red Queen is classic indeed, and Alice suddenly bursting out in that scene was exhilarating, her action fierce and stylish, truly maximizing the charm of films with a strong female lead!"

Of course.

The comment section also had many netizens who hadn't yet seen the movie.

They were instantly intrigued by the reviews from the first batch of viewers and film critics.

"Is it really that good?"

"It sounds pretty intense!"

"I see a lot of people saying zombies and the undead are two different concepts, what does that mean?"

"This movie even involves artificial intelligence?"

"Red Queen, Alice, aren't those the characters from Chu Kuang's 'Alice in Wonderland'?"

"No way, I have to buy a ticket to see it!"

"Yes, the comments got me itching to see it; I'm going tonight!"

"What exactly is it about?"

"Can't explain it to you; you'll know once you see it. If it's not good, you can hit me!"

Shhh!

The film critic effect!

Audience word-of-mouth effect!

The combination of these elements suddenly attracted a massive audience for "Resident Evil!"

Yu Dynasty chat group.

Everyone also found time to watch the movie.

Immediately.

They all mentioned Xia Fan!

Jiang Kui: "This movie is so well done, Xia Fan, you're going to be famous. When I saw your bathtub scene, I almost wanted to lick the screen!"

Sun Yaohuo: "Wanna blaze? (Sunglasses) Who's calling me?"

Wei Haoyun: "This is giving me the creeps, the first time watching a horror movie, barely held it together, Xia Fan is too cool, sister loves you!"

Zhao Ying Ge: "Okay, I must admit, Xia Fan's physique is a 50/50 match with mine. He's really something."

Chen Zhiyu: "This physique, tsk tsk, usually, I don't pay attention, how could it not be popular, right? The movie is too brilliant, Teacher Admirable Fish is the eternal god!"

At last.

Xia Fan himself showed up in the group: "Pfft, you bunch of low-quality mugs!"

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The group was right.

In the following days, Xia Fan indeed became famous, and "Resident Evil" indeed became a hit!

Tribe.

Blogs.

Social media circles.

Major forums.

Discussions about this movie were everywhere!

And the box office of "Resident Evil" climbed up incrementally during heated discussions!

As for another movie of the same genre, "The Female Blade," it was severely suppressed by this terrifying rival!

One week later.

The box office of "Resident Evil" had already accumulated around ten billion!

This was the most insane weekly box office among all of Teacher Admirable Fish's movies, for various reasons.

First, as the continents merged, the number of viewers increased, and the market became more vast.

Second, as everyone progressively understood each other through cultural exchanges, the tastes of audiences across continents grew more aligned.

Third, the zombie theme in 'Resident Evil' was a first in Blue Star; there had never been a similar film before.

Fourth, Blue Star didn't pay much attention to movies with a lead female protagonist, so there had never been a movie that magnified a female lead's charisma to the extent of an Alice before.

Fifth, the movie's investment was substantial...

Thus, although "Resident Evil" was not so high-grossing on Earth, it created a quite impressive result in Blue Star!

Impressive enough that Lin Yuan himself got a shock.

Mainly it was because the number of viewers had increased, other factors were secondary.

This made Lin Yuan suddenly realize that when Blue Star fully merges, the movie market might go utterly insane!

Because it wasn't just about "Resident Evil."

The average box office of other movies in Blue Star was also increasing yearly.

Different continents playing by their own rules wouldn't work anymore, lack of cultural barriers meant the loss of local market protection mechanisms.

Some movies would dominate across continents!

Of course, as this situation developed, film investment costs were definitely going to become higher, compared to Blue Star, Earth's movie market patterns had completely lost their reference value.

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Similar insights were emerging in the industry.

"With the merger tide, the film market is changing."

"Now, these movie box offices have become increasingly baffling."

"Because the merger is aligning the viewing tastes across continents, differing popular movies across continents were due to taste variations. As these differences gradually disappear, the choices of movies people watch will become more consistent."

"Once Zhong Continent joins the merger, a qualitative change will occur."

"It's already somewhat happening now, before what movie could easily break ten billion in box office in a week, yet counting 'Resident Evil,' this year alone there have been four movies breaking ten billion in a single week."

"Admirable Fish's movie might just make it into the top ten annual box office."

"This movie really is a bit crazy, now there are quite a few companies considering writing movies centered around zombies."

Yes.

Although Lin Yuan's previous movies were also hits, Blue Star was simply too large, and there were many popular movies in the same period.

Therefore.

His previous films had never made it into the top ten annual box office of Blue Star.

But this "Resident Evil" was subtly showing such signs.

This movie performed exceptionally well, ensuring increased showtimes across continents!

More screenings meant more viewers, a natural result considering the film's good reputation, and commercial films always had a solid viewer base.

That said.

A similar situation had occurred in Celestial Dynasty before.

Before Xu Zheng's "Lost in Thailand," Celestial Dynasty's movie box offices were generally not high.

After that movie, the film market went wild, with the box office ceiling being broken repeatedly.

It wasn't the quality of the movies that improved.

It was purely that the film market had expanded.

And with Blue Star having the foundation of continental mergers, this burst of the movie market seemed even more traceable.

Some might wonder:

Why does "Resident Evil's" box office exceed Admirable Fish's previous films?

Were Admirable Fish's previous films not up to par?

Of course not.

If "Spiderman" were released today, the box office would not be the same as back then.

Just like Star Grandpa's "Kung Fu Hustle."

In the market environment of that time, "Kung Fu Hustle" made just a few billion.

He later had one with a much higher box office, "The Mermaid."

This movie wasn't as good as "Kung Fu Hustle," yet its box office was many times greater.

Additionally.

Celestial Dynasty's highest-grossing "Wolf Warrior 2," with not even sixty billion in box office, couldn't crack the top fifty global box offices.

But in Blue Star's market environment.

With markets merging, no language barriers, and uniformed culture, sixty billion will be an attainable target for major top film companies.

At this moment.

Lin Yuan had greater expectations for movies, perhaps he should set a small goal for the future.

Like...

Making a movie that breaks a hundred billion in box office?

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Chapter 998 - 926: Seeing Guo Xiang Again

It was June.

The movie "Resident Evil" was still a hot topic, with box office numbers undiminished until the middle of the month.

In such a context, Starlight suddenly released a TV series, achieving success in both film and television:

The Return of the Condor Heroes!

As the sequel to The Legend of the Condor Heroes, The Return of the Condor Heroes aired and successfully continued the heat of its predecessor, and even more brilliant at that!

Its direct manifestation was:

The series premiere ratings broke three!

Not only did the actors become popular after the TV series aired, but also several classic songs from the drama, all penned by Xian Yu, became huge hits:

Come Back!

Wordly Tavern!

Unparalleled in the World!

Myths and Words of Love!

Heavenly Lovers!

All five songs were released as part of the TV soundtrack!

Unfortunately, these five songs weren't released until mid-month, so they didn't impact the seasonal chart rankings too much, but even so, they all squeezed into the top ten, adding even more heat to the martial arts resurgence.

It just so happened to be on this day.

Lin Yuan finished his "Heaven-Reliant Dragon Slayer" and handed it over to Jin Mu.

Jin Mu, upon receiving the manuscript, didn't react with the excitement Lin Yuan had imagined, but instead fixed his gaze on Lin Yuan and asked,

"Are you really not going to torment the readers this time?"

"This time, it's truly a refreshing tale."

Lin Yuan had to explain once again.

He felt that Jin Mu had developed a trust issue with him.

Fortunately, Jin Mu ultimately believed Lin Yuan and turned to contact Ol' Xiong, the chief editor of the Fantasy Department at Silver Blue Books:

"Chu Kuang's new book, I'm preparing to send it to you."

"Another martial arts novel?"

"Chu Kuang plans to write a 'The Legend of the Condor Heroes' trilogy. This new book, called 'Heaven-Reliant Dragon Slayer', is the last part of the trilogy, so of course, it's also a martial arts story."

"The Legend of the Condor Heroes trilogy, Heaven-Reliant Dragon Slayer?"

Ol' Xiong's eyes suddenly lit up, but then became skeptical again, "Did Chu Kuang take any 'preventive measures' this time?"

"No."

"That's good."

Ol' Xiong let out a long sigh of relief.

He was genuinely worried, fearing the old rascal Chu Kuang would pull another Dragon Maiden Incident on them.

Although the issue had been resolved in the end, during those two days when readers blocked the door of Silver Blue Books, everyone was on tenterhooks, fearing that the readers would rise up and smash their way through the editorial department.

But...

One couldn't completely take Jin Mu's word for it.

After hanging up the phone, Ol' Xiong immediately led his editors to start reading this "Heaven-Reliant Dragon Slayer."

They read throughout the day.

That evening.

Although they hadn't finished the entire book, the expressions on everyone's faces clearly spelled relief.

Afterward.

The editors in the editorial department began a heated discussion of the major plots:

"As the final installment of 'The Legend of the Condor Heroes' trilogy, the story is not heart-wrenching, and it could even be considered quite exhilarating."

"Although the story covers a large span of time, and the real protagonist appears quite late, every detail that needed explaining from the previous installment is made clear."

"Guo Xiang indeed never married in her lifetime."

"The girls from The Return of the Condor Heroes, as expected, all ruined their lives the moment they met Yang Guo."

"The most poignant part is Mongolia winning the war, with Guo Jing and Huang Rong dying in battle in Xiangyang City; although this plot point is only briefly mentioned in the book, it still tugs at the heartstrings. With the setup from the previous two books and the leap in time, this plot point minimizes the damage to the readers."

"I initially thought the main character would be Guo Xiang."

"I thought it would be Zhang Jun Bao, but with a sweep of Chu Kuang's pen, good lord, Zhang Jun Bao turned into the over-ninety-year-old grandmaster Zhang Sanfeng."

"Zhang Wuji must be the male protagonist who appeared the latest in history, right?"

Mid-discussion.

Editor YangFeng suddenly turned to chief editor Ol' Xiong, "I have an idea, not sure if it's appropriate to share?"

Ol' Xiong raised an eyebrow, "Go ahead."

YangFeng spoke with a smile, "This book's opening acts and setup take a long time. Starting with Guo Xiang introducing the story, then transitioning with Zhang Sanfeng, the potential to misdirect is simply too great, even more ruthless than what happened with The Legend of the Condor Heroes. Why don't we release the beginning online first to hook the readers' curiosity, followed by arranging the full book's publication? It can be considered a rather surprising marketing strategy."

"You mean to release the first few chapters first?"

"I think up to chapter ten can all be considered the early setup for 'Heaven-Reliant Dragon Slayer,'" someone said.

"Ten chapters is too many."

"How about we release three or five chapters to test the waters?"

"I need to ask teacher Chu Kuang about this."

Ol' Xiong thought YangFeng's suggestion was feasible, but he couldn't make the decision on his own.

Ten minutes later.

Lin Yuan learned of Silver Blue Books's plan.

He thought about it and didn't express any opinions.

Jin Mu, however, suggested: "If we're going to promote it this way, there's no need for Silver Blue to post on our behalf. Boss, you might as well use Chu Kuang's account to leverage the blog platform and publish the first few chapters of 'Heaven-Reliant Dragon Slayer.' That would have a bigger promotional effect than if Silver Blue were to publish them."

"Release it ourselves?"

"One chapter a day, and after a few chapters announce the publication."

"That's also fine."

Lin Yuan thought it made sense.

Jin Mu quickly reached a consensus with Silver Blue Books.

At seven o'clock in the evening.

Lin Yuan logged into Chu Kuang's account and posted a message:

"Tonight at eight, the first chapter of the new book 'Heaven-Reliant Dragon Slayer' will be released. This book is the conclusion of 'The Legend of the Condor Heroes' trilogy. The first few chapters of the new book will be released through the blog platform."

At this moment.

'The Return of the Condor Heroes' TV series was in the midst of a hot broadcast.

The martial arts revival was growing more and more intense.

And this one post from Chu Kuang instantly drew the attention of the entire internet!

The concept of 'The Legend of the Condor Heroes' trilogy was being widely disseminated for the first time!

The comments section of the post was absolutely flooded with messages from countless readers!

"The sudden news of the new book is such a pleasant surprise. Who knew the story hadn't ended with 'The Return of the Condor Heroes?' Did the old rascal plan to write a martial arts trilogy from the beginning?"

"It certainly seems like it from the release timing!"

"So Chu Kuang, the old rascal, had a martial arts universe stashed away in his brain?"

"My fairy tale universe refuses to accept this!"

"My mystery universe just laughs without a word!"

"Before we argue about universes, I'm just worried he'll throw in another NTR twist."

"Even if Chu Kuang is arrogant, after the Dragon Maiden Incident, he wouldn't dare such flagrant disrespect... right?"

"Guo Xiang, Guo Xiang, my great Guo Xiang must have a significant role. I'm waiting for the new book at eight o'clock!"

"Ah ah ah ah, I hope the new book will feature Guo Xiang!"

This time, no readers were begging the old rascal to let loose.

The book 'The Return of the Condor Heroes' had shown readers just how low this old rascal could go. If he were really set free to write, who knows what insane plot he could come up with!

So among the numerous comments.

The readers were both expectant and nervous!

Then the blog cooperated with the promotion, starting a full network push!

The news that Chu Kuang's new book would be released at eight o'clock tonight on the blog platform spread quickly to tribes and various major forums!

On the tribe.

A lot of users immediately started to complain.

"Look at this old rascal, forcing me to use a blog now?"

"Can't I see his new book early without a blog account?"

"Goodbye, tribe."

"Blog, here I come!"

"For my goddess Guo Xiang!"

"Come on, you're clearly here for your old rascal."

"It's your old rascal. Whoever likes this despised old rascal can have him; I choose Xian Yu!"

"Heaven-Reliant Dragon Slayer, huh? 'The Legend of the Condor Heroes' wasn't enough for Chu Kuang, now he wants to slay a dragon too?"

That evening, as the tribe's leaders witnessed their traffic plummet yet again and cursed loudly, the blog was attracting the attention of the entire network!

And when eight o'clock came.

Chu Kuang's first chapter of his new book was indeed published right on time.

As the blog's traffic surged, Guo Xiang rode her little donkey, leisurely strolling into the view of countless readers...

In this moment.

The readers' hearts melted.

Tip: You can use left, right keyboard keys to browse between chapters.

Chapter 999 - 927 The Old Rascal Shall Not Deceive Me Again

This is the first chapter of "Heaven-Reliant Dragon Slayer."

The revised chapter title: "At World's End, My Thoughts on You Are Unforgettable."

On the road of Shaoshi Mountain, Guo Xiang, wearing a yellow shirt with a little East Heretic temperament, traveled the Martial World with a donkey and a sword.

Ever since Guo Xiang had bid farewell to Yang Guo and Little Dragon Maiden as a couple at the summit of Mount Hua three years ago, she hadn't received the slightest bit of news from them.

Her heart continued to yearn, so she informed her parents, claiming she wanted to sightsee and enjoy the landscapes, but actually, she was seeking news about Yang Guo.

However, since that separation, the couple had ceased to appear in the Martial World, and no one knew where they had secluded themselves.

Guo Xiang had traveled from north to south and from east to west, nearly traversing half of the Central Plains, yet still had not heard anyone mention recent news of the Condor Hero, Yang Guo.

One could say:

At the start of the new book's first chapter, Chu Kuang immediately engaged all the readers in a collective memory of Guo Xiang's unrequited love for Yang Guo.

The original text described it thus: [Although Guo Xiang didn't necessarily need to meet with the couple, she would have been perfectly content to hear some news about how Yang Guo behaved righteously in the Martial World.]

Then the plot unfolded.

Jueyuan from the end of "The Return of the Condor Heroes" made an appearance;

The little monk, Zhang Jun Bao, showed up once again;

The Kunlun Three Sage, He Zudao from the Western Regions, entered the scene;

And the story thus began to revolve around Shaolin Temple.

Naturally, the protagonist's perspective was centered on Guo Xiang.

This was a massive chapter of nearly twenty thousand words, and whenever it came to the mental activity of the little East Heretic, Guo Xiang, it seemed impossible to not include hints of the Condor Hero's whereabouts, causing the readers to feel both heartache and sighs as they read.

Quickly.

The comment section became densely packed with messages!

The influence accrued from the two previous works, "The Legend of the Condor Heroes" and "The Return of the Condor Heroes," exploded completely under the guidance of a mere twenty thousand words by Chu Kuang!

"Perfect start from Guo Xiang's point of view!"

"Chu Kuang, the old rascal, knows exactly what he's doing, starting off with the bomb that is Guo Xiang, and also closely tied to the theme 'one glimpse of Yang Guo and you're led astray for life,' instantly drawing one's attention."

"Many characters are from the time of 'The Return of the Condor Heroes'!"

"Jueyuan and Zhang Jun Bao are back, as well as Yang Guo's friend, Master Wuse. However, although this book frequently mentions the Condor Hero, Yang Guo and Little Dragon Maiden do not actually appear in it."

"What a great start!"

"Shaolin Temple finally gets a part to play!"

"Everyone says it's good, so let me raise a concern, isn't this book a bit reliant on established settings? The previous two books, neither 'Duel Atop Mount Hua' nor the introduction of top Martial World experts mentioned Shaolin. So how come at the beginning of this book, Shaolin Temple suddenly has such a strong presence?"

"That does seem a bit unreasonable."

"The old rascal's pit is deep, bear with it for a moment."

With the opening chapter of the new book, Shaolin Temple suddenly had its credentials raised significantly.

Clearly, during the periods of "The Legend of the Condor Heroes" and "The Return of the Condor Heroes," the major events in the Martial World had no involvement of Shaolin, so some people found it unreasonable.

Of course.

A flaw cannot obscure the splendor of jade.

These minor issues with the setting weren't something that anyone would seriously fuss over.

After Chu Kuang released the first chapter of "Heaven-Reliant Dragon Slayer," it quickly took over the top trending spots, with discussibility of related topics even easily sweeping through many of the latest major entertainment industry buzz!

Atop the new trending searches.

Trending first: #GuoXiang#

Trending second: #Heaven-Reliant Dragon Slayer#

Trending fifth: #OneGlimpseOfYangGuo#

Of the top five trending topics, "Heaven-Reliant Dragon Slayer" occupied three.

It's important to note that this was when only the first chapter of the novel had been released!

One could only imagine how many readers specifically logged onto blogs to read the first chapter of Chu Kuang's new book.

What's more interesting is:

Other forums of similar genres also saw a surge of topics related to "Heaven-Reliant Dragon Slayer."

Even including the Tribe!

This sort of thing wasn't happening for the first time.

Even though Xian Yu, Chu Kuang, and Shadow had left the Tribe, the Tribe's trending search list would still occasionally be dominated by these three, which one netizen described as:

Not too harmful!

But extremely insulting!

And yet, the Tribe dared not block topics related to these three, otherwise their users might revolt, something they could not control.

And as more readers finished the first chapter of "Heaven-Reliant Dragon Slayer."

A new related topic suddenly also stormed the hot search rankings on various platforms!

The topic was: #WhoIsTheProtagonistOfHeaven-Reliant Dragon Slayer#

And the reason for this topic's emergence was simple, as many netizens had started to argue over who the protagonist of Chu Kuang's new book was!

Netizens generally divided into three camps.

The first camp believed that Guo Xiang was the protagonist:

"The entire story of the first chapter unfolds from Guo Xiang's point of view, so as we go through the story, we're seeing it through Guo Xiang, who else could be the protagonist if not her?"

To this, someone replied:

"I have no issue with a woman being the protagonist, in fact, I really like Guo Xiang, and I would very much welcome it if she truly were the protagonist, but Chu Kuang, the old rascal, has never written a novel where the main character is a girl!"

"You're wrong there."

"Chu Kuang likes to pursue changes in his writing. Who knows, maybe he plans to use Guo Xiang as the main character this time. There's a movie out recently called 'Resident Evil.' Have any of you seen it? Xian Yu never wrote a script with a woman as the main character before this movie, but that doesn't mean he won't."

Then there were those who believed it was Zhang Jun Bao:

"The ending of 'The Return of the Condor Heroes' specifically mentioned the young monk Zhang Jun Bao. The old rascal even took the trouble to introduce such a martially talented new character to everyone at the end of the story. Was it just to pad the word count? Not to mention he even had the 'Condor Hero' Yang Guo teach Zhang Jun Bao some martial skills. And now, Zhang Jun Bao makes an appearance in the first chapter of the new book. Think about what that implies, you guys need to mull this over."

"Indeed."

"In the first two books, whether it was Guo Jing or Yang Guo, both had great martial talent. Don't even start with saying Guo Jing is too dumb or anything. Brother Jing's martial skills are no less than any of the 'Five Greats.' Those who question his martial arts talent should re-read 'The Legend of the Condor Heroes.' And the ending of 'The Return of the Condor Heroes' not only gave Zhang Jun Bao the spotlight, it emphasized that his foundation and talent in martial arts were very strong. Being so young and already able to spar with Yin Kexi, I don't believe he's not the protagonist."

"Martial talent?"

"Isn't Guo Xiang's martial talent scary enough? Think of how many top martial skills she's learned, including those from the East Heretic Huang Yaoshi, her father Guo Jing, and her mother Huang Rong, among other top martial experts in the Martial World. She even modified moves to create her own set of techniques. Isn't that invincible?!"

Someone from the third camp could not hold back:

"The protagonist is definitely this newly emerged He Zudao. Not only is he modest, courteous, and elegant, but he is also called the 'Kunlun Three Sage,' which includes the Sage of the Zither, Chess, and Sword. His martial skills were so strong that even the Shaolin Temple took him seriously. Plus, he considers Guo Xiang his Soulmate. So, I think he's the new book's male protagonist, and Guo Xiang will be the ultimate female protagonist."

This group had the fewest supporters.

However, there was still quite a loyal following.

And just when everyone was heatedly debating whether Guo Xiang, Zhang Jun Bao, or He Zudao was the protagonist, suddenly there emerged a fourth viewpoint: "Since you're all using the patterns from 'The Legend of the Condor Heroes' and 'The Return of the Condor Heroes' to speculate, let me ask you, in which of these two books does the protagonist appear in the first chapter?"

An intriguing perspective!

But this theory, too, quickly gained quite a bit of traction!

A netizen commented with a laugh: "It really wakes up the dreamer. The protagonists of 'The Legend of the Condor Heroes' and 'The Return of the Condor Heroes' didn't appear in the first chapter. It's only because those two books were published entirely that we didn't speculate, take 'The Legend of the Condor Heroes' for example. If only the first chapter had been released back then, would we have thought the protagonist was Yang Tie Xin or Guo Xiaotian, or even Qiu Chuji from the Quanzhen sect?"

"Exactly!"

"This old rascal loves to tease readers with misleading content. After all, this isn't the first time he's done this. He's probably peeking right now, snickering at us for guessing the wrong protagonist."

This old rascal is too crafty!

Continuously misleading the readers with his words!

The possibility of him laying a trap in the first chapter of 'Heaven-Reliant Dragon Slayer' is very high!

Of course.

None of the speculations could end the suspense.

Regarding who the protagonist was, the netizens were still arguing fervently, ears red with debate, unable to convince one another.

At last.

Everyone couldn't help but rush to the comments section to demand an update:

"Old rascal, release the second update quickly. I want to know who the protagonist is!"

"Guo Xiang Guo Xiang Guo Xiang!"

"Kunlun Three Sage, He Zudao!"

"I bet fifty cents, it's definitely Zhang Jun Bao, after looking at everything, this character has the most protagonist vibes!"

"Get real, the protagonist hasn't even appeared yet."

"We have to use reverse thinking to deduce, don't forget that Chu Kuang is a pioneer of narrative tricks. The protagonist of this book definitely has appeared. The protagonists of the first two books appeared later, so what's wrong with coming out earlier in this chapter, right? He enjoys doing the opposite of what we expect and then swelling all of our faces with his twists. But this time, I won't let him have his way!"

"This old rascal indeed pits us into guessing until our heads break, even with the protagonist!"

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In the Martial World.

Someone noticed the online debate and said with a wry smile:

"Only Chu Kuang could make readers argue like this from just the first chapter of a book."

"When can I create such a buzz with my book?"

"Sweeping the hot search, the whole internet discussing it, if you didn't know better you'd think his entire book was already out."

"It's mainly the buildup from the first two books that's starting to erupt now."

"Yeah."

"No matter how much we argue, in the end, it's because of the high expectations for Chu Kuang's new book."

"Eh? Quick, look!"

"Chu Kuang actually released the second chapter!"

"The second chapter is out? I'm going to read it now. I want to know who the protagonist is this time!"

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Yes.

While the netizens were in various arguments about who the protagonist could be.

Chu Kuang unexpectedly released the second chapter of 'Heaven-Reliant Dragon Slayer'!

Chapter title: The Pine and Cypress of Mount Wudang Thrive!

This was unplanned, as Lin Yuan had intended to release one chapter per day, but seeing the netizens argue about who the protagonist was, a mischievous streak suddenly arose within him.

He decided to take misleading the readers to the end!

The proof was in the pudding.

This round of misleading was very successful. Sëarch* The * website to access chapters of novels early and in the highest quality.

As the readers eagerly began to read the second chapter of 'Heaven-Reliant Dragon Slayer,' the debate over the protagonist quickly cooled down quite a bit:

"I told you, the protagonist is Zhang! Jun! Bao!"

Those who supported Zhang Jun Bao as the protagonist immediately displayed triumphant smiles:

"This time, the old rascal won't be able to fool me again!"

Tip: You can use left, right keyboard keys to browse between chapters.

Chapter 1000 - 928: Exasperating

The protagonist is Zhang Jun Bao!

Zhang Jun Bao's supporters were so proud because the second chapter of "Heaven-Reliant Dragon Slayer" was so clearly direct!

In this chapter.

The Kunlun Three Sage, He Zudao, challenged the Shaolin Temple, only to be repeatedly defeated by the unknown Jueyuan and even the young monk, Zhang Jun Bao!

This was almost a "death sentence" for He Zudao!

How could a protagonist be repeatedly humiliated by minor characters upon his introduction?

Instead, Zhang Jun Bao rose unexpectedly because he embarrassed He Zudao, successfully showed off, but accidentally revealed that he knew Arhat Fist—

That's so protagonist-like!

As everyone knows, Shaolin Temple strictly forbids the unauthorized learning of martial arts, so logically, Zhang Jun Bao should not know Arhat Fist. Thus, once he revealed his skills, he stood in opposition to Shaolin!

The Shaolin Temple wanted to capture Zhang Jun Bao.

Jueyuan could not bear to see his disciple in trouble, so he took Zhang Jun Bao and Guo Xiang and fled, escaping Shaolin's pursuit.

Now that's showing off!

And there's the conflict!

The protagonist-like aura of Zhang Jun Bao was nearly bursting forth!

Not to mention, right before Jueyuan died, he loudly recited a set of martial arts mantras, possibly from the "Nine Yang Manual"!

And under such special circumstances, Guo Xiang and Zhang Jun Bao obtained the essence of the "Nine Yang Manual"!

The plot even specifically pointed out:

Zhang Jun Bao listened intently to Jueyuan's recitation, not daring to disturb.

Doesn't this imply that Zhang Jun Bao was quietly learning the "Nine Yang Manual"?

The reader can completely imagine how powerful this martial art is.

It's related to the "Nine Yin Manual" mentioned in the previous two novels.

Nine Yin...

Nine Yang...

With such corresponding names, nobody doubts that these two martial arts are on the same level.

How could Zhang Jun Bao not benefit from learning this martial art?

He's naturally the Domain's Son, even more protagonist-like than Yang Guo and Guo Jing!

At least those two protagonists didn't obtain martial arts of this caliber in their early stages.

Some readers even started imagining Zhang Jun Bao returning to the Shaolin Temple and showing off various heroic acts, and becoming with Guo Xiang the third iconic couple in the "The Legend of the Condor Heroes" trilogy!

"This is good."

"Guo Xiang should forget about Yang Guo."

"Zhang Jun Bao is truly the right match for you."

Some readers who always felt sympathy for Guo Xiang thought this.

In everyone's hearts, Guo Xiang had already transformed from a protagonist into a female protagonist.

Indeed, Guo Xiang's behavior towards Zhang Jun Bao had the essence of a female lead towards a male protagonist:

When Jueyuan died and Zhang Jun Bao was lost and helpless, Guo Xiang actually gifted her intimate bracelet and recommended her own parents—

That is, Guo Jing and Huang Rong.

Oh boy.

There was even a token of affection.

Zhang Jun Bao, and you still say you're not the protagonist!

The only thing a bit strange was, the ending seemed a bit off?

In the ending of the second chapter, Chu Kuang used esoteric writing to leap forward more than ten years!

The book wrote: "...

One day, while wandering in the mountains, looking up at the floating clouds and down at the flowing water, Zhang Jun Bao had an epiphany.

He pondered in the cave for seven days and nights, suddenly achieving a breakthrough, grasping the ultimate principle in martial arts of using softness to overcome hardness, and couldn't help but laugh heartily to the sky.

This laughter heralded a grandmaster who would inherit the past and usher in the future!

Using his self-realized fist principles, the Daoist concept of virtual completeness, and the internal techniques recorded in the 'Nine Yang Manual,' he created a martial style for the Wudang Sect that would illuminate future generations.

Later, traveling north to Baoming, seeing the three prominently exquisite peaks standing above the cloud sea, he had further insights into martial arts and thus styled himself Zhang Sanfeng.

That was the peerless master Zhang Sanfeng in martial arts history."

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This was the only doubt.

Everyone was puzzled as to why Chu Kuang wrote this way, leaping over several years, directly writing about Zhang Jun Bao becoming a grandmaster, and even changing his name to Zhang Sanfeng!

Illuminating later generations!

Shining through the ages!

Chu Kuang, providing such high praise from an official perspective for Zhang Sanfeng, was truly baffling.

"So, is the new book an unbeatable genre?"

"The protagonist starts off as a grandmaster?"

"Is the old rascal done writing about underdogs rising slowly?"

"I still have doubts about Zhang Jun Bao being the protagonist because it feels like this plot line is more of a narration and summary, directly pointing out Zhang Jun Bao's achievements. This kind of spoiler-like writing isn't appealing and doesn't fit with the old rascal's style."

"I feel the same way!"

"If it weren't for the last section's narration and summary, saying Zhang Jun Bao is the protagonist would be fine, but this last summary is too strange, it seems like Zhang Jun Bao's story has already been told in just a few sentences, the spoiler vibe is strong, and besides, isn't he a bit old to be the protagonist?"

Sure enough.

Due to the strange summary at the end of chapter two, a small portion of people still didn't believe Zhang Jun Bao was the protagonist.

These readers were sceptical:

"I have a bad premonition."

"Me too!"

"Same here!"

"Is the old rascal up to something again?"

"After all for this guy, writing a book by the rules? That's not happening."

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Meanwhile.

The novelists in the martial arts circle had also finished reading the second chapter.

"What's the meaning of this second chapter, the pace is completely different from what I expected."

"Chu Kuang's thoughts are unfathomable."

"His previous two books were the same, the plot progression was unpredictable, just like how he suddenly wrote about the dragon princess losing her innocence and Yang Guo losing his arm in the early part of 'The Return of the Condor Heroes.' Who could think of that, to be exact, who would dare to think of it?"

"From my experience, Zhang Jun Bao can't be the protagonist."

"It seems some people guessed right, the protagonist hasn't officially appeared in the first two chapters, probably have to wait until the third chapter."

Tip: You can use left, right keyboard keys to browse between chapters.

Chapter 1001 - 928: Aerobic_2

"The opening was really slow, only Chu Kuang would dare to write like this, yet the readers still buy into it."

"Because everyone knows his strength."

"The strength is indeed abnormal, do you all still remember the problem with the first chapter? Why did Shaolin suddenly appear?"

"This chapter has now clearly explained the reason."

Shaolin Temple, as the Martial World's Mount Tai and the North Star, had an inadequate role in both 'The Legend of the Condor Heroes' and 'The Return of the Condor Heroes.'

For such a heavyweight sect, it was really not appropriate, so when the first chapter was released, there were readers who criticized it, saying that using Shaolin Temple as the entry point of the new book was somewhat unreasonable.

However, in the second chapter of the novel, Chu Kuang's writing took a turn and provided an explanation.

It turned out that during the times of 'The Legend of the Condor Heroes' and 'The Return of the Condor Heroes,' an incident involving a "Fireworker Toutuo" had occurred in Shaolin.

At that time, a fireworker Toutuo who was oppressed by the supervising monks held a grudge, so he secretly learned Shaolin's martial skills.

And during a certain Shaolin Mid-Autumn Festival,

This Fireworker Toutuo demonstrated extraordinary might, shocking everyone, and even killed Shaolin's leading Zen Master Kuzhi, among others.

As a result, Shaolin suffered internal strife, leading to the departure of another top expert, Zen Master Kuhui, and from then on, Shaolin declined.

By the timeline in the novel when Guo Xiang passed by Shaolin and encountered Jueyuan and Zhang Jun Bao, Shaolin Temple began to recover.

This reasonable twist explained why Shaolin was absent from 'The Legend of the Condor Heroes' and 'The Return of the Condor Heroes.'

And where Jin Yong truly excelled was that this plot did not end there; the Shaolin foreshadowing led to the story of 'Heaven-Reliant Dragon Slayer':

The Fireworker Toutuo fled to the Western Regions and established the Vajra School.

He then took three disciples, namely the three experts who followed Zhao Min, Ah Da, Ah Er, and Indians.

