Lin Wenjing somehow knew what the agent was thinking, but he was not bothered by it. He had encountered many similar misunderstandings that subsequently made him torpor.

The agent did not say much after mumbling a few more words. Anyway, customers should come first, so he would always oblige to do what they asked for.

"In Hua City, the best villa area is at Yulong Bay. The average price is more than ten million, and the good ones cost more than thirty million."

While they were on the way there, the agent introduced the various properties to Lin Wenjing. The more he looked at him, the more he felt that he was not a rich man.

Lin Wenjing's answer was simple and straightforward. He nodded and said, "Sure, let's have a look."

Yulong Bay was indeed the best villa area found in Hua City. Hua City was a well- known place. Not only was it a good location, but it was also equipped with a top-notch environment and facilities. Those who could afford to live here were either the wealthy or the nobles.

Back when Lin Wenjing was still the son-in-law

of the Chu family, everyone in the Chu family hoped to buy a house in Yulong Bay, but they didn't even have that capital, so they couldn't afford it.

His mother-in-law—Liu Qiaozhen—had been talking about this for the longest time. She was the one who yearned to have a villa in Yulong Bay the most. At that time, she complained a lot about Lin Wenjing, saying that he was a good-for-nothing and scum.

Therefore, there was a period of time when Lin Wenjing was quite eager to buy a house in Yulong Bay.

No one thought he could really afford a villa in Yulong Bay now. Despite that, it was unfortunate that he and Chu Ling were divorced, and he had left the Chu family. Since he was no longer related to them, he had no chance to prove to them that he was already successful.

At the thought of this, Lin Wenjing felt quite lost.

To be honest, during the four years when he was adopted into the Chu family, he was despised by the family to an extreme level that he was treated worse than garbage. Back then, there was not much that he could do, but it was

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a different story today. He made a successful comeback by becoming a big shot in Hua City. He would be lying to himself if he didn't want to show off to the Chu family. No matter how mature and steady he was as a person, he was still an ordinary person with emotions and desires after all.

After thinking about it, he also sank into a stupor and did not listen attentively to the agent who was explaining everything to him. However, the agent interpreted Lin Wenjing's behavior as guilt. Thus, his attitude toward Lin Wenjing became increasingly indifferent and contemptuous.

"We've arrived at Yulon $\mathbb{G}^{\mathbb{K}}$ Bay. Let's get off here," the agent said impatiently.

Lin Wenjing returned to his senses and got out of the car.

When he got out of the car, it was undeniable that Yulong Bay was indeed extraordinary. It was completely different from the other areas even the gate itself was magnificent enough to prove the point. Seeing Lin Wenjing's gaze on the gate, the agent said proudly, "This gate is carved out of natural marble. Even the counterfeits of the gate cost about three million. It's definitely not an ordinary door."

Lin Wenjing nodded and said, "Three million that's not bad."

The agent thought, *He's just putting on airs*.

Upon entering, the agent tried to ask Lin Wenjing what his job was, but Lin Wenjing never directly answered his questions, which convinced him even more that Lin Wenjing was a poor man who could not afford a villa in Yulong Bay. He probably came here at Yulong Bay to take a few photos in order to post online to show off to his friends. Because based on his experiences from the past years, he had encountered quite a number of people who did this.

Lin Wenjing didn't know that the agent looked at him in such a way. He carefully observed the villa to see if he liked any. If so, he would buy it in full payment.

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With his current financial resources, him buying a villa that was worth tens of millions was as easy as an average person buying a packet of cigarettes. Simply to say, it was not a big deal to him at all.

"Take me to the most expensive villa in Yulong Bay."

Lin Wenjing looked around for a while, but he

couldn't find any villas that he liked. So, he frowned and made that request to the agent.

The agent looked at him lazily and said, "In order to prevent some people who do not have the ability to buy a villa to use the reason of previewing houses as an excuse to come in and view the properties, the developers has set up a rule—whoever wants to view the most expensive villas have to fork out two hundred thousand as deposit. If not, they can't view the villas."

"There is such a rule?" Lin Wenjing frowned. He had lived in Hua City for a long time, yet he had never heard of any area that required a deposit before viewing the houses. On top of that, he had to pay out two hundred thousand in one go. That was too much.

Seeing his reaction, the agent was even more sure of himself that Lin Wenjing was just pretending to come here to look at the villas. The corners of his lips curled into a sneer. "That's right. Some poor folks deliberately pretended to be interested in buying the properties here, only to take photos to post online. After all, Yulong Bay was the most luxurious and high-end area in Hua City. Those who can afford to live here have a high social status. If any poor people can come in here and visit, this will also affect the lives of the owners

here and drop the standard of this area."

However, what the agent said was only partially right. Such a rule did exist at Yulong Bay—the most luxurious area in Hua City—but the amount of the deposit was not as much as two hundred thousand—it was only fifty thousand.

The agent increased the amount because he was annoyed by Lin Wenjing and wanted him to retreat willingly.

However, what he did not expect was to hear Lin Weijing speak without hesitation. "All right, where can I pay?"

The agent was shocked to hear Lin Wenjing's words. His eyes widened and he said, "Are you sure? You have to pay out two hundred thousand in one go, and Yulong Bay doesn't take credit cards."

Lin Wenjing obviously knew that the agent was purposely treating him in a way to make him back off. He didn't bother to explain to him and said impatiently, "Who said I was going to use a credit card? Tell me where I can pay because I want to quickly buy a house within the next two days, so I don't have much time to spare."

The agent's face darkened as he was somehow reprimanded by Lin Wenjing. He secretly cursed

internally and took Lin Wenjing to the developer's office for the payment.

Although he didn't believe that Lin Wenjing could afford a house here, but as an agent, if he got complained by Lin Wenjing because of his rude attitude, it would still affect his career performance.

After a while, the agent took Lin Wenjing to pay the deposit. Before Lin Wenjing could speak, he hinted at the front desk and said, "This guest is going to pay a deposit of two hundred thousand. He wants to see the villas in the eighth phase in Yulong Bay."

The front desk noticed the implied meaning of the agent and nodded. Then, she took out a POS machine for Lin Wenjing to pay with his card.

However, just as Lin Wenjing was about to pay, he heard a shuffling sound of footsteps and a few familiar voices coming from behind him. "Darling, I never dreamed that I could really come to Yulong Bay to buy a house. It's amazing—it's my dream to live here! Thank you for making my dream come true!"

Then, another voice rang. "Rongmin, it really is a blessing for Chu Xuan to meet you."



'Chu Xuan'? Upon hearing the name, Lin Wenjing was taken aback.*Isn't she Chu Ling's cousin?* 

He looked back curiously. Sure enough, he saw a group of members of the Chu family walking into the office.

At the same time, they also saw Lin Wenjing.