Among the Seven Disciples of Wudang, Yu Daiyan was crippled by Indians, directly laying the groundwork for the suicide of Zhang Cuishan and his wife, thereby giving the true main character, Zhang Wuji, a motive for revenge.

One could say:

It was this fireworker's rebellion that sparked the story of 'Heaven-Reliant Dragon Slayer.'

The foreshadowing was so deeply buried, meticulously laid out since the previous works, it's no wonder Old Man Jin could achieve the martial arts classics of the Condor Trilogy.

Of course.

The readers did not know the subsequent plot at this point.

However, the revelation of the Fireworker Toutuo incident greatly impressed the readers, who exclaimed in admiration at the old rascal's impeccably plotted story.

"This old rascal is slipperier than an eel; just when you think you've found a supposed 'flaw' in his book, it's immediately resolved perfectly in the second chapter of his new book, even slapping back at the skeptics. I was even ready to mock him for a setting mistake, for forcibly binge-reading his book."

Lin Yuan did not release the third chapter next.

There was no need to write too fast in this type of online serialization; two chapters were enough for the readers to digest for a while.

However,

The next day,

When Lin Yuan saw that the majority of readers thought that Zhang Jun Bao was the protagonist of 'Heaven-Reliant Dragon Slayer,' he finally revealed a mischievously amused smile for the second time.

Lovely readers,

Don't underestimate the capriciousness of a martial arts grandmaster!

It seems this serial could be drawn out a bit longer.

Lin Yuan pondered to himself, then quickly copied and pasted the content he had already finished.

And at exactly noon, the third chapter of 'Heaven-Reliant Dragon Slayer' was released:

The Dragon Slayer shines brightly after a hundred refinements!

The chapter began with these words: "Flowers bloom and wither, wither and bloom, the youth of the rivers and lakes grow old. The young girls eventually see white hair by their temples..."

At the start of this chapter,

Zhang Sanfeng was already over ninety years old!

Faced with this turn of events, even the famous martial arts novelists could not help but be astonished.

Zhang Sanfeng being over ninety years old meant that Guo Xiang would also be over ninety, if she were still alive.

And how many readers idolized Guo Xiang, and yet, with a stroke of his pen, Chu Kuang turned the youthful maiden into an old woman with white hair!

"Can't keep up with his pace at all!"

Many martial arts writers who read Chu Kuang's new book with a learning mindset began to smile wryly.

How in the world could they learn from this!

Isn't there a saying in the industry, "Following Chu Kuang's coattails will give you something to drink"?

Without the foundation of two top martial arts masterpieces, try writing a new book starting with two chapters unrelated to the main character?

Still want to drink soup?

Readers' spit could drown you!

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On the other side.

Readers who thought Zhang Jun Bao was the protagonist were all dumbfounded upon reaching this point, and then they burst into an outraged cursing frenzy!

"Damn!"

"Old rascal!"

"What the heck!"

"Give me back the youthful Guo Xiang!"

"We agreed on Zhang Jun Bao as the male lead, and Guo Xiang as the female lead, how can she be the protagonist at over ninety years old!"

"What kind of devilish plot twist is this, was my great Guo Xiang's entrance just for you to transition the story!?" search the * website to access chapters of novels early and in the highest quality.

"Where's Guo Jing! Huang Rong! What about the characters from 'The Legend of the Condor Heroes' and 'The Return of the Condor Heroes'! Have they all died of old age? Who was the one who said to bear with Chu Kuang's big pit, that to just endure it a bit? This is too big, I can't stand it!"

"Looking at the direction of the plot, could the real protagonist be this Zhang Cuishan!?"

"The old rascal really excels at slapping the readers' faces, how can a novel's protagonist enter the stage so late!"

The readers were dumbstruck!

It felt like the previous two chapters were utterly lonely!

No wonder this old rascal kindly serialized it online for everyone to see first!

Saying the first two chapters are the beginning of the new book is actually less appropriate than calling them foreshadowing, or even a prologue!

With a gentle and elegant demeanor and a frail-looking body, yet possessing powerful martial skills, the real protagonist seems to be this Zhang Cuishan who only appears in the third chapter!?

The third chapter wasn't the most terrifying part.

The most terrifying thing is, Chu Kuang is unlike other authors!

Other authors' chapters are often short and lack impact, while Chu Kuang's chapters are big, thick, and long, about twenty thousand words each!

By the time Zhang Cuishan made his appearance, the novel actually had around fifty thousand words already!

A trap!

A huge trap!

The internet exploded!

Readers had all sorts of complex emotions—some dissatisfied, some contemplative, some sighing, some helpless.

But this time, the plot couldn't be said to be terrible.

Readers who had been through the Dragon Maiden Incident had a decent level of acceptance.

It could only be said that this old rascal still didn't like to play by the rules.

He had once again played with all the readers with a misleading plot, elegantly!

At this moment, only those readers who were extremely fond of Guo Xiang felt a profound sadness and a sense of helplessness.

Their "Guo Xiang protagonist dream" and the "Guo Xiang as the main female lead dream" had completely shattered with the release of the third chapter.

The saying "To see Yang Guo and to err all one's life" became her most vivid life footnote.

She indeed couldn't fall in love with Zhang Jun Bao as she did with Yang Guo, even though Zhang Jun Bao was just as outstanding.

However, this also precisely preserved the image of Guo Xiang.

If she fell in love with someone else, perhaps other readers would feel grief again.

Readers themselves had some internal conflict about this.

Chu Kuang's clever skimming over the timeline did dilute a lot of the emotions that should have been intense.

By comparison.

The main storyline revealed in the new chapter firmly captured the readers' attention, even creating an eager anticipation for the following plot:

The main storyline kicks off!

To summon the Dragon Slayer, just click...

In short, the Dragon Saber has made its appearance!

For the first time, the famous saying that traveled the world of martial arts debuted:

"In the Martial World, the supreme Dragon Saber commands; no one dares disobey under heaven!"

ps: Mighty typers sit up in shock, another robust and hefty chapter, this one's huge, bear with it, and if you really can't, throw your monthly ticket in my face, no need to worry about me not taking it, if it soothes everyone, I'm all okay with that.

Tip: You can use left, right keyboard keys to browse between chapters.

Chapter 1002 - 929: Major Scenic Areas Compete to Invite Chu Kuang as a Guest

At this moment,

Lin Yuan was in his studio.

After uploading the third chapter of the plot, he did not bother with it anymore.

Lin Yuan's plan was to update a chapter each day for free online serialization.

When it reached the tenth chapter, he would cease serialization as Silver Blue Books was set to publish the complete book since that point conveniently coincided with a plot twist.

Over the next three days,

with the updates of the fourth, fifth, and sixth episodes of "Heaven-Reliant Dragon Slayer," the plot gradually unfolded.

Everyone's focus had shifted to the story itself.

"Firstly, there's no doubt that Zhang Cuishan is the new protagonist of the novel. This character is firstly handsome and poised; secondly, intelligent, witty, and extremely talented; thirdly, virtuous and detests evil; fourthly, he has an extraordinary background; fifthly, his life is troubled by romantic entanglements. I even feel that the old rascal went a bit extreme this time, creating such a perfect protagonist."

"Since Zhang Cuishan is the lead, the only choice for the female lead has to be Yin Susu."

"A righteous male lead and a demonic sect beauty, naturally designed conflicting points."

"I didn't expect Guo Xiang to end up establishing the Emei Sect, standing shoulder to shoulder with Zhang Sanfeng's Wudang Sect, a narrative technique spanning timelines that avoided Guo Xiang's death, giving Little East Heretic a good ending."

"Uh..."

"With a casual phrase from the old rascal, 'The children of Jianghu age as Jianghu itself,' the springs and autumns pass, and the young Little East Heretic is long deceased."

"This has really become an unresolved grief."

"The old rascal didn't actually use Guo Xiang to torment the readers, but this girl is just so heartbreaking, becoming everyone's regret."

At this moment,

the story subtly revealed the fact of Guo Xiang's death.

What was even more distressing for the readers was that after founding Emei, Guo Xiang took a disciple named 'Fengling.'

This was the second generation Sect Leader of Emei, Abbess Fengling.

Fengling...

After watching "The Return of the Condor Heroes," who doesn't know Fengling Quay?

That was where Guo Xiang and Yang Guo first met!

With just one mention of Fengling Quay, thus came the saying 'Upon first meeting Yang Guo, one's entire life is mistaken,' and the significance of this name given to her disciple by Guo Xiang is self-evident.

This design further evoked profound nostalgia among a large number of readers.

And while many readers sighed over Guo Xiang's tragic fate,

Lin Yuan suddenly logged into Yi An's account and wrote a nostalgic article.

This article was titled "To Guo Xiang."

"When I pass by mountains, the mountains do not speak,

When I pass by seas, the seas do not speak.

The donkey tiptaps along, the Heaven-reliant Sword accompanies me across the world.

Everyone says that I entered the religious life at Mount Emei because I loved the hero Yang Guo,

But in fact, I fell in love with the clouds and the glows of Mount Emei,

Which resembled the fireworks I saw at the age of sixteen.

When I pass by seas, the seas do not speak, when I pass by mountains, the mountains don't respond;

The donkey drips and taps, drifting into the distance, never wanting to return home.

In the prime of my joyful and carefree life, the dusty colors of travel are unlike one's youth at nineteen; tormented by worries with no plan to escape, I long deeply for him, but where across the world might he be..."

At this moment,

readers were discussing the unrequited love and melancholic death of Guo Xiang in various forums.

Suddenly, someone saw this article and felt a sudden pang of sorrow, and with mixed feelings, quickly shared it on numerous forums.

And as more people reposted it,

this "To Guo Xiang" quickly went viral across the internet!

In Yi An's comment section, countless netizens rapidly responded:

"I was just feeling regret, but seeing Yi An's 'To Guo Xiang,' I unexpectedly felt a bit teary-eyed!"

"Well said indeed."

"Perhaps the clouds and glow atop Mount Emei truly do resemble the fireworks seen at the age of sixteen."

"It seems Yi An shares a deep sentiment towards Guo Xiang, just like us. This is not the first time Yi An has written about Guo Xiang; if he didn't truly love her, how could he have written such moving phrases as 'you were not born when I was; when I was born, you were already old'?"

"Unrequited love doomed to failure changed Guo Xiang's life."

"I suggest you look back at the first two chapters of 'Heaven-Reliant Dragon Slayer' and you'll see that almost every thought of Guo Xiang inevitably leads back to her Big Brother Yang."

"The sentences written by Yi An always have a kind of magic power that touches the heart."

"I don't know the gender of Teacher Yi'an, but I feel that this 'To Guo Xiang' possesses very delicate emotions, possibly from a girl?"

"Could Teacher Yi'an reveal their gender? I also have a feeling that you are a girl, because the name Yi An somehow gives off a goddess vibe."

Lin Yuan, of course, would not answer about Yi An's gender.

Writing 'To Guo Xiang' was an idea he had had previously; the article reminiscing about Guo Xiang was very touching.

It was just that the sentences in it bore heavy interpretative meanings, which is why Lin Yuan did not release it through Chu Kuang's hand.

Yi An was suited for this sort of task.

After all, that was the very purpose of Yi An's existence.

It could be considered an embellishment and supplement to 'The Return of the Condor Heroes' and 'Heaven-Reliant Dragon Slayer'.

Besides Guo Xiang.

During the serial publication of the new book, another issue sparked discussion from all parties, which was the portrayal of the Six Great Sects in the novel!

Shaolin, Wudang, Kunlun, Emei, Mount Hua, Kongtong!

Other martial arts novels often fictionalize the depiction of sects, but the Six Great Sects under Chu Kuang's pen weren't entirely fabrications!

Among them, Shaolin covered the widest range, as Blue Star had many Shaolin Temples.

While Mount Wudang, Kunlun Mountains, Mount Emei, Mount Hua, and Kongtong Mountains were indeed real places!

Of course.

The locations in reality exist.

The so-called sects do not.

Yet, this sort of indirect promotion still made the real addresses of the Six Great Sects, including the many Shaolin Temples of Blue Star, destinations considered by many tourists!

Online.

Netizens joked and teased:

"Maybe it's almost peak tourist season, so Chu Kuang wrote a travel guide for the Bluestarians?"

"And no kidding, after reading 'Heaven-Reliant Dragon Slayer,' I really want to visit Mount Emei. It's not far; just a three-hour drive, and who knows, maybe I'll meet my own Guo Xiang?"

"That depends if your wife next to you agrees."

"There's a Shaolin Temple here, and there are indeed monks practicing martial arts inside, but it's not Shaolin Sect. They just focus on physical fitness, like morning exercises. My mom said these days, the number of people at Shaolin Temple has increased, many are checking in and sharing on social media."

"Hahaha, looks like the old rascal's book has again helped promote major scenic spots."

"The Duel Atop Mount Hua in 'The Legend of the Condor Heroes' directly caused traffic paralysis on Mount Hua, but this time the old rascal wrote about so many scenic spots, clearly spreading the benefits evenly."

"He does have a special affection for Mount Hua. Places like Kongtong Mountains only got a passing mention."

"Chu Kuang indeed has a fondness for Mount Hua. Previously he wrote about Duel Atop Mount Hua, and now he specifically wrote about the Mount Hua Sect, although it can't compare in prestige to the Duel Atop Mount Hua, of course."

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Due to this matter.

Some even suggested renaming Chu Kuang's new book to 'Heaven-Reliant Dragon Slayer: The Travel Diaries of Chu Kuang.'

And others like 'Heaven-Reliant Dragon Slayer: The Travel Guide.'

As a result.

While netizens were having a heated discussion about this matter, the official account of Shaolin Temple of Qin Continent in Blue Star suddenly tagged Chu Kuang:

"Shaolin Temple of Qin Continent cordially invites Teacher Chu Kuang to visit for free, and our Abbot is willing to host you throughout!"

Then.

Mount Hua followed suit: "Mount Hua sincerely invites Teacher Chu Kuang to be our guest. You are our most anticipated and honorable visitor!"

Then after!

Mount Wudang!

Kunlun Mountains!

Mount Emei!

Kongtong Mountains!

Several major tourist attractions actually issued consecutive invitations to Chu Kuang!

With 'Heaven-Reliant Dragon Slayer' mentioning the Six Great Sects, the real-world "Six Great Sects" unexpectedly extended olive branches to Chu Kuang, stunning netizens from all continents!

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Chapter 1003 - 930: Ranking of Scenic Spots

"Pfft!"

"These tourist spots are way too real, aren't they? As soon as they saw they had a part in 'Heaven-Reliant Dragon Slayer,' they couldn't wait to send an invite!"

"Honestly, that old rascal is just too awesome!"

"Who else but Chu Kuang could write a martial arts novel that influences the tourism of Blue Star's major scenic spots to such an extent?"

"I bet these tourist spots wish they could worship Chu Kuang like a god!"

"Even Kunlun Mountains have shown up, even though in the novel it's just mentioned that the Kunlun Sect is one of the Six Great Sects..."

"Just a casual mention and they're over the moon. If anyone could actually get Chu Kuang, the publicity would be off the charts. If they pamper him and he's happy enough to give them another shoutout in his novel, the effects are almost predictable, just like how Mount Hua struck gold before!"

"People are still flocking to Mount Hua!"

"This time, after the release of the novel, it seems like Mount Emei and Mount Wudang are the most popular spots, the former because of Guo Xiang and the latter because of Zhang Sanfeng along with the protagonist Zhang Cuishan."

Netizens guessed right.

These tourist spots were all on the same wavelength!

However, netizens didn't know that at this very moment, these tourist spots were secretly competing with one another!

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Shaolin Temple.

There were grievances.

"We were the first to suggest inviting Chu Kuang, and now the other scenic spots are shamelessly copying us!"

"Exactly!"

"Did those minor sects not see that 'Heaven-Reliant Dragon Slayer' starts with our Shaolin Temple's scene?"

"Not just them, other places with Shaolin Temples have also been itching to move. After all, Qin Continent isn't the only place with a Shaolin Temple."

"Nonsense!"

"We're the authentic one. Since Chu Kuang is from Qin Continent, the Shaolin Temple he writes about must be the one here on Qin Continent."

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Mount Hua.

The staff was excited.

"Why didn't we think of inviting Chu Kuang earlier? He wrote about the Duel Atop Mount Hua in 'The Legend of the Condor Heroes.' If we could get him here, our visitor numbers could surely rise even more!"

"But it seems like Chu Kuang never makes public appearances."

"That doesn't matter, we have to show that we're willing!"

"Our oversight was huge this time. I suspect that because we didn't publicly express our gratitude before, Chu Kuang was displeased, hence there wasn't much about the Mount Hua Sect in his new book."

"We let Wudang and Emei walk away with our advantage!"

"Send an invitation and tickets to Silver Blue Books immediately, and ask them to forward it to Chu Kuang, ah no, to Master Chu Kuang!"

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Mount Emei.

Ecstatic beyond measure.

"Hahahaha, it's finally Mount Emei's turn. I was so jealous of Mount Hua's booming tourism!"

"I'm head over heels for Guo Xiang!"

"I propose that in this year's Mount Emei tourism brochure, we talk about the relationship between our Emei and the heroine Guo Xiang!"

"I agree!"

"How about we organize an event at our spot, selecting a female star to play the role of Guo Xiang and be our spokesperson, of course, making sure we pay enough for the rights!"

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Mount Wudang.

Bustling with excitement.

"Chu Kuang's new book has the protagonist Zhang Cuishan as a disciple of Mount Wudang, and the founder of the Wudang Sect, Zhang Sanfeng, is even Wudang's patriarch. This is a huge advantage for our tourism promotion this year!"

"We must get in touch with Chu Kuang!" "The treatment that Mount Hua got, it's our turn now!" "In terms of the novel's portrayal, we've even surpassed Emei and Mount Hua this time, not to mention Shaolin with its abundance of mentions—it's not even worth discussing!" Elsewhere. Kongtong Mountains. "We had too little presence." "Just being mentioned by Chu Kuang is good news!" "You're right. Other spots weren't even mentioned at all!" ... Finally. Kunlun Mountains. "It seems our role is about the same as Kongtong." "We must curry favor with Chu Kuang. To him, it's just a matter of crafting some plot, but to us, it means a great deal." "If he could just give us a bit more of a role, that would be wonderful!"

The prerogative of these scenic spots wasn't bad.

Almost immediately after they issued invitations to Chu Kuang online, the "Six Great Sects" invitations appeared at Silver Blue Books.

Silver Blue Books was caught between laughter and tears.

"Well, I'll be."

"All these scenic areas are getting lively," someone said.

"Must be the advertising effect. The success of Mount Hua has made it the envy of everyone."

"Chu Kuang's novel has too much influence!"

"Right, otherwise, would the Dragon Maiden Incident have had our company surrounded for so long?"

"Send these to Chu Kuang, although he might not be interested, since he never shows his face." S~earch the website to access chapters of novels early and in the highest quality.

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Meanwhile,

Other scenic areas on Blue Star that hadn't been mentioned were feeling rather sour.

"Why didn't the Six Great Sects include us?"

"Should we get in touch with Chu Kuang, offer him some advertising fees, and invite him to promote our scenic area?"

"After all, we're a ten-star scenic area!"

"Our fame far surpasses that of the Kongtong Mountains."

"Not just Kongtong—our fame surpasses Wudang, Emei, and the likes!"

"Wait a minute."

"I've thought of someone."

In the office of a certain scenic area, a manager's eyes suddenly lit up.

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At the same time, in Shadow Studio.

Lin Yuan and Jin Mu were looking at the table full of invitations from various scenic areas, both at a loss for words.

Suddenly,

Jin Mu spoke up: "Is this like a different form of the Six Great Sects attacking Bright Summit?"

As Lin Yuan's agent, or rather secretary, Jin Mu had already finished reading "Heaven-Reliant Dragon Slayer" and naturally knew the novel's most iconic scene:

The Six Great Sects' siege of the Bright Summit.

The reason Jin Mu mentioned this was because in that story arc, the Six Great Sects are portrayed in a rather unflattering light.

Not to mention.

Zhang Wuji's parents were driven to death by the Six Great Sects.

Of course,

The Wudang Sect was excluded.

Because the Wudang Sect has always been supportive of the protagonist.

However, the depiction of the other five sects is, indeed, quite disgraceful.

Now that these scenic areas are so eager to please Chu Kuang, who knows what they would think if they found themselves portrayed negatively in the book?

"No big deal,"

Lin Yuan said after thinking for a moment.

Scenic areas are scenic areas, sects are sects.

Besides, in each sect, there are good and bad people, right?

Even Mount Wudang produced someone as hated and annoying as Song QingShu?

"That's true."

Jin Mu figured these scenic areas probably wouldn't take issue with Chu Kuang over the novel's content.

Just then.

Lin Yuan's phone rang.

He answered, and before long, he hung up.

Jin Mu curiously asked, "Something up with the company?"

Lin Yuan shook his head: "Some scenic areas contacted Xian Yu, wanting to invite Xian Yu to write some poetry or something for advertisement."

"Ha!"

Jin Mu laughed: "Looks like West Lake's success story made everyone realize that besides Chu Kuang, Xian Yu is also in high demand. Are you planning to accept?"

"It's worth a try."

Lin Yuan was mainly considering the issue of Prestige Value.

If he successfully helped boost a scenic area's reputation, the return on Prestige Value would be quite generous!

"Which one approached you first?"

"Mount Lu,"

Lin Yuan replied.

Jin Mu was taken aback: "Mount Lu, if I remember correctly, is a nine-star scenic area on Blue Star. They're said to be hopeful of entering the top tier of ten-stars this year. They must be inviting you as part of their final push. Have you been to Mount Lu?"

"I have."

Lin Yuan had traveled to many places with his family, including Mount Lu.

"Well, that's fortunate."

Jin Mu smiled: "It just so happens that they're re-evaluating scenic area ratings this year."

On Blue Star.

Scenic areas were graded on a ten-tier system.

Scenes like Mount Hua and Mount Tai were ten-star scenic areas, whereas Mount Lu was a nine-star scenic area.

The ranking of the scenic areas was mainly determined by relevant departments based on factors such as the scenic environment and visitor flow, among others.

Every five years, there is an evaluation.

And this year just happens to be the fifth year, so there will be a re-evaluation by the end of the year, which is also why the scenic areas are giving extra attention to promotion this year.

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Chapter 1004 - 931: Centennial Birthday Banquet Tears the Heart

In a past life,

the CCTV version of "The Smiling, Proud Wanderer" had aired to great acclaim, and the Qingcheng Sect had invited Jin Yong to visit.

Later on,

Jin Yong indeed visited Mount Qingcheng, and the Qingcheng Sect prepared a sword formation to welcome him.

Some said it was the Qingcheng Sect's way of showing grand welcome to Old Man Jin, a grandmaster of martial arts fiction;

others thought it was their way of expressing dissatisfaction with Jin Yong's depiction of them as villains in his novels.

In truth, it was both.

The incident became a beautiful tale among people.

More than anything, it demonstrated the terrifying influence of Jin Yong's martial arts fiction.

Without that influence, no matter how one might vilify them in a book, they wouldn't care much, nor would they invite you to visit and make a grand gesture after being vilified.

This was similar in intent to the Six Great Sects inviting Chu Kuang nowadays.

At that time, Mount Qingcheng's invitation also had a self-promotional motive.

Lin Yuan wasn't opposed, but he didn't immediately respond to Mount Lu, which first contacted him.

He wanted to publish his novel first.

And in the following few days, the new book "Heaven-Reliant Dragon Slayer" continued to be serialized on the blog.

Chapter Seven!

Chapter Eight!

Chapter Nine!

These three chapters carried a lot of information.

For instance, in Chapter Seven, Zhang Cuishan and Yin Susu had a son named Zhang Wuji.

And in Chapter Nine, the story indirectly mentioned the news of Guo Jing and Huang Rong dying in defense of Xiangyang City.

Although this plot point was briefly mentioned in the book, readers who saw this were full of resentment toward the "old rascal" Chu Kuang!

"Guo Jing and Huang Rong actually died defending the city!"

"No wonder the previous chapters didn't mention these two; probably to avoid upsetting the readers."

"Heh. even the 'old rascal' has fears?"

"I think the 'old rascal' has softened, after all. Guo Jing's death was ultimately a perfection of his character. With Xiangyang City fallen, his personality would never allow him to live dishonorably, and if he chose death, given Huang Rong's feelings for him, how could she continue living alone?"

"To kill the main character is indeed a traditional technique of the 'old rascal."

"Guo Jing can really be considered a true hero in the eyes of the 'old rascal,' even surpassing Yang Guo in that respect. The role of a hero for the country and the people is too striking – it's inappropriate if Guo Jing lived."

"That's why I like Yang Guo the most, but I have the utmost respect for Guo Jing."

"Tragedy is indeed more memorable than comedy. The tragic bravery of Guo Jing and Huang Rong dying for the city, although not directly described in the novel, still profoundly moves the heart and commands genuine admiration for this great hero."

Resentment aside.

this plot development didn't trigger a reader uproar like the Dragon Maiden Incident.

Because from "The Legend of the Condor Heroes" to "The Return of the Condor Heroes," the stories involving Guo Jing were always somber and oppressive.

Chu Kuang had long set the emotional groundwork.

Similar to Guo Xiang's situation, the regret over Guo Jing's death far outweighed any feelings of anger.

Even so,

some literary critics reviewed both "The Return of the Condor Heroes" and "The Legend of the Condor Heroes," writing many articles in remembrance of Guo Jing.

This was influenced by Yi An.

Yi An's "To Guo Xiang" achieved a significant effect of homage.

Furthermore,

the baby Zhang Wuji, who had just been born in Chapter Seven, also sparked much discussion.

Readers were wondering,

Why did Zhang Cuishan and Yin Susu have a child?

This itself was not hard to understand; marriage and childbirth between a man and a woman are the most natural things. But the issue was, this is a novel!

In martial arts novels,

the confirmation of love between the main male and female characters often requires extensive plot development.

Yet, the union of Zhang Cuishan and Yin Susu broke the norm, marrying off quickly within just a few chapters.

People were wondering at the time, which martial arts novel has the main characters solidify their relationship so quickly?

Let alone...

These two even had a child!

In martial arts novels, which protagonist carries a child while wandering the Jianghu?

Regarding this, some people wildly speculated:

"I'm seriously suspecting that Yin Susu will die, and then Zhang Cuishan will be devastated until a new female character appears to rekindle his desire for life, and this new girl might just be a Little Lolita..."

This fan theory is quite intriguing.

Someone immediately asked, "Why a Little Lolita?"

The person explained, "First of all, Chu Kuang is very good at killing off characters, so if he really writes Yin Susu's death, I definitely wouldn't be surprised and I believe no one else would either. Considering Zhang Cuishan's love for Yin Susu, how devastated would he be if his wife died?

He'd definitely be devastated!

Now think about Yang Guo in the later parts of The Return of the Condor Heroes!

In his devastation, Yang Guo created the 'Heartbroken Warrior.'

And when Yang Guo mistakenly thought that the Little Dragon Maiden had died, what did he do?

He jumped off a cliff in despair!

Given Chu Kuang's depiction of Zhang Cuishan's character, do you think Zhang Cuishan would live on alone if Yin Susu died?

Certainly not!

So Zhang Cuishan would become like Yang Guo.

But the difference between Zhang Cuishan and Yang Guo is that he has a child, what would happen to the child if he died?

So Zhang Cuishan wouldn't die in the end!

He would definitely strive to raise his child into an adult!

So this time, Chu Kuang might be trying to turn Zhang Cuishan into another Yang Guo.

Yang Guo met Little Lolita Guoxiang, and Zhang Cuishan would also meet a character similar to Guoxiang.

This Guoxiang-like character would heal Zhang Cuishan, develop feelings for him, reawaken his desire for life, and together they would raise Zhang Wuji into adulthood!

In doing so, Chu Kuang might arguably be indirectly making up for Guoxiang's regrets."

Convincing and compelling!

The readers instantly worshipped the idea:

"Big Boss!"

"I was wondering why the relationship between Zhang Cuishan and Yin Susu developed so quickly!"

"So it was because Chu Kuang was in a hurry to let Yin Susu die, so that Zhang Cuishan could turn into the second Yang Guo, and then meet his own Little Lolita Guoxiang!"

"But to prevent Zhang Cuishan from committing suicide, he wrote that Zhang Cuishan and Yin Susu had a child."

"A child is a tie!"

"A child is the reason why Zhang Cuishan can't die."

"Chu Kuang, old rascal: come on, give me the pen, and you write it!"

"Hahaha, I feel this old rascal has been totally seen through, even his identity card number has been guessed by this boss!"

This fan theory really makes sense!

It makes so much sense that everyone immediately feels like Chu Kuang probably really intends to do this!

Why is the book opened with Guoxiang falling for Yang Guo at first sight and ending up heartbroken, and then, with a sweep of the pen, Guoxiang is gone?

Because he wanted to write a new girl to echo Guoxiang, to make up for that regret!

And this child named Zhang Wuji is just a tool, a reason for Chu Kuang to keep Zhang Cuishan alive!

Whoosh!

This plot guess instantly went viral!

Even Lin Yuan, who was reading book reviews online, was taken aback by this speculation:

Since ancient times, have all GOATs come from folks?

This speculation is so realistic that Lin Yuan started to wonder if Old Man Jin might have thought the same!

He almost couldn't help but like the post.

Because he was really impressed by this fan theory!

This person had turned 'Heaven-Reliant Dragon Slayer' into a dad-centric story.

And if it were really written this way, there would actually be no issues at all; it could even spice up the plot, and indeed provide another ending for Yang Guo!

What a pity.

Everyone still underestimated the capriciousness of a master.

That very night at midnight, Lin Yuan, who couldn't wait any longer, uploaded the tenth chapter of 'Heaven-Reliant Dragon Slayer'.

A hundred-year birthday that broke hearts!

Meanwhile.

Silver Blue Books announced that the online serialization of 'Heaven-Reliant Dragon Slayer' was over and that a complete edition would be published for sale that very day!

ps: This fan theory was developed by Polluted White themselves, feeling quite interesting, writing it out to boast a bit, just to entertain everyone.

Tip: You can use left, right keyboard keys to browse between chapters.

Chapter 1005 - 1005: 932

There's a fan group called "Mount Hua Theory of Cheapness," and all its members are readers of Chu Kuang, currently eagerly following updates of his new book.

"Here it comes!"

"Chapter ten!"

"Updating this early?"

"Updating at midnight, truly devilish."

"I'm going to check it out now, let's see if Chu Kuang really lets the readers guess the upcoming plot."

"I feel like it's very close to the truth!"

"That guess is indeed very reasonable."

Just as Chu Kuang had updated the tenth chapter of "Heaven-Reliant Dragon Slayer," everyone couldn't wait to open it.

However.

When the first batch of readers finished chapter ten, they were instantly stunned, their eyes wide and jaws dropped!

Zhang Cuishan, dead!

Yin Susu, dead!

Just when everyone thought Zhang Cuishan was the protagonist of "Heaven-Reliant Dragon Slayer," this character, who seemed very much like the protagonist, had chosen to commit suicide while surrounded by the Six Great Sects in order to protect the Golden Lion, Xie Xun, which led Yin Susu to die for love, leaving only a teenage Zhang Wuji!

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Boom!

The group exploded!

"Are you kidding me?"

"What the hell is this move!"

"Zhang Cuishan and Yin Susu are both dead!?"

"Where's the protagonist?"

"I'm looking at such a big protagonist here!"

"The novel is serialized to the tenth chapter, and you're telling me the protagonist is gone?"

"This old rascal, what exactly is he thinking, sending the protagonist off with a boxed lunch, and in the tenth chapter, no less!?"

"Still don't understand, huh? Guo Xiang isn't the protagonist, Zhang Sanfeng isn't the protagonist, He Zudao definitely isn't the protagonist, not even Zhang Cuishan is the protagonist of this book; the real protagonist is this kid!"

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Blog.

Chu Kuang's comment section is also instantly boiling!

"Damn damn, I give up, this old rascal dares to write like this!"

"Yin Susu would die, that big shot predicted it, but with Zhang Cuishan's death, all that big shot's predicted plot was overturned!"

"No one can keep up with the old rascal's train of thought; I'm willing to pronounce Zhang Wuji as the protagonist who appeared the latest in history!"

"No wonder I felt something was off just by seeing the title; damn trickery, I fully immersed myself into Zhang Cuishan being the protagonist, and this old rascal just kills him off with a sweep of his pen?"

"This part is too torturous!"

"It feels a bit like Huang Rong, first inciting everyone's suspicion against Shaolin in front of the Six Great Sects, then educating Zhang Wuji before dying; the more beautiful a woman is, the more deceitful!"

"No wonder the plot needed to be serialized online!"

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Wuxia circle.

Many wuxia writers, still approaching with a learning mindset and wanting to learn from "Heaven-Reliant Dragon Slayer," were also stunned!

"What is this?"

"So, the real protagonist is Zhang Wuji!?"

"A plot development that no one in the world could guess; how can we learn from this!?"

"This time, Zhang Wuji truly secures the protagonist role, burdened with his parents' deep revenge and afflicted with a strange poison; if he's not the protagonist now, it would be outrageous!"

"It's outrageous enough already, look at how many words there are!"

"Two hundred thousand words of content, and Zhang Wuji only truly becomes the protagonist!"

"Turns out the previous plot was all just laying the groundwork; such grandiose foresight, such crazy courage, this kind of writing style, it's almost like changing the protagonist midway, who else but Chu Kuang in the entire literary world dares to write like this!"

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Meanwhile.

Seemingly unrelated major scenic spots were also dumbfounded after seeing this plot development!

"Holy crap!"

"Were we tricked?"

"Why do I feel like, apart from Wudang, none of the Six Great Sects are good?"

"What happened to supporting Mount Emei, this Abbess Miejue is too damn dark!"

"I'd rather it not be written at all!"

"To think we still wanted to invite Chu Kuang over as a guest, what kind of plot twist is this!"

"The Six Great Sects have five being antagonists?"

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Everyone was dumbstruck in shock!

Chu Kuang had used a full 200,000 characters as a lead-up, only to have Zhang Cuishan and Yin Susu commit suicide together, allowing Zhang Wuji to take over as the protagonist!

Is he trying too hard?

You're really brave!

You know, changing the main character midway through a novel is definitely a taboo!

As the story developed over the previous 200,000 characters, everyone had already identified with the protagonist, Zhang Cuishan. Under such circumstances, suddenly handing the protagonist's halo to a child like Zhang Wuji was actually quite hard for readers to accept.

In fact,

some readers were already cursing loudly!

However, the vast majority of readers were more astonished. They felt the pain, but more than that, they thought it was bizarre and unbelievable!

Chu Kuang wasn't just going against the readers at this point.

This move was completely against the norms of novel writing!

In terms of shock value alone, it was even comparable to the Heaven's Cripple and Earth's Defect in The Return of the Condor Heroes!

So capricious!

The epitome of capriciousness!

Was he not afraid that no one would buy "Heaven-Reliant Dragon Slayer"?

The protagonist had changed, Zhang Cuishan was dead, and people hadn't yet identified with Zhang Wuji!

At this moment,

the media were also shaken!

"How Capricious Can Chu Kuang Be?"

"The Most Delayed Entrance of a Male Protagonist in History!"

"Chu Kuang Kills Off the Male and Female Leads Before Publishing the New Book!"

"200,000 Words of Lead-up, Chu Kuang's New Book Takes a Thrilling Turn!"

"In the Finale of The Condor Trilogy, Chu Kuang To Change the Protagonist Midway?"

"Unthinkable Plot, Courageous Writing No One Dares to Implement!"

"Chu Kuang's New Book Kills Off Main Characters, Can It Still Rely on 'Heaven-Reliant Dragon Slayer'?"

"Chu Kuang's New Book Sales Might Turn Cold!"

It had been a long time since the media openly predicted a drop in Chu Kuang's novel sales, but the shocking turn in "Heaven-Reliant Dragon Slayer" made the media bring out this old headline again:

Classics Unfavored by Outsiders!

However, unlike before,

Silver Blue Books was not panicking at all.

The Fantasy Department's editorial team.

Many night owl editors began to show up, all of whom were people who had read the whole book in advance.

"From the moment we decided to start serializing online, I've been curious about how readers would react after finishing Chapter 10, but it seems more subdued than I expected."

"This plot twist isn't as unacceptable as the Dragon Maiden Incident."

"The media is doubting the sales, I really want to show them the stock orders from major bookstores."

"Bookstores are getting smarter."

"Although Zhang Wuji taking over as the protagonist is unexpected, the lead-up in the earlier part was very solid, and the pit of hatred for the protagonist is already well dug. In such a case, everyone is just hoping to see Zhang Wuji's revenge."

"The anticipation is maxed out."

"I think it's not just about maxing out the anticipation, the fundamental reason Chu Kuang can write this plot is because he is Chu Kuang, and everyone knows no matter how outrageous his writing is, the whole novel will never disappoint."

That was true.

Now when Chu Kuang wrote a book, no matter what their initial impressions of the plot were, people would still choose to keep reading.

Because everyone already knew Chu Kuang's capabilities. He had managed to turn the situation around and create sales miracles even with the Dragon Maiden Incident and Heaven's Cripple and Earth's Defect, so how much more so with just a change of protagonist midway, and the anticipation already built up?

Indeed, this was the case.

After daybreak, all major bookstores opened.

The complete "Heaven-Reliant Dragon Slayer" was officially released.

There were no signs of cold reception; the number of readers buying the book still broke thresholds!

Ming Cult!

Six Great Sects!

Leader Zhang!

Heaven Sword and Dragon Saber!

And Zhao Min, Zhou Zhiruo, Xiao Zhao, Yin Li...

With the final part of the Condor Trilogy released, a martial arts feast affecting various continents was thoroughly set in motion!

ps: "Heaven-Reliant Dragon Slayer" has been rated as one of Jin Yong's martial arts novels with the most skillful writing technique. The drawback is that compared to the

first two parts, it carries a bit more craftsmanship, but its advantage is that the exhilarating sensation is the strongest. Zhang Wuji made his appearance not long before and was already near invincible, with a host of girls devotedly surrounding him, making it akin to a disguised invincible story.

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Chapter 1006 - 933 Inscribe on the West Forest Wall

Swipe, swipe, swipe!

Sales took off!

The media that had doubted the mid-story protagonist switch in "Heaven-Reliant Dragon Slayer" were dumbfounded:

Damn!

It's all fine?

The mid-story protagonist switch didn't affect sales?

And those media outlets that hadn't questioned the sales were now sporting knowing smiles.

Among them,

a veteran in the media field chuckled to the person in charge of the newspaper that had badmouthed Chu Kuang:

"Have you still not understood the nature of these readers?"

"What nature?"

"These readers, don't be fooled by their verbal attacks on Chu Kuang, sprouting venom like he's their sworn enemy, but as soon as Chu Kuang releases a new book, no matter how harshly they'd criticized before, their enthusiasm to buy the book is more eager than anyone else's!"

Damn!

Isn't there any justice?

This is bullying the honest folks!

These readers are just too naive!

The media house even thought about publishing news blasting Chu Kuang, the old rascal, for manipulating his readers.

But they ultimately didn't dare.

Because it touched the level of personal attack.

Besides, who knows whom these readers, verbally cursing Chu Kuang, would actually side with in the end—they were completely brainwashed by the old rascal!

Alright.

Actually, it wasn't all because of Chu Kuang's charm.

Don't forget "Heaven-Reliant Dragon Slayer" is the final part of The Legend of the Condor Heroes trilogy!

Now that the readers have finished reading The Legend of the Condor Heroes and The Return of the Condor Heroes, how could they not finish the third part?

Even if it's just out of compulsion, they have to finish the trilogy!

Therefore,

Upon getting the complete "Heaven-Reliant Dragon Slayer," the readers started reading it immediately!

And at the beginning of the reading.

The readers felt very stifled.

Chu Kuang was exceptionally harsh on the protagonist!

Zhang Wuji entered the scene with a deep vendetta from Sea of Blood, mysteriously poisoned, with mediocre martial skills, and was constantly targeted by Martial World folks, he was even deceived in love by his first love Zhu Jiuzhen!

But as they read on.

The readers gradually got excited.

Zhang Wuji jumped off a cliff and freaking survived, even acquiring the complete "Nine Yang Divine Skill" inside an ape's belly!

Afterwards.

Zhang Wuji was captured by Ming Cult and serendipitously learned another top-tier martial skill, "Heaven and Earth Great Shift"!

At this moment.

The Six Great Sects besieged Bright Summit!

By then, Zhang Wuji's martial skills had reached the pinnacle; he continuously slapped the Six Great Sects in the face and even became the leader of the Ming Cult in one fell swoop!

This segment is one of the best show-off scenes penned by Jin Yong, sparking numerous martial arts writers to imitate it; the protagonist, after enduring layers of suppression, finally welcomed a peak exhilarating climax, where emotions, plots, and various conflicts all exploded at the same time!

The ultimate shock was thoroughly exhilarating!

After this plotline, the readers' focus was no longer on the mid-story protagonist switch; the entire network was excitedly discussing this segment!

"Ah, I'm numb!"

"The climax of the Six Great Sects besieging Bright Summit is so thrilling I can barely breathe!"

"Hahahaha, Zhang Wuji, this badass, scaled up even harsher than Yang Guo and Guo Jing, unbeatable at the same age, a perfect combination of top-tier internal and external martial skills, plus the utmost medical skills, and he even inherited his parents' good looks!"

"It's just so freaking thrilling!"

"The old rascal wrote this climax so well, it thrilled me to no end!"

"Seeing the Six Great Sects come up and the protagonist Hua Li making a grand entrance, I was so excited my head turned purple!"

"Chu Kuang is awesome, this climax was truly fascinating and magnificent!"

"Earlier in the story, it was so tragic, but then this twist completely turned the tables for the protagonist as he made a move never seen before. And he even became the leader of the Ming Cult, commanding everyone around. Knowing it was the old rascal's technique of suppressing before boosting didn't stop me from getting thrilled to the core!"

"Just that the earlier parts were written so bizarrely."

"Guo Xiang just passed by, Zhang Jun Bao passed by, even Zhang Cuishan was just passing by. It took forever to get to Zhang Wuji's plot."

"No no no no no."

"After watching the Six Great Sects attack the Bright Summit, haven't you realized? Without the groundwork laid earlier, would this part of the story be this thrilling? Now those early details all seem essential. Otherwise, you wouldn't know the relationship between Zhu'er and Zhang Wuji, you wouldn't know the grudges between the Six Great Sects and Zhang Wuji, let alone the significance of Zhang Wuji to Wudang. If Chu Kuang just glossed over these, the emotions wouldn't be as intense as they are now, completely maxed out."

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Meanwhile,

All the major scenic spots were numbed.

Not excited numb.

Purely numbed by frustration towards Chu Kuang.

Damn!

All the Six Great Sects, except for Wudang, became targets for the protagonist to show off and establish dominance!

Sects like Kongtong and Mount Hua had characters that were worse than the next!

What happened to the reputed righteous sects?

It all turned out to be driven by selfish interests! search the * website to access chapters of novels early and in the highest quality.

Everything they did was for the Dragon Saber and to find out Xie Xun's whereabouts!

"That old rascal!"

"I'm so angry!"

"And to think I sincerely invited him before!"

"The cooperation during the Duel Atop Mount Hua was good, why did it turn out like this?"

"It won't affect our visitor numbers, will it?"

"That it won't, but it's just heartbreaking, purely heartbreaking."

"That Chu Kuang cannot be trusted!"

All the heads of the major scenic spots were cursing!

Only at Mount Wudang did the person in charge feel great. Excited, he posted a bunch of Mount Wudang scenery pictures and tagged Chu Kuang:

"The Legend of the Condor Heroes trilogy is truly a martial arts treasure. Our scenic spot bought three hundred copies of 'Heaven-Reliant Dragon Slayer' to support Teacher Chu Kuang. Every staff member has a copy!"

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On the other side,

Inside Mount Lu scenic area.

The staff were delighted at others' misfortune!

"Ha ha, serves them right!"

"Since when was Chu Kuang easy to deal with?"

"We were smart to directly choose to collaborate with Teacher Admirable Fish!"

"If we had tried to collaborate with Chu Kuang, who knows how he would blacken our name in his book! Although Teacher Admirable Fish and Old Rascal Chu Kuang are friends, their personalities are as different as heaven and earth. As bad as Chu Kuang is, that's how good Teacher Admirable Fish is!"

"The capabilities of Teacher Admirable Fish are no less than those of Chu Kuang!"

"Teacher Admirable Fish once wrote a poem for West Lake, and it caused a surge in visitors!"

"Speaking of which, didn't Teacher Admirable Fish promise to write a poem for us too? Why hasn't there been any news? We've already prepared the promotional video for his poem."

"Perhaps he's still creating; creativity takes time."

"Hey? Minister Zhang, what are you holding in your hand?"

As everyone was discussing, a leader walked in carrying a long box.

Minister Zhang smiled slightly, "The calligraphy from Teacher Admirable Fish. He has already completed the piece he promised us!"

Has Teacher Admirable Fish's poem been written?

Written by hand?

And specially delivered to Mount Lu?

A sudden excitement surged among the leaders of Mount Lu, urging to hastily open the box!

And when everyone read the poem.

Everyone's faces lit up with excitement, "What a great poem!"

The person in charge of Mount Lu excitedly declared, "Prepare to release the promotional video. Also, we're going to add a new viewing spot at Mount Lu to eternally engrave this poem, allowing visitors to appreciate it!"

The poem is titled: "Inscribe on the West Forest Wall."

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Chapter 1007 - 931: Not Recognizing the True Face of Mount Lu

About Mount Lu, Lin Yuan certainly had works to show, and not just one!

The first one.

Naturally, it was from Su Immortal's "Inscribe on the West Forest Wall," a great figure Lin Yuan could never seem to fully emulate, leaving behind too many classics for posterity.

The second one.

The author was also a celestial being, the Poem Immortal.

Surely no one would be unfamiliar with "The Waterfall in Mount Lu Viewed From Afar," right?

In terms of the renown of various verses on Mount Lu, Li Bai's "It seems the Milky Way has fallen from the ninth heaven," surely matches the charm of Su Dongpo's work.

In the end, Lin Yuan chose "Inscribe on the West Forest Wall."

It's not to say that this poem was better, it was purely because Lin Yuan wanted to post it in two separate parts.

First, he would post the one by Su Dongpo and, at an appropriate moment later, post the one by Li Bai.

Posting both at the same time would risk them competing against each other, which wouldn't be as beneficial for the growth of Prestige Value when the public digests them one by one.

Yes.

The main reason Lin Yuan was working with the scenic area was for the sake of Prestige Value.

As for personally writing the calligraphy instead of directly sending the original text online to Mount Lu, this was also for Prestige Value; after all, Master Level calligraphy wasn't something commonly seen.

At this time.

The complete publication of "Heaven-Reliant Dragon Slayer" was a huge success.

While the internet was abuzz discussing the novel's plot, the personages responsible for several scenic areas mentioned in the book were beating their chests in regret about Chu Kuang's unfilial actions.

And then.

Right at that moment.

Mount Lu suddenly announced they would release a tourism promotional video at seven o'clock that evening.

At the same time, the official Mount Lu account also claimed that this promotional video would be shot around the new verses by Admirable Fish!

In an instant!

Netizens' attention was drawn over!

Everyone remembered the poem Admirable Fish wrote for West Lake!

No one knew exactly how many people were driven by that poem and the celebrity effect of Admirable Fish to specifically call friends to visit West Lake.

Even now, a bunch of people had their eyes on the weather forecast, just waiting for a rainy day to make another trip to West Lake!

Who made Admirable Fish's poem say that West Lake has two completely different scenes under the rain and on sunny days?

Of course.

The thing everyone was most curious about at this moment was the content of Admirable Fish's new poem; Blue Starian love for poetry has never waned.

"Is Mount Lu also joining in?"

"Waiting for Fish Papa's new poem!"

"The scenic areas are particularly active this year!"

"You might not know this, but it's related to Blue Star officials re-evaluating scenic spot rankings this year. The higher the rating of a scenic area, the more tourists it attracts, which is why the promotional investments of major scenic spots have exceeded those of previous years!"

"So that's why they've been so energetic this year."

"What use is their energy, just look at how those scenic areas that tried to ingratiate themselves with Chu Kuang got tarnished."

"To be honest, are you really surprised when the old rascal does something like this?"

"Hahahaha, coming from a native around Mount Lu to check in, I never expected that Fish Papa would actually write a poem for Mount Lu, too exciting!"

"The entire population of Mount Lu thanks Fish Papa!"

"This move by Mount Lu is paying homage to West Lake."

"It's said that because of that poem, West Lake specially gave Teacher Admirable Fish one million in thanks, not sure how much Mount Lu gave."

"One million is nothing."

"Compared to the economic value that Admirable Fish's poem created for West Lake, one million is just a drop in the ocean. It's just uncertain if this time they can replicate West Lake's tourism success."

Amidst these discussions.

Everyone was waiting.

And then, at seven in the evening.

Mount Lu's officials really did post a promotional video as promised!

Suddenly!

Countless netizens clicked to watch!

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The video opened with the crisp sound of music, morning dew sliding from the blades of grass, and the peaks of Mount Lu appeared from various angles.

From the front.

The mountain ridges rose and fell in succession, with clear water below like a mirror, mirroring the green mountains, and the reflection of both banks resembled a gallery stretching for miles.

From the side.

The peaks overlapped layer upon layer, with their tips standing tall in diverse poses. There were mountains of dark green without edge or boundary, and cliffs cut as if by axes and chisels standing tall and imposing.

In the distance.

Close by.

From high above.

From down below.

With the shifting point of view, Mount Lu presented itself in various appearances: sometimes like a drifting fairy, sometimes like an old man with a walking stick, sometimes like an ape offering a peach, sometimes like a wild horse breaking free.

Under the sunlight.

The undulating mountain ranges seemed to be inlaid at the horizon, with majestic contours, beautiful peaks, ancient vines entwining, and winding paths leading to secluded spots.

At the mountaintop.

The camera looked down from above.

Amid the misty clouds, one could overlook the mountain peaks, and through the swirling mist, several mountain tops emerged like lotuses rising from the water.

Mount Lu shrouded in mist.

Serene as silk, dynamic like smoke, light as cotton, vast as the sea; white as snow, it blurred and transformed under the gaze of the camera.

Suddenly,

the scene became still.

Within this majestic landscape, lines of text appeared in everyone's view, as if written with the flourish of dragons and the dance of phoenixes.

"Seen from the side, it forms ridges; from the end, a peak,"

"A difference in height and distance, each not the same,"

"One will not recognize the true face of Mount Lu,"

"Because one is actually in the midst of this mountain."

Su Immortal's "Inscribe on the West Forest Wall" made its first public appearance on Blue Star, and with just a glimpse, struck the hearts of thousands of viewers.

If one had to use a metaphor,

it would be like how "Heaven-Reliant Dragon Slayer" used a full two hundred thousand words to lay the groundwork for Zhang Wuji's entrance; Mount Lu's promotional video also introduced Teacher Admirable Fish's poem with the best mountain landscapes of Mount Lu!

As the poem concluded,

Xian Yu signed his name.

Another line crystallized beneath the frame: "This poem was composed by Teacher Admirable Fish upon his return from a tour of Mount Lu. Inspired by the West Wall of Mount Lu, the scenic area has decided to etch the poem exactly as per Teacher Admirable Fish's original calligraphy on the West Wall, making this a brand-new landmark of Mount Lu."

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The promotional video ended.

Sun Yaohuo posted on his blog, filled with emotion, "I want to visit Mount Lu."

Chen Zhiyu retweeted, "How about a trip to the Yu Dynasty?"

Jiang Kui: "Agreed."

Xia Fan: "Count me in."

Zhao Ying Ge: "What are we waiting for?"

Wei Haoyun: "Let's go to the West Wall of Mount Lu and see."

A travel blogger posted, "The theme for my next video will be Mount Lu. Although Mount Lu is not a tenth-level scenic spot, judging from the beauty depicted in the promotional video, it is no less than a tenth-level scenic spot. Additionally, I'm moved to say that Teacher Admirable Fish's verses are too touching for my poor understanding at a glance. I await some master's review!"

And quickly,

indeed, a poet appeared: "What a line, 'Seen from the side, it forms ridges; from the end, a peak, different in height and distance.' This poem's creative concept is very much like that of Teacher Admirable Fish's poem 'Drinking on the Lakeside, The Sunshine Followed by Rain' composed for West Lake. Both describe the beauty of the scenery under different conditions. West Lake speaks of the beauty of both sunny and rainy weather, while Mount Lu reveals the beauty from different perspectives and directions."

Immediately after,

another poet spoke out: "The first two lines are a literal description of the sights experienced while walking in the mountains. Mount Lu is a grand mountain with crisscrossing hills and undulating peaks. From different positions, one sees different sights. These two lines succinctly and vividly capture the ever-changing beauty of Mount Lu's landscape. However, the best part of this poem is not the first two lines but the last two. 'One will not recognize the true face of Mount Lu, because one is actually in the midst of this mountain.' I think these lines are just as remarkable as many of the famous verses that have been passed down through the ages!"

And then,

a calligrapher appeared: "Since everyone is discussing how good the poem is, let me comment on how good Xian Yu's calligraphy is. The handwriting of this poem can be considered masterful; without many years of practice, one cannot achieve this level. I fear Xian Yu's calligraphy skills are even more impressive than many people have imagined. It's a shame I haven't seen the original manuscript."

The industry's evaluation was very high!

Netizens also felt boundless emotion:

"Looking at it this way, Mount Lu is actually no less than West Lake. The former represents water while the latter represents mountains, each with its own marvelous aspects. Fish Papa's poem captures the charm of this mountain, igniting a desire in me to go and explore it for myself."

"Mount Lu locals thank Teacher Admirable Fish!"

"Many poets praise the last two lines, but I lack scholarly knowledge. Could a connoisseur explain why these lines are so highly regarded?"

"Let me explain, I come from Zhao Continent, and Zhao people understand poetry best."

"The first two lines are purely descriptive of the scenery, while the last two use the scenery to speak to philosophy, discussing the experience of traveling through the mountains. These lines are brilliantly conceived and the overall sentiment comes naturally, providing the reader with a space to reflect on experiences and roam freely with imagination."

"I don't understand!"

"Zhao people may know poetry but can't explain it. Let me tell you, the last two lines actually contain philosophy. Xian Yu is using the verses to tell us that we should not be

confined by preconceptions when looking at things. We must learn to observe from different perspectives, and to understand things comprehensively. Only by shedding our subjective preconceptions and trying to observe and understand from different angles can we achieve a more complete and accurate understanding of something."

"I get it now!"

"I used to think the word 'because' referred to fate. My understanding is still lacking. While the poem is beautifully written, it also alludes to philosophical insights, even considered as a reflection on life itself. No wonder everyone holds the last two lines in such high esteem!"

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Clearly,

Mount Lu had gone viral!

Various online reviews and discussions revolved not only around the poem itself but also around the scenery of Mount Lu, with countless netizens expressing their wish to visit Mount Lu in person, not just for the site's own scenic beauty, but also for the verses carved in Xian Yu's handwriting!

And in this moment,

major scenic spots across Blue Star closely monitored Mount Lu's promotional activities, and upon seeing this buzz, their eyes widened in astonishment!

"Damn!"

"Mount Lu has struck gold with this one!"

"How could we forget about Xian Yu!"

"We all were focused on Chu Kuang before. Who would have thought he'd be so unreliable? Xian Yu is much more dependable. Just look at how well he wrote these verses!"

"I should have thought of Xian Yu!"

"The last buzz with West Lake was already made into a case study by Xian Yu, yet we were all distracted by Chu Kuang and overlooked him!"

"Contact Xian Yu immediately!"

"Invite Xian Yu to visit our location!"

"Chu Kuang may not wish to show his face, but Xian Yu doesn't mind. If we offer him enough sincerity, maybe he'll agree to come over. At worst, we could follow Mount Lu's example and engrave Xian Yu's works in our scenic area for tourists to admire!"

The offers came pouring in!

For a time,

scenic areas across Blue Star sent out olive branches to Xian Yu – of course, these were all eighth-level and above scenic spots. Those with a lower ranking felt too embarrassed to invite such a person, feeling slightly lacking in qualifications.

By comparison,

now, no one was paying attention to Chu Kuang.

Only Mount Wudang was still joyfully clinging to Chu Kuang's coattails.

After all, "Heaven-Reliant Dragon Slayer" had brought considerable promotional benefits to Mount Wudang!

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Chapter 1008 - 935: Vanished from the Martial World

Several days later.

Mount Lu scenic area.

"Why are there so many people!"

"Stop pushing, or you'll get pregnant!"

"Where is West Forest Temple?"

"We have to climb up the mountain!"

"The mountain path is all crowded!"

"I just spent half an hour looking for a parking spot in the parking lot!"

"The number of tourists is a bit exaggerated!"

"On such a hot day, how are these people so enthusiastic about coming out to play!"

"Aren't you here too?"

The whole scenic area was crowded everywhere, and from a high point, it looked even more packed with numerous tour groups led by guides, countless people taking pictures and checking in on social media.

Nearby.

Journalists looked at each other!

"Is Mount Lu always this crowded?"

"I just asked the staff, the usual number of tourists is less than a third of today's; after all, Mount Lu is a grade nine scenic area. Normally people prefer those grade ten scenic areas!"

"Oh my!"

"Could all these people have been attracted by Xian Yu's poem?"

"It's not just Xian Yu's poem, the promotional video for Mount Lu was also good."

"Xian Yu's fame combined with Mount Lu's promotional video, plus the recent tourism boom, that's why so many tourists were attracted."

"Mount Lu is making a killing!"

Xian Yu had written a poem for Mount Lu, and the journalists were specifically here to see the effect of that poem. As soon as everyone arrived at Mount Lu, the journalists were shocked!

There were too many tourists!

Mount Lu's tourism industry exploded!

At that moment a journalist grabbed an elderly man: "Excuse me, sir, are you a local from Mount Lu?"

"Yes."

"So, how familiar are you with Mount Lu?"

"Mount Lu? There's nothing much to see here, us locals hardly come by; we've seen it enough times. It's these out-of-towners, they all come to see Mount Lu, actually this is... eh, you are journalists, right? Is this going to be on TV?"

"Yes."

"Then wait a moment, just a moment."

The elderly man coughed, cleared his throat, and straightened his appearance, then said in very standard Mandarin:

"Our Mount Lu is known for its grandeur, strangeness, danger, and beauty. It has been known as 'the spectacular Mount Lu' since ancient times, named peaks totaling one hundred seventy-one, with twenty-six ridges scattered among them, twenty ravines and sixteen caves. Rocks appear in twenty-two spots. Water flows develop fissures in valleys, forming many rapids and waterfalls. Among them, the most famous Tri-Fall is 155 meters high. Therefore, if you haven't visited the Tri-Fall, you haven't seen the beauty of Mount Lu. Many ancient literati have left memorable poems about Mount Lu, a place of deep historical and cultural significance. We also welcome tourists from all continents to visit our Mount Lu, thank you!"

Journalist: "..."

Do you have to be so realistic?

Sir, you're too practiced!

Of course, this was just a minor episode.

Everything at the scene proved: Mount Lu's publicity was a huge success!

Mount Lu's tourism boom was quickly reported hotly by news from all continents.

Accommodations were fully booked.

Business was booming for major hotels!

Restaurants in the area of Mount Lu scenic spot were making a killing!

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Online.

As netizens learned about the tourism boom at Mount Lu, they began to express their feelings.

"This is too popular!"

"The reports show really many people!"

"The main thing is that the poem by Xian Yu is indeed well written, perfectly capturing the features of Mount Lu."

"Mount Lu has always been one of Blue Star's top ten famous mountains, just overshadowed by the Five Mountains in recent years."

"This impact is already comparable to West Lake!"

"Guess other scenic spots will invite Teacher Admirable Fish too."

"They have already started inviting!"

Amid online discussions, various popular tourist spots indeed extended invitations to Xian Yu once again.

Among them were even top-tier scenic locations like Mount Tai and Mount Hua.

Moreover,

even Mount Wudang, firmly clinging to Chu Kuang's coattails, threw out an olive branch to Xian Yu, causing netizens to burst into laughter!

This was called hedging bets.

Wanting the best of both worlds.

Mount Wudang probably only dared to make such overtures because of Xian Yu's good relations with Chu Kuang.

Lin Yuan, however, did not respond to the invitations from these major scenic areas.

Mount Lu's offer had a very high Prestige Value that could be leveraged gradually.

Had Lin Yuan immediately promoted other scenic areas, it might have affected Mount Lu's popularity later on.

And during these days,

readers gradually finished the whole set of "Heaven-Reliant Dragon Slayer."

As a result,

the current online discussions

still predominantly revolved around this novel.

The conversation evolved significantly, like the age-old debate about who was the number one master in the Martial World, which once again sparked arguments.

Zhang Sanfeng...

Zhang Wuji...

Even Guo Xiang...

These individuals were all nominated by netizens.

Additionally, there was a discussion about which martial skill was the strongest.

Chu Kuang's "The Legend of the Condor Heroes" trilogy mentioned many top-notch martial arts.

Classics such as the "Eighteen Dragon Subduing Palms," "Nine Yin Manual," "Nine Yang Divine Skill," "Heaven and Earth Great Shift," right up to the Golden Wheel Imperial Adviser's "Dragon Elephant Wisdom Technique" and various Shaolin skills, and so forth.

Which one was stronger, which was weaker?

Different readers had their own opinions.

A fleeting glimpse of a mysterious woman in yellow in the latter half of the novel also attracted considerable attention from netizens.

This woman, in her first appearance, helped a Beggars' Guild orphan, Shi Hongshi, reclaim the leader's position, mentioning that she had extensive connections with the former leaders of the Beggars' Guild.

The second time she appeared was at the Shaolin Temple's Lion-Slaying Gathering, where the woman in yellow easily defeated Zhou Zhiruo. When Zhang Wuji asked for her name, the words she left behind fueled endless speculation:

"Under Zhongnan Mountain, the Tomb of the Living Dead, 'The Return of the Condor Heroes,' vanished from the martial arts world."

Clearly, this mysterious woman in yellow was a descendant of Yang Guo and Little Dragon Maiden.

The novel hinted strongly, describing the woman's pale skin as if she never saw sunlight...

Doesn't that just describe an ancient tomb?

Even though Chu Kuang did not spell it out clearly, the readers understood.

This was probably another significance of "Heaven-Reliant Dragon Slayer" as the final part of the "Condor Heroes" trilogy.

Even though the times were different and the characters were not much related, all the stories in "Heaven-Reliant Dragon Slayer" were actually triggered by characters from the eras of "The Legend of the Condor Heroes" and "The Return of the Condor Heroes."

"All foreshadowings were explained."

"The Scripture hidden in oil, this foreshadowing was the most astonishing to me, it turns out it meant the scriptures were in the apes, perhaps even during the 'Condor Heroes' era, Chu Kuang had already planned the plot where Zhang Wuji acquires the Nine Yang Divine Skill."

"The secrets of the Heaven Sword and Dragon Saber were incredible too."

"I hadn't imagined that the Heaven Sword and Dragon Saber were forged from the division of Yang Guo's heavy black iron sword, and the forgers were none other than the devoted couple Guo Jing and Huang Rong."

"The martial arts worldview perfectly carried on."

"If the Condor Heroes trilogy were to be considered as a whole, no other martial arts universe in Blue Star could surpass it."

"..."

The "Condor Heroes" trilogy concluded in a blaze of glory!

However, the memories it left with the readers were not easily forgotten.

The most direct impact was:

Even many children, while playing, would frequently strike a dramatically embarrassing pose, chanting fervently,

"Eighteen Dragon Subduing Palms!"

Hand them a stick, and without a doubt, "Branch Beats the White Chimpanzee" would slip right out of their mouths.

At a fancifully impressionable age, they loved these the most.

Bear in mind, back when "Journey to the West" was popular, they were brandishing "Golden Cudgels."

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Chapter 1009 - 936 Xian Yu's Show-off Real Record

Lin Yuan also read the follow-up discussion about "Heaven-Reliant Dragon Slayer."

From the enthusiasm of the netizens, perhaps the "Martial Arts Revival" mission issued by the System should be almost completed, right?

Lin Yuan summoned the System to inquire.

System: "The revival of martial arts is imminent."

Lin Yuan: "What the heck does 'revival is imminent' mean?"

System: "The subsequent influence will spread, and that will suffice."

Lin Yuan understood.

What the System meant was that The Legend of the Condor Heroes trilogy was already enough to complete the mission of "martial arts revival." The influence of these works simply needed more time to ferment.

It seemed he didn't need to continue writing martial arts novels for the time being.

Chu Kuang's reader demographic was quite diverse, with interests in various genres, because Chu Kuang wrote about everything.

If Chu Kuang continued to write only martial arts novels, some readers who weren't interested in the genre would inevitably get tired of it.

He breathed a sigh of relief.

Lin Yuan felt that Chu Kuang could take a break now.

Just at that moment.

Sun Yaohuo called: "Junior brother, do you want to come out and gather tonight?"

"Sure."

Lin Yuan agreed.

The internal gatherings of the Yu Dynasty had almost become a tradition. Unless there was a special exception, everyone would arrive every time, and Lin Yuan was no exception.

And these gatherings were basically always organized by Sun Yaohuo, who took care of all the expenses.

It wasn't that everyone wanted to take advantage of Sun Yaohuo.

Others had also tried to organize such treat-hosting gatherings.

After all, having Sun Yaohuo host every time was a bit embarrassing.

But who would have thought, Sun Yaohuo was actually anxious, not letting anyone else host, and with one sentence he silenced everyone: "How much money do you guys even have?"

From then on, no one brought up the idea of hosting again.

It would just be embarrassing themselves.

Today's gathering place was a private room in a newly opened Flame Hot Pot Restaurant.

Flame Hot Pot had become a chain brand.

Not just in Su City, but there were quite a few branches throughout the Qin Continent.

Therefore.

At tonight's gathering.

When everyone was assembled and started to eat, Jiang Kui couldn't wait to ask Sun Yaohuo:

"Is this the Sun boss's how-manyeth hot pot restaurant?"

"This is the forty-fifth Flame Hot Pot Restaurant I have opened in the Qin Continent."

"Flame Hot Pot is now among the top ten hot pot brands in the Qin Continent. My next goal is to make Flame Hot Pot one of the top three hot pot brands in the Qin Continent."

Sun Yaohuo replied with a smile.