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Recently, Liu Qiaozhen was so annoyed because Han Xuefen was showing off their precious daughter and said that she had found a rich boyfriend who apparently ran an Internet company even though he was so young. The company would earn about twenty to thirty million. The profitability was likely to be so much stronger than the Chu family's company, Sheng Ke Lighting Company. On top of that, he was going to buy a villa worth around ten million in Yulong Bay as a gift to Chu Xuan after they got married.

Han Xuefen was the wife of Chu Huacheng who was Chu Zhenyao's younger brother, and she was also Chu Xuan's mother. She interacted with Liu Qiaozhen a lot.<sup>Th</sup>Liu Qiaozhen, on the other hand, cared a lot about pride and dignity. Hence, hearing something like this made her lose her cool. It was a good thing that her daughter was now the chairwoman of Sheng Ke Lighting Company because she didn't want to be embarrassed by Han Xuefen. Hence, when Han Xuefen invited her to come to Yulong Bay to look at the villas, she immediately accepted her invitation.

She decided to jump the gun by calling Chu Ling only after arriving at Yulong Bay to tell her that she was going to buy a villa.

When Chu Ling heard her mother's words, she

was dumbfounded. What was going on? They already had a house in Hua City, and it was comfortable to live in. Why did my mother go to Yulong Bay to buy a house? Besides, Yulong Bay only offered villas, and the lowest price would still cost them around ten million. How could their family afford to buy it?

Hence, she immediately asked, "Mom, what are you doing? Our house is just fine, so why are you buying another house in Yulong Bay? There are only villas in that area."

Liu Qiaozhen replied, "You are now the chairwoman of the company, so you have the most shares. It is more than enough to buy a villa in Yulong Bay."  $T^{K}$ 

She deliberately increased the volume of her voice to make sure that Han Xuefen's family heard her, emphasizing that her daughter was also a chairman. She was no worse than other people.

Chu Ling frowned and said, "The company has just gone back on track, so the profit that we earn isn't even enough to cover the losses. So what if I have more shares? I can't fork out such a huge sum of money at once."

As Liu Qiaozhen had turned on her speakerphone, Chu Ling's words were

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immediately heard by Han Xuefen's family, and she immediately burst into laughter and said, "Come on, Qiaozhen. You came from the countryside, so maybe you don't know that there is also a difference between chairpeople. Although some people claim that they are the chairman, some don't make money, while others are able to earn twenty to thirty million a year like Rongmin ."

When Liu Qiaozhen heard this, her face darkened and cursed internally. Switching the call back to headset, she walked and told Chu Ling, "I don't care! You better be here now. Otherwise, don't call me your mother!"

As soon as she finished speaking, she hung up the phone.

Chu Ling felt helpless listening to the dial tone of her phone. Fortunately, she was not very busy today. To prevent her mother from getting into more trouble, she had no choice but to rush over.

Seeing Liu Qiaozhen walk toward her, Han Xuefen joked, "Well, Chu Ling still can't afford to buy a house? She has a point though—you already have a small 100 square meters commercial house in Hua City. It's enough for your family of four. After all, the villas in Yulong Bay are too expensive, and any villa here costs

more than ten million. I understand that not everyone can afford it."

Chu Xuan immediately added, "Mom, you can't speak like that. Now that Chu Ling became the chairwoman of Sheng Ke Lighting Company, her status is very important now. Even Grandfather has to listen to her! Shouldn't it be easy for her to buy a villa in Yulong Bay? Am I right?"

Chu Xuan's remarks were extremely sarcastic. Both the mother and daughter sneered at Liu Qiaozhen and made fun of her, making her grit her teeth furiously. She snorted loudly and said, "Of course! Since Chu Ling is now the chairwoman of the company, it is easy for her to fork out ten million. Are you guys taking out a mortgage like the poor when you are going to buy a villa in Yulong Bay?"

Her question had stunned Chu Xuan as she really did plan to take out a mortgage. After all, ten million was not a small sum of money. Even Chu Xuan's boyfriend, Wang Rongmin, couldn't afford to take out ten million so easily.

Of course, at this point, Chu Xuan couldn't admit that. She would have to fight until the very end.

When Chu Ling got promoted to be the

chairwoman of Sheng Ke Lighting Company, everyone in the Chu family was under her control. During that time, Liu Qiaozhen hadn't stopped showing off in front of them. Now that Chu Xuan had finally found a rich boyfriend who was willing to spend money for her, both Chu Xuan and her mother wanted to get their revenge.

So, Chu Xuan immediately looked at Wang Rongmin meaningfully. After getting Wang Rongmin's consent, she immediately looked disdainful and increased the volume of her voice. "What? 'Taking out a mortgage'? That's something that only the poor do. Rongmin doesn't even need it! Aunt Qiaozhen, it would be funny if Chu Ling arrives and can't afford to buy a villa in Yulong Bay."

Liu Qiaozhen snorted and said, "You don't need to worry about this. It's impossible that we can't afford to buy a villa in Yulong Bay."

When Han Xuefen and her family were walking in front, Liu Qiaozhen deliberately pretended to fall behind and pinched Chu Zhenyao hard. She chastised, "You useless bastard! Why did you keep quiet just now and allow Han Xuefen's family to sneer at me? Are you still a man?"

Chu Zhenyao hissed in pain after being pinched and quickly said, "Let's talk about you—why did

you come here with Han Xuefen? Are you out of your mind? Chu Ling is right—we already have a house in Hua City. Why are we coming to Yulong Bay to buy a villa? Our family only has three people right now. Even if we bought it, we couldn't possibly live in it."

Liu Qiaozhen poked Chu Zhenyao's forehead roughly and berated, "That's why you're useless! You have no ambition at all. Even though they're walking all over us, you choose to endure it. Besides, Chu Ling is already the chairwoman of Sheng Ke Lighting Company. She can receive bonuses up to ten million each year. It will be easy for her to buy a villa here!"

Chu Zhenyao explained,<sup>™</sup>Well, you can put it that way, but Sheng Ke Lighting Company has just slowly gotten back on track. So, Chu Ling won't be able to get the money until the end of the year. She still has another six months to go."

"I don't care! I am going to buy a villa in Yulong Bay today! I can't stand it anymore!" Liu Qiaozhen said willfully.

After that, they followed Han Xuefen's family to inspect the house. After knowing more about the houses in Yulong Bay, they realized that the villas here were indeed expensive and also luxurious. The people who could live here were

all wealthy and had a high social status.

With a little puffery from the agent, both Liu Qiaozhen and Han Xuefen had become more captivated with Yulong Bay and decided that they must buy a villa in Yulong Bay.

Not long after, Chu Ling had arrived. Liu Qiaozhen smiled excitedly when she saw her and waved vigorously. "Chu Ling, come here! I'm waiting for you!"