While everyone was astounded, they weren't overly shocked.

Sun Yaohuo was now an absolute magnate in the catering industry. Every so often, they would all hear about the expansion of his dining empire.

Zhao Ying Ge spoke up, "So what's the secret behind the success of your hot pot restaurants?"

"Secret?"

Sun Yaohuo thought for a moment and said, "For hot pot restaurants, isn't it sufficient just to provide good service to the customers?"

Half-hearted?

Absolutely not.

That was Sun Yaohuo's honest sentiment.

Sun Yaohuo felt that running a hot pot restaurant was like conducting oneself in life.

He hadn't done anything particularly extraordinary; he just wholeheartedly served his junior brother well, and then everything else fell into place.

For that reason.

Sun Yaohuo had only one demand for all the employees at the various Flame Hot Pot Restaurants:

Service!

Service!

And more service!

He believed that as long as the hot pot restaurants could take good care of the customers, everything else would follow!

What Sun Yaohuo didn't know was that on Earth, there was a hot pot brand called "Seabed," which shared a similar business philosophy.

Customer first.

Think from the customer's perspective!

Act on the customer's urgency!

In the meantime, Sun Yaohuo also mentioned a story about how there was a customer who dined alone at a Flame Hot Pot Restaurant.

The server couldn't bear to see them so lonely and placed a large teddy bear across from the customer.

"..."

Everyone looked on with odd expressions.

It had to be said, this is just what you'd expect from a Sun Yaohuo-owned hot pot restaurant.

The servers have been specially trained to pamper the customers.

Everyone suspected that perhaps from top to bottom, Sun Yaohuo's company was filled with bootlickers.

However, Sun Yaohuo's tactic was really effective, and the success of Flame Hot Pot might indeed be closely related to this "bootlicker" mindset.

Chen Zhiyu teased, "You'll become the richest man sooner or later!"

Sun Yaohuo dismissed it immediately: "Don't joke with me about that, I've barely made it."

The crowd laughed heartily.

At that moment, Sun Yaohuo added, "On the Qin Continent rich list, I've only just cracked the top hundred, right at the hundredth spot."

The air turned quiet.

The smiles on the people's faces froze.

Wei Haoyun's eyes widened: "You're actually in the top hundred of the Qin Continent already!?"

In the Yu Dynasty, Wei Haoyun was like a big-sister figure, yet at this moment, even this big sister couldn't help but curse.

The Qin Continent is so vast!

What would the net worth of someone in the top hundred be?

Hundreds of billions?

A trillion?

Wei Haoyun dared not think about it!

The others were also dumbfounded!

Even Lin Yuan, who had been focusing on his meal, couldn't help but lift his head to look at Sun Yaohuo.

He had no idea how vast Senior Yao Huo's business empire was; his assets seemed to be a lot, maybe even catching up to his own.

"Don't take it too seriously."

Sun Yaohuo waved his hand: "This kind of public list is just for reference. There are many real rich people who aren't on the list at all. They prefer to make money quietly. I need this list to enhance my reputation as an industrialist. If the list was entirely accurate, I wouldn't be in the top hundred. Besides, wealth is external to one's character. What I like most is singing with everyone, and the happiest moment for me was not when my assets exceeded a hundred billion, but the day I became the King of Singing!"

Everyone: "..."

Suddenly, they didn't feel like engaging with him anymore.

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Chapter 1010 - 936 Xian Yu's Impressive Record_2

Listen to this, is that even human language?

Chen Zhiyu forcibly changed the subject, "Speaking of Xia Fan, she's been really popular lately, hasn't she? After 'Resident Evil', she must have received quite a few film offers, right?"

"Not bad."

Xia Fan said with a smile, in a very good mood.

'Resident Evil' was by now out of theaters.

This movie's total box office had reached an astonishing seventy billion, and Xia Fan thus became the seventy billion leading lady!

The most important thing was...

There are very few leading ladies like her at Blue Star!

Now, Xia Fan was considered a rare commodity. For movies that require a leading lady to carry the scenes, she had become the inevitable choice for the protagonist!

"We owe the movie's success to our representative."

Xia Fan winked at Lin Yuan.

Everyone had different ways of addressing Lin Yuan.

Sun Yaohuo called him "junior," while others called him "Teacher Admirable Fish."

It was difficult for Xia Fan, who had grown up with Lin Yuan, to say the words "Teacher Admirable Fish."

It felt too formal.

Calling a close buddy "teacher" suddenly would seem odd to anyone, so Xia Fan used Lin Yuan's corporate title:

Mr. Lin.

With the surname, it still felt a bit impersonal, so Xia Fan simplified it to just two characters:

Rep.

Lately, others had occasionally followed suit, because "Rep" had a derived meaning. It not only referred to Lin Yuan's corporate position but also to his representative status in Yu Dynasty.

Lin Yuan didn't mind.

He never cared about titles.

...

The hot pot meal reached its halfway point, and the conversation gradually wandered.

From the Yu Dynasty Hotel to everyone's respective career development.

Yu Dynasty had now become a sort of Tarot Club.

No, that's not right.

It should be called a mutual aid society.

Everyone in the business was helping each other out, sticking together, much better than other stars fending for themselves.

It was rare.

Because it's hard to make real friends in the entertainment industry.

Everyone is a competitor, especially when singers from Yu Dynasty are all from the same company.

However, Lin Yuan's presence had united everyone.

And Sun Yaohuo's presence had deepened everyone's bonds.

At first, Lin Yuan was there to boost everyone.

Now, Yu Dynasty often shared resources internally, with everyone becoming a support for each other's development.

At this point...

Wei Haoyun suddenly said with a wry smile, "Have you guys noticed that the entertainment industry in each continent is becoming quite inward-looking?"

"Yeah, a bit."

Everyone was in the same circle and naturally knew what was going on inside.

Zhao Ying Ge frowned, "I couldn't even get on a variety show in Qi Continent."

Jiang Kui said, "Variety shows and dramas in Qi Continent prefer to cooperate with local stars. If you're not top-tier superstars like our Rep, they wouldn't even extend an invitation."

"You didn't get on either?"

Everyone looked at Jiang Kui in surprise.

Jiang Kui was the hottest star in Yu Dynasty.

Only Xia Fan, who became famous through 'Resident Evil', could possibly catch up to Jiang Kui now.

Jiang Kui nodded, "Variety shows in Qi Continent are what stars from all continents want to be on the most because Qi Continent's variety shows are the best. But there are so many stars from all the continents now. Qin, Qi, Chu, Yan, Han, Zhao—six states with more monks than porridge. Even Kings and Queens of Singing find it hard to get on."

Six continents.

It's like over a hundred countries combined on Earth, so naturally, the number of stars was immense.

"Variety shows?"

Lin Yuan, halfway through the meal, piped up, "There are so many variety shows, can't you get on any of them?"

Xia Fan wore a bitter smile, "We can get on the regular variety shows whenever we want, but we're talking about those highest-rated shows from Qi Continent. Currently, among the six continents, Qi's variety and drama sectors are the most successful. The other continents have always been trailing behind them, eating their dust. Coupled with indelible regional bias, Qi Continent's better resources are still primarily given to local artists, much like how Maestro in Qin Continent mostly cooperates with local singers."

Lin Yuan reflected momentarily, "I'll ask around for you guys."

Everyone was surprised and then showed a look of delight. Who would dare to turn down Admirable Fish's request?

If Lin Yuan was really willing to speak up, the variety shows everyone wanted to get on should all be available!

"I'll make a phone call."

Lin Yuan took out his phone and called Tong Shuwen.

Tong Shuwen was the only variety show figure Lin Yuan knew.

Tong Shuwen was the director of the top-tier show 'The Masked Singer'.

Later, he produced a sister show 'Our Song', in which Lin Yuan participated as a composer.

There was a relationship.

Most importantly:

The other party had a high status in the variety show circle.

The phone was quickly answered, and the voice on the other end was extremely enthusiastic:

"Teacher Admirable Fish, what a coincidence. I just happened to be passing through Su City when you called. What can I do for you?"

"Tong Director is in Su City?"

"Yes."

"Have you had dinner?"

"Haha, not yet. Is Teacher Admirable Fish treating me?"

"Let's eat together."

Lin Yuan gave him the address straightforwardly.

After hanging up the phone, the others curiously asked, "Tong Director, is that Director Tong Shuwen?"

Lin Yuan nodded, "He'll be here shortly."

Sun Yaohuo immediately said, "Then I'll rearrange a table."

It wasn't right to let someone make a special trip and then serve them leftovers from Yu Dynasty.

In such moments,

Sun Yaohuo was always the fastest to react.

In less than twenty minutes,

Tong Shuwen arrived at the hotpot restaurant.

By then, Sun Yaohuo had a new table ready.

Everyone greeted him with a smile; they were all familiar with each other.

They had all participated in 'The Masked Singer' before and had dealt with Director Tong Shuwen quite a bit.

They didn't rush to talk business.

First, everyone ate hotpot and chatted leisurely.

After about fifteen minutes of eating and talking, Lin Yuan finally brought up the topic of variety shows.

Tong Shuwen became serious, "I can arrange for you all to be on any show you like, but have any of you thought that perhaps we could create our own variety show?"

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Creating their own variety show?

Lin Yuan found the idea amusing.

He had been led astray by the Yu Dynasty.

Why bother going out of your way to join some variety show from Qi Continent, scratching and clawing for a spot?

The System surely had a multitude of ideas for variety shows, and the Yu Dynasty could completely create their own program!

"I'll just tell the truth."

Seeing that no one had spoken up, Tong Shuwen began, "I didn't come to Su City for anything else but for you all."

"For us?"

"That's right, I want to cooperate with your company to create a reality show featuring celebrities, and I've named it 'The Yu Dynasty'!"

Everyone was stunned.

Lin Yuan was also somewhat surprised.

Tong Shuwen smiled and said, "You have no idea how curious the outside world is about the Yu Dynasty, especially after 'Sugar' became a hit. Everyone wants to get to know the internal relationships of the Yu Dynasty more deeply. After meeting all of you today, I'm even more convinced that you can make a highly popular variety show!"

Sun Yaohuo said,

"So, Director Tong wants to create a music-themed variety show around us?"

Tong Shuwen shook his head, "There can be musical elements, but the purpose of our show is reality. We'll place everyone in the same environment and then issue tasks for everyone to complete."

Lin Yuan: "..."

He smelled a hint of "Go Fighting."

Although he couldn't recall the exact format of that variety show, it seemed to play out in a similar vein.

"Let me give you an example. For the first episode, I'm thinking about dropping you all into a kindergarten and having you look after children. No variety show has ever tried this angle before. Celebrities taking care of kids are already an interesting concept, and when the whole Yu Dynasty participates, especially Teacher Admirable Fish, it's a must. Without Teacher Admirable Fish, the Yu Dynasty wouldn't be complete."

"Or, for example..."

"Mount Lu has recently become very popular because of Teacher Admirable Fish's poem, right? We could totally go there to film our show, and I believe Mount Lu would definitely not refuse. As for how we'll play it, that's something we can discuss later."

"You heard me right, it's all about having fun."

"This show is meant to satisfy the public's curiosity about the Yu Dynasty. Whether the show becomes a hit depends on your performance, but the basic viewership is guaranteed. If all else

fails, we could always play the 'Sugar' card again, perhaps cameo in a wedding planning company."

Tong Shuwen said all this in one breath.

The others were somewhat puzzled yet genuinely interested.

It wasn't so much about whether the variety show would be a hit as much as it was that they wanted to have a good time with the variety show.

They were all friends here, happy to be together.

Finally.

Tong Shuwen elevated the conversation,

"Could it be that we, the vast Qin Continent, including the King and Queens of Singing and first-class singers, have to please Qi Continent people just to be on a variety show?"

"As a Qin person, I am not satisfied!"

"I'm the director who created the viewership miracle 'The Masked Singer', one of the leading figures in Qin Continent's variety shows. If you trust me, come and enjoy a great time!"

"We're going to make our own variety show in Qin Continent!"

Everyone was thoroughly persuaded, but ultimately, all eyes turned to Lin Yuan.

They all understood that Lin Yuan's participation would determine the upper limit of this variety show!

Whether as the Prince of Lanling in "The Masked Singer!"

Or the Maestro Junior in "Our Song!"

Those two shows became hits not only because of Tong Shuwen's talent but because Lin Yuan contributed at least a third of the viewership!

"That works."

Lin Yuan said with a smile.

He had been thinking about exchanging ideas with the System for a show like "Go Fighting."

But after hearing Tong Shuwen's ideas, Lin Yuan felt there was no need to waste money; the man was already one of Blue Star's top variety show creators.

"You've agreed?" Tong Shuwen was overjoyed! His rally speech wasn't just about stirring up everyone's hometown pride. He truly wanted to create an outstanding show that belonged to the Qin Continent! "Yeah, it'll be fun." Lin Yuan also defined the variety show as "fun." The thought of participating in a variety show to create a persona held no interest for him, but playing with friends? Why not? "Fantastic!" Tong Shuwen was thrilled, having not expected things to go so smoothly. He looked at the others, "Teacher Admirable Fish is in; what about you?" "No problem!" Everyone agreed, too lazy to even consult with their agents. With Lin Yuan leading the charge, the agents wouldn't dare to make a fuss. As for whether the company would agree? If Fish says yes, what else could the company say? "Great!" Tong Shuwen grew more excited, "I'll start securing investments tonight!" At this point, Sun Yaohuo had something to say, "Since it's our Yu Dynasty's variety show, why should Director Tong look for outside investors? I'll sponsor it exclusively in the name of Flame Hot Pot, and the sponsorship will definitely suffice!" What? The prospects of the variety show were uncertain?

Irrelevant.

Sun Yaohuo supported the Yu Dynasty's show unconditionally, as he was also a member of the Yu Dynasty!

He was basically the prime minister in the court!

Tong Shuwen hesitated for a moment, "The price won't be cheap, you..."

Do you have the money?

Tong Shuwen didn't want to ask outright.

Everyone laughed, "The richest man ranked one hundredth in Qin Continent can't afford the sponsorship fee for a variety show?"

Tong Shuwen: ???

Wasn't Sun Yaohuo a singer?

Well, alright.

Thus, the show that netizens would later jokingly call "The Adventures of Admirable Fish" was decided upon over a meal of hot pot.

"By the way."

Lin Yuan suddenly said, "We're not just going to Mount Lu but also to Mount Wudang."

"Mount Wudang?"

Tong Shuwen laughed, "Does Teacher Admirable Fish have a plan?"

Lin Yuan, now in a playful mood, said, "I'll go teach the Martial Arts Secret Book of Mount Wudang."

Everyone: "..."

What the others didn't know was that Lin Yuan had stealthily summoned the System, "Exchange for a set for all national elementary students... ah, no, exchange for a complete set of Tai Chi, the kind that keeps you fit and healthy."

"Teacher Admirable Fish really knows how to joke."

Tong Shuwen gave a smile and then spoke seriously, "Then we'll include Mount Wudang in our schedule. I need to discuss the specific plans for the show with my team, but if any of you have suggestions, please feel free to let me know. I'll use this variety show to introduce you all to everyone!"

Tong Shuwen had his own variety show team.

And for celebrities from all over the continents, the most important thing was to get their name out there!

After all.

There were too many stars across the continents.

Even some of the Kings and Queens of Singing from Qin Continent were unrecognizable once they left their homeland!

In this situation.

Variety shows were one of the solutions to break through.

Of course.

The premise was that this variety show could become so popular that audiences from all continents would love to watch it.

ps: The show's name is 'The Yu Dynasty', okay? It definitely won't be officially called 'The Adventures of Admirable Fish', but if you have other ideas, feel free to suggest them.

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Chapter 1012 - 937: Variety Show

It seemed like a spur-of-the-moment idea, but Tong Shuwen had actually given it a lot of thought, he had many aspects of the program's design all figured out!

Whether the show would be a hit, Tong Shuwen did not know.

What he could be sure of was that the ratings would not be too bad.

Because Yu Dynasty was a very unique group in Blue Star's entertainment industry.

As Maestro, Xian Yu gave all sorts of care and protection to the singers of Yu Dynasty, even propelled them to become top singers and even kings and queens of singing.

They were also very good at having fun!

During the Bluelympics, Xian Yu had performed several inspirational songs with Yu Dynasty!

In one season aiming for twelve consecutive championships, Xian Yu again led Yu Dynasty into various wedding scenes!

There were many similar events.

So many that the public was getting more and more curious about Yu Dynasty.

Everyone wanted to know what the everyday interactions were like for Yu Dynasty.

Were their relationships really as good as they appeared to be?

And so on and so forth.

All these were the foundations that would determine the program's viewership.

And the most important reason, actually, had to do with Xian Yu.

In Tong Shuwen's life, there were two exceedingly brilliant variety shows.

The first was The Masked Singer.

The second was Our Song.

The success of these two programs was both connected to Xian Yu.

Tong Shuwen felt that besides his own talent for variety shows, Xian Yu was also a key "ratings password"!

Very soon.

Yu Dynasty confirmed their schedule.

The program was set to start filming on July 5th.

Starlight Entertainment indeed quickly agreed to Yu Dynasty's participation in filming.

However, regarding the name of the show, everyone had a lengthy discussion and still decided to change it.

Someone suggested "Fish Adventure."

Someone suggested "Dragon Fish Dance."

Someone suggested "Fish Walking with You."

Of course, there were other proposals, but these three names had higher callings.

It wasn't immediately decided, Tong Shuwen said let the program's crew join as readers.

They would make the decision after discussing with the readers.

Anyway, one thing for sure was that the name would definitely include "Fish."

Because the regular guests of the program would certainly be Yu Dynasty.

Even though the name was not settled, it didn't delay the early promotion of the program.

On that very day.

The variety team from Tong Shuwen's company along with Starlight Entertainment simultaneously officially announced Yu Dynasty's upcoming group participation in a variety reality show.

The announcement also emphasized that Xian Yu would make an appearance.

Very quickly.

The fans became lively.

"Yu Dynasty is actually going to record a variety show together?"

"Don't talk nonsense with me, as long as Fish Papa is in it, I'm watching!"

"I'm so excited, I ate a big extra bowl of rice, Fish Papa is finally going to record a variety show, who knows how much I've been looking forward to Fish Papa joining a variety show again!"

"Fish Papa as Prince of Lanling in The Masked Singer was just too classic!"

"The later Our Song was also very well done, it's too bad Tong Shuwen never did a second season."

"I heard it's because the first season was so brilliant, Tong Shuwen feared the second season wouldn't live up to it, so he wanted to take his time before continuing the series."

"It doesn't matter, the director of the new show is still Tong Shuwen!"

"I'm looking forward to it!"

It wasn't just voices of anticipation.

There were also some playful comments as well:

Like "Isn't Yu Dynasty the name of a wedding service company?" and "It feels like Fish Papa is about to take the team out for another round of freeloading."

Clearly, they were deeply influenced by Sugar.

Anyway, since Yu Dynasty had a massive fanbase, the news prompted quite a reaction as soon as it was released.

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At the same time.

The circle of variety entertainment also turned their gazes of interest.

Many in the Qi Continent's variety circle slightly furrowed their brows.

"Tong Shuwen?"

"Tong Shuwen does have some tricks up his sleeve—'The Masked Singer' was well done. It looks like he's here to pick a fight, aiming to challenge the status of our Qi Continent's variety shows."

"Heh, with a reality show?"

"If he were doing a music variety show, I might be worried. But a celebrity reality show? Hardly a threat. Those are just the leftovers of what we Qi people have already played with."

"Xian Yu's Yu Dynasty has no small reputation, though."

"Having a big name and succeeding in variety are two different things. If all it took was fame to make a successful variety show, then why would we bother putting so much effort into gimmicks?"

"That's true."

"They're just a bunch of singers, after all."

"Even if Xian Yu himself came, it wouldn't matter. His competitiveness lies in playing with music."

A variety show's success indeed has something to do with the celebrities' fame, but ultimately, the program itself must be interesting enough.

These days.

Qin, Qi, Chu, Yan, Han, and Zhao—six continents merged!

Two-legged toads may be hard to find, but two-legged stars are a dime a dozen.

When every show can feature celebrities, why should people watch your variety show?

Besides, reality shows are everywhere now.

The folks at the Yu Dynasty are singers—they should be focusing on their strengths, participating in music variety shows. Instead, they're wading into the muddy waters of outdoor reality shows. Do they really think it's that easy to achieve results in reality TV?

At this moment.

A Qi person laughed and said,

"Speaking of viewing figures, Xian Yu's 'The Legend of the Condor Heroes' surpassed all our Qi Continent dramas. This could be an opportunity for our Qi Continent's variety to set an example and show the TV world what dominance in variety looks like!"

Due to regional reasons,

Qi people harbor animosity towards anyone who wants to challenge their status in variety shows.

This animosity is mixed with a degree of contempt, as many of the hottest variety shows from a long time ago started out by being introduced from Qi Continent.

Television dramas.

Variety shows.

Qi Continent has always been at the forefront of Blue Star, inevitably priding themselves on giving directions.

Just like when Chu people get stirred up about comics—although the sudden rise of 'Shadow' has been making them increasingly uneasy.

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In fact, Tong Shuwen's thoughts aren't hard to see through.

Just like in television, Blue Star's popular variety shows are almost monopolized by Qi Continent.

As a top variety professional from Qin Continent, it's natural for Tong Shuwen to want to break this deadlock.

In view of this.

The variety circles of all continents watched.

Tong Shuwen paid no heed to the outside voices; he was earnestly preparing for the program.

It was an outdoor reality show, which meant traveling to different places. He had to finalize the destinations.

The whole variety team discussed constantly:

"We must go to Mount Lu!"

"Yes, Mount Lu has Teacher Admirable Fish's poetry."

"We also need to go to Mount Wudang—that's what Teacher Admirable Fish decided."

"No problem, we can lead Teacher Admirable Fish to talk more about Chu Kuang. After all, Mount Wudang's current popularity is all thanks to Chu Kuang's 'Heaven-Reliant Dragon Slayer.' The ratings are guaranteed, as people are very curious about the relationship between the Three Bros."

"What about kindergarten?"

"Let's do it, let them experience just how troublesome those little monsters can be."

"I'm really curious to see what tricks they'll use to handle these little monsters."

"That being said, I'm thinking that Shaolin Temple in Qin Continent might be worth considering too. Everyone is interested in monks and priests these days, right?"

"How about going to a wedding? To mimic 'Sugar'?"

"We can decide that later."

"I suggest we create a segment where they sing on the streets, like those buskers—celebrities mingling with the public."

"That's worth considering."

"Make sure to give Sun Yaohuo extra screen time. I've only just learned he's the owner of Flame Hot Pot. This King of Singing is so wealthy—viewers would never guess Sun Yaohuo could be so amazing!"

"Actually, there's something to say about Chen Zhiyu as well."

"Chen Zhiyu had quite the chat with me before. His situation, a lot of people might not know, and those who do would die laughing."

In midst of various discussions,

The plan for the show was gradually taking shape.

And when July came around, Lin Yuan and the others had already started preparing for the recording.

At this time.

The program's name was also decided.

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PS: What should it be called? The author feels quite grand, needing a moment to gather thoughts, so let a big brother who can bear it speak. I'll go and think about how to write this variety show. This time a lot of the plot can be linked through variety shows, which should be quite interesting.

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The show's name was finally set as "Fish Walking with You."

Because this name received the most likes from the production team.

However, the countless other names that racked everyone's brains to come up with wouldn't go to waste.

The show planned to give each episode of "Fish Walking with You" its own subtitle,

using the variety of names that everyone had previously brainstormed.

The official filming of the show would start on July 5th.

In fact,

as soon as July arrived, the Yu Dynasty had already cleared their schedules, eager to start.

By this time, the production team had finished preparing.

Upon learning that all seven members of the Yu Dynasty had cleared their schedules, the production team decided on the spot to start filming on the evening of July 2nd.

"What's the first episode about?"

Zhao Ying Ge asked in the "Fish Walking with You" group chat.

There were a total of nine people in this chat: the seven Yu Dynasty members, plus director Tong Shuwen and a female editor named Zhu Lei.

At this moment.

everyone had already checked into a hotel in Sun City on Qin Continent.

Tong Shuwen sent a smiley face, "Revealing it ahead of time wouldn't be genuine. The production team will assign everyone tasks tomorrow."

Well, okay then.

Everyone felt helpless.

The reality shows Tong Shuwen made always loved to keep people in suspense.

Like the initial "The Masked Singer," every time the rankings were announced, this guy could drive someone to the edge of their seat.

Suddenly,

Zhao Ying Ge suggested in the group chat, "Since it's still early tonight, why don't we play 'PlayerUnknown's Battlegrounds'?"

The Yu Dynasty often played 'PlayerUnknown's Battlegrounds' among themselves.

Chen Zhiyu commented, "This hotel doesn't have computers. Are we playing on laptops?"

Wei Haoyun chimed in, "Sure, let's squad up!"

Sun Yaohuo boasted, "The gun god is here, watch me dominate!"

Everyone was suddenly enthusiastic.

At this time, Lin Yuan piped up, "I won't be playing."

Everyone was stunned for a moment, then they all thought of Lin Yuan's plethora of creative ways to meet his demise and understandingly typed without saying a word:

"Then we won't play games either."

Lin Yuan felt he might have killed the mood.

He thought for a moment, then simply suggested in the chat, "Let me teach you all a new game."

After saying this,

Lin Yuan called out to the System, "Custom game."

The crowd in the chat became interested again, "What game?"

Lin Yuan had already customized the game with System and gathered everyone in the chat, "Come to my room, and if you're on the way, grab a deck of playing cards from the front desk."

"Does that mean we're playing cards?"

"Let's go, card games!"

"I'll have someone send over a deck of playing cards!"

Everyone prepared to head to Lin Yuan's room to play cards.

Meanwhile, director Tong Shuwen suddenly said in the group, "Why don't we film some daily life footage first? You guys play your game, and we won't disturb you."

Of course, no one objected.

Minutes later, everyone gathered in Lin Yuan's room.

Tong Shuwen and the editor arrived with a cameraman to start filming.

"What shall we play?"

"How about 'Landlords'?"

"I'm good at that!"

"But don't we have too many people?" "Should we split into two groups?" There was a chattering discussion among everyone. Blue Star also had a card game version of 'Landlords.' But Lin Yuan asked for the playing cards, not to play cards with everyone. First, there were too many people; 'Landlords' is best suited for three or four players. And second, playing cards was too common; he wanted to introduce something different. Thus, Lin Yuan asked, "Does anyone have a pen?" Xia Fan inquired, "What do you need a pen for? I have one." Lin Yuan took the pen without answering and casually drew seven playing cards, then wrote on their faces: Werewolf. Villager. Guardian. Prophet. He wrote "Werewolf" on two black number cards. Then he wrote "Villager" on two red number cards. On the King card, he wrote "Prophet," and the Queen card became the "Guardian." Everyone curiously watched Lin Yuan write on the cards. Beside them, director Tong Shuwen subconsciously glanced at editor Zhu Lei, "What kind of playing card game is this?" Zhu Lei shook her head, "Never seen this before, but there are many variations of card games. It's normal for us not to know this one."

Neither of them had seen it before.

Nor had any of the Yu Dynasty members:

"Werewolf?"

"Villager?"

"Guardian?"

"What do you mean?"

Faced with everyone's curiosity and confusion, Lin Yuan began to explain, "This game is called 'Werewolf Kill."

That's right.

"Prophet?"

Lin Yuan had no intention of playing poker with everyone; he wanted to teach them how to play Werewolf Kill.

This world didn't have the game Werewolf Kill, and naturally, there were no corresponding cards for it, so he had to use poker cards as a substitute. All he needed to do was write the corresponding characters on the cards. After all, the backs of these cards were all the same.

"How do you play?" everyone asked.

Lin Yuan said, "This game is called Werewolf Kill. Six people can play, seven people can too, even eight or nine or even more can join in. But we only have seven people. I'll be the judge to let everyone get the hang of it, so we'll start with the simplest six-player game first. The werewolves represent the villain camp, the villagers represent the good camp, and the prophet is someone who can check everyone's identity at night..."

Lin Yuan explained the rules of the game.

When he finished, Jiang Kui was still confused, "What does that mean?"

Sun Yaohuo's eyes lit up, "It's a detective-style board game, you can think of it as finding the 'undercover'!"

Chen Zhiyu was eager, "Simply put, the werewolves hide among the villagers, relying on killing villagers at night and inducing the villagers to vote incorrectly during the day as a means of victory. The villagers need to identify the real prophet and follow the prophet to vote out the werewolves. The key to this game is in the speaking and it really tests the player's logic!"

"It's not too complicated."

"I think I get it now."

Wei Haoyun and Zhao Ying Ge spoke up.

Lin Yuan smiled and said, "You'll have a clear idea after playing a round. Now I'll deal the cards, and everyone just follows my instructions."

After dealing the cards.

Lin Yuan asked everyone to confirm their identities and then became serious, his voice also taking on a grave tone:

"Night falls, please close your eyes..."

With just six people playing Werewolf Kill and only two special cards, everyone became completely familiar with the gameplay after playing a couple of rounds.

Half an hour later.

"Oh my!"

"This is so much fun!"

"It's way more interesting than playing cards!"

"The gameplay is so engaging!"

"How did I not know about this game before?"

"Let's not talk anymore, we're going to play all night tonight!"

After several rounds.

Everyone was totally hooked!

Even Tong Shuwen and Zhu Lei, who had been watching from the side, were enjoying watching it.

"What a cunning game design!"

Tong Shuwen was moved; he even wanted to join in. After all, he had been watching for half an hour and had understood the rules.

Beside Tong Shuwen.

Director Zhu Lei wondered, "Why haven't we heard about such a fun game before? It seems like this interesting game should catch on very easily. It's perfect for playing with friends at gatherings..."

Turning around.

Lin Yuan looked at Tong Shuwen and Zhu Lei: "Why don't you join in too? We can add some new roles now..."

Another half hour passed.

Tong Shuwen and Zhu Lei were addicted too!

This game was indeed very easy to get hooked on, especially when playing with acquaintances!

After playing for several hours, everyone was still not satisfied. However, Tong Shuwen was rational enough to call a halt:

"Let's rest, everyone. We still have to record the show tomorrow."

Everyone was reluctant to stop, "One more round, the last one. It won't delay the recording. Aren't you recording right now?"

Tong Shuwen couldn't help but smile wryly.

Zhu Lei then turned to Lin Yuan, voicing the question on her mind, "Teacher Admirable Fish, where did you learn this game?"

"I invented it."

Lin Yuan claimed, without a hint of embarrassment, to be the inventor of the Werewolf Kill game in Blue Star.

With his background as a game designer, developing a game such as Werewolf Kill did not seem out of place.

Instantly!

The room fell silent!

Everyone was dumbfounded!

Everyone had thought that Lin Yuan had learned the game from somewhere else, so they didn't give it much thought. To their utter surprise, he had designed the game himself!

"That's amazing!"

"He designed it himself!?"

"I almost forgot that he's the designer of 'PlayerUnknown's Battlegrounds!"

"And the Chicken Dinner game!"

"Does that mean we're the first players of Werewolf Kill?"

"This game is definitely going to be a hit, it's so much fun!"

Sun Yaohuo seized the business opportunity at once, "I'm going to register the trademark tonight. Our Lin Yuan-Yao Huo Games' new project will be 'Werewolf Kill!'"

Crap!

This is a game designed by Admirable Fish himself!?

Tong Shuwen and Zhu Lei exchanged a glance, both seeing the thrill in each other's eyes.

Material!

This material absolutely had to be used!

Admirable Fish had come up with an incredibly fun game during the first episode of "Fish Walking with You!"

Both were ecstatic!

Tonight's filming had just been for fun.

But they never expected that even a game played in the Yu Dynasty could yield such incredible results!

On the first episode of the game, Admirable Fish had demonstrated his excellent ability as a game designer!

They could already imagine how many viewers would be captivated by Werewolf Kill after the first episode aired!

Once Werewolf Kill caught on, the first hot topic of "Fish Walking with You" would be successfully created!

Tong Shuwen already had the idea for the script!

Record a special episode for the first show, introducing the rules of Werewolf Kill, then showing clips of everyone playing Werewolf Kill, picking the most exciting round!

It was a win-win!

It would create a topic for the show and help promote the game Werewolf Kill to the public!

In that moment.

Tong Shuwen was already looking forward to the official recording results the next day!

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Chapter 1014 - 1014: 939 chapter Real Version of Werewolf Kill

Until they got up the next day, everyone was still enthusiastically talking about "Werewolf."

"Jiang Kui is so bad at it!"

Zhao Ying Ge teased, "The statement 'I am a good person' is just hilarious!"

Jiang Kui replied irritably, "You're great, huh? I don't know who was the one getting ganged up on last night, pitifully saying: 'I've been following the good people all along, why are you suspecting me?'"

She cleared her throat.

Zhao Ying Ge changed the target, "We're all newbies, we all had our moments, didn't Chen Zhiyu also say: 'Good people should step back, let the real prophet contest with me?'"

" ..."

Chen Zhiyu quietly said, "Madam Haoyun's statement was the classic: 'I'm a villager, why don't you good people believe me!'"

Xia Fan burst out laughing, "You guys are so bad, I hardly lost last night!"

Everyone glared at Xia Fan, "You're embarrassing yourself mentioning that. There was a game where you were the first to speak, and you blurted out: 'Last night was Christmas Eve, I suspect the witch saved someone, or maybe the guard just happened to protect No. 1'; you not only revealed your own role but also inadvertently confirmed a solid good person for everyone. In the end, you won just by lying low!"

They called it a game review.

But it was actually everyone exposing each other's blunders.

Talking and talking, everyone ended up laughing.

Since everyone was a newbie, there were many hilarious statements last night, and many exploded as wolves the moment they spoke.

But this did not affect everyone's interest in the game at all.

At this moment.

The production team appeared.

The director came out holding a box, "Next, you all need to draw your own tasks."

"Tasks?"

Everyone curiously asked, "Are we going to different places?"

Tong Shuwen did not answer but smiled and looked at everyone, "Start drawing the lots."

Lin Yuan was the first to draw.

Others followed suit.

After drawing the lots, everyone had different expressions.

Zhao Ying Ge bit her lip and turned to look at Jiang Kui, "What's yours?"

Jiang Kui smiled and said, "Working at a coffee shop. Looks like I'm gonna be a coffee shop girl today, how about you?"

Zhao Ying Ge smiled in return, "Almost the same as yours, working in a clothing store. What about everyone else, tell us your tasks."

Chen Zhiyu said, "I am a good person."

Everyone burst into laughter.

Jiang Kui's face darkened. It was her blunder from last night's Werewolf, "Have you gone nuts playing Werewolf? Be serious!"

Chen Zhiyu shrugged, "Bookstore clerk."

Sun Yaohuo chimed in, "Why are we all clerks? I'm different, I have to sing on the streets."

Xia Fan sighed, "I'm so envious of you guys, your tasks are so easy. I have to be a kindergarten teacher for a day. I have many younger brothers and sisters at home, so I know very well that taking care of kids is a real headache. Director, is there anyone here who likes kids and wants to swap with me?"

Tong Shuwen nodded, "As long as both parties agree."

Wei Haoyun grimaced at Xia Fan, "I have to hand out flyers on the street, shall we swap?"

Upon hearing this, Xia Fan quickly shook his head. Handing out flyers was too exhausting, "It's a bit hot today, I definitely won't swap with you. What about you?"

Xia Fan looked towards Lin Yuan.

Lin Yuan responded without changing his expression, "I'm going to be an internet café manager."

Xia Fan was thrilled upon hearing this, "Swap, swap, swap, I'll be the manager!"

"Alright then."

Lin Yuan and Xia Fan exchanged their task cards.

Meanwhile.

Jiang Kui's eyes suddenly lit up, "We can swap too? Zhao Ying Ge, do you want to swap with me? I don't really like coffee, I prefer tea."

"That so."

Zhao Ying Ge sighed, obviously reluctant, "Then you go sell clothes, I'll be the coffee shop girl."

During their conversation.

The two exchanged each other's task cards.

Elsewhere.

Sun Yaohuo and Chen Zhiyu looked at each other, "Shall we swap?"

"Swap!"

Their demands were very consistent.

Chen Zhiyu said, "I love singing, whether it's on the streets or on stage."

Sun Yaohuo then chimed in, "I was okay with it too, but my throat wasn't feeling great today, so I wanted to work in a bookstore."

What a coincidence.

It seemed everyone preferred someone else's job.

However,

when Jiang Kui was the first to unfold her task card, her mind immediately collapsed!

Jiang Kui angrily pointed at Zhao Ying Ge, "You big liar, you said you'd be working in a clothing store, but this task card clearly says you have to go work as a domestic helper at someone's house!"

Clothing store...

Domestic helper...

Are these two even the same concept?

Everyone burst out laughing, "Jiang Kui, you got tricked by Zhao Ying Ge several rounds last night playing Werewolf, and you still fell for it today? Zhao Ying Ge, you really love picking on the honest Jiang Kui."

"She's honest!?"

Zhao Ying Ge's face showed no pride as she huffily revealed Jiang Kui's task card, "Look at her job, it's not working in a cafe at all, but being a sanitation worker on the street!"

Everyone: "..."

Oddly, no one laughed this time.

Suddenly, everyone had an ominous premonition.

Sun Yaohuo quickly looked at the task card he had exchanged with Chen Zhiyu and then gritted his teeth, "Chen Zhiyu, dammit, you're clearly supposed to be a delivery guy, but you tricked me into thinking you were working in a bookstore?"

"Don't act dumb!"

Chen Zhiyu also looked at the task card Sun Yaohuo handed him, and he was even angrier than Sun Yaohuo, his eyes turning red, "Damn it, you're supposed to be a worker cleaning windows on high-rise buildings!"

"Cough."

Sun Yaohuo sheepishly said, "All's fair in love and war."

"Is anyone more miserable than me!?"

Xia Fan suddenly glared fiercely at Lin Yuan, "Lin Yuan isn't supposed to be a cyber cafe manager at all; he's a restaurant sous-chef mainly responsible for washing vegetables and dishes. Now I have to go to the hotel to work as a sous-chef, and he's off to kindergarten to take care of children!"

Everyone stared at Lin Yuan wide-eyed.

Who knew you were such a character, Teacher Admirable Fish?

Lin Yuan guiltily suggested, "Shall we switch back?"

The director, Tong Shuwen, who had been stifling his laughter, immediately quashed that idea, "Once tasks are exchanged, they cannot be changed. Everyone, please complete the tasks on your cards. This will determine tonight's dinner, because the highest wage designed by the production team is the same for everyone. Thus, the highest earner will enjoy a luxurious feast, the second highest will enjoy a gournet meal, and so on down the line, with the lowest earner getting no dinner tonight."

What a cruel production team!

Everyone was nearly in tears.

None of these jobs are easy!

Compared to them, Wei Haoyun handing out flyers on the street was really comfortable work!

Wei Haoyun looked around blankly at everyone.

She felt like they had just played another round of Werewolf.

Except for herself and Xia Fan, everyone else was a ruthless, blood-stained wolf!

"Madam Haoyun, I am convinced!"

Everyone couldn't help but give Wei Haoyun a thumbs-up.

Because she told the truth without any allure, no one wanted to exchange task cards with Wei Haoyun.

As a result,

everyone had fallen into a trap accidentally!

Perhaps Lin Yuan's luck wasn't too bad either; he successfully fooled Xia Fan and went from being a hotel sous-chef to a kindergarten teacher.

Indeed,

being a teacher sounds a bit easier, doesn't it?

The writer "Zhu Lei," who was nearby, was already bending over with laughter!

She, along with director Tong Shuwen, sat in a godly perspective watching everyone's performance, only to witness a real-life bloodbath version of Werewolf within the Yu Dynasty. This group was truly ruthless when backstabbing each other!

You see.

the show was unscripted!

Everyone's reaction was completely genuine!

Tong Shuwen was thrilled; this group was so good at playing the game that the show's impact had skyrocketed instantly!

So this was the real face of the Yu Dynasty!

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"Has Teacher Admirable Fish ever had experience with children?"

"No."

"Do you have confidence handling this job?"

"No problem."

Lin Yuan felt quite confident.

How hard could it be to handle children?

At this moment, the Yu Dynasty had already headed towards their designated locations.

Lin Yuan sat in a car headed for Beihai Kindergarten, with director Tong Shuwen accompanying him, constantly steering the conversation.

The staff accompanying the other members of the Yu Dynasty also didn't need to appear on camera; steering the conversation was enough.

Twenty minutes later.

Lin Yuan arrived at the destination: "Beihai Kindergarten?"

Lin Yuan read out the name of the kindergarten.

At that moment.

The security guard opened the gate.

The principal of the kindergarten appeared.

She was an aunty in her forties and started hurrying Lin Yuan as soon as she saw him: "You must be the new teacher at our kindergarten. Wash your hands before you come in, and hurry up, the children are all waiting for you."

The reality show had made arrangements in advance.

The kindergarten principal had been informed by the crew:

She must treat Admirable Fish like an ordinary person and not give any preferential treatment because he's a celebrity or because she's his fan.

On the contrary.

Because they were facing a celebrity, the principal needed to be even stricter.

Since the reality show was short, the crew hoped the celebrities would experience the hardships of different professions in a short time.

Not just the kindergarten.

The work that other members of the Yu Dynasty faced would also be treated quite strictly; it would be hard for them to enjoy the benefit of celebrity status.

Lin Yuan didn't notice anything off.

He couldn't even think of all these complexities; he was just thinking about how to do his job well today and earnestly replied, "Okay."

Soon.

He entered the classroom.

It was a kindergarten middle grade class.

The class had a total of twenty-five children.

According to the principal's introduction, the children were all aged from four to five years.

At that time.

The children were chattering loudly in the classroom, making it very noisy.

"Everybody quiet down."

The principal appeared and her words quickly quieted the children a lot: "Let me introduce you all, this is Teacher Admirable Fish. He will be teaching you today."

"Hello, Teacher Admirable Fish."

The children's young voices rose.

Xia Fan said children were hard to handle, but that's nonsense, looking at these children, they all seem so sensible and polite.

"Hello everyone."

Lin Yuan smiled.

The principal turned to Lin Yuan and said, "The schedule is on the wall; you need to follow the schedule to teach. We will base your pay on your job performance."

Lin Yuan nodded, then glanced at the schedule.

It was now seven fifty, and the next hour was indoor hobby teaching time where the teacher needed to organize activities for the children to cultivate their interests.

"The rest is up to you."

The principal spoke and then turned and left.

Lin Yuan's smile remained on his face, just about to speak, but the children started making noise again, louder than before, and the classroom discipline was a mess:

"What kind of fish is Admirable Fish?"

"Do you know many kinds of fish?"

"I know about great white sharks!"

"I know about goldfish!"

"I know about salmon!"

"Salmon doesn't taste good!"

"I know about a big turtle!"

"A big turtle is not a fish!"

Lin Yuan felt he was too 'fishful' (surplus).

It turns out it was the principal who had pacified these children.

As soon as the principal left, the children immediately ignored Lin Yuan.

All the kids were red in the face arguing about who knew more about fish, and Lin Yuan's authority as a teacher was completely gone.

Nearby.

The cameraman was snickering.

This is what makes kindergarten interesting.

Scholars met soldiers here.

The children didn't care how impressive Admirable Fish was.

They had no concept of that and would ignore you if they said so.

"Everyone, listen to me..."

"Everyone quiet down..."

"Children should be good..."

"We are going to start our lesson..."

Lin Yuan tried to imitate the principal's words to calm everyone down, but no one was scared of him.

Even though he intentionally made his tone more stern, most of the children still chatted amongst themselves.

However, a few well-behaved children did try to interact with Lin Yuan, but they were quickly led astray by the more mischievous ones.

"..."

Lin Yuan finally realized the seriousness of the problem.

It seemed that being a teacher in a kindergarten wasn't an easy job after all, no wonder Xia Fan wanted to switch jobs with him.

For a full five minutes.

He still couldn't control the discipline.

The cameraman captured Lin Yuan's frustrated expression with a close-up shot.

The utter helplessness.

Probably no one anticipated that a figure like Maestro Admirable Fish would face such a situation today.

Outside the classroom.

The principal quietly observed the situation inside through the glass, then chuckled:

"Is this really okay, giving the most difficult class to a novice teacher like Teacher Admirable Fish..."

"If he can't handle it, just fire him."

Tong Shuwen spoke nonchalantly with a smile.

These kids were selected little 'mischief-makers' specifically to let Admirable Fish experience a sense of hopelessness he could never normally comprehend.

She had already planned the post-production.

It would feature an exaggerated cartoonish portrayal of the kids causing utter chaos and Admirable Fish silently shedding tears.

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What should I do?

Lin Yuan considered his strategies.

The boy closest to him began to gesture wildly, telling the girl next to him with pigtails:

"You haven't even seen a shark, huh? Sharks are this big, bigger than you!"

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The little girl looked at the boy differently now.

At that moment,

Lin Yuan felt inspired and directly engaged in the children's conversation, "Would you like Teacher Admirable Fish to show you some fish?"

Eh?

The children exclaimed excitedly, "Yes!"

But the boy in the front row doubted, "Where are there any fish here?"

Lin Yuan took out some chalk, smiling, "Teacher Admirable Fish will draw them for you to see."

"Teacher Admirable Fish is cheating!"

"Drawings are fake!"

"We want to see real fish!"

The children were displeased, their faces filled with disappointment, feeling deceived.

Lin Yuan remained silent and simply started drawing on the classroom blackboard with chalk.

He possessed Master Level painting skills.

Even a casual sketch was of a remarkable standard.

Soon, a cartoon version of a beautiful goldfish was drawn by Lin Yuan.

The children's eyes widened in amazement!

This teacher's drawing is so lifelike!

For a moment, the little classroom quieted down significantly.

Lin Yuan continued to draw, everything they had just talked about—little carps, big turtles, and even great sharks, and so on and so forth...

Lin Yuan drew them all.

After finishing, Lin Yuan noticed that the children were all enthusiastically staring at the blackboard, and their chatting had quieted down significantly.

Things had finally calmed down a bit.

Lin Yuan seized this opportunity to interact with the children, pointing to the first drawing and asking everyone:

"What fish is this?"

"Goldfish!"

"Very smart, and this one?"

"This is a turtle, I have a little turtle at home!"

"That's great, and this one?"

"Shark, shark!"

The boy who just claimed to have seen a shark eagerly answered:

"Teacher drew a shark!"

"What about this one, does anyone know what it is?"

Lin Yuan then drew another creature.

A girl in the back suddenly raised her hand:

"It's a dolphin, my mom and dad took me to see a dolphin show!"

"Correct, this is a dolphin, you kids know a lot."

"The teacher draws so well!"

The girl, who was somewhat introverted, said with a flushed face.

Lin Yuan smiled slightly, "Teacher has a friend called Shadow who is very skilled in drawing. Teacher learned from him. Would you all like to learn?"

"Yes!"

"Then I'll start by teaching you all how to draw the simplest goldfish. It's easy to learn, don't believe me? Who wants to come up and try?"

"Me, me, me, me!"

The shark boy was the most eager.

Lin Yuan nodded, "Then come up here, I'll teach you."

Hmm.

Lin Yuan had never imagined that one day he would use the Teacher's Halo to teach children how to sketch the simplest drawings.

The boy learned from Lin Yuan for about three minutes.

Three minutes later.

He had drawn a lifelike little goldfish on the blackboard!

At that point.

The other children grew excited too, all wanting to create such beautiful drawings:

"I want to learn too!"

"Let me try!"

"Teach me, teach me!" Lin Yuan silently summoned the System: "Can the Teacher's Halo only be used one-on-one?" "It can teach multiple people at the same time, but the effect will be divided." "That's enough." It's just the simplest sketches. Lin Yuan immediately began drawing with the children. As a result, By the end of the lesson, The children had all drawn very decent goldfish in their notebooks! "How's my drawing?" "Mine is better!" "Mine looks the nicest!" Four and five-year-old children liked to compete over such matters, each one proudly showing off their work, feeling a great sense of achievement. Meanwhile, Lin Yuan, as a teacher, had already begun to get a good handle on the classroom. . . . Outside the classroom, the kindergarten principal, who had been secretly observing, was incredibly surprised.

The children aren't causing trouble anymore?

She smiled and said, "Who would have thought that Teacher Admirable Fish could also draw? Learning to draw with him, the children have become much more well-behaved."

Of course.

Since they were all simple sketches, the kindergarten teachers were not too shocked.

Adults with a bit of training could also produce decent results in simple drawings meant for young children.

Director Tong Shuwen followed up with a smile, "Teacher Admirable Fish works part-time in film creation and game design, so it's normal for him to know how to draw. Plus, he's good friends with Shadow, just as he said, simply learning a bit from him could achieve this level."

"This level isn't low!

The principal commented, "Anyway, it's better than what our kindergarten art teachers can draw."

Tong Shuwen nodded.

What actually surprised him was:

Under Lin Yuan's guidance, the children had also managed to produce quite impressive drawings.

If the children hadn't produced good results, the atmosphere wouldn't be as good as it was now.

It was purely because everyone really learned how to draw goldfish from Lin Yuan, creating a great sense of achievement, thus the classroom atmosphere was so positive.

Interesting!

He designed games last night.

Today, he's teaching children how to draw.

Teacher Admirable Fish seems to have many skills, no wonder he holds so many side jobs. It seems this program needs to explore Teacher Admirable Fish's various skills thoroughly.

The program's effects could be of two kinds.

One is showing off skills, completely overpowering in strength.

The other is various setbacks, being terribly trapped by the program group.

Tong Shuwen originally wanted to see Lin Yuan face setbacks in the kindergarten, but for the first lesson, Admirable Fish succeeded, even performing better than typical kindergarten teachers.

This was quite unexpected for Tong Shuwen.

Of course, this kind of program effect is also very good, even more spectacular than facing setbacks!

Because at this moment, other members of the Yu Dynasty were probably facing various setbacks, the contrast with Admirable Fish also brought a sense of novelty.

However...

This was just the first lesson.

Children are difficult to manage; anyone who has experience with children would deeply understand this.

Let's see how Admirable Fish copes going forward, he turned his head and asked the principal:

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"What's next class?"

"Play."

"Huh?"

"Kindergarten, isn't it all about playing?"

"What specifically?"

"Outdoor play."

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Indeed, the second class was outdoor play.

The teacher was to lead the children to play games outside.

Though it was said to be outside,

it was actually still within the small playground of the kindergarten.

Lin Yuan led the children to the playground, and everyone quickly started frolicking and chasing each other.

"Don't run around everyone!"

It's in children's nature to be rowdy.

Lin Yuan had taken the first class in control.

In the second class, the children showed their true colors, again joyfully forgetting themselves as two of them even started wrestling.

"Be careful!"

"Hey!"

"Big Shark, why are you pulling the little girl's braids!"

"Teacher, I'm not called Big Shark, I'm called Skipper!"

Well, you're really jumping around.

Lin Yuan felt like an old mother, constantly nagging:

"So, Skipper, can you get everyone to play a game together?"

"I don't want to play games!"

Skipper shook his head: "It's always the same few games!"

"Like what?"

"Playing house!"

"Throwing snowballs!"

"Hide and seek!"

"Eagle catches chicks!"

A crowd of children chimed in. There seemed to be a variety of games, but everyone seemed to be tired of them, showing no enthusiasm to participate.

This won't do.

Lin Yuan needed to earn his salary.

Allowing everyone to play messily was not only risky but would also affect Lin Yuan's performance evaluation.

He had to organize everyone to play a game to fulfill the task of this outdoor class.

Thus,

Lin Yuan called out again: "Skipper!"

Skipper spoke: "Teacher, just call me Big Shark, it sounds cooler!"

Lin Yuan shook his head: "Only the best player can be called Big Shark!"

Skipper got anxious: "I'm really good at playing games!"

Lin Yuan gently persuaded: "So are you good at playing the 'dropping the handkerchief' game?"

"What is 'dropping the handkerchief'?"

Although Blue Star was very similar to Earth, this world did not have the game of "dropping the handkerchief."

Lin Yuan seriously said, "This is a game invented by the teacher, more interesting than those you have played before. Want to try it?"

"Play it! If I win, then I am Big Shark!"

Skipper seemed to be a prominent figure in the class; if he wanted to play, everyone else wanted to as well.

"Very good."

Lin Yuan organized everyone to play the "dropping the handkerchief" game: "During the game, everyone must sing together!"

"Sing what?"

"A song written by the teacher. I'll teach you now, it's very easy, follow me..."

Lin Yuan activated his Teacher's Halo, singing:

"Drop the handkerchief, drop the handkerchief, quietly place it behind a little friend, don't tell him, hurry up, hurry up, and catch him..."

This "Drop the Handkerchief" was a classic children's song on Earth.

Just three or four lines.

With Lin Yuan's Teacher's Halo, everyone could learn it in a few minutes.

The game hadn't even started yet.

A group of children had already joyfully begun to sing.

For children, learning a new nursery rhyme was also a fulfilling accomplishment.

Some children already decided:

Tonight when they go home, they will brag to their parents about their painted little goldfish, and the song they just learned!

Now everyone looked at Lin Yuan with even more approval.

This teacher is so fun!

And with this approval, everyone started to listen to Lin Yuan.

"All right, now the whole class form a circle, everyone close your eyes, Skipper, you carry this handkerchief and walk around the circle, you can secretly drop the handkerchief behind someone, others pay attention to check your back, if you find a handkerchief behind you, pick it up immediately and chase Skipper, slap him once you catch him, Skipper you have to try to run a full circle and sit in the spot of the person you dropped it behind, if you get slapped, you lose..."

Lin Yuan explained the rules of the "dropping the handkerchief" game.

A nursery rhyme never heard before;

A game never played on Blue Star!

Soon, the children were completely engrossed in this interesting little game, even if they were sitting the whole time, no one felt bored.

Everyone felt engaged.

This outdoor class resonated with laughter and cheers!

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In the distance.

Tong Shuwen was dumbfounded again.

The kindergarten principal also stared blankly.

They thought this class would be hard for Lin Yuan to manage the playful hearts of the children.

But it turned out to be a "never expected" situation!

Xian Yu had too many tricks up their sleeves, huh?

Everyone didn't like playing games, and he just designed a new game for everyone to play?

And to boost interest, he even composed a nursery rhyme called "Drop the Handkerchief" for this game?

Nursery rhymes.

Small games.

Actually, for Xian Yu, these weren't very remarkable feats.

He was a Maestro, wasn't composing nursery rhymes easy?

He was also a game designer; designing small games wasn't difficult, although this small game was different from computer games, it was still a game after all.

The real problem was...

This task was suddenly given to Lin Yuan!

Xian Yu's performance as a kindergarten teacher was all improvised!

Why did he do so well?

The production team originally wanted to film Xian Yu in front of children, all flustered and stressed.

But...

Xian Yu was continuously showing off!

It seemed like the production team's task wasn't challenging for him at all!

Tong Shuwen could see very clearly that the principal rated Xian Yu's performance in these two classes with full marks!

Fortunately.

Though Xian Yu's performance was completely opposite to what the production team initially intended, in terms of program effect, it turned out to be even more spectacular.

"What's next class?"

"Music class."

"..."

Good grief, letting Maestro teach music class to kindergarten kids?

A Maestro from Blue Star who could instantly compose a popular children's song for a game, could possibly be challenged by a kindergarten music class?

No need to say.

Next class would be like giving away free points.

Unless professional players were banned!

ps: Promoting a fellow kindergartener's new book "This Celebrity Really Wants to Retire," judging by the name it's about entertainment, definitely going to be a great read, besides this person being short and not as handsome as me, all other aspects are pretty good, find the direct link below.

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Each class had a break in between as a rest period.

Rest time.

Lin Yuan drank half a bottle of water.

Don't be fooled by his seemingly effortless handling.

In reality, leading children was truly exhausting, requiring constant communication with them.

After two classes, Lin Yuan's throat was already dry.

And this was when the children had gradually become more willing to listen.

If Lin Yuan hadn't made the children take a liking to this new teacher within two classes, the task would have been even more tiring.

But the break was only ten minutes long.

The children seemed to have boundless energy.

Even though outdoor activities had tired Skipper and the other kids out, as soon as the third class began, everyone was lively and spirited again!

It's worth mentioning...

The situation was completely different from the first two classes.

In the first two classes,

Lin Yuan had to use countless words, and even rely on the influence of students like Skipper, to organize the discipline.

But in this third class,

as soon as the class bell rang, everyone sat down neatly in their places, all looking sweet and innocent, but their eyes turned toward Lin Yuan, filled with inexplicable anticipation!

This new teacher was so much fun!

Together with him, they learned how to draw a little goldfish, they picked up a new song, and they even mastered a new game!

This brought endless fun to everyone!

That was why everyone became more behaved in the third class.

Because they were all looking forward to the third class, even the usually precious break time was dismissed in the hopes that the new lesson would start quickly.

Even so...

Even Skipper, who loved to be naughty, was also looking well-behaved at the moment, but his mouth couldn't keep still:

"Teacher Admirable Fish, what are we playing this class?"

"What do you want to play?"

Lin Yuan of course knew this was a music class, but he had now mastered certain teaching techniques, namely guiding the children through their own topics of discussion.

After thinking it over, the students exclaimed in unison: "Drawing!"

Lin Yuan nodded, "Alright, I'll draw an animal, and you guess what animal it is."

While speaking,

Lin Yuan drew a cartoon version of Two Tigers on the blackboard.

"Tiger!"

The children answered one after another.

Lin Yuan continued to ask, "Then do you notice what's different about these two tigers compared to ordinary tigers?"

Different?

The children began to observe keenly.

Skipper shouted excitedly, "The tiger on the left doesn't have ears!"

The little girl next to Skipper was reminded, "The tiger on the right is missing a tail!"

"You observed very closely."

Lin Yuan complimented, then changed the subject, "How about I make up a song with these two tigers, and we'll call it 'Two Tigers'?"

"You can make up songs?"

The children's interest was piqued, "Teacher, make it up quickly!"

Lin Yuan pretended to think, and after a few seconds, he sang out loud and clear:

"Two tigers, two tigers, running fast, one without ears, one without a tail, really strange, really strange!"

It was a nursery rhyme.

Just a few lines of lyrics.

The children, watching the drawing and listening to the song, learned it in no time!

"Teacher, you're amazing!"

"You're amazing too, because I heard that some of you can already sing it. Xiaoqing, sing it for everyone!"

Xiaoqing was the name of a child.

After two classes, Lin Yuan had remembered quite a few names.

Xiaoqing, happy to be called on, stood up and sang immediately.

The other children, not wanting to be outdone, sang along, and it turned into a class-wide chorus.

"Is it fun?"

"Fun!"

"How about I give you all an even more fun song?"

"Yes!"

This music class was a novelty!

Lin Yuan sang with a cheerful voice: "I have a little donkey I never ride, one day I whimsically rode it to the market, with a small whip in my hand I was quite proud, but out of the blue splash, splash, I fell down in the mud..."

When he came to the last line, Lin Yuan deliberately made his voice comical.

"Hahaha!"

The children burst into laughter.

Skipper wished he could perform on the spot, making faces and joking: "Teacher Admirable Fish fell with a butt squat!"

Lin Yuan glared at him: "If you can sing, then laugh?"

Skipper couldn't resist the challenge: "Of course I can sing, it's so simple, I have a little donkey I never ride..."

He really knew the song.

And it was a second round of class-wide singing, everyone stood up to sing.

The Teacher's Halo really worked wonders to teach nursery rhymes; everyone could basically learn them after hearing them just once.

However,

one child even purposefully pulled out another child's chair, causing that child to nearly fall when sitting down.

The two immediately started arguing and shoving each other.

Lin Yuan sternly spoke, "You two are classmates, and even desk mates, and most importantly friends. Friends should love and care for each other. Wang Han, you shouldn't bully your own desk mate."

"Teacher, I was wrong..."

Wang Han started, with an aggrieved tone.

Hearing this, his deskmate also felt somewhat embarrassed to continue causing trouble. Child's play like this happens often; their moods are like the weather, turning bad quickly but also clearing up just as fast.

"The next song is about teaching everyone to be united in friendship. It's called 'Find Friends."

Lin Yuan began to sing, "Search and search for friends, find a good friend, salute and shake hands, you are my good friend..."

"You two salute and shake hands."

Skipper, after listening to the song, played the role of peacemaker between the two like a big brother.

The two shook hands and saluted amid laughter from their classmates, then joined in with everyone's silly laughter.

"Wow, classmate Wang Han has a very standard salute!"

With a single compliment from Lin Yuan, Wang Han beamed with pride, saying, "My daddy is a policeman, I learned from him!"

"Impressive!"

Lin Yuan said, "Then you should learn from your daddy. Policemen protect ordinary people. You should also protect your classmates, not bully them."

"Teacher, I got it, I'll protect everyone from now on!"

Wang Han's voice was very loud and clear.

Lin Yuan then turned to the others, "Policemen help us. If we have difficulties, we can go to them. Do you all know that you can also hand over money you find outside to the police uncle?"

Skipper said, "Teacher Little Wang has told us that before, we must not covet what is not ours!"

Lin Yuan nodded, "That's correct. I have a song here that teaches everyone the spirit of not coveting what is not ours."

"Is it another one you composed?"

"Yes, this song is called 'One Yuan.""

Lin Yuan slightly tweaked the name of the nursery rhyme—after all, there were no pennies on Blue Star:

"I found one yuan by the roadside, turned it over to the police uncle's hands. Uncle holding the money, nodded at me, I happily said: Uncle, goodbye!"

In the classroom.

Everyone got it with just one listen.

The kids didn't know how many times they had sung it together!

During the singing, everyone's faces were filled with endless joy and amazement!

At that moment.

They had completely fallen for the new Teacher Admirable Fish!

Meanwhile.

The cameraman shooting the scene was dumbfounded.

Is this...

Is this the Maestro...

Is this what a professional gamer looks like...

How many original children's songs is that now...

Whatever topic comes up, he instantly bursts into a song...

The tunes are catchy! The lessons are educational! Both maxed out! Each song was so accessible and easy-to-understand, and the few that followed were not only full of positive energy but left a lasting impression! Outside the door. The secretly listening kindergarten principal, as well as the director Tong Shuwen, were completely flabbergasted! They looked at each other and saw the shock and awe in each other's eyes! Is this really a music class? A music teacher composing original songs throughout the class? Could Admirable Fish have some misunderstanding about music classes? "Crazy!" Tong Shuwen's heart was in turmoil! He knew that with Admirable Fish's level, this music class was definitely a major highlight! Maestro giving a music lesson to kindergarten kids—this idea alone was filled with gimmicks! However. Tong Shuwen never imagined this music class would be more than just a major highlight! Broadcasting this portion would undoubtedly stun countless people! In Admirable Fish's strongest field, he totally upstaged all music classes in kindergartens across Blue Star! Children's songs! Children's songs! And more children's songs! Heaven knows how many high-quality children's songs Lin Yuan wrote in this music class!

What does it look like when Maestro gives a music lesson to kindergarten kids?

It looks exactly like this moment!

It's beyond what you could ever imagine!

The kindergarten principal was both excited and dismayed, "Oh my goodness, how are our other teachers going to teach after this..."

Making a game?

Create one yourself!

Music class?

Throw out a bunch of original children's songs!

Art?

Anything he drew came naturally!

Admirable Fish is a rookie kindergarten teacher?

Even the most skilled kindergarten teacher can't compete with him!

ps: The kindergarten plot will end in the next chapter, because I've often been told my writing is too fillery, and I am hesitant to write too much. So, if you guys like any plots, please give those chapters a lot of praise or leave a message saying it's good—it's like giving me compliments, so I know what you love to read~

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Finally.

The music class had ended.

Lin Yuan was parched once again.

Gulp gulp gulp.

He finished the remaining half bottle of water.

At that moment, the director appeared, "Time to eat."

Beihai Kindergarten was responsible for the children's lunch.

Lin Yuan would naturally have his meal at the kindergarten, which was just an ordinary simple meal.

At that time,

The children had stopped making a fuss.

Basically, whatever Lin Yuan said, everyone would try to follow instructions, without deliberately causing trouble anymore.

For instance, during post-meal activities,

Lin Yuan led everyone to review the nursery rhymes from the music class.

A group of children happily sang in unison in the playground.

Meanwhile,

Others from Yu Dynasty were also busy with their work.

But compared to Lin Yuan's ease, the others had a harder time.

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At the entrance of a certain neighborhood,

Jiang Kui, dressed in a housekeeping uniform and carrying various cleaning tools, was on the verge of tears,

"Ouch!"

"Didn't I clean two houses in the morning, why is there another one in the afternoon?"

"There's more!"

"Where is Building 7, Unit 1102?"

"I've circled around this community three times already."

"Finding the place is even harder than cleaning it." Meanwhile, A colleague joked, "Are you directionally challenged?" Jiang Kui denied it three times, "I'm not, I didn't, stop talking nonsense!" Well, She really was directionally challenged. Just then, Jiang Kui's phone rang. It was Zhao Ying Ge calling. As soon as the call connected, she heard an angry voice. On a certain street, Zhao Ying Ge, dressed in an orange sanitation worker's uniform and holding her phone, was furious, "Jiang Kui!" "You've caused me so much trouble!" "Do you know how hard it is for me!" "I'm cleaning the streets. If there's even a little bit of trash, the boss docks my pay!" "Can I be blamed for that?" "This is a major road!" "In the blink of an eye, there's trash and dust back on the pavement!" Zhao Ying Ge was drenched in sweat, Her hair was soaked and sticking to her face. It was mid-July. The temperature was very high.

Moreover, the constant flow of traffic as she swept made her nervously look around, fearing that some vehicle might not see her. In front of a certain building, High up on a suspended scaffold, Chen Zhiyu was shivering while cleaning windows, "I'm a bit afraid of heights." "Brother, brother, don't sway!" "I can't take it anymore, I'm getting dizzy!" "Damn it, Sun Yaohuo, I curse you to have no lunch!" "I should have never traded with him. Delivering packages is better than this!" "Ah!" "I can change the world, change myself..." Chen Zhiyu was working at heights. This job was scarier than sweeping the streets. At this moment, Chen Zhiyu deeply regretted his decision and had to sing loudly while working to dispel his fear. In a certain alley, Sun Yaohuo was preparing to carry a large box upstairs, "So heavy!" "This is an ergonomic chair, its weight is incomparable to ordinary chairs." "Eh?" "Where's the elevator?"

"Doesn't this community have an elevator?"

"Can you guys help me find where the elevator is?"

An employee laughed, "This community doesn't have an elevator, it's six floors in total."