Chu Ling wore a skirt that day, looking like an angel from the heavens above. With her beautiful face, Wang Rongmin couldn't take his eyes off her immediately. In contrast, Chu Xuan really didn't look good as she did.

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After noticing Wang Rongmin couldn't take his eyes off Chu Ling, Chu Xuan's face immediately darkened. She pinched Wang Rongmin hard and said angrily,"Where are your eyes wandering off to?"

Feeling the pain, Wang Rongming returned to his senses and quickly explained to Chu Xuan, but he couldn't stop looking at Chu Ling. He couldn't help himself—she was just too beautiful. As one of the top three beauties in Hua City, her beauty was unquestionable. Once she became the chairwoman, she had an air of sophistication, which made her even more alluring to men.

Wang Rongmin was considered quite a successful entrepreneur. So, he had toyed with many beautiful women, but he had never been with someone like Chu Ling, so he was immediately tempted.

After Chu Ling walked over to them, she said, "Mom, why did you think of buying a villa in Yulong Bay?"

As soon as she saw Han Xuefen and Chu Xuan, she nodded and greeted them.

Liu Qiaozhen said, "Yulong Bay is the best place in the city. Since you are now the chairman of Sheng Ke Company, your status is different

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from before. Of course you have to live in the best property in Hua City!"

At that moment, Han Xuefen came over with a smile and said, "Chu Ling, you're here too! It's like this—Chu Xuan's boyfriend wants to buy a villa here in Yulong Bay for them to live in after their wedding. I mentioned this to your mother, and that was why she had the thought of buying a villa in Yulong Bay too. However, you've just assumed the position of the chairwoman of Sheng Ke Company, so would you be able to take out a big sum of money?"

Chu Xuan walked over to them while holding Wang Rongmin's hand. She said with a smile, "Mom, you shouldn't say that. Chu Ling is now rich—she has become the chairwoman of Sheng Ke Company after all. A villa that costs ten million is nothing to her, right, Chu Ling? My boyfriend and I like the villa at the sixth phase, and it's not that expensive actually. If you buy it in one full payment, it only costs around fifteen million. You can buy the one next to us, so we can move in together and be neighbors. How good will that be?"

When Chu Ling heard this, she finally got the picture of what was going on. It turned out that they were just comparing themselves and tried to keep up with the Joneses. To be honest, she hated this the most. She couldn't help but

glared at Liu Qiaozhen in annoyance. Besides, even if she wanted to buy it, she couldn't really fork out the money.

"Really? Congratulations for buying a villa in Yulong Bay, but I am not interested in living here. This area is too far from the city. I prefer the city center, and it is close to my workplace, so I have no intention in buying a villa in Yulong Bay," Chu Ling said, smiling.

At that moment, Han Xuefen said loftily, "Chu Ling, is this really the case? Your mother said that she really likes the villa in Yulong Bay, and she also mentioned that she must buy one here. From what I can see, could it be that you are not able to afford to<sup>K</sup>get a villa in Yulong Bay, so you are trying to get away by saying you have no interest in the villas here in Yulong Bay?"

After hearing her words, Chu Ling felt rather uncomfortable. She glared at Liu Qiaozhen. It was all her mother's fault—she loved to compare everything with others, and she always dragged into the mess.

Chu Ling explained, "You know how my mom is —she is quite impulsive. She may like the villas here in Yulong Bay today, but perhaps she won't like it tomorrow."

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Then, she immediately shot Liu Qiaozhen a warning glance to make her understand the situation.

Liu Qiaozhen was able to decipher Chu Ling's gaze. Even if she was unwilling, she had no choice but to follow along. "Yes, I suddenly don't like the villas here anymore. The location is too remote."

However, with the sudden change of her attitude, everyone knew that the truth was because Chu Ling didn't have enough money to buy the villa in Yulong Bay.

Upon seeing the scene, Han Xuefen and Chu Xuan looked at each other more gleefully. When Chu Ling became the chairwoman of Sheng Ke Company, they were very upset about it. Now that they had finally found an opportunity to get back at her, they would definitely hold on to it.

"Qiaozhen, your personality hasn't changed at all after so many years. I don't think that you don't like the villa here in Yulong Bay, but it is because you guys just can't afford it!" The smile on Han Xuefen's face was particularly condescending and mocking. She looked at Liu Qiaozhen in disdain and arrogance as if she was the victor. "Fair enough. Although Chu Ling is the chairwoman of Sheng Ke Company, her company is still not comparable to Rongmin's

company. More importantly, she is unable to fork out such a large sum of money. It's ten million after all."

Liu Qiaozhen felt miserable when she heard this, but she didn't take any impulsive actions because of Chu Ling's expression.

However, Chu Xuan's next sentence made her unable to suppress her emotions. "Well, although Chu Ling is now the chairwoman of Sheng Ke Company, she has not even changed her car. She still drives her old Volkswagen, whereas Rongming upgraded to a Bentley a few years ago."

Liu Qiaozhen became furious at that moment and stood up. She said loudly, "Stop speaking so sarcastically! Who says Chu Ling can't afford the villas in Yulong Bay? We are just saving your dignity! Since you guys insist on speaking like this, we will pay today and buy those two villas!"

Both Han Xuefen and Chu Xuan were stunned when they heard what she said. They didn't expect Liu Qiaozhen to have the audacity to say such words and suddenly felt guilty. Was it possible that Chu Ling was just putting on an act just now? Could she really spend ten million on a villa?

They dared not speak freely after this.

Liu Qiaozhen, however, saw their reactions and immediately gloated, "What? You don't dare to speak anymore? I guess you guys are the one who can't afford to pay, am I right? You are good at putting on airs, huh? People who don't know you might have really thought you've found yourself a rich man."

Chu Xuan was also immediately annoyed by this. She pulled Wang Rongmin aside and spoke to him in a deep voice, using every way she could think of to plead with him. She even agreed to some outrageous requests. Finally, Wang Rongmin gritted his teeth and agreed.

Fifteen million was indeed a bit too much for him, but it was not to the point where he couldn't afford it. Not long ago, he made a great business deal that led him to earn a large sum of money.

Moreover, he was also that type of man who liked to keep up his own dignity, especially in front of beautiful women. On top of that, Chu Xuan offered him some exciting conditions. He couldn't help himself but grit his teeth and agree.

Chu Xuan immediately flashed a bright smile and blew a kiss to Wang Rongmin. When she walked back to them, she said to Liu Qiaozhen. "Aunt Qiaozhen, if you have already made your

decision, let's go to the developer and pay to get the procedures over with quickly."

Liu Qiaozhen snorted and said to Chu Ling, "Chu Ling, did you hear that? Let's pay now and buy the villa. After that, we will have to decorate extravagantly to make it look like a palace."