Sun Yaohuo felt as if he had been struck by lightning, "This family lives on the sixth floor, and I have to climb up there with the delivery?"

Grinding his teeth,

Sun Yaohuo ferociously said,

"I'll just climb up. It's only six floors. For the sake of my salary, I'll endure the utmost hardships and become stronger!"

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Inside a certain restaurant,

Xia Fan was peeling the skin off a squid.

She was wearing gloves and a breathable plastic face mask,

Even her hair was covered with a disposable hat,

"You're too slow."

"Others processed three squids and you haven't even finished one."

"Forget it."

"Go back to washing dishes. And don't break any more, or you'll face pay deductions if you don't wash enough dishes."

"As for the plate you just broke, that's 10 yuan deducted from your salary."

The chef kept shaking his head, the restaurant owner kept shaking his head, Xia Fan mournfully said, "I'm never eating squid again in my life, why is this so hard to manage!"

"How about you handle pufferfish?"

Another female worker joked with a laugh.

Xia Fan quickly shook her head in fear, handling pufferfish would be a big problem.

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In a certain shopping mall,

Wei Haoyun was continuously handing out flyers,

"Hello!"

"Would you like to learn about our promotion?"

"Our store is having a promotion, up to 40% off!"

Many people in the mall took out their phones to take pictures.

Most passersby actively took the flyers from her.

In terms of the nature of work, Wei Haoyun was one of the more relaxed individuals; she said cheerfully,

"Everyone is so cooperative, I'm probably going to finish the task by 2:30 PM."

"Can we take a photo together?"

Another person took a flyer and then asked expectantly.

Wei Haoyun whispered, "We need to hurry, don't let the boss find out!"

Just then, the boss had to leave for some reason.

Madam Haoyun successfully had a photo taken with a fan without getting her pay docked, as if she were enveloped by a halo of luck.

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Back at the kindergarten.

At this time,

The naptime had arrived.

Lin Yuan instructed the children to go to bed for their afternoon nap.

The children were very cooperative,

Each of them lay on their respective beds in the kindergarten, their innocent eyes fixed on him.

On a bed in the middle,

Skipper suddenly spoke up,

"Teacher Admirable Fish, can you tell a story? Other teachers tell us stories during naptime."

Tell a story?

Lin Yuan smiled and asked, "What stories do other teachers tell you?"

"Stories from Fairytale Town!"

The children answered unanimously, then began clamoring:

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"Ugly Duckling!"

"Sleeping Beauty!"

"The Little Mermaid!"

"Snow White!"

"Shuke and Beta!"

"The King's New Clothes!"

"The Little Match Girl!"

Lin Yuan was taken aback.

This was the first time he had seen the influence of "Fairytale Town" among children.

He suddenly felt a strong sense of satisfaction.

His heart stirred slightly.

Lin Yuan smiled and said, "Do you know who wrote these fairy tales?"

The children shook their heads.

Everyone loved to read fairy tales, but most didn't pay attention to the authors.

However, just then,

Skipper got excited because he knew who the author was and blurted out excitedly,

"Old rascal!"

Lin Yuan's smile froze.

His sense of satisfaction collapsed in an instant.

Even the children were calling him "old rascal" now?

Seeing that Lin Yuan had not praised him as before, Skipper began to doubt himself:

"Teacher, did I say it wrong? This is what my dad told me, that all these fairy tales were written by the old rascal."

"Mm, you're not wrong, great white shark, well done."

Lin Yuan struggled to maintain a smile, "Next, the fairy tale I'm going to tell is called 'Peter Pan,' and the author is also this old rascal. However, nobody has heard this story because the teacher and the old rascal are good friends. So, the teacher had a sneak peek at this story before. How about I secretly share this story with everyone today?"

By the end of the last sentence,

Lin Yuan imitated Fan Wei's tone: "I don't tell ordinary people."

"Okay!"

The children were delighted, "Tell the story!"

"Once upon a time, there was a child named 'Peter Pan' who lived somewhere unknown in the skies of Fairytale Town. He was a child who would never grow up, and the people of Fairytale Town also called him 'Little Flying Man.' One day, Little Flying Man Peter Pan flew down to Fairytale Town and accidentally overheard a story about a prince and princess..."

Lin Yuan began to tell the fairy tale.

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The filming never stopped.

When Skipper shouted "old rascal," the cameraman almost burst into laughter.

Afterward,

Tong Shuwen and the kindergarten principal also had the corners of their mouths curved up.

Well, then.

The grand title of "old rascal" was even known by children!

This scene was very intriguing on camera.

After all, everyone knew that Chu Kuang and Xian Yu were good friends.

It was particularly dramatic for the children, innocent of the truth, to shout "old rascal" in front of Xian Yu.

However,

when Lin Yuan started telling the story of "Peter Pan," Tong Shuwen and others were stunned, their eyes widening in shock!

Chu Kuang?

Good gracious!

They seemed to have caught some incredible footage!

Tong Shuwen, suppressing the excitement in his heart, asked the staff member beside him with a slightly trembling voice:

"Is Peter Pan a character from the 'Fairytale Town' series by Chu Kuang?"

"I'll check it out!"

The staff member quickly pulled out his phone.

The kindergarten principal suddenly spoke up, "No need to search, haven't you heard of Xian Yu's 'Fairytale Town'? There's a line in the song lyrics: 'It's said that Peter Pan never grows up."

Peter Pan never grows up?

Recalling Lin Yuan's recent introduction of the character Peter Pan, Tong Shuwen's eyes sparkled with excitement:

"Chu Kuang once said, the lyrics of the song 'Fairytale Town' correspond to different fairy tales. It's a big jigsaw puzzle, and Fairytale Town is a fairy tale universe. Clearly, the name 'Peter Pan' also matches one of the stories—"

It matches!

It really does match!

This was a piece of the 'Fairytale Town' jigsaw puzzle!

Because Xian Yu just described Peter Pan as a child who would never grow up!

In other words:

The story of "Peter Pan" that Xian Yu was telling the children might well be an unpublished new fairy tale by Chu Kuang!?

Oh my!

Chu Kuang has actually revealed the content of his new book on the show!?

This scene would be absolutely sensational when broadcast, with Xian Yu prematurely leaking Chu Kuang's new book!

Haha!

This was Xian Yu 'accidentally' digging a hole for Chu Kuang on live TV!

The novel wasn't even released yet, and he spilled the beans on the show?

As for Xian Yu just claiming that Chu Kuang had told him the story, Tong Shuwen didn't doubt it.

Nor did the kindergarten principal.

No one did.

With the friendship between the Three Bros, it wasn't hard to understand that Chu Kuang would share the content of his new book with Xian Yu in advance.

It was just like Xian Yu claimed to have learned painting from Shadow.

Everyone believed without doubt.

Because these reasons were sensible and logical.

As for whether it was inappropriate for Xian Yu to leak the content of Chu Kuang's new book,

It didn't exist.

For one, Xian Yu spoke very generally, definitely omitting many details.

Second, fairy tales aren't like dramas; revealing a bit of the plot in advance wouldn't affect book sales.

Third, with their relationship so strong, how could Chu Kuang be upset with Xian Yu over such a trifle?

Fourth, the program would be edited, so it wouldn't broadcast the complete story as told by Xian Yu.

On the contrary,

What Xian Yu did could actually be seen as giving Chu Kuang's new book a strong advertisement on the show!

A perfect product placement!

Once the variety show aired, a little self-promotion would probably draw many people to watch the episode specifically because of the sneak peek of Chu Kuang's new book offered by Xian Yu during the show's recording!

Win-win!

You know,

Tong Shuwen had intended to use Xian Yu to ride on the popularity of Chu Kuang and Shadow, and now he had fully succeeded.

Xian Yu had previously painted,

And now he had told a fairy tale.

The former was closely related to Shadow, and the latter had even brought news of Chu Kuang's new book!

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Tong Shuwen guessed right. Lin Yuan indeed had the idea of advertising Chu Kuang's new book during the show. Everyone knew: Chu Kuang's fairy tale universe, and Xian Yu's song "Fairytale Town," the lyrics matching perfectly. The characters in the lyrics correspond to different fairy tales. Lin Yuan was bound to complete the corresponding jigsaw puzzle; it was just a matter of sooner or later. Now, having talked about "Peter Pan," Chu Kuang could naturally release the novel, which was killing several birds with one stone. Of course. Ultimately, Lin Yuan did it all to make the children happy. In fact, this story had indeed captured the children's hearts. He had barely started the story, and everyone was already very engrossed, bright eyes fixed on Lin Yuan, the children utterly absorbed. Occasionally someone would chime in: "Peter Pan is so cool!" "He can even fly!" "Why doesn't he ever grow up?" "I like the little fairy!"

"The pirate captain is so mean, Peter Pan will definitely punish him!"

"I wish Peter Pan would teach me to fly."

"What happened next?"

The protagonist of this story is Peter Pan.

At the beginning of the story, he taught three children how to fly.

Taking advantage of the parents' absence, he flew out the window with the children at night, heading to the magical "Neverland."

This island has ferocious beasts, "redskins" from the primitive tribe;

There are also terrible pirates, and of course, fairies and mermaids.

In short.

Everything that often appears in children's dreams and fantasies can be found here.

So, there was hunting with fierce animals, real wars between redskins and pirates, or the children and pirates.

Freed from adults, unrestrained and carefree, under Peter Pan's leadership, the children dealt with all matters by themselves, playing to their heart's content while also experiencing various dangers.

As the author wrote in the book:

To children, life without a mother can still be very happy.

Only those who are mothers believe that without a mother, children cannot live.

Later.

These runaway children began to miss their mothers.

With her urging, the children bid farewell to "Neverland," which had brought them unlimited joy, and flew back home.

Later on, they all grew up to be adults.

Only Peter Pan never grew up, nor did he ever return home.

He was always flying around outside, taking generation after generation of children away from their families to enjoy the freedom and joy of childhood on "Neverland."

The last sentence of the work is written like this:

As long as the children are happy, innocent, and carefree, they can fly to Neverland.

...

Don't even mention how engrossed the children were listening.

Even Tong Shuwen and others were listening with great relish.

But Lin Yuan did not finish.

He wasn't worried about falling off his horse.

Because the reasons beforehand were all very reasonable.

Having learned painting skills from Shadow, so he could paint.

Having read Chu Kuang's yet-to-be-published "Peter Pan," so he knew the content.

However.

If he continued, the children would be unable to take their noon nap, as it was now their rest time.

Therefore.

After finishing a part of the story, Lin Yuan said:

"The rest of the content, Teacher will continue in the afternoon, you all need to sleep well, and if you don't sleep well, Teacher will get angry and won't tell you the story."

"Ah?"

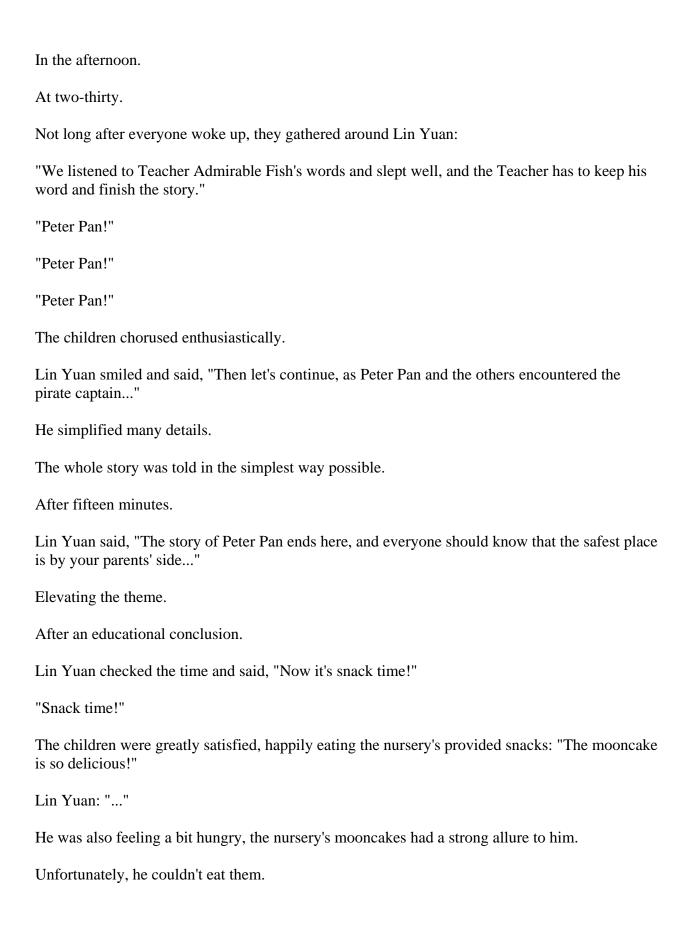
"Okay!"

Although the children were reluctant to end, to listen to the rest of the story in the afternoon, they decided to obediently go to sleep.

Nap time mission accomplished!

As the room gradually became quiet, Lin Yuan quietly breathed a sigh of relief, then smiled to himself, happy about something.

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After the children finished their snacks.

Lin Yuan followed the schedule, arranging everyone to play games on the playground.

It was now three-thirty in the afternoon, only half an hour before the nursery school ended.

Wiping off his sweat.

Lin Yuan was quite tired by this time.

Despite being physically tired, Lin Yuan was quite happy.

Interacting with the children, though seemingly noisy, brought him a sense of quiet enjoyment deep inside.

Childlike innocence.

Childlike fun.

Watching the children play to their heart's content, Lin Yuan's eyes gradually softened.

Beside him.

The photographer was moved and suddenly snapped a photo of Lin Yuan.

Lin Yuan sat lazily on the grass, hands behind his back supporting his body, his gaze on the playing children, a warm smile on his lips.

Sunlight streaming down.

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The children's laughter, along with the sight of Lin Yuan watching everyone on the lawn, seemed to be tinted with a filter, an indescribable harmony.

At this moment.

The photographer also seemed to be suddenly touched, a warm smile spreading across his lips.

"It's really nice."

Lin Yuan suddenly spoke.

It was unclear whether he was envious of the children's carefree nature, or reflecting sentimentally on childhood and this simple, small joy.

Just then.

Skipper suddenly ran up to Lin Yuan, sneakily pulling out a pack of treats:

"Teacher Admirable Fish, this is for you. These egg yolk pastries are super delicious!"

Lin Yuan smiled, "Why don't you eat it yourself?"

It was an egg yolk pastry distributed by the kindergarten, which the kids really liked. Surprisingly, Skipper had saved one for Lin Yuan.

He had just wanted to eat one, but the kindergarten rules stated teachers were not allowed to eat the children's food.

Lin Yuan had held back strongly, silently envious.

There was a flicker of reluctance in Skipper's eyes, but he firmly said:

"I'm full, Teacher, you eat."

"Then let's split it in half."

Getting docked a little pay wasn't that bad.

Lin Yuan couldn't bear to disappoint the child, knowing that accepting the pastry would make Skipper happy.

Carefully peeling the pastry through the wrapper,

Lin Yuan ate a small piece, then handed the rest to Skipper:

"Open up."

"Ah!"

"Is it delicious?" "Super delicious!" Lin Yuan, using his left hand which hadn't touched the pastry, patted Skipper's head. Like something precious, Skipper said: "I'll share tomorrow's pastry with Teacher, too!" "Tomorrow... I have something to do tomorrow." "Teacher won't be coming tomorrow?" Skipper got anxious, his voice rising unintentionally. The other children playing around heard this and rushed over, chattering noisily. Learning that Lin Yuan wouldn't be at Beihai Kindergarten tomorrow, Wang Han, whose father was a policeman, seemed a little unhappy: "Teacher isn't coming tomorrow, so when will you?" "You must come!" "I still want to learn painting from Teacher!" "I want to learn a new song from Teacher!" "I want to hear Teacher tell a story!" Lin Yuan suddenly felt a pang of reluctance. His voice was complex, "School is almost over; we don't have much time. How about Teacher sings one last song for everyone?" "Okay!" Children are so simple. Their attention was immediately diverted.

Lin Yuan stood up and began, "If you're happy and you know it, clap your hands..."

After singing that line,

Lin Yuan clapped three times, then said, "Everyone together with Teacher now, 'If you're happy and you know it, clap your hands...'"

"Clap, clap, clap, clap, clap, clap."

Everyone clumsily followed Lin Yuan's lead.

Continuing to sing, Lin Yuan spread his arms out to the children, "If you're happy and you know it, clap your hands, yeah, look, let's all clap our hands together."

Still clapping, the children's movements remained messy.

Then,

Lin Yuan's tone turned playful and downright silly,

"If you're happy and you know it, stomp your feet, if you're happy and you know it, stomp your feet..."

"Thump, thump, thump, thump."

The children's movements got a little less chaotic.

Lin Yuan kept singing, without feeling self-conscious about acting childishly, "If you're happy and you know it then hurry and stomp your feet, yeah, look, let's all stomp our feet together..."

"Thump, thump, thump."

Lin Yuan happily stomped his feet.

The children finally got their rhythm together, and their movements became orderly.

Lin Yuan continued singing, earnestly leading everyone in the actions: "If you're happy and you know it, stretch and yawn..."

Lin Yuan stretched.

Everyone stretched.

Finally, Lin Yuan's voice grew more expressive:

"If you're happy and you know it, squint your eyes, if you're happy and you know it, squint your eyes, if you're happy and you know it then quickly squint your eyes, yeah, look, everyone squint your eyes together..."

Lin Yuan squinted.

The children squinted together. This was the last song Lin Yuan sang for the children that day. The song was called the "Happy Clapping Song," another children's tune, perfect for teacherstudent interaction, and it was also the song Lin Yuan used to say goodbye. Clapping hands. Stomping feet. Stretching. Squinting. He was like a big kid, leading a bunch of little ones in a joyous play. Unknowingly, everyone had formed a circle around Lin Yuan, moving in unison to his singing, devoid of any vocal techniques, as if they had practiced countless times. In the distance, Watching this scene, Tong Shuwen suddenly felt a tinge of emotion. The kindergarten filming was entirely different from what she had imagined; the atmosphere from the first lesson had gone off in an unexpected direction, yet ultimately, it meshed with the show's theme. The principal beside her had tears welling in her eyes. The scene seemed indescribably moving. She had thought the celebrity's participation in the kindergarten program was just for show. When she agreed to the production team's request to film this variety show, it was to advertise

The eyes of a child cannot lie.

Nor can Lin Yuan's.

She suddenly looked at a conduct report on her clipboard, which read:

and promote Beihai Kindergarten, but now she had no more such doubts:

"Teacher ate children's snacks, fined twenty yuan."

With a red pen, she crossed it out, and on the day's overall conduct summary, she drew the children's favorite...

A little red flower.

PS: This is a double-length chapter. If you have any suggestions or feedback, feel free to write them on the back of your monthly ticket and vote for Polluted White~!

PS2: You may think this chapter is filler, but while writing it, Polluted White actually got a bit emotional.

PS3: Still asking for monthly tickets!

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Chapter 1023 - 943: Unexpected Plot Development

"It's finally over!"

Walking out of the gate of a neighborhood,

Jiang Kui let out a heavy sigh of relief.

She checked the time on her phone.

It was 3:20 p.m.

Jiang Kui looked around, "Where nearby can I find a cool place to rest? I must take a break, it's just too hot today."

It was July.

Indeed, it was hot after 3 p.m.

She was somewhat torn, pleading pitifully, "I'm craving ice cream, can the production team treat me to some..."

"Use your own salary."

The staff member mercilessly rejected her.

"Stingy!"

In the end, Jiang Kui bought her own ice cream.

Bargaining with the shopkeeper in all sorts of ways.

After all, her wage was tied to dinner tonight.

Holding the ice cream and just about to take the first bite, Jiang Kui hesitated for a moment, then said,

"Boss, could you pack this up in a bag for me, please?"

The staff member looked at her in surprise.

You bought ice cream, now you're not eating it?

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At the same time, around 3 p.m.,

Sun Yaohuo finally finished delivering packages.

His efficiency was excellent, completing today's work ahead of time.

"Being a courier is not easy at all."

Sun Yaohuo shook his head, "I've only been at it for less than a day, and I already feel like my body isn't mine."

He was drenched in sweat.

Heaven knows how many places he ran to today.

In the distance,

someone curiously took pictures.

One of the passersby mustered the courage to come over, "I'm your fan, please have some water!"

"Thank you so much!"

Sun Yaohuo was overjoyed.

He had intended to use his salary to buy water, but eventually couldn't bear to; it was his hardearned money, and he still had to tally it up tonight.

Taking the water,

Sun Yaohuo appeared to think of something and suddenly stared at the other bottle in the person's hand.

"This one's for you too!"

That passerby immediately smiled and handed over the other bottle to Sun Yaohuo as well.

Taking the two bottles, Sun Yaohuo earnestly said, "Director, don't cut this part out, thanks to this clip, this kind-hearted person can enjoy a free meal at any Flame Hot Pot Restaurant!"

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Elsewhere,

Zhao Ying Ge was still working as a sanitation worker.

Sanitation workers had to work until 5 p.m. before they could clock out.

"My back and waist ache."

"I'm feeling a bit dizzy."

"Am I about to have heatstroke?"

"This job is more exhausting than performing a concert."

"I've been utterly sabotaged by Jiang Kui, one must guard against fire, thieves, and friends; how true that saying is—wouldn't it be better to work as a housekeeper in an air-conditioned room?"

"Whoever dares to litter again, I'll be furious!"

"Protecting the environment is everyone's responsibility, let's not make it so tough for sanitation workers anymore."

Zhao Ying Ge complained about Jiang Kui while she worked.

Just then.

an indignant voice came from nearby: "Zhao Ying Ge, you're badmouthing me again!"

"Jiang Kui!?"

Zhao Ying Ge turned around, and to her surprise, it was indeed Jiang Kui!

Screaming,

Zhao Ying Ge eagerly moved forward, and with newfound energy, she hugged Jiang Kui tightly, almost bursting into tears.

"You have no idea how hard it's been for me!"

"You think I've had it easy?"

"At least you were in air-conditioned rooms!"

"The first two homes had it, but the air conditioning broke at the third, so the host used a fan."

"Ha ha ha ha!"

"If you keep laughing, I won't share my ice cream with you!"

Jiang Kui pulled out the wrapped ice cream.

Turns out she hadn't eaten the ice cream; she had saved it for Zhao Ying Ge.

Zhao Ying Ge joyfully took it,

"It's all melted!"

"If you don't want it, give it to me!"

"I'll eat it, eat it, eat it!"

Zhao Ying Ge didn't care if the ice cream had melted; she blissfully bit into it, "Shall we share it?"

"Ah!"

Neither of them minded the other's saliva, and they took turns eating bite after bite.

After they finished eating,

Zhao Ying Ge said, "I've got to get to work."

Jiang Kui rolled up her sleeves immediately, "I'll help you."

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"Jiang Kui, I love you!"
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"Just a moment ago someone was bad-mouthing me."

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Similarly coincidental,

during the window cleaning work,

a sweatband had somehow found its way onto Chen Zhiyu's forehead.

His long bangs got in the way of the work, and sweat had matted his hair.

He rested for a bit on the ground.

A nearby leader laughed, "There's still another building to go."

Struck by the news like a bolt of lightning, Chen Zhiyu exclaimed, "There's another one? I can't do this, I really can't handle it!"

"You have to finish, or you won't get paid."

"Bro, just let me rest for twenty minutes—no, no, ten minutes!"

"That'll cost you."

"I..."

Chen Zhiyu forced himself to stand up.

Just then, a magnetic voice rang out from the distance: "Let him rest, I'll finish the work for him."

Chen Zhiyu turned around sharply.

There was Sun Yaohuo, as if bathed in an angel's light, approaching him step by step to the tune of heavenly music.

"Yao Huo, bro!!!!"

Chen Zhiyu was almost moved to tears, "Why are you here?"

"I finished my work and came to check on you."

Saying so, Sun Yaohuo casually tossed over a bottle of water. He had taken two bottles of water, planning to give the other to Chen Zhiyu.

"Eh?"

Chen Zhiyu caught it reflexively, then said, "But I've got water here."

Sun Yaohuo: "..."

At Chen Zhiyu's feet lay a whole case of mineral water.

Damn!

Annoyed, he said, "I see you're living the good life here. But no, you have to finish this water today; I traded a hot pot meal for it!"

"Alright, alright, then let's work on this together..."

"You sure you can?"

"A man can't say he can't!"

Eventually, the two of them worked together on cleaning the windows of the high-rise.

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Inside the restaurant,

Xia Fan was still washing dishes and glanced at the camera:

"I wonder how the others are doing."

"Just got the news."

The staff member assigned to Xia Fan chuckled:

"Jiang Kui went to help Zhao Ying Ge sweep the streets, and Sun Yaohuo went to Chen Zhiyu, joining him to clean high-rise windows."

"That can happen too!"

Xia Fan, frustrated: "Why isn't there anyone to help me, where's our representative?"

The staff member offered sympathetically, "Teacher Admirable Fish still hasn't finished his work."

"So there's no one to help me."

Xia Fan's face fell and he prepared to get back to work.

"Who says no one's helping you?"

Suddenly a voice came from afar: "Leave it to me!"

Xia Fan was stunned for a moment, then looked up and was overjoyed, "Madam Haoyun! Have you finished your work?"

"Uh-huh."

Wei Haoyun had already changed into the restaurant's work uniform: "You really are clumsy, I just heard the boss say that you've broken two plates today."

Xia Fan, feeling wronged: "Slip of the hand..."

Madam Haoyun did a warm-up stretch: "Sister's going to show you today what it means to be a domestic virtuoso."

"Long live Madam Haoyun!!!!"

Xia Fan wished he could plant a big kiss on her.

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At the moment,

Zhu Lei, the quiet director monitoring the situation, couldn't help but smile.

She already knew what was happening everywhere.

To be honest,

she was quite surprised.

At first, she thought the situation with Admirable Fish was something the program group hadn't anticipated, but the developments with the other members of Yu Dynasty also took a turn the program group hadn't expected.

You're supposed to be at each other's throats,

but you're also helping each other out.

Should it be said, worthy of being Yu Dynasty?

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Chapter 1024 - 944 Recording Complete

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At four o'clock.

Kindergarten.

In the end, they couldn't escape a farewell.

The children didn't speak, their eyes were all fixed intently on Lin Yuan.

With a sob in her voice, Wang Han asked, "Is Teacher Admirable Fish going to leave us?"

Skipper, with red eyes, voiced out, "Will Teacher Admirable Fish come back to visit us later?"

Faced with the children's eyes filled with reluctance, Lin Yuan found himself at a loss for words for a moment.

"Teacher Admirable Fish..."

The children called out his name.

Lin Yuan took a deep breath and then, as if making a promise, said,

"I will definitely come back to visit you. We'll sing songs together, play games together, so in the future, you must study well, eat well, sleep well, listen to your teachers and parents, and not let your teacher down, okay?"

"Okay!"

The children chimed in unison.

Lin Yuan smiled and waved, then turned and walked slowly away from the kindergarten.

"Teacher Admirable Fish..."

Facing the back of Lin Yuan as he left.

Skipper cried, Wang Han cried.

The rest of the children also started to cry.

In the camera frame.

Lin Yuan paused for a moment as he turned, but he held back and did not look back.

His smile was still on his face, yet his eyes suddenly reddened. He suddenly started singing loudly,

"If you're happy and you know it, clap your hands, if you're happy and you know it, clap your hands, if you're happy and you know it then your face will surely show it..."

Behind him.

The children clapped as they cried.

Lin Yuan walked further away: "Look, everyone, let's clap our hands together."

When Lin Yuan reached this part, he also clapped, his clapping merging with the children's applause.

And under the influence of the atmosphere, the principal of the kindergarten and all the staff began clapping as well.

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At six in the evening.

The Yu Dynasty cast finally assembled in full.

Everyone exchanged their feelings about the day, seemingly with endless sentiment, "We agreed that this variety show was just for fun, but then we realized that the production team brought us out here to work."

That's what they said.

But no one was dissatisfied.

The day's experience was actually quite rare for celebrities, and many had gained something.

At that moment.

Director Tong Shuwen appeared, "Ladies and gentlemen, dinner time has arrived, and everyone needs to compare the money they've earned to decide on tonight's meal."

Everyone took out their money.

Most had just over a hundred yuan.

Wei Haoyun had as much as over two hundred yuan.

The least was Chen Zhiyu, even with the income from the work that Sun Yaohuo did for him, he only had eighty yuan for the day.

Chen Zhiyu instantly put on a pained expression, "Does that mean I'm not going to have dinner tonight?"

The others laughed, "The representative hasn't shown his money yet, you still have hope, maybe he has even less than you."

"How much does the representative have?"

Chen Zhiyu glimpsed a ray of hope.

If Lin Yuan had less than him, then he would have a meal!

What?

Brown-nosing Teacher Admirable Fish?

This is a variety show, and everyone is a competitor; no time for brown-nosing.

Didn't they see that the normally honest Teacher Admirable Fish had also tricked Xia Fan during the job card exchange today?

For a time.

Everyone's gaze turned to Lin Yuan.

Lin Yuan directly pulled out his earnings.

Instantly.

Everyone was taken aback.

Because Lin Yuan's earnings were three hundred yuan!

In other words, Lin Yuan's work performance today was perfect!

"Rigged!"

"Rigged!"

"Rigged!"

Everyone heckled together.

Even Sun Yaohuo joined in the heckling.

Everyone let loose in the variety show, unlike their usual flattery.

Xia Fan shouted out indignantly, "Did the production crew not dare offend our representative? Or is the head of the kindergarten actually a fan of Teacher Admirable Fish?"

Everyone was truly unbelieving!

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The production team had an array of underhanded leaders, all conspiring to deduct their money. Under such circumstances, how could anyone possibly receive their full salary?

"You must believe that the production team is fair,"

Director Tong Shuwen said with a smile, "Anyway, we'll distribute dinner tonight according to our rules."

The design of this dinner was quite amusing.

Lin Yuan had a bountiful feast, with meat, vegetables, and soup.

And so on.

Xia Fan, who had the second-lowest salary, could only have a boxed meal.

Chen Zhiyu had it the worst—his bowl actually contained a pile of dirt—

Eating dirt.

Of course, he wasn't really going to eat it.

This was just a segment for entertainment and laughs.

After dinner, the program arranged for personal interview segments for everyone to summarize their experiences and feelings of the day.

When it came to Lin Yuan's turn,

Zhu Lei, who was in charge of the interview, engaged in conversation with him.

"Did Teacher Admirable Fish compose all those children's songs?" "Yeah." "On the spot?" "Most were written before, just for fun." Lin Yuan could only make up nonsense, as he had already gotten quite adept at it. Zhu Lei was curious, "The story named 'Peter Pan' you told the children, is it an unpublished new book by Teacher Chu Kuang?" "Yes." "How do you feel about today?" Lin Yuan didn't answer; he simply clapped his hands gently. Zhu Lei was slightly taken aback but then chuckled knowingly. If you're happy and you know it, clap your hands. That was Admirable Fish's answer. After the show ended, Tong Shuwen contacted Lin Yuan, "We're preparing to do the post-production editing, how about using the 'Happy Clapping Song' you sang at the kindergarten as part of the background music?" "Good." "Recorded by Yu Dynasty?" "I'll bring the kids along and record those children's songs too." "Is Beihai Kindergarten going to turn into a little Yu Dynasty?" Tong Shuwen couldn't help but joke, as the highlight of the first episode was the kindergarten. The two agreed:

The variety show "Fish Walking with You" would air its first episode on July 8th.

And on the night he returned home,

Lin Yuan began hurriedly writing "Peter Pan"; he wanted to have Chu Kuang publish this fairy tale novel before or right after the show aired.

Two days later,

Lin Yuan led the Yu Dynasty back to the kindergarten and, with the consent of the principal and the children's parents, recorded the children's songs that appeared in the show.

For instance, "Drop the Handkerchief."

And "Find Friends," and so on.

Seeing Lin Yuan again, the kids were ecstatic, affectionately calling him "Teacher Admirable Fish" non-stop.

All the singers of Yu Dynasty were stunned.

Do children really like representatives that much?

Are these even the rambunctious kids as we know them?

Each of these little friends was so well-behaved and adorable. Who said kindergarten kids are the naughtiest?

Until...

Lin Yuan left for a trip to the bathroom mid-way.

Sun Yaohuo and a few others were left in charge of the kids for a while, and that's when they realized just how terrifying "bear children" could be.

What a ruckus!

But when Lin Yuan returned, the kids quickly reverted to being docile, making Sun Yaohuo and the others wonder if they had been hallucinating before.

Good grief.

Chen Zhiyu muttered, "Did the representative feed these kids some kind of enchanting potion?"

They had figured it out.

It wasn't that these kids were naturally well-mannered; it was simply that Teacher Admirable Fish could keep them in check.

Meanwhile,

Someone posted some videos online.

Most of these videos were of the "Fish Walking with You" stars at work during the recording of the first episode, taken by passersby.

As expected,

These videos quickly garnered a lot of attention from netizens!

ps: Indeed, this segment is short, short, because the variety show sapped some brain cells. I need to replenish them, so I'll write more tomorrow.

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Chapter 1025 - 1025: 945 Chapter: Trailer

In fact, the paparazzi photos revealed very little information.

The outside world didn't quite understand what the show "Fish Walking with You" was all about.

Most of the discussions were speculations about the content of the variety show.

What really sparked wide-ranging discussions was when the production team suddenly released a trailer on July 4th.

In the trailer,

every member of the Yu Dynasty was featured in the promotional content.

Different people.

Different jobs.

Most of the footage showed these people being tormented by their jobs in various ways.

Among them,

the part of the trailer edited for Envy Fish showed him being tormented by the kids as he just arrived at the preschool.

"Hello everyone..."

"I am Envy Fish..."

"Listen to me..."

"Kids need to be good..."

Envy Fish, just starting to teach at the preschool, was completely ignored by the children.

The little ones were immersed in their own worlds, enthusiastically chatting about various topics, not giving this superstar any face.

In the footage,

the chirping voices were amplified, with discussions like "What kind of fish is Envy Fish" and "giant turtle" and such.

It was like a cacophony of sounds.

Lin Yuan stood helplessly to the side, his face a picture of resignation.

The production team added an effect.

Above Envy Fish's head were cartoonish black lines, crows flying by, with two streams of tears on his face.

At the end of the trailer,

a line of text appeared on the screen:

Fish Walking with You, Episode 1: Envy Fish and His Friends.

This was the title that Tong Shuwen had set for the first episode.

The title had a special purpose:

Because the so-called "friends" included not only the singers within the Yu Dynasty

but also "Shadow" and "Chu Kuang."

Although these two didn't appear on screen, some of Envy Fish's performances on the variety show were greatly related to them.

Of course,

when the viewers finished watching the trailer, they didn't make so many connections.

After watching the trailer, the first reaction was:

That's kinda interesting, haha!

This was followed by various discussions revolving around the trailer.

Among them,

discussions about Envy Fish were the most numerous.

This was quite normal since the most famous star of the Yu Dynasty was Envy Fish, whose fan count was terrifying.

"Hahaha, they actually made Envy Fish a preschool teacher?"

"I'm a preschool teacher myself, and I can already picture Envy Fish being tormented to the brink of collapse."

"I'm not a preschool teacher, but anyone with kids at home will understand."

"Good looking? Kids don't have that much sense of beauty; famous? The little ones don't know who you are, their superstar is probably someone like Sun Wukong."

"Indeed, these kids don't care who you are."

"Who would have thought our Fish Papa could be overwhelmed?"

"I'm really looking forward to it, want to see Envy Fish struggle!"

"Last time Envy Fish had a tough time was when he transformed into Prince Lanling, he wore a mask and went unrecognized, resulting in getting blasted online by fans of top stars and even the King and Queen of Singing."

"You fake fans, actually looking forward to seeing Fish Papa being tormented, count me in!"

"Envy Fish, I never thought you'd have a day like this!"

"No matter how peerless your elegance, how outstanding your generation, how numerous your fans, how you dominate the entertainment industry, in front of preschool kids you're nothing!"

"..."

Everyone wanted to see Envy Fish being tormented, and although the trailer only provided brief footage, the viewers' imaginations had already run wild.

However,

at this time, the discussions were still mostly among fans of the Yu Dynasty.

The Yu Dynasty had a lot of fans.

Because all of the singers of the Yu Dynasty were very famous.

Aside from Envy Fish,

there were also top singers such as Sun Yaohu Jiang Kui and others like Xia Fan, Zhao Ying Ge, Chen Zhiyu, and Wei Haoyun.

All these fans added up

created a scale so large it seemed as if countless netizens were discussing.

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In fact, ordinary netizens didn't feel anything special after watching the trailer because reality shows were not a novel concept on Blue Star.

There were just too many reality TV shows in the variety show circle.

Majority played the same card.

Tribe.

Blog.

Passersby gathered to discuss:

"It's pretty mundane."

"I didn't see any explosive points."

"The Yu Dynasty fans seem quite interested, but I'm not a fan of anyone, and I don't really feel anything about celebrities' misfortune; almost all reality shows strive to show the down-to-earth side of celebrities, and after watching too many, it feels quite forced."

"I might be interested if the Yu Dynasty participated in a music program."

"Maybe 'The Masked Singer' was too exciting, so I've become pickier. The combination of the Yu Dynasty and Tong Shuwen ended up creating just an average reality show, to be honest, a bit disappointing."

"I'll check out the first episode, just to see."

"You guys are too hasty, they've only released a trailer, maybe the full episodes will have surprises."

"It's not hasty, you can tell from the trailer, nowadays reality shows, unless the celebrity interactions are really outstanding, they all look the same."

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At the same time.

The variety show industry was also paying attention.

However, the trailer for the first episode had many people shaking their heads.

"No matter how I look at it, it's a very average celebrity reality show, having celebrities experience the lives of ordinary people. The idea is actually pretty good, but the appeal is nothing but breaking the celebrity halo, showing the grounded side of artists, which really isn't fundamentally different from other reality shows."

"It's probably meant for the fans."

"There are many Yu Dynasty fans, and the production team probably wants to captivate this audience. Yet, relying solely on the Yu Dynasty's fans might sustain a show, but making it a huge hit is simply not possible; why not just do a music program?"

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Chapter 1026 - 945 Trailer_2

"Music shows are tough to do these days," someone lamented, "Ever since 'The Masked Singer' became a hit, we've been flooded with music programs, which has led to audience fatigue. That's probably why Tong Shuwen no longer wants to touch music variety shows and has instead turned to outdoor reality TV, though the state of reality shows isn't much better than that of music programs."

"However, such variety shows heavily rely on the performance of the celebrities."

"The strong suit of Xian Yu and the Yu Dynasty doesn't lie in their variety show appeal but in their musical achievements. Even for a reality show, Tong Shuwen should consider playing to their strengths and focusing primarily on the theme of singing."

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Qi Continent.

As the entertainment mecca of Blue Star, Qi Continent took Tong Shuwen, the director who once helmed 'The Masked Singer,' very seriously. They paid even more attention when the Yu Dynasty joined the show.

However.

After watching the trailer, the variety show circles in Qi Continent could barely contain their laughter.

"I knew it the moment the trailer dropped; they pose no threat to our position in Qi Continent's variety scene!"

"It's just so unoriginal."

"When 'The Masked Singer' was about to premiere, the anticipation was off the charts, all because the concept was so fresh. Having celebrities sing in masks and letting the audience guess their identities—we saw perfect execution on both the show's format and audience interaction. But this time, Tong Shuwen has created a program utterly devoid of creativity, handing the spotlight entirely over to the Yu Dynasty."

"This kind of approach depends too much on celebrity performance."

"In order for this show to be successful, the celebrities would have to perform exceptionally well, creating enough interesting points to keep the program captivating. However, that's the most uncontrollable factor. Maybe they'll do well in one episode and poorly in the next, causing the ratings to fluctuate unpredictably."

"Just look at the free performance segment by the stars in the first episode."

Qi Continent didn't completely dismiss the show, however. They pointed out its flaws, as well as the chances for success.

Indeed.

Variety shows don't necessarily need to be highly innovative.

If the guests can perform well and create superb talking points, that's also acceptable.

But this really tests the abilities and personalities of the guests, among other factors.

Just like any variety show format.

Switch out the players in the same game, and the audience may not be interested anymore.

And some guests, just by appearing on variety shows, always manage to produce great results.

The reason why everyone is skeptical about this new show is that:

Industry insiders don't believe the Yu Dynasty can perform well enough to create an exceptional variety effect, for members of the Yu Dynasty haven't shown such talents before.

If it's just about sharing celebrities' unlucky stories...

Fans would love to watch, of course, because they like whatever their idols do, but the general audience might not be so easily hooked."

"Maybe we are overthinking it."

Someone laughed and said, "Their variety show is targeted at fans, primarily for the Yu Dynasty fanbase to enjoy. They didn't expect it to break into broader circles. With the fanbase of the Yu Dynasty, they can attract a substantial audience anyway."

There's just no helping it.

Tong Shuwen plus the Yu Dynasty.

Such a combination inevitably leads to comparisons with 'The Masked Singer,' which once dominated various regions, so new programs are judged harshly.

However, 'The Masked Singer' was a phenomenal program!

Even its sibling 'Our Song' was almost at the same level!

After all, at the time, that show brought together a multitude of Kings and Queens of Singing, including Maestro!

You can't expect Tong Shuwen and the Yu Dynasty to produce another 'The Masked Singer' every time, right?

Not to mention how unlikely that would be.

Just considering the lineup alone, even with the participation of the Yu Dynasty, it still doesn't match Tong Shuwen's previous two programs.

After all.

The previous shows not only featured Xian Yu and his Yu Dynasty but also many Maestros, Kings, and Queens of Singing, as well as top-tier stars.

Thinking this over.

Some became more forgiving:

"We can't expect Tong Shuwen's shows to be 'The Masked Singer' every time, just like we can't expect kids to score a hundred percent on every test. If this new program has the quality of an eighty percent mark, I think that's acceptable. And if we lower our expectations, I'm actually looking forward to it."

That's very true.

If we don't set our sights on this show reaching 'The Masked Singer' level, we can't be certain about its potential success.

The trailer only shows that the program won't become a sensation.

For a more precise verdict, we have to watch the full episodes.

At this point, the general audience's view of the show became much more objective.

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In the chat group of 'Fish Walking with You'.

Zhao Ying Ge jokingly tagged Tong Shuwen, "Director Tong, you should reflect on why people aren't optimistic about our show."

Director Xu Lei: "There's nothing to be done, Director Tong's last two variety shows were too popular."

Tong Shuwen appeared, sending out a sweating emoji: "I didn't expect them to have such high expectations of us."

To speak the truth,

Tong Shuwen really hadn't planned on making a program that would reach the popularity of "The Masked Singer."

How easy is it to replicate a phenomenon-level show?

Yet, everyone believed that with Tong Shuwen and the Yu Dynasty, it could be done, and then the teaser didn't deliver the expectation that "The Masked Singer" did.

Many people felt a sense of letdown.

It made the new program seem subpar.

Chen Zhiyu appeared: "What do you mean, does Director Tong not have confidence in us?"

Tong Shuwen: "..."

It's not that I don't have confidence in you.

Mainly, my confidence in you isn't big enough to replicate the feverish popularity of "The Masked Singer."

But that was just the beginning.

Once the program officially started recording, Xian Yu's kindergarten visit, along with everyone's final performance, made Tong Shuwen change his mind somewhat.

Maybe the new program, even if it couldn't reach the heat of "The Masked Singer," definitely wouldn't be bad.

It might even be able to compete with "Our Song."

You see,

he had hidden a card up his sleeve in the teaser.

He hadn't let out many of the program's most exciting aspects!

Like the Yu Dynasty playing Werewolf in the hotel;

Or Xian Yu's music class performance, and so on.

Releasing these things in advance could indeed increase anticipation, but it would also create certain expectations in the viewer's mind, resulting in a decreased sense of surprise when they actually watched the show.

It's just like spoiling the plot in advance.

And the industry insiders and internet bystanders base their opinions on the teaser.

How could they know that they had already been misled by Tong Shuwen's teaser into a different direction?

"It feels like Director Tong is quite the schemer."

Sun Yaohuo appeared, pinpointing some of Tong Shuwen's arrangements.

Although the teaser showed Lin Yuan getting deflated in front of the kindergarten kids, he knew things weren't so simple.

Because when the little ones from Beihai Kindergarten collaborated with the Yu Dynasty to record a song, they were quite obedient to their junior brother.

Not to mention when it was time to show off their salaries, Lin Yuan received a full paycheck!

Jiang Kui: "See through but don't expose."

Wei Haoyun: "That's how you keep it surprising."

Tong Shuwen sighed: "However, the evaluation of the teaser does indeed show that our program really lacks creativity and relies heavily on your performances. Luckily, I have some backup plans. Anyway, you can rest assured about the program's effectiveness."

Huh?

Backup plans?

The specifics were unknown to everyone.

Lin Yuan glanced at the group chat and said nothing.

The so-called backup plans of Tong Shuwen probably involved Chu Kuang synchronously releasing a new book like "Peter Pan."

That's right.

Lin Yuan had been writing "Peter Pan" these past few days.

The work was now complete and had been sent to Silver Blue Books.

The day the program aired would also be the release of this novel, hoping to ride on Chu Kuang's popularity.

Furthermore,

those children's songs would also be released when the program aired.

Who says the program "Fish Walking with You" doesn't have a musical element?
Do children's songs not count as music?
Not only do we have a music element, we've got visual art and literature elements, too!
ps: Keep writing, and cast your monthly tickets if you have them, it's the last day! They expire and are wasted if you don't use them—don't forget Polluted White~!
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Chapter 1027 - 946: Hardcore Start
July 8th!
This day marked the airing of "Fish Walking with You"!
The show chose to partner with Penguin Videos for an exclusive release.
Such reality shows generally select video websites as their broadcasting channels.
The airing time was set for seven o'clock in the evening.
By then, many people were already seated in front of their computers or TV screens.
Like Lin Yuan's family;
Like the fans of Yu Dynasty;
Like some curious bystanders;
Even professionals from the variety show circles across continents were watching their screens.

Amid widespread attention, the first episode of "Fish Walking with You," titled "Envy Fish and

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His Friends," officially began!

A certain villa.

Rich second-generation chicken-eating (PlayerUnknown's Battlegrounds) enthusiast, Harvey, lay bored on his bed.

Strictly speaking.

Harvey was no longer the teenager who used to yell about wanting "Victory" every day.

Even the most fun games can become tiresome if played continuously for too long.

Unfortunately, no more interesting games had appeared on the market recently.

This was why Harvey felt bored.

He was even bored enough to turn on the internet television.

God knows how long it had been since Harvey had last turned on the sixty-inch TV in his house.

"Huh, a variety show by Yu Dynasty?"

Harvey's internet TV was set to Penguin Videos on startup, so he saw the homepage recommendation immediately.

The website was promoting that a special variety show by Yu Dynasty had officially launched.

Harvey wasn't a fanboy and was indifferent to Yu Dynasty.

However, he did know about the group of celebrities from Yu Dynasty.

He had played "PlayerUnknown's Battlegrounds" for nearly a month at Yu Dynasty Hotel, after all.

Because of that.

Harvey clicked in nonchalantly.

As an impatient viewer, he skipped the introduction.

At that moment.

On the screen.

Members of Yu Dynasty gathered.

Envy Fish spoke up, "I will teach you guys a game..."

Playing a game? Harvey looked at the deck of cards in Envy Fish's hands and curled his lip. So it was just playing cards. What's so interesting about playing cards? The show is truly boring, who wants to watch you play poker? Just as Harvey thought this and even considered switching to another show, Envy Fish started to explain the card types for the game "Werewolf". Werewolves... Villagers... Witches... Guards... Hunter... Prophets... The editing of the program was flexible, not rigidly following the actual progress of events. This featured segment introduced the audience to the classic nine-player round of "Werewolf" involving both the director and the screenwriter. Simultaneously. Cartoon characters like werewolves and witches appeared on the screen, accompanied by a voice-over explaining the rules of the game. The program team was smart. This was much more understandable than a dry explanation of rules by Envy Fish himself. "Not playing cards?" Harvey's reflex was to freeze momentarily, putting down the remote and absentmindedly listening to the rule introduction.

Although he was still not overly interested.

However.

When the voice-over was halfway through introducing the rules of "Werewolf," Harvey suddenly paused, then quickly pressed the pause button!

He sat up abruptly.

Harvey carefully read the text explaining the game rules:

"In this game, there are werewolf and good factions. The good faction has more players but they do not know each other, relying mainly on exile through voting and character abilities to eliminate all the hidden werewolves in the crowd for the ultimate victory; on the other hand, fewer werewolves who recognize each other lie hidden among them, preying on the good during the night and leading them to make incorrect votes during the day as their means of winning..."

Interesting!

Harvey's eyes lit up!

His gaming talent was quite good, and with just a brief look at the rules, he had a general understanding of the gameplay and strategies.

Instantly.

His gaming spirit was awakened!

As the video continued to play, there was a hint of anticipation in his eyes!

As a result.

A bunch of newbies playing "Werewolf," one could imagine the effect.

While the members of Yu Dynasty struggled through the game, Harvey's bedroom in the villa echoed with his complaints:

"Stupid!"

"What do you mean 'you're a good person'? 'A person' isn't a way to describe someone!"

"You can show off here, Prophet, reveal your identity sooner!"

"This Hunter is really dumb, taking a good person with him before he dies!"

"These people can't even understand the situation."

"Witch, guard the Prophet, what the hell are you doing guarding yourself!"

The game lasted just ten minutes, and the situation was chaotic.

Just watching this round was enough to drive Harvey crazy!

He wished he could join in and play himself!

And when the game was over.

Harvey's heart was completely stirred!

Fun!

This game is fun!

He immediately took out his phone and searched for "Werewolf".

However, despite searching for a while, he failed to find any relevant information.

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Of course, not everyone was like Harvey, who, having only seen the introduction to the rules of "Werewolf," developed a strong interest in the game.

Quite the opposite.

Some viewers were completely baffled when they first saw the introduction to the game rules, with a barrage of question marks appearing in the comments.

However,

when everyone saw the Yu Dynasty crew start to play the Werewolf game, they finally understood it by comparing it to the rules!

As a result,

all viewers became more interested, and the appeal of the Werewolf game, suitable for all ages, was showcased on a large scale for the first time on Blue Star!

"This game is so classic!"

"Hahaha, so this is how it's played!"

"It's all about lying, seeing who can make up the best story!"

"The big bluffer expresses wild joy!"

Could this really have been designed by Xian Yu? Wait! Xian Yu? That name sounded familiar. Harvey vaguely remembered that his favorite game, PlayerUnknown's Battlegrounds, was also designed by this Xian Yu? "This guy's got skills!" Harvey's view of Xian Yu on the TV changed! Perhaps because he was very fond of the game PlayerUnknown's Battlegrounds, and now he was intrigued by Werewolf, Harvey suddenly felt an inexplicable fondness for Xian Yu while watching the screen. Keep watching! There's something interesting about this show! After this, I'll find people to play Werewolf! Meanwhile, as Xian Yu admitted that the game was his own design, other viewers were also shocked! "Good grief!" "No wonder I hadn't heard of it before!" "This is a new game designed by Xian Yu!" "This design is brilliant!" "I have a feeling this game is going to be a hit!" "This variety show starts off freakin' awesome, with Xian Yu designing a new game!?" "Holy crap, that's hype!" "I almost forgot Xian Yu is a game designer!"

"Before this, Plants vs. Zombies and PlayerUnknown's Battlegrounds were his creations!" At Lin Yuan's home. His sister, watching the show with him, said: "So, you designed this game?" "It looks like a lot of fun!" His sister added, "We should play in a bit." His mom laughed, "There aren't enough of us at home." Antarctica barked, "Woof!" Lin Yuan shook his head and petted Antarctica, "Even adding you, we still don't have enough." Suddenly, the family looked at Lin Yuan with eyes full of affection. On the other hand, in entertainment circles across the continents, countless professionals were dumbfounded! Damn it! Weren't you an outdoor variety show? Why the heck are you starting with the Yu Dynasty playing a card game in a hotel? Those unaware would think you were about to live-stream a game of Fight the Landlord! What an intense hardcore start to the show! Everyone saw it. This game is awesome!

Super awesome! Even though the variety show hadn't officially started yet,

this ingeniously designed game had already captivated the viewers!

This was a major highlight.

This was a highlight that other variety shows couldn't replicate!

Because other shows wouldn't kick off by introducing an easy and intriguing new game to everyone!

The show had just started!

Freshness instantly maxxed out!

ps: That's it for today, please steady your monthly votes~

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Chapter 1028 - 947: The Power of the Mischievous Child

Online.

The tribes, blogs, and major forums were abuzz with netizens from all continents watching and discussing:

"This opening's got some substance, haha!"

"Mainly because this game is really interesting!"

"They're just playing games, but I suspect I could watch an entire episode with relish!"

"Would you stop watching if they don't play games later?"

"I'd still watch it. Just for the game designed by Teacher Admirable Fish at the start, this episode's discussion topic is already set!"

"Fish Papa show off!"

"Some said before that the quality of the show depends on the guests' performance, so how well did Fish Papa perform?"

"This game is epic!"

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Some people from gaming companies were curious and watched the show, and when Werewolf came on, many were shocked!

"Damn!"

"Old Lin, do you have a TV or a phone nearby? Quick, watch 'Fish Walking with You' on Penguin Videos!"

"What's that?"

"A variety show."

"What's so great about variety shows?"

"It's hard to explain in a short time; you'll get it once you watch it. Xian Yu designed a new game and launched it on the first episode of 'Fish Walking with You.' The game is freakin' cool. A mix of linguistic logic, reasoning, and competitive elements, it's brilliantly designed!"

"Xian Yu? I'll take a look then!"

"Watch it quick. That game at the beginning, if it goes as I expect, is definitely going to explode onto the scene!"

The gaming world is not short of connoisseurs!

Many quickly felt the awesomeness of the game and the immense addictive potential hidden within it!

But after all, this is a reality TV show.

Of course, the production team couldn't possibly keep the audience watching the Yu Dynasty play Werewolf forever.

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The scene switched.

The next day began. Yu Dynasty began assigning tasks. Most celebrity reality shows follow this pattern: Assign tasks to the guests and have them complete them. When the audience reached this part, they didn't think much of it; their minds were still on the game from earlier. Just then. Members of Yu Dynasty were up to no good, actually swapping jobs? Swipe! Zhao Ying Ge and Jiang Kui were backstabbing each other! Sun Yaohuo, Chen Zhiyu were also backstabbing! Even Xian Yu bamboozled Xia Fan! When Xian Yu successfully tricked Xia Fan out of his job, the frame froze, and a pair of sunglasses landed on Lin Yuan's nose as whimsical music began to play: "Wait for the light, light wait for the light..." And when Wei Haoyun obliviously landed the easiest job, the frame froze again. The surroundings dimmed slightly, her eyes flashed red, and the rhythmically strong music started. Swipe! This sudden twist caught countless viewers by surprise! Howl! The sound of a wolf's howl rose. The screen displayed a few large characters:

Yu Dynasty performs a real-life version of Werewolf!

In front of the screen. Countless netizens burst into laughter! No one expected that the simple task assignment segment could be turned into such a play, Yu Dynasty members were so in sync even with the backstabbing: "So funny!" "Hahahaha!" "Yu Dynasty killed me with laughter!" "Didn't expect you guys to be like this, Yu Dynasty. What happened to the inner unity and harmonious atmosphere?" "Even Fish Papa deceives people now!" "Madam Haoyun is so cool, this luck is unbeatable!" "Love the special effects in the post-production, this editor is my fave!" "Madam Haoyun is soaring through the stratosphere!" "This variety show is more interesting than I thought, the Yu Dynasty folks really shine in variety, it feels like when they come together it's way more entertaining than other reality shows' stars, none of them have the same chemistry as the Yu Dynasty!" Do the post-production special effects look familiar? That's right. All were Lin Yuan's suggestions. Including the music, which Lin Yuan borrowed from TikTok.

In his previous life, TikTok had a lot of interesting and popular videos.

Like putting sunglasses on someone.

Or making someone's eyes flash red.

This segment was incredibly catchy!

Blue Star viewers were seeing this kind of thing for the first time, of course, they found it amusing.

Otherwise, why would TikTok attract countless people to imitate this style of video?

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The show continued.

Everyone started heading to their work locations.

Each person was given a certain amount of screen time.

As everyone expected.

The people of the Yu Dynasty were having a rough time!

These celebrities experienced the challenges of their respective jobs, complaining bitterly to the sky and blaming their dear friends, triggering countless viewers to laugh knowingly.

No, wait.

There was an exception.

Wei Haoyun was that exception.

She had just started handing out flyers when she was surrounded by numerous passersby, who all recognized the celebrity, so they were very cooperative.

Swoosh swoosh.

It didn't take long for Wei Haoyun to finish handing out a stack of flyers.

Her luck was incredibly good, virtually everything she did went smoothly, even when she was resting on the side, she would find that the boss was always somehow absent.

On screen.

Wei Haoyun was handing out flyers as if enveloped in a brilliant glow, and the celebratory background music was a total mess:

"Good fortune to you, may good fortune come,"

"Good fortune brings joy and love,"

"Here comes good fortune, good luck to us all,"

"Embrace prosperity and spread it across the seas." This was a song written by Xian Yu for Wei Haoyun, and it couldn't have been more fitting! It was obvious. In this episode, Wei Haoyun's performance was spectacular, with her persona as Madam Haoyun deeply rooted. The show's production team even used concepts like "luck's glow" to further reinforce this image! "Madam Haoyun is so awesome!" "Goddess of luck indeed!" "I'm not being superstitious, but Madam Haoyun's luck is truly invincible, everything goes well for her!" "Hilarious!" "Every time she slacks off, the boss just happens not to be there, otherwise she'd get caught and have her wages docked!" "Are you sure this isn't staged by the production team?" "Why take a variety show so seriously? Just accept that Madam Haoyun is amazing, and she's covered in a halo of luck!" Finally. The show moved on to Xian Yu's segment. The staff asked Xian Yu if he was confident.

No problem!

At this moment, even the barrage of comments doubled because Xian Yu was the most popular!

"Finally, it's Fish Papa's turn!"

Xian Yu confidently stated:

"Fish Papa seems pretty confident!"

"He's about to be proven wrong." "Can't wait to see Fish Papa tormented by bratty kids!" "Feel the pain." "We can watch Fish Papa lose face!" "Guys, you all really want to see Fish Papa have bad luck?" "So rare." "When have you ever seen Fish Papa unable to cope?" "That's true, I hope this batch of brats can bring it!" At this time. Schools like Beihai Kindergarten in Qin Continent had long finished, but due to the time difference between the continents, some kindergartens were just letting out. At a certain kindergarten. Several kindergarten teachers were huddled together watching "Fish Walking with You." When Xian Yu took on Xia Fan's job, assigned to a kindergarten, the teachers were overjoyed: "The kindergarten segment is starting!" "I've been looking forward to this part ever since the trailer!" "We know all too well how hard it is to handle these brats, today let Teacher Admirable Fish experience our job!" "Xian Yu will definitely regret it!" "He'll soon find out that washing dishes is way easier than working in a kindergarten!" "I can relate so much!" "Fish Papa is so confident!" "He's totally underestimating these little monsters!"

The kindergarten teachers knew all too well how difficult the kids could be. Without sufficient patience and strong self-regulation, one simply couldn't handle the job. How could Xian Yu, a newbie teacher, possibly manage such a group of children?

Therefore.

At this moment, nearly all the kindergarten teachers interested in the show were eagerly watching the segment of Xian Yu entering Beihai Kindergarten!

As expected.

Xian Yu had just entered the kindergarten and couldn't subdue the unruly kids at all. As soon as the principal left, the children in the class went wild!

Xian Yu was falling apart!

The kids were rowdily chattering away, and Xian Yu, with dark lines across his forehead, silently wept with special effects, while the camera cheekily flashed back to a memory:

It was an interview before work.

When a staff member asked Xian Yu if he felt he was up to the job, Xian Yu confidently asserted:

No problem!

The words "No problem," echoed on a loop, humorously contrasting with the current scene of Xian Yu being driven to despair by the children.

Instantly.

The audience laughed!

The kindergarten teachers laughed too!

The kindergarten brats lived up to their reputation!

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Chapter 1029 - 948: What is it like for Maestro to teach music class in kindergarten?

Professional circles across continents, numerous professionals watching the show were all stunned, their hearts filled with numerous surprises:

"This show seems more fun than expected."

"The game at the beginning directly forms the first highlight."

"The Yu Dynasty's internal sabotage part is also very watchable."

"The post-production special effects of the sabotage part, perfectly enhanced the comedic atmosphere!"

"Wei Haoyun's part is also very impressive."

"This show might really become a huge hit!"

"I'm not sure, there's still a long way to go, it gets less fun once the guests start working on their own, only Wei Haoyun's part has funny moments."

"Teacher Admirable Fish's performance isn't anything special."

"The audience is supportive because of Teacher Admirable Fish's own popularity, not because of his performance or achievements. There's nothing remarkable."

Qi Continent showbiz circles.

Many people fell silent.

This variety show was beyond many people's expectations and made them feel threatened, making their previous condescension fade away.

However,

they also noticed, once the guests split up, the funny moments weren't as concentrated as the beginning.

"It's alright."

"Overall, it's still the usual set of miserable encounters of the stars, nothing unexpected, except for the lucky goddess part which is quite interesting; compared, Jiang Kui's lack of direction also has funny moments, but not strong enough."

"Isn't the effect of Teacher Admirable Fish's part pretty good?"

"That's because of Teacher Admirable Fish's high popularity."

"Since the formula didn't exceed the audience's expectations, that's a dangerous sign, only developments that surprise the audience can make them feel amazed."

"That's true."

"If the beginning is rated a hundred percent, then this part's score can already be decreased, unless the production team has some clever maneuvers, or the guests do something unexpectedly amazing which is highly unlikely."

The Qi showbiz circles breathed a small sigh of relief.

They viewed this variety show as a competitor, not easily accepting its explosive popularity that could affect Qi showbiz's dominant position in various continents.

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Kindergarten.

Several teachers were laughing, it was full of joy:

"Teacher Admirable Fish is going to collapse!"

"These kids are even naughtier than the ones we handle!"

"Not to mention Teacher Admirable Fish, even a veteran kindergarten teacher like me couldn't handle these kids right away, they'd only start to listen after getting familiar."

"Seeing Teacher Admirable Fish collapse, I can relate so much!"

"It reminds me of when I first became a kindergarten teacher, it really drained me!"

"I remember you even cried out of frustration."

"Yeah, it takes time to get used to this job after interacting with the kids for a while; Teacher Admirable Fish, who's only doing it for one day, simply can't handle it."

"Haha, the production team is intentionally making it tough for them."

The teachers recalled their own early days at the kindergarten, finding it funny yet very poignant.

The scenarios set in the variety show were very realistic.

Of course.

Regardless of everyone's thoughts, everybody still glued to their TVs, the show's entertainment value still maintained quite well.

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Inside the kindergarten.

Fish still couldn't manage the children.

The camera focused on the face of the kindergarten principal.

The kindergarten principal was not very pleased and seemed to be considering deducting Teacher Admirable Fish's salary.

Suddenly.

An unexpected incident occurred.

Just as the children were chattering noisily around various marine creatures.

Teacher Admirable Fish actively engaged with the children's topics: "How about Teacher Admirable Fish takes you to see fish?"

The children didn't believe him.

Swoosh, swoosh!

Teacher Admirable Fish didn't waste too much time talking.

Under the gaze of the children and numerous viewers in front of the screen.

Incredibly, Teacher Admirable Fish directly drew several simple drawings on the blackboard:

Goldfish!

Turtle!

Shark!

Dolphin!

Every drawing on the blackboard, although simple, was structurally clever!

These creatures appeared vivid on paper, their cartoon expressions seemed almost alive!

"Teacher has a friend called Shadow..."

After successfully grabbing the children's attention, Teacher Admirable Fish directly explained the real reason why he could draw.

Then. Drawing Teacher · Admirable Fish stepped in! He began teaching the children drawing skills, and surprisingly, he taught countless children in no time! Kindergarten. Seeing this segment. The teachers' laughter abruptly paused. Nobody expected that apart from designing games, Admirable Fish could also draw!? Though they were only cartoon-style simple sketches, these drawings looked beautiful in every way! Among them. One teacher skeptically spoke up, "Mr. Chen, you teach children art, how do you find these drawings?" "Great!" Mr. Chen closely examined the drawings, his expression filled with surprise: "Teacher Admirable Fish did a really good job!" After watching a while longer. Mr. Chen's expression turned peculiar, but he had to admit: "This level is much higher than mine. If I had this skill, my first class when I started wouldn't have been so tough." "Indeed not bad!" "Even better than some drawings in the kindergarten's textbooks!" "The children are starting to show interest!" "Tsk, tsk." "Unexpected!" "Teacher Admirable Fish has actually broken through with painting!"

"If Shadow taught him, then the skill level is indeed unquestionable."

The kindergarten teachers didn't expect that Teacher Admirable Fish's first class would successfully kickstart a drawing lesson for the children!

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Online.

Countless netizens also felt surprised!

Isn't Xian Yu too talented?

Surprise turned into excitement!

They felt this was an interaction between Xian Yu and Shadow.

Although Shadow didn't show up.

"Good lord!"

"Xian Yu is really going all out in this variety show, designing games and drawing!"

"Those are quite a lot of skills!"

"Who would have thought Teacher Admirable Fish actually learned painting from that freak Shadow? Just teaching Xian Yu a few techniques made his skills extraordinary, almost like cheating. Isn't it effortless for Xian Yu to teach kindergarten kids?"

"He got that good just from learning with Shadow?"

"It isn't just that reason, remember Xian Yu is also a game designer and a core scriptwriter for films and TV. All these roles involve some level of painting. Add Shadow's influence, and it makes sense that Xian Yu can paint well, especially since these are just children's drawings."

"Is this round considered an off-field assist from Shadow?"

"Shadow is awesome, even providing assists to his good buddy. I feel this show is getting more and more interesting. Kindergarten can't stump Xian Yu, can it?"

"Not necessarily, this was just the first lesson. Let's see how he handles the next!"

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This was another surprise brought by the show.

Everyone thought Xian Yu would just be schooled by the unruly kids. Xian Yu indeed struggled initially, but when he started drawing, the tables turned!

He had somewhat taken control of the classroom.

And the surprise was exactly what everyone found most thrilling!

At that point.

Everyone was anticipating what would happen next.