Chu Ling couldn't stand it anymore and said emotionally, "Mom! Enough is enough! I've already told you that I'm not buying a villa in Yulong Bay."

After being scolded by Chu Ling, Liu Qiaozhen felt ashamed and retorted angrily, "Look at your attitude! Is this the way you talk to your mother? I've brought you up, yet you can't even buy a villa for me when you have the money!"

Chu Ling noticed that Liu Qiaozhen had already lost her rationality. She couldn't even fork out five million, let alone fifteen million, and said, "It's not that I don't want to buy it for you, but I don't have any money. How do I buy it for you?"

With that, Liu Qiaozhen's face immediately darkened while Han Xuefen and Chu Xuan gloated and laughed out loud.

Hearing the sneers from Han Xuefen and Chu Xuan, Liu Qiaozhen felt as if she was about to explode. Looking at how things turned out, Chu

Xuan was over the moon and said loudly to Wang Rongmin, "Darling, I never dreamed that I could really come to Yulong Bay to buy a house. It's amazing—it's my dream to live in Yulong Bay! Thank you for helping me to fulfill it!"

Han Xuefen also added, "Rongmin, it really is a blessing for Chu Xuan to have met you."

At that moment, Lin Wenjing, who was about to pay a deposit of two hundred thousand, heard their voices and turned back. Then, their gazes met.

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Han Xuefen and Chu Xuan were stunned in the next second, obviously not expecting to meet Lin Wenjing here.

Yulong Bay was a place where only the rich are qualified to visit. Lin Wenjing, on the other hand, was just a useless scum.

At the same time, Chu Ling, Liu Qiaozhen, and Chu Zhenyao also noticed the presence of Lin Wenjing. In an instant, something between them just didn't feel right.

"Lin Wenjing?" Han Xuefen exclaimed immediately. "Why did you come to Yulong Bay?"

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Since the beginning, Han Xuefen's family had always looked down on Lin Wenjing. In their minds, Lin Wenjing's name was synonymous with trash and cowards, and they despised him from the bottom of their hearts. Even though a while ago, they heard that he had invested a hundred million in Sheng Ke Lighting Company to make Chu Ling the chairman, they still looked down on Lin Wenjing as they didn't think he had such much financial capacity. They thought that Chu Ling might have gotten some help from the Chairman of Purple Jade Studios, and was using Lin Wenjing only as a cover.

Then, Chu Xuan immediately smiled and said,

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"What else is he here for? He must be working a part-time job at Yulong Bay. Look at the clothes he is wearing!"

Han Xuefen also said sarcastically, "That's not appropriate to say. A while ago, he just invested one hundred million in Sheng Ke. Otherwise, without that, do you really think that Chu Ling was capable of becoming the chairman of Sheng Ke? Ha!"

The mother and daughter insulted Lin Wenjing as if he wasn't even worth a penny. Hearing these words, the agent who was with Lin Wenjing was even more determined that Lin Wenjing was a poor lad. Hence, his despise for Lin Wenjing grew.

Lin Wenjing was already immune to these words. His focus was all on Chu Ling because he didn't expect to meet her again in such a short time.

At this moment, when Liu Qiaozhen and Chu Zhenyao saw Lin Wenjing, their expressions had also changed.

"We're so unlucky! Why did we encounter this scum here?" Liu Qiaozhen's expression darkened as she grumbled. She didn't really like Lin Wenjing, because she later found out that the one hundred million that Lin Wenjing had

invested in Sheng Ke was transferred from Purple Jade Studios. She assumed that the money had nothing to do with Lin Wenjing, and it was the money from the chairman of Purple Jade Studios instead.

Now that Chu Ling and Lin Wenjing had divorced, she was over the moon. But now that she met Lin Wenjing, her mood had taken a turn for the worse.

As for Chu Ling, a peculiar expression flashed across her eyes when she looked at Lin Wenjing. She, too, didn't expect to meet Lin Wenjing here.

Could it be that Lin Wenjing came to Yulong Bay to buy a house?

She was now very confused and had no idea what Lin Wenjing's real identity was. After returning from Ting Feng Pavillion that day, she specially went to investigate Lin Wenjing. But the more she looked into his background, the more frightened she became!

Lin Wenjing's identity also became more and more incomprehensible.

At this moment, Han Xuefen, Chu Xuan, and Wang Rongmin had already walked over. Seeing Lin Wenjing holding a bank card in his hand,

Chu Xuan said to Lin Wenjing, "Hey, Wenjing, are you here to buy a villa at Yulong Bay? "

Lin Wenjing knew very well what Chu Xuan meant. He couldn't be bothered with Chu Xuan and ignored her, as he looked at the front desk again and said, "Give me the POS machine. I will pay now."

Seeing that Lin Wenjing ignored her, Chu Xuan became annoyed and snorted before saying arrogantly, "Hey, Lin Wenjing, I'm talking to you! Are you deaf?"

She deliberately spoke very loudly, looking very out of place, and that immediately drew the attention of the people<sup>TK</sup> round.

Lin Wenjing frowned and said in annoyance, "Shoot."

"What?" Chu Xuan felt wronged and immediately shook Wang Rongmin's arm as she said coyly, "Darling, he bullied me!"

Wang Rongmin's face immediately darkened, and he checked Lin Wenjing out from top to bottom rudely. "Who is this guy?"

"I've told you before! He's the useless live-in son-in-law of our family. You don't know how he has brought shame upon our family for the past

few years," Chu Xuan said in a loud voice deliberately and even turned to shoot a glance at Chu Ling.

Liu Qiaozhen's face darkened when she heard this, and she gritted her teeth in anger.

A dark expression flitted across Wang Rongmin's eyes. He had seen Chu Ling just now and knew that Lin Wenjing was Chu Ling's husband. So, he immediately felt animosity toward Lin Wenjing. "Ah, I see. He looks average."

"Of course! Think about it, if he was capable, would he be doing so badly in life?" Chu Xuan smiled happily and pretended to apologize. "Oh, Wenjing, sorry about that. I'm quite straightforward and tend to say everything that's on my mind. Don't take it to heart."

Han Xuefen turned and said to Liu Qiaozhen, "Zhengyao, Qiaozhen, didn't you want to buy a villa in Yulong Bay? Since Chu Ling can't afford it, you can ask your dear son-in-law to buy it for you."

Chu Xuan also added, "That's right, Aunt Qiaozhen. Wenjing is so rich. A while ago, he even invested one hundred million from Purple Jade Media into Sheng Ke Lighting. I believe that he is able to pay for the villa in Yulong Bay

easily. After all, it only costs about 10 over million."

Both the mother and daughter threw insults at Wenjing, attracting the attention of everyone in the lobby.

Liu Qiaozhen gritted her teeth and tried to retaliate, but she couldn't do anything because what they said was true.

After hearing that, Lin Wenjing was a little stunned. Why did Chu Ling's family come to Yulong Bay? Were they planning to buy a villa?

This was such a coincidence.

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Chu Ling's expression looked gloomy. Ever since the divorce, her feeling for him had changed. She had no idea behind the reason for the change, but she definitely did not want Lin Wenjing to look at her when she's in an awkward position.

She couldn't stay any longer and tugged on Liu Qiaozhen's clothes and whispered, "Mom, stop fooling around. Let's go home."

Liu Qiaozhen felt that she couldn't hold on much longer. For someone who was as prideful as her, she felt terrible to be compared down with Han Xuefen and Chu Xuan in such a way,

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but she had no other choice but to complain bitterly. "It's because of you! You didn't earn any money even after becoming the chairman. You make your father and I ashamed!"

When Han Xuefen saw them leaving, she immediately stopped them and said mockingly, "Hey, Qiaozhen, I thought you guys are going to buy a villa too? Why are you leaving? You really can't afford it?"

Liu Qiaozhen couldn't help herself and said loudly, "Who said we can't afford it? We're not going to buy it today. Can't we buy it tomorrow? It's none of your business here!"

Chu Xuan said mercilessly, "Ha-ha! Aunt Qiaozhen, just go ahead and admit that you guys just can't afford to buy a villa at Yulong Bay. Well, it's perfectly understandable, so you really didn't need to make up so many excuses. After all, Yulong Bay is the most high-end villa in Hua City and not everyone can afford it."

Her words were so sharp that even Chu Ling couldn't stand hearing it and clenched her teeth. Initially, no matter how Han Xuefen and Chu Xuan insulted her, she still managed to pull herself together and dealt with them with a calm attitude. But after Lin Wenjing appeared, she couldn't uphold her previous cool and said irritably, "You just want to see us make a fool

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out of ourselves! So what if we can't afford it?"

Her eyes turned a little red.

Then she turned around abruptly and planned to leave quickly.

Han Xuefen and Chu Xuan looked at each other jubilantly, as if they had won.

However, at this moment, a loud voice rang. "Who said we can't afford it?"

It was Lin Wenjing.



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Immediately, all eyes were on him.

When Chu Ling—who was about to leave heard this, her body suddenly trembled. Lin Wenjing's voice seemed to hit her heart directly.

Liu Qiaozhen was stunned for a moment. Then, she turned and saw Lin Wenjing walking toward them. With a smile on his face, he repeated,"Who said we can't afford it? It's merely a villa in Yulong Bay."

Merely a villa in Yulong Bay?

His words were too arrogant!

This time around, it was not just Han Xuefen and Chu Xuan—subsequently even the bystanders around them had a bad impression of Lin Wenjing due to the words that came out from his mouth. They thought that Lin Wenjing was too arrogant.

Even though they could afford to buy the villas at Yulong Bay, they would still have to take out mortgages. None of them would have the confidence to use such a big word 'merely' to describe Yulong Bay. Moreover, from the judgement they had about Lin Wenjing based on the cheap clothes he wore and the sport shoes on his feet which mostly likely only cost about two to three hundred, he just looked like

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any white collars working to get fixed wage every month. They would never believe that someone like him could afford a villa here.

"Ha-ha-ha! What an outrageous tone! How could someone like you afford to treat Yulong Bay so lightly? Hearing your tone, you must be a billionaire!" Wang Rongmin spoke loudly.

Lin Wenjing was getting under his skin as time passed. Among Wang Rongmin's peers, he was definitely a successful person. Hence, he looked down on Lin Wenjing from the bottom of his heart as he thought that Lin Wenjing was a scum. Moreover, Lin Wenjing's relationship with Chu Ling infuriated him even more.

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His words gained approval from the bystanders around them, and they began to mock Lin Wenjing.

"That's right! He's just a poor person who's putting on pretense!"

"He really knows no boundaries! How dare he describe Yulong Bay as 'merely'?"

"I think he's just a clown who's trying to gain our attention here. Look at him—he's just a delivery man at most."

"Even the delivery man is too good for him! I

think he's just a construction worker."

Many people began to laugh at Lin Wenjing and eyed him with hostility.

Of course they would do that. The words that Lin Wenjing said earlier had offended all of them.

If this happened to someone else, that person would have panicked; but to Lin Wenjing, what had happened didn't affect him at all.

At this moment, he walked up to Chu Ling and said with a smile, "Chu Ling, you've been playful again. Didn't we talk about buying a villa in Yulong Bay? Since we already have the money to do so, why did you say that we can't afford it? You're lying to Aunt Xuefen and Chu Xuan!"

Chu Ling opened her mouth wide and looked at Lin Wenjing dumbfoundedly. She was confused about what Lin Wenjing was up to. She immediately looked at him with an expression that said, 'Hey! What the hell are you doing?'

The smile on Lin Wenjing's face remained unchanged. Then, he said to Liu Qiaozhen, "Mom, which villa have you taken a liking to? Let's buy it."

Liu Qiaozhen was also confused right now. She

didn't know what Lin Wenjing was doing and looked at Chu Ling, hoping to get an answer from Chu Ling's face. But Chu Ling lowered her head and looked conflicted. After all, she was also very confused.

Chu Xuan returned to her senses and burst into laughter. Holding Wang Rongmin's arm, she walked over and said, "Wow! Wenjing, you're so capable now! I didn't know that you can actually afford a house in Yulong Bay. This is amazing!"

Even though she was complimenting him, her expression was full of disdain. She clearly didn't believe that Lin Wenjing was capable of buying a villa here and thought that Lin Wenjing was just putting on a pretense.

It was logical for her to think in this way. After all, Lin Wenjing had always been poor and useless throughout the four years in the Chu family. He had never done anything right and only brought disgrace to the Chu family. Chu Ling, as his wife, had a bad reputation in Hua City because of Lin Wenjing's poor image.

Chu Xuan would never believe that Lin Wenjing could afford to buy a villa in Yulong Bay. Even if he took out a mortgage, he would still have to spend a few million at one go!

Han Xuefen joined her and began to insult Lin

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Wenjing without even trying to hide the contempt and disdain in her voice.

Liu Qiaozhen swallowed and asked Lin Wenjing, "Do you really have the money to buy a villa in Yulong Bay?"

Lin Wenjing nodded and said with a smile, "Of course, when have I ever lied to you?"

Liu Qiaozhen pondered his words carefully. Although Lin Wenjing had been useless for many years, it was undeniable that he was trustworthy and honest. Lin Wenjing had never actually lied to people.

Even so, she still felt unsure. After all, it was immensely difficult to buy a villa that cost more than ten million.

Lin Qiaozhen thought,Since we've reached this point, I have also embarrassed myself to an extent that there's nothing much left of our dignity and pride. There's nothing more to be ashamed of. If anything does happen, I'll just shove all blames on Lin Wenjing!

After she thought it through, she said, "Sure, if you can afford it, I'll show you my appreciation!"

Lin Wenjing smiled and told Chu Ling, "Chu Ling, pick a villa with your mother. Which villa
do you guys want?"

Chu Ling bit her lip and didn't speak. She was actually a little convinced that Lin Wenjing could afford a house in Yulong Bay. However, they were now divorced. Even if he could afford it, this had nothing to do with her anymore.

At that moment, she lowered her head without speaking.

Lin Wenjing was very observative, with just a glance, he knew that Chu Ling's was having a complex emotion. But frankly, he was quite happy about this. After so many years of marriage, Chu Ling had always looked down on him; now he finally had the chance to shine in front of her.

Moreover, he also sensed that Chu Ling had shown a hint of regret on her face.

On the other hand, Chu Xuan and Han Xuefen couldn't stand it anymore. They deliberately convinced Liu Qiaozhen and Chu Zhenyao to have a look at the villas in Yulong Bay today because they wanted to humiliate them as revenge for suffering from their taunts in the past. However, now that Lin Wenjing was here and took over the limelight, they would not simply just give in.

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Han Xuefen immediately said, "Well, since you could afford a villa, save the nonsense. Let's pay!"

Chu Xuan also said, "Yeah, let's pay. Words could be fake after all."

Then she gave Wang Rongmin a look. Wang Rongmin nodded and said directly to the agent, "Arrange the procedures for buying the villa that we saw just now. I shall pay now. Hand the keys to me as soon as possible."

When the agent who was in charge of Wang Rongmin heard these words, he flushed with excitement and nodded quickly. He said loudly, "Great! Mr Wang, I shalf make arrangements right now. You are so generous! Having been in real estate for so many years, yet this is the first time I have seen a client as decisive as you!"

Then, Wang Rongmin walked over and said to Lin Wenjing, "Let's pay together."

He raised his eyebrows and looked at Lin Wenjing with a taunting expression.

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"Okay."

Lin Wenjing agreed without bothering to think about it.

His straightforwardness surprised Wang Rongmin, but he brushed it aside and smirked. Wang Rongmin was under the assumption that Lin Wenjing had deliberately acted in such a pretentious manner.

"Let's not dilly-dally and proceed with the payment then." Wang Rongmin procured a bank card and proceeded with the payment of the villa that was priced at over 15 million.

Lin Wenjing smiled and said to Chu Ling, "Whichever villa you have taken a liking to, let's buy it."

Chu Ling immediately pulled Lin Wenjing to one side and lowered her voice. "Lin Wenjing, what on earth do you think you're doing? We never made any plans to buy a villa at Yulong Bay!"

The smile on Lin Wenjing's face did not waver. "Whatever we do, we shouldn't let Chu Xuan and her mother look down upon us. You are now a Chairman after all; wouldn't it be bad for your reputation if you go back on your words?"

Chu Ling bit down on her lips. "But I don't have

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"Don't worry, I do." The smile on Lin Wenjing's face was extremely dashing. A unique feeling blossomed in Chu Ling's heart at once.

"Lin Wenjing!" Chu Ling added more weight to her voice. "We are already divorced, so why are you helping me out like this?"

She locked an intense stare on him, hoping to gain a favorable response from Lin Wenjing. However, she only managed to disappoint herself. Lin Wenjing's expression was as calm as ever with that trademark smile of his splayed on his face. She wasn't able to discern anything from his mood.

"We are still friends even after the divorce, right?"

"I can't scrounge up that much money to pay you back!"

Lin Wenjing didn't reply to her, but turned to Liu Qiaozhen and Chu Zhenyao and said, "Father, Mother, I'll buy the villa that you were looking at earlier."

Lin Wenjing had a very natural expression on his face and nobody was able to discern even the slightest bit of uncertainty on it. This made

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Liu Qiaozhen and Chu Zhenyao hesitate and wonder in the back of their minds that perhaps, Lin Wenjing was actually a rich man?

At that moment, some hope began to rise from the depths of their despair...

Liu Qiaozhen said, "Hmm, we'll just take a look first?"

Chu Zhenyao followed suit. "Right, we'll just look around first."

After all, Lin Wenjing and Chu Ling were already divorced and he had nothing to do with them anymore. It didn't sit right with them to let Lin Wenjing purchase such<sup>TK</sup> an expensive villa on their behalf.

Chu Ling saw that they were dawdling and it was clear that they wanted to buy some time. She said impatiently, "Hey, have you guys decided whether or not to buy the house? If you aren't going to buy it, then don't waste our time."

Lin Wenjing walked over and said, "Buy it then, why not? However, the villa that we saw and liked aren't among these."

Chu Ling was delighted, and she donned a smug face. "Haha, I knew you'd say something

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like this. Truth is, you won't ever be able to buy such an expensive villa that's worth 15 million even if you worked your entire life away."

The expressions of all those surrounding Lin Wenjing were full of contempt. Ninety-nine percent of the citizens from Hua City were unable to afford the luxury villas located at Yulong Bay. Now, this wasn't considered to be a shameful matter, but the problem was that Lin Wenjing belonged to this group of people who weren't able to afford it and still continued to be stubborn about it, making many scorn him.

The differences were especially distinct when he was compared to a successful person like Wang Rongmin.  $T^{K}$ 

They weren't the only ones who thought along those lines as both Liu Qiaozhen and Chu Zhenyao harbored such thoughts too. That was the reason why they distanced themselves from Liu Wenjing as if he were invisible.

Lin Weijing paid no heed to their actions and simply smiled before speaking directly to the real estate agent, "In which phase are the most expensive villas of yours located?"

Everyone was shocked at his question, and this included the real estate agent. After a while, the other party responded, "The villas are located in

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Phase 9, and the average price is above 30 million."

"Hmm, bring me there for a look," Lin Wenjing said with a smile on his face.

Everyone thought he had lost his mind. He couldn't even fork out a million dollars, yet he still wanted to look at those high-end villas?

Chu Xuan shared a look with Han Xuefen before both of them guffawed. They believed that Lin Weijing had not learned from his past mistakes and was trying to bring attention to himself. Thus, they felt amused and weren't the slightest bit nervous at all as they waited to see how Lin Wenjing and Chu Ling's family would embarrass themselves.

Moreover, things would be even more interesting if this piece of news found its way to the entire Chu Family. It would be more than enough to make Chu Ling and her family lose all dignity before the Chu Family!

As they pictured such scenarios in their heads, both of them were elated and in high spirits.

Lin Weijing had already planned to buy the best villa in Yulong Bay, so the extra attention that was stirred up didn't bother him in the least.

The appearance of Chu Xuan and the rest amused Lin Wenjing and made him anticipate their 'exciting' reactions to his plan.

Lin Weijing had lived a good-for-nothing life as the live-in son-in-law of the Chu Family for four years, being ridiculed by Chu Xuan and her entire family. Now that he had led a successful counterattack on them, he had a good opportunity to figuratively slap Chu Xuan and her family in the face. He would most definitely not let such an opportunity pass him by. Besides, this would give him the chance to walk with his head held high before Liu Qiaozhen and Chu Zhenyao.

Thus, many people traited behind the real estate salesperson to the house viewing in Phase 9.

Needless to say, Phase 9 had the most luxurious villas in Yulong Bay and its concept was totally different from Phase 6.

After Chu Xuan and Han Xuefen set their sights on the place, they immediately threw out all regard for the villas in Phase 6. Chu Xuan secretly tugged on Wang Rongmin's clothes and asked if he could buy a villa in Phase 9, only to be met with a fierce stare from Wang Rongmin.

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It was ridiculous, for a villa from Phase 9 would cost 30 million at the very least. Even if he sold some properties and obtained a mortgage for it, he wouldn't be able to gather that absurd amount of money without struggling quite a bit.

"So what do you say? Having seen so many villas, have you found one that you liked?" Chu Xuan asked eccentrically.

The real estate salesperson also asked, "Mr. Lin, may I know if any villa has caught your eye?"

At that moment, everyone had their gazes fixed on Lin Weijing as they wanted to see how he would answer. TK

Lin Weijing smiled as he pointed to the most luxurious and majestic-looking villa before them, saying, "This one."

The real estate salesperson said, "Are you sure this is the villa that you want, Mr. Lin?"

"Yes, is there a problem?"

"The villa that you chose is the most expensive villa in the entire Yulong Bay. It spans a thousand square meters and is fully equipped with all functioning facilities. What's more, the interior renovations are of the highest-quality.

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The total price of this villa is 38.9 million." The real estate salesperson spoke to Lin Weijing with disbelief plastered all over his face.

That couldn't be helped as the clothes that Lin Weijing wore currently were certainly much too ordinary. If someone said that he was a person delivering takeout food, everyone would believe it easily. How could he possibly be able to afford a house that was almost 40 million?!

Naturally, everyone sucked in their breath after hearing the exact price. One could buy a goodsized corporation with that amount of money!

Chu Xuan and Han Xuefen were stunned as they enviously looked at the villa. With their current status, they certainly couldn't afford to live in such an expensive villa and were very aware of this fact.

Once more, a smile bloomed on Lin Weijing's face. He did not answer the real estate salesperson immediately but looked at Chu Ling instead. Smiling, he asked, "Chu Ling, are you satisfied with this villa? If you are, let's buy this one."

Chu Ling did not answer because her heart was racing in her chest.

"Stop messing around!" Chu Ling exclaimed in

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Lin Weijing only grinned in response. Without another word, he returned to the salesperson and said to him, "We've decided on this villa. I'll make the payment now so please walk me through the procedures."

Chu Xuan and Han Xuefen gave him a withering look. They did not believe that Lin Weijing would ever be able to buy a 40 million dollar villa!

A thought suddenly popped into Lin Weijing's mind before he turned to Chu Xuan and said, "That's right, Chu Xuan, I believe you said that you wanted to buy a villa next to ours just now? Now that I've decided to buy one in Phase 9, why don't you consider getting one here too? It seems like the villas in Phase 6 are much too small in comparison."

Chu Xuan pleaded Wang Rongmin with her eyes, and when she received his consent, she said in a loud voice, "Alright, let's get one too! However, We'll only make this purchase after seeing you pay for it in full, that is, if you can!"

How could Lin Weijing not know what Chu Xuan was scheming? He smiled calmly and replied, "No problem. But you guys had better prepare the money in advance. Please don't back out of

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it saying that you can't procure enough money after I've played my part."

These words angered both Chu Xuan and Wang Rongmin. Wang Rongmin took a few steps in his direction and sneered, "You don't have to worry about that. If you manage to pay, I promise you that we will buy it immediately afterward! It is you who had better be able to pay or you'll just make a big fool out of yourself!"

Lin Weijing did not refute him with words, but rather, he did so through his actions. Very soon, he went over to settle the bill with the real estate salesperson. The salesperson worked very fast and in just ten<sup>TK</sup>minutes, he had gotten all the necessary documents ready for Lin Weijing. All that was needed was for Lin Weijing to make the payment through instant bank transfer and he could move into the villa by nightfall.

At that moment, everyone had their attention focused on Lin Weijing to see whether he really could afford it or not.

Lin Weijing took out his bank card and swiped it on the POS machine before punching in the pin code. After a short while, they heard the machine's report, "Successfully transferred 38.9 million."

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Everyone immediately fell silent; various expressions of disbelief were written all over their faces.

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At that moment, everyone was overcome with an absurd feeling of disbelief!

38.99 million was successfully paid just like that?

After a good five seconds, everyone on site finally regained their senses. What followed after were the sounds of them sucking in a huge breath of air.

The one who broke this weird silence was none other than Lin Weijing himself. Traces of that calm smile were still present on his face as he spoke to Yulong Bay's salesperson, "I've already signed the paperwork so please hurry with the necessary procedures." I'll be moving in tonight."

Lin Weijing's elegant signature was present on the few contracts that had been laid out.

Immediately, everyone unfroze and came to live.

"F\*ck!"

"I can't believe my ears! Did it really go through successfully? 38.99 million! That's 40 million after rounding it up, d\*mn!"

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"This is most certainly a hallucination! A hallucination, I say! This guy looks like he

delivers takeout food for a living! How on earth did he manage to dig out so much money?!"

"Could it be that we've made a grave mistake? This person must be a big boss!"

"I'm salty, I also want to live in a villa that costs 40 million! This is surely the most expensive house in Hua City, right?"

All of the staff working in Yulong Bay buzzed around busily, especially the female salesperson in charge of Lin Weijing's purchase. Her face flushed red and her body trembled endlessly as she tried to catch her breath.

The commision from a 40 million dollar villa would definitely give her hundreds of thousands!

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All the other staff gazed at her with envy, hatred, and jealousy, especially the intermediary person who had brought Lin Weijing over. This bill would have originally been handled by him, but he had looked down on Lin Weijing and let go of such a big deal...

Slap! He smacked himself hard on the face!

He felt like crying because he knew that he would never be able to earn that amount of

money in a year. That commission would have been sufficient to buy him a nice house!

At that time, Liu Qiaozhen came back to her senses. She couldn't help but curse, "D\*mn! A villa that costs 40 million was purchased just like that!"

She gazed at Lin Weijing with crazed eyes that held many emotions, namely, shock and bafflement...

The hairs on the back of Lin Weijing's neck stood on end from her intense stare. It was as if she wanted to rush over and knock him out, and that was certainly terrifying to think about.

Chu Zhenyao's mind also went blank. He never would have thought that Lin Weijing would be able to purchase such an expensive villa. This made Lin Weijing feel like a stranger to him.

When he saw the reaction of his former in-laws, Lin Weijing felt very pleased. Back then, he bided his time and played the role of a goodfor-nothing person for too long. Now that he had gotten rid of the pesky Lin Family, he could finally reveal his true self in all its shining glory.

There wasn't much surprise in Chu Ling's eyes as she grit her teeth. This was because she had already witnessed Lin Weijing's 'extraordinary

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display' at Ting Feng Pavilion, so it wasn't too shocking that he could afford to buy a villa that cost 40 million. However, she was stunned because he had spent such a large amount of money to buy this villa for her. Right then, she was moved by this.

Of course, the ones with the most interesting expressions were Chu Xuan's trio. Their eyes were round with shock and their jaws hung open as if they had just seen a ghost. They really couldn't understand how Lin Weijing managed to fork out such a large amount of money!

This was not a measly forty thousand or four hundred thousand. It was forty million, a whole forty million! Looking at the total net worth of Wang Rongmin's company, it might only be around forty million. However, Lin Weijing had easily forked out forty million just to buy a house. What was more, he had paid it all in one go without installments or anything of the sort.

He started to wonder if he was hallucinating.

The facial expressions of Chu Xuan and Han Xuefen were the most interesting sight of all.

Lin Weijing smirked. "It is your turn, Chu Xuan; do have your money prepared. Let's see, I believe that the villa next door shouldn't be too

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expensive. 35 million should be sufficient to pay for it."

After that, Lin Weijing spoke to the salesperson from Yulong Bay, "Miss, do prepare the documents for that other villa. My dear friend's boyfriend over here is the boss of a large company. They'll be able to pay 35 million easily."

Immediately, a bunch of salespeople appeared and rushed about to prepare the necessary documents as this was also an extremely large deal.

However, Chu Xuan and the others weren't as lively as before. Their scalps tingled with numbness and their limbs turned cold. Someone could hit them and they probably wouldn't notice because they were so preoccupied with their thoughts on how exactly was Lin Weijing able to procure such a large amount of money. This could not be real! Could it be that they were really hallucinating? For this reason, both Chu Xuan and Han Xuefen gave themselves a hard pinch before grimacing from the pain.

Not long later, Yulong Bay's salesperson ran over with the necessary contracts and placed them before Chu Xuan and the others, briefing them hastily with excitement. "Good day, sir

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and madams. This is the purchase contract for the unit B666 located in Yulong Bay's Phase 9. This villa covers an area of 900 square feet and comes fully equipped with a swimming pool. It is very luxurious as the interior was designed with the highest-quality materials. It will feel as though you are living in a royal palace..."

After the salesperson had completed her speech, she concluded, "This villa is priced at 35.88 million. Will you be paying by card? As long as the payment transfer is successful, the necessary procedures can be completed within half an hour and you can move in by nightfall."

Everyone gazed at the three of them.

Gulp!

Both Chu Xuan and Han Xuefen swallowed forcefully. Their minds were currently in disarray and they were very distracted. They had never encountered such a ridiculous scenario in their entire lives!

"Darling..." After a while, Chu Xuan began tugging on Wang Rongmin's hand coquettishly. Meanwhile, his face had already darkened to the color of charcoal.

Even if he sold his company immediately, he would still be unable to procure 35.88 million.

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He immediately retrieved his hand from Chu Xuan's hold. Then, he took out a cigarette for a smoke only to notice that his hands were trembling.

Lin Weijing challenged. "What's the matter, Chu Xuan? Why aren't you guys paying? It can't be that you don't have the means to prepare the money, right?"

Lin Weijing loved to launch an attack when the other party was weak and he had never been a merciful person. Needless to say, Chu Xuan's trio had mocked him relentlessly earlier.

Han Xuefen couldn't bear the look Lin Weijing gave them so she turned to Wang Rongmin and said, "That's right, Rongmin, you did say you wanted to buy a villa in Yulong Bay for our dearest Chu Xuan, didn't you?"

Wang Rongmin still did not respond. His face was rigid and his mind was a mess. He felt as if he had lost all of his dignity today.

Chu Xuan was a person who greatly valued her reputation. When faced with such a situation, she felt so embarrassed that she lost all of her common sense and pleaded Wang Rongmin to buy her the villa with greater force.

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However, her actions had annoyed Wang

Rongmin to the point where he pushed her away and scolded her fiercely, "What nonsense! Where could I find such a large amount of money to buy this house?!"

After he said that, he stood up and hurriedly left the premises...

Chu Xuan and Han Xuefen were left behind, drowning in humiliation.



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Chu Xuan was dumbfounded. She never thought that Wang Rongmin would abandon her and leave just like that. It should be noted that before they came here, she had gone to great lengths to wait on Wang Rongmin to ensure his needs were all fulfilled and that he was as comfortable as he could possibly be. Wang Rongmin had also promised her that he would buy her a villa located in Yulong Bay as their wedding house.

But now, Wang Rongmin had tossed her aside and left by himself. This was something she had not expected to happen.

"Hey! Why did Wang Rongmin leave?" Han Xuefen was unhappy assshe exclaimed.

Chu Xuan ran after Wang Rongmin but she couldn't find him anywhere and felt panicked.

Liu Qiaozhen would not let this opportunity for revenge pass her by. Guns blazing, she returned whatever mocking words Chu Xuan and Han Xuefen had thrown at them earlier.

"Oh? Why is it that the person who spoke oh so highly and mightily about wanting to buy that villa has now run away instead?"

"After all, it is only just 35.88 million; it's really not that expensive at all. Of course, it can't be

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compared to the 38.99 million that we paid earlier. Why is it that you guys are unable to procure even this amount of money?"

"I have to say, Chu Xuan, if this is the sort of boss you are with, I think that you've been deceived by him. How pitiful indeed."

As she listened to these words, Chu Xuan crumbled. She ran outside as she cried, unable to stay there a second longer.

Han Xuefen's face was ugly with anger. Liu Qiaozhen's words resembled the sharp stabs of knives, making her feel distressed. She found it hard to remain there under the mocking gazes of the public so she left in a hurry as well.

Liu Qiaozhen was finally relieved after she vented her anger. She walked over to Lin Weijing and flashed a flattering smile toward him, saying, "Lin Weijing, since when have you grown to be such an outstanding person? You can even afford to buy such an expensive villa now, I am really proud