The first lesson didn't stump Xian Yu.

What about the second lesson?

The little kids are not that consistent.

Rowdy kids won't just obediently accept your other lessons because of one good one!

While everyone harbored such thoughts,

The second lesson began.

Here, it was evident that the production team gave Xian Yu more screen time than others.

But no one thought it was unfair.

Firstly, Xian Yu was popular enough;

Secondly, Xian Yu's first kindergarten lesson was indeed spectacular.

He showcased his painting skills, bringing a delightful surprise to the audience.

Everyone wanted to see how he would handle the second lesson!

This time, the script still unfolded similar to what the audience initially imagined.

When the second lesson started, the children indeed started acting up again, not just obediently listening to this unfamiliar teacher. This was an outdoor class! The kids could run wild! Now Xian Yu should lose his grip, right? At this moment. The show director, Tong Shuwen, also hid behind the screen, watching the show while enjoying the audience's comments. "Fish Papa is out of tricks." "Drawing isn't a long-term plan." "What other tricks does he have?" "I think he's out of tricks." S~earch the website to access chapters of novels early and in the highest quality. "This is indeed the usual script." "I almost thought Fish Papa could hold up." "Who could withstand this." Tong Shuwen secretly reveled in watching the comments! Still so young! You're thinking too simply! A series of challenges Xian Yu faced during his second lesson were shown on screen. Then. A new surprise occurred! Xian Yu directly leveraged Skipper's class influence, starting a game of Drop the Handkerchief!

At the same time.

He also taught the children a nursery rhyme: "Drop the handkerchief, drop the handkerchief, Gently place it Behind the little children Don't tell him Hurry, hurry, catch him Hurry, hurry, catch him..." Game designer Xian Yu went back online! At the same time. Maestro Xian Yu debuted for the first time! Creating nursery rhymes! Again, all the little kids were captivated by Xian Yu! They joyfully sang the song and obediently played the game! Wow! Surprises came one after another! When a completely new children's game, combined with the song "Drop the Handkerchief," burst onto the scene, the audience was stunned once again! "Meow meow meow???" "Here he comes, Maestro Xian Yu!" "Damn, damn, damn, we only thought about how Fish Papa can design games and paint, we almost forgot his best traditional skill is actually composing music, and he's the youngest Maestro at Blue Star!" "Can he compose nursery rhymes too?"

"Darn it, he's showing off again!"

"Xian Yu: Sorry, my skills are a tad over 100 million points."

"Am I the only one who thinks this nursery rhyme is classic? It works so well with the game! If I were a kid, I'd love it too!"

"To be honest, I want to pull my colleagues to play this game, to rediscover the youth and fun I've lost."

"Don't freaking misuse words, innocence ain't virginity, you made me think I walked onto the wrong set."

"Awesome!"

"I was hoping to see Fish Papa fail, but why do I only see him showing off up till now?"

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A certain nursery school.

Similar sentiments were shared by a few nursery school teachers looking at each other in disbelief, their faces reflecting astonishment!

"Ahem."

"Teacher Zhang, you're in charge of the outdoor activities, what do you think?"

"What do you think?"

Teacher Zhang said speechlessly, "I neither design games nor compose music, what am I supposed to do? I'm also desperate here!"

"Why are the kids so cooperative?"

"Because it's a new game, it's fresh!"

Playing games and singing nursery rhymes, how fun!

Inside, they felt imbalanced. When did taking care of kids become so easy?

Teacher Zhang said viciously, "Let me play the villain today, Ol' Zhang doesn't believe these brats won't crack eventually!"

Comparison is the thief of joy!

The nursery school teachers were all feeling bitter!

When they had just started at the nursery school, they were tormented to the brink of despair, so how did Xian Yu manage these children so easily?

Are your skills inexhaustible?

Or has your game design skill cooldown finished?

At this point, a teacher said gloomily, "I don't know if he will crumble, but the next class won't stump him."

"Why not?"

"Didn't you see the close-up of the timetable? The next class is freaking music, and the guy's a professional!"

"Pfft!"

Teacher Zhang Sparta'd.

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Indeed.

The camera zoomed in on the timetable.

The next class at the nursery school is indeed music.

Maestro teaching music to nursery kids, could anything go wrong?

Actually.

When the viewers saw that the next class was music, their expressions gradually turned stranger.

Outdoor class.

If Xian Yu could compose a popular nursery rhyme, what could come off a proper music class?

Unimaginable.

The youngest Maestro of Blue Star, teaching a group of nursery kids music, what kind of style would that be?

This imagined space is too large!

At that moment, the camera cut to several other guests, making the audience's imagination even wilder!

Tribe!
Blog!
Discussion sprang up naturally, all centered around "How will Xian Yu teach music to the kids", and it shot up to the top of the trending searches, showing how curious everyone was about the upcoming class!
The result.
No one expected this!
After the topic surged on the trending searches.
Starlight Entertainment.
One of Blue Star's Maestros, Zheng Jing, suddenly posted on his blog: "Hahaha, good Lord, Little Fish is going to teach music to nursery kids?!"
Following that.
Yang Zhongming retweeted, "Watching it, should be fun."
Lu Sheng also appeared, "You've piqued my curiosity. 'Fish Walking with You' is Xian Yu's new variety show, right? Can someone tell me which part he will be teaching music to the kids, I'll drop right in."
Maestro Yin Dong: "Also watching, really looking forward to the nursery music class."
Maestro Ye Zhi Qiu: "What a coincidence, I've also seen this part, anyone watching 'Fish Walking with You' together? It's an interesting show."
Whoosh!
These people appeared!
Then a bunch of maestros blew up!
Not just the netizens, even the crowd of maestros at Blue Star seemed to have a peculiar interest in how Xian Yu would handle the nursery music class!
Netizens: ""
This show is kind of crazy!
Turns out, countless Maestros are silently watching!

It's just an ordinary nursery school music class, but why does it seem so exciting to you?

Well.

Everyone felt an odd excitement.

Perhaps due to the combination of keywords like "Maestro," "nursery school," and "music class," it really is quite odd.

PS: It's not that Polluted White is updating from hell, it's just that this chapter is a bit lengthy, took quite a while to write, and it's the first day of the month, seriously requesting everyone for their monthly support!

PS2: The monthly pass, pleading!

Tip: You can use left, right keyboard keys to browse between chapters.

Chapter 1031 - 949: You Call This a Music Class?

The trending search was incredibly effective.

With the promotion from several Maestros.

Many netizens who originally weren't watching the program were drawn in out of curiosity!

Xian Yu's kindergarten music class had maximized countless people's expectations.

Many of the newly joined audience even parachuted directly into this segment.

Meanwhile, at the kindergarten.

Several teachers were watching the program together.

One of the teachers asked, "Mr. Li, you are a music teacher, how do you usually conduct music classes for the children?"

"Huh?"

Mr. Li chuckled, "Of course, I sing nursery rhymes with the children."

That teacher asked again, "What do you think Teacher Admirable Fish will do for his music class?"

Mr. Li touched his forehead, "Don't compare me to Maestro; how would I know how Maestro conducts a music class?"

Everyone said, "Just imagine it."

Mr. Li uncertainly said, "He might create a new nursery rhyme to teach the kids, like during the outdoor class when he created a game song 'Drop the Handkerchief'. Maybe he'll come up with another nursery rhyme for this music class. That's the difference between us regular music teachers and professional players, nothing more to say."

"Another nursery rhyme?"

"No wonder everyone online is looking forward to this segment."

One teacher, while watching the show, kept an eye on the online activity:

"They are probably all here for Xian Yu's nursery rhyme creation."

"Definitely."

"Other music teachers teach existing nursery rhymes, Maestro's music class likely involves creating his own and teaching it."

"Everyone guessed it."

"Guessed it but still want to see."

"Everyone wants to see how the professional shows off."

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As everyone spoke,

The class finally started.

Lin Yuan didn't start singing immediately but instead, following the children's request, started drawing on the blackboard.

Two Tigers.

Through the two drawings, Xian Yu successfully introduced the nursery rhyme "Two Tigers."

"Two tigers, two tigers, running fast, running fast, one has no ears, one has no tail, very strange, very strange!"

Following "Drop the Handkerchief"!

Now "Two Tigers"!

Xian Yu did not disappoint everyone!

Indeed, he chose not to teach the children those well-known Blue Star nursery rhymes!

Instead, he chose to teach the children of Beihai Kindergarten his own created nursery rhymes!

By now!

This episode.

He had already written two nursery rhymes!

Each one, memorable!

The first through that small game.

The second through two cartoon sketches.

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Inside the kindergarten.

Everyone said with a laugh, "It's just as we thought."

Mr. Li sighed, "It's a move us regular music teachers can't learn, professional players are too strong. These two nursery rhymes, although newly created by Teacher Admirable Fish, in terms of melody, fun, and catchiness, are in no way inferior to those classic nursery rhymes we all know well. Look how much the kids love them!"

"The netizens love them too!"

The teachers checked the program's comments, and at this moment, netizens' messages were very lively:

"Parachute landed successfully~"

"Caught Fish Papa's nursery rhyme release on time!"

"Came here because of the trending search!"

"I knew from the trending search title that Xian Yu was going to create his own nursery rhymes!" "Professional player rocks, right." "Feels like this nursery rhyme is going to be a classic!" "The previous one 'Drop the Handkerchief' isn't bad either." "Send Maestro to kindergarten and not squeeze out a couple of nursery rhymes, could it?" "Holy smokes!" "Is there more?" Suddenly the comments were shocked, several kindergarten teachers were also stunned, and in the ensuing process, their eyes grew wider and their mouths more agape! Boom! They witnessed perhaps a lifetime unforgettable epic kindergarten music class, overturning their inherent perceptions of music classes! . . . In the program. The music class continued! Teacher Admirable Fish's children's song teaching continued! The song "Lose the Handkerchief" was just a warm-up! "Two Tigers" was just the beginning! When Teacher Admirable Fish started singing "I Have a Little Donkey," the amusing lyrics provoked roaring laughter. The children were incredibly delighted and completely immersed in this unique music class. Then, Teacher Admirable Fish started singing "Find Friends"! Teacher Admirable Fish started singing "One Yuan"!

Teacher Admirable Fish then started singing "Pulling Up the Radish"!

Teacher Admirable Fish even sang "Plant the Sun"! The last two songs were ones that Lin Yuan brought out in the final fifteen minutes of the class. Because in this class, he followed the children's train of thought, and only when the topic reached a certain part could he introduce the corresponding songs. This resulted in: He completely linked the songs with the class content! These catchy children's songs seemed to flow effortlessly from Teacher Admirable Fish, without a hint of hesitation! Amusing! Educational! Melodic! Popular! The songs had all the elements that children's songs should have! The kindergarten teachers were utterly dumbfounded! Even the audience in front of the TV screens were stunned! Even some Maestros watching the program were caught off guard! Damn! You call this a music class!?

Is there some misunderstanding about what a music class is!?

Seven songs!

In a small kindergarten music class, including "Lose the Handkerchief," Teacher Admirable Fish presented a total of seven children's songs, each one immensely enjoyable and even considered a classic original children's song!

To be honest,

With "Lose the Handkerchief" as the foundation, everyone had considered that Teacher Admirable Fish would teach the children original songs in this music class, and that was why everyone was looking forward to it!

However, no one expected:

Indeed, Teacher Admirable Fish did teach original children's songs, but not one or two, or even three, but a full seven!

He linked all the topics of the entire class together!

If the children's topics were to diverge further, who knows whether Teacher Admirable Fish would continue to bring out new children's songs!

It blew up!

Online exploded!

Tribe forums, blogs, and major discussion boards, as well as the live comments on the program, all erupted simultaneously!

"My God!"

"Professional players should be banned from competing, hey!"

"I feel sorry for the music teachers at Beihai Kindergarten, is this what I understand as a kindergarten music class?"

"What in the world!"

"How will other kindergartens hold their music classes from now on?"

"Music teachers from various kindergartens across Blue Star are going to faint in the bathroom!"

"Teacher Admirable Fish went crazy!"

"Where did he get so many delightful and exciting children's songs!"

"Is it that easy for Maestro to write children's songs?"

"My goodness, is this really what a Maestro's lesson in kindergarten looks like?"

Countless people exclaimed!

Everyone was impressed by Maestro's power!

And amidst these successive exclamations, the Maestros themselves were also utterly puzzled.

Zheng Jing posted a blog status:

"..."

No content, just an ellipsis.

Yin Dong appeared, quietly explaining to the public, "You must not misunderstand, not every Maestro can do this, Teacher Admirable Fish is quite exceptional."

Ye Zhi Qiu also appeared, "Is this just a bit exceptional!?"

Lu Sheng also appeared, "Don't think that writing children's songs is very simple. The simplest aspect of music creation often implies the most difficulty, because the threshold for children's songs is too low, any musician can write them, but precisely because of this, how to make children's songs appealing to kids is a problem that might give even a Maestro some headaches. Maybe after this you'll realize how impressive these few children's songs from Teacher Admirable Fish are."

Yang Zhongming liked the comment and added, "They'll probably become widely known."

Maestros are not omnipotent!

Even some Maestros can't do what Teacher Admirable Fish did, delivering classic children's songs on the spot!

You see.

These children's songs are ones that emerged victorious from countless classic songs on Earth after extensive selection!

Therefore.

It's not just the netizens who were shocked!

Many Maestros were also stunned by this refreshing music class!

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Chapter 1032 - 950: Bloodbath on the Trending Searches List

The Yu Dynasty was also watching the show.

Although everyone was part of the program's recording, they didn't know about each other's work and were still puzzled as to why Xian Yu was able to get full pay despite the troubles from the production team.

At this point, after watching the music class, everyone was convinced!

"Damn!"

"Seven nursery rhymes!"

"That's too awesome!"

"It's like he's got cheats!"

"No wonder his pay is so high!"

"The effect of this music class is simply unbeatable!"

This kindergarten music class was like a show-off segment tailor-made for the representative by the production team!

Of course.

The show wasn't over yet.

It was still Xian Yu's screen time.

He still needed to help the children rest.

At this time.

The audience was still immersed in the shock brought by the kindergarten music class and didn't pay much attention to Xian Yu putting the children to sleep.

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The kindergarten dormitory.

The kids insisted on having Xian Yu tell them a bedtime story, mentioning the many fairy tales from "Fairytale Town."

Xian Yu asked, "Do you know who wrote these fairy tales?"

Skipper blurted out, "Old rascal!"

Xian Yu: "..." The audience burst into laughter at this scene. The focus shifted slightly from the shock of the music class. "Ha ha ha ha!" "Fish Papa: You really need to be careful when choosing friends!" "Classmate Skipper, this 'old rascal' you're talking about is actually Teacher Admirable Fish's good friend~" "Will Fish Papa talk about the old rascal?" "It'd be great to get some insider info!" "Maybe reveal the old rascal's address?" "Wow, then the old rascal would really strike it rich." "Why?" "He'd make a fortune selling razors!" Everyone was really looking forward to Xian Yu talking about Chu Kuang. Perhaps heeding the audience's wishes? Xian Yu spoke up: "Next, the fairy tale story the teacher will tell is called 'Peter Pan,' and the author is also this old rascal..." Whoosh! Before Xian Yu could finish. Everyone watching was stunned! Chu Kuang? A new book? Not yet released? Xian Yu had seen it in advance?

The audience's attention completely shifted from the music class, and fans of Chu Kuang watching the show were almost excited enough to shout out loud!

Awesome!

Xian Yu's move was so powerful!

He actually revealed Chu Kuang's fairy tale new book on the show!

A piece of the puzzle from the song "Fairytale Town":

Chu Kuang's unpublished fairy tale novel, "Peter Pan"!

The simplified version of the tale "Peter Pan," told eloquently by Lin Yuan!

Not only were the children enraptured!

The audience also listened intently, attracted by the story!

"Fish Papa is solid!"

"Well done!"

"Ha ha ha ha, Fish Papa really went all out for these kids, showing off the drawing skills he learned from Shadow earlier, and now to soothe the children, he has directly exposed Chu Kuang's new book!"

"Chu Kuang: I thank you!"

"I now declare author Xian Yu officially online!"

"Didn't someone say Shadow gave Xian Yu a helping hand from afar earlier? This time Chu Kuang has also assisted from a distance!"

"Xian Yu is unstoppable!"

"The story is also very interesting; the idea of not wanting to grow up is very fairy tale-like, yet it also has elements worth pondering for adults. If Chu Kuang's new book comes out, I'll buy it to read to my child."

"Same here."

"This episode, it's certain we won't see Fish Papa defeated, with painting, games, nursery rhymes, fairy tales—Fish Papa has showcased so many tricks, he has completely conquered the kids."

The netizens originally wanted to see Xian Yu fail.

But not only did Xian Yu not fail!

He continuously showed off his moves through the show!

All sorts of dazzling skills emerged one after another throughout half the day!

However.

No one was disappointed.

On the contrary:

It was precisely because Xian Yu brought so many surprises.

That his experiences in the show seemed to be filled with ups and downs and climax after climax!

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In this variety show.

Other participants also didn't disappoint the audience.

Zhao Ying Ge and Jiang Kui teamed up, no longer sabotaging each other, but helping each other instead.

Sun Yaohuo arrived like an angel to help Chen Zhiyu with the difficult tasks.

Madam Haoyun reached the hotel, joining Xia Fan to wash dishes.

It can be said:

Not only were there many unexpected things happening on Xian Yu's side.

The shift from sabotaging to supporting each other among other Yu Dynasty members was equally beyond the expectations of countless viewers.

"It's so warm."

"That's what friendship is about."

"My best friend and I often insult each other venomously and even sabotage each other, but when it really comes down to it, she's always there to face things with me."

"Compared to the fake friendships among stars in other variety shows, this program is really different."

"Because the Yu Dynasty is an entity in itself."

"Their understanding of one another is not something other stars can have."

"This twist is a bit sentimental."

Yes.

The post-production emphasized sentimentality.

But the audience didn't dislike sentimentality.

What the audience disliked was forced sentimentality.

The most sentimental parts of the Yu Dynasty felt very natural.

The unexpected yet logical twists following the earlier sabotage moved many.

However.

The most moving part was still the scene at the kindergarten.

It was now the afternoon.

Xian Yu sat on the lawn watching the kids.

Sunlight dappled down, filtering through the tips of their hair.

Xian Yu's lips curled up into a smile.

At this moment, the scene seemed to be frozen in time.

Who knows how many hearts melted.

Some netizens even took screenshots, wanting to use this image for their phone wallpaper.

And when Skipper offered Xian Yu an egg yolk pastry, everyone shared an understanding chuckle.

By the time Xian Yu led everyone in singing a brand new children's song "Happy Clapping Song," the audience had forgotten to be astonished—

Xian Yu had come up with yet another classic children's song!

Everyone just felt: Everything was so wonderful. Xian Yu was like a big child, leading a bunch of little ones, clapping their hands, stomping their feet. So childish. So innocent. The scene was heartwarming. That simple happiness seemed to reach everyone in front of their TVs. Especially when the kindergarten principal didn't dock his pay for eating the kids' snacks but instead rewarded him with a little red flower sticker. Many eyes grew misty. At that point, how the variety show game ended didn't matter, even though in the end someone ended up eating dirt, which still brought out the laughs. The Yu Dynasty enjoyed the process. So did the audience. The show ended with the "Happy Clapping Song." There were children's voices. There were the Yu Dynasty's voices. "No wonder this episode is called 'Envy Fish and His Friends,' turns out Xian Yu's friends aren't just the Yu Dynasty." "And Shadow." "And old rascal Chu Kuang." "The final wrap-up was so good."

"When the kindergarten principal gave Xian Yu a little red flower, I actually got a bit teary."

"Little red flowers, that's the highest praise for a child."

"After we grow up, who else gets to receive a little red flower like Xian Yu?" "Let's not make the atmosphere so serious, guys." "Clap, clap, clap!" "This show is all about happiness!" "Fantastic, so blissful, love it so much!" "I think the name 'Envy Fish and His Friends' is fine, but the show's title should be changed." "How is this 'Fish Walking with You'?" "This is clearly 'The Reality of Xian Yu Showing Off'!" Games! Music! Fairytales! Art! Xian Yu's parts were all high-energy! Various skill displays wowed countless viewers! Especially compared to the other members of the Yu Dynasty, Xian Yu was simply stunning! When the first episode ended. There were no surprises! Sëarch the * website to access chapters of novels early and in the highest quality. The entire internet was abuzz with 'Fish Walking with You' trending topics! #YuDynasty #FishWalkingWithYou #XianYu'sArt #XianYu'sMusicClass #XianYu'sNewWerewolfGame

#OldRascalChuKuang'sNewBookPeterPan

#IfYoureHappyAndYouKnowItClapYourHands

#BeihaiKindergarten

The new variety show from the Yu Dynasty made a grand "sweep" of the trending lists in just one episode!

Even a major celebrity who recently got jailed for a serious offense was pushed down by these trending topics!

Blogs!

Tribes!

Even those who hadn't watched the show were shaken, feeling out of touch with the world:

What the heck?

What's with all these trending topics?

Why am I a bit confused?

Luckily, the show's audience turned into advocates, spreading the word:

"Go watch 'The Reality of Xian Yu Showing Off'... Oh wait, I mean 'Fish Walking with You,' then you'll get it."

"That new variety show from the Yu Dynasty?"

"Yes."

"Wow, the whole trending list is about that show!"

"Because this show is super amazing!"

"I saw there was a trending topic about Xian Yu teaching a music class and singing a children's song, so what is this actually? A music show or reality TV?"

"Games, art, music, fairytales novels; it's got everything!"

"Are you kidding me??"

"Fish Papa was high-energy throughout, I won't spoil the rest, go see for yourself!"

"You've piqued my curiosity!" "I wasn't interested before, but now you've got me excited." Yes. That night. The collaboration between Tong Shuwen and the Yu Dynasty for 'Fish Walking with You' exploded in popularity! This buzz was like a trip down memory lane to 'The Masked Singer'! Tribes! Blogs! On major platforms! Countless celebrities and personalities were endorsing it: "Highly recommend the new variety 'Fish Walking with You.' Funny at the start, scary in the middle, moving at the end— I can't believe I wasn't bored for the full two-hour runtime!" "This year's most sincere variety show has arrived!" "No fancy rules, just basically the Yu Dynasty members overcoming challenges, but why is it so good to watch?" "I'm hooked from the first episode, looking forward to the second one!"

"Raise your hand if Xian Yu's showboating tingled your scalp!"

"Watching this show gives you one feeling: How does Xian Yu know everything?"

"Damn, I just watched Xian Yu show off from beginning to end! It's no wonder with a combo like Tong Shuwen and the Yu Dynasty. This variety show gave me the feelings I had chasing 'The Masked Singer,' even though both shows are totally different."

"Damn it, Xian Yu had me from the start till the end!"

"Out of two hours of programming, I watched Fish Papa show off for an hour; another standout was Madam Haoyun, with that closing background music at the end, this show's post-production really knows how to play."

Meanwhile.

The entire world of variety shows from different continents were stunned after watching 'Fish Walking with You'!

Ah,	this.	••	

ps: During the double points period, I'm asking for monthly votes, now that I've been knocked down the rankings, catching up will be hard.

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Chapter 1033 - 951 Rainbow Farts

Gosh darn it!

What was mentioned before?

Unless there is a guest who constantly breaks the audience's expectations with surprises and accidents, it's difficult for this show to blow up?

Well, now it has.

A prophecy from Qi people has come true.

Teacher Admirable Fish has met all the conditions.

At the start, designing a Werewolf game, Teacher Admirable Fish used his game designer identity to really show off!

In the first preschool class, Teacher Admirable Fish subdued the kids with his drawing skills and continued to flaunt!

During the second preschool class, Teacher Admirable Fish designed a children's game, made up nursery rhymes on the fly, still showing off!

The third preschool class was music, and Blue Star's youngest Maestro came online, switching full blast into show-off mode!

During the sleep-soothing segment, Teacher Admirable Fish flaunted an unpublished new book by Chu Kuang!

At parting, he brought out the "Happy Clapping Song", stirring emotions and flaunting his musical talent!

It's safe to say:

80% of the highlights of this episode were all on Teacher Admirable Fish!

He was already very popular, and his radiant and scene-stealing performance in the show, continuously shattering the audience's imaginations, was practically a drama in itself.

Watching his fancy moves in the preschool part, the audience reached their climax!

How could such a show not ignite?

It's like a contest, where Tong Shuwen, the coach, didn't even come up with any impressive strategies.

The Yu Dynasty just entered the field.

And no matter how good the opponent's tactics were, Teacher Admirable Fish easily broke through, putting on a one-man show.

What is this called?

This is called power breaking technique.

This is called overwhelming force with power.

Basically, no need for any fancy stuff; just keep shocking the audience with the program group and it's all settled!

"Not abiding by martial ethics!"

"Tong Shuwen really doesn't abide by martial ethics, a disgrace to our variety shows, casually designing a reality show where rules and gameplay are nothing remarkable, just relying on the guest's performance!"

"Damn it!"

"This guy basically didn't do anything impressive, just treated the Yu Dynasty like a wealth code, used Teacher Admirable Fish as a viewership key, and it freaking worked."

"Just a win-by-lying-down dog."

"This mode isn't righteous!"

"If Teacher Admirable Fish can't keep up the show later, then this program ends there, the heat from the first episode will be just a flash in the pan."

"Too dependent on the guest's performance."

"Unlike our variety shows, where it doesn't matter how well the guests perform, the rules already play out spectacularly."

Entertainers from Qi Continent feel pissed!

They think this show used tricks to be popular in its first episode.

Without Teacher Admirable Fish's performance, although the show wouldn't be dead in the water, it would probably just be moderately popular, definitely not as sensational as it is now!

What kind of performance is it now?

Just look at the media's reaction.

Not just netizens.

The media is wildly hyping it up too!

"Teacher Admirable Fish's New Variety Show a Big Hit!"

"Teacher Admirable Fish Introduces New Game in New Variety Show: Werewolf!"

"Teacher Admirable Fish Creates Several Classic Nursery Rhymes in New Variety Show!"

"Teacher Admirable Fish Reveals Chu Kuang's New Book in Variety Show!"

"Teacher Admirable Fish Flaunts His Drawing Skills in New Variety Show!"

"Teacher Admirable Fish Gets Sneaky in New Variety Show: Deceiving Xia Fan Right at the Start!"

"Teacher Admirable Fish..."

These headlines are not surprising.

The media's excessive flattery also shows from another angle that "Fish Walking with You" exploded in popularity entirely because of Teacher Admirable Fish's god-level performance.

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Director Tong Shuwen must be thrilled.

At ten o'clock at night, he had a drink with the editor "Zhu Lei".

"I don't abide by martial ethics?"

Tong Shuwen, having drunk a few gulps, his tongue thickened: "I didn't expect Teacher Admirable Fish to be so fierce, showcasing so many skills. I initially just wanted to film his unlucky moments, who knew his style would be so different from others."

Others are tormented by work.

For Teacher Admirable Fish, it's nothing at all.

The Yu Dynasty provided a perfect contrast to Teacher Admirable Fish.

"Zhu Lei" laughed, "They are disparaging us, saying that relying on the guest's performance is too unstable, and by the second episode, the true colors will show."

"Then let Teacher Admirable Fish continue the show!"

Tong Shuwen was drunk, daring to say anything.

"Zhu Lei" couldn't help but laugh and cry.

Continue the show?

Easier said than done.

Do you think Teacher Admirable Fish is a fairy?

Can he just show off whenever he's asked to?

It's not like every task can be filmed at kindergarten.

"Not just letting Teacher Admirable Fish show off!"

Tong Shuwen loudly declared: "Other people also need to start showing off, impressing the audience!"

He was really drunk.

"Zhu Lei" shook her head slightly.

She was certainly excited, but still rational, knowing that Qi people were right. The success of the first episode felt somewhat contrived.

At kindergarten.

Teacher Admirable Fish's show was beyond reason.

But what about the second episode?

What if he can't keep it up for the next episode?

They can't just keep sending Teacher Admirable Fish to kindergarten, right?

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Well.

Whatever the case may be for the second episode.

In conclusion, the first episode of "Fish Walking with You" completely caught fire!

After the bloodbath on the trending searches.

This show topped the daily play charts on the Penguin Video website without any suspense.

Penguin Video was ecstatic!

This was their exclusive show!

To this end, Penguin Video even proactively contacted some media for soft publicity.

About a quarter of those flattery-laden reports about the show were arranged by Penguin Video.

Among them.

One report emphasized the game design aspect:

"Some people say this show should be renamed 'Teacher Admirable Fish Showing Off Real-Time.' I totally agree, but as a fan, I actually want to say to everyone that Teacher Admirable Fish's performance in the first episode was not coincidental, it all stemmed from his identity as a game designer!

We always forget his other identities because of Teacher Admirable Fish's 'Maestro' halo.

For instance, Teacher Admirable Fish is an exceptional game designer.

The once-popular 'Plants vs. Zombies' and 'PUBG' were his past masterpieces,

It wasn't surprising that he designed 'Werewolf Kill.'

And the game 'Drop the Handkerchief' was also based on his identity as a game designer.

It can be said that this episode's success, Teacher Admirable Fish's game design skills contributed eighty percent of the effort.

What even surprised me, a fan, was Teacher Admirable Fish's drawing talent!

But on second thought, it's not that surprising.

Although Teacher Admirable Fish himself said he learned drawing from Shadow, I think it's not just for that reason.

As a game designer, Teacher Admirable Fish himself must have a strong foundation in drawing; you can ask any game designer if they can draw, and you'll see.

It's quite clear now.

Teacher Admirable Fish's performance this episode mainly utilized his identity as a game designer, bringing us countless surprises.

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It was a different approach.

Everyone kept saying Teacher Admirable Fish was showing off too much, but there wasn't much discussion on which aspect he particularly excelled.

This report reminded everyone:

Teacher Admirable Fish is a very impressive game designer!

This is a skill of Teacher Admirable Fish that is easily overlooked or even underestimated.

In contrast.

Though Teacher Admirable Fish composing songs and writing children's songs was shocking, since he is a Maestro, it seemed somewhat expected.

At this time.

Someone suddenly said:

"This report reminds us that Teacher Admirable Fish has never been just a Maestro. He also has many other excellent but often overlooked skills, which might be showcased in the upcoming episodes, like everyone said, Teacher Admirable Fish only succeeded in getting children to sleep

by using Chu Kuang's novel, but have you ever thought that without Chu Kuang's novel, Teacher Admirable Fish couldn't get children to sleep?"

Netizens were stunned.

Various comments expressed confusion:

"Drawing is not entirely learned from Shadow, I can understand that. It's not unusual for a game designer to draw, this point makes sense that Teacher Admirable Fish did not rely solely on Shadow, but fairy tales to put children to sleep definitely rely on Chu Kuang."

"Yeah."

"After all, Teacher Admirable Fish is not a writer."

"I get it now, the poster means that even without Chu Kuang's fairy tales, he could use children's songs to put children to sleep."

"Various lullabies?"

"That does make sense."

"So, the fact that Teacher Admirable Fish effortlessly faced these troubles is actually not a coincidence."

"He has many methods to deal with troublesome kids."

Everyone gradually figured it out.

However, the poster then sent a sweating emoji: "How dazzling is the Maestro halo that you not only forgot Teacher Admirable Fish's identity as a game designer but also forgot he's a kick-ass screenwriter?"

Eh?

Netizens were dumbfounded and then shocked!

Right!

How did they forget that?

Without Chu Kuang's fairy tales, who says Teacher Admirable Fish could only rely on his Maestro identity and create lullabies to put children to sleep?

He's a screenwriter himself!

There isn't much difference fundamentally between screenwriters and writers!

Maybe he could craft a story that would make children fall asleep obediently?

"Terrifying to think about indeed!"

Everyone then realized that maybe Teacher Admirable Fish has even more tricks for handling children that he hasn't used yet!

In other words:

This episode didn't fully unearth all of Teacher Admirable Fish's skills, such as his talent as a screenwriter, which hasn't been showcased yet!

Of course.

Some people humorously commented, "It's too idealistic to think up a story that puts a child to sleep in a short time, it's not that easy, and although Teacher Admirable Fish is a screenwriter, he hasn't written fairy tale stories before, and children definitely want fairy tales, so this time Teacher Admirable Fish could only rely on Chu Kuang's fairy tale novels."

There were many similar derivative topics about the show online.

Coincidentally, Lin Yuan also saw this topic and couldn't help but ponder:

Perhaps he should use this variety show to showcase more skills and then fiercely harvest reputation.

Hmm.

In the upcoming episodes, Teacher Admirable Fish cannot afford to be too low-key, he must seize any opportunity to show off.

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At the same time that night.

Yuan Huo Game Company announced:

The online version of "Werewolf Kill" has officially launched!

Silver Blue Books subsequently announced:

Chu Kuang's new book "Peter Pan" will be officially published and distributed tomorrow!

Starlight Entertainment likewise announced:

The eight children's songs including "Happy Clapping Song" sung by Teacher Admirable Fish with Beihai Kindergarten during the variety show have officially launched!

You never know until you look.

Quite a shock to discover!

This new variety show of Teacher Admirable Fish has actually derived so much content!

Immediately!

All parties are paying attention!

Wondering how these derivative contents will perform in the market?

ps: Thanks to the two Alliance Hierarchs of "Follow the Dream" for their support, bowing to the great leader, may the boss make a fortune~!

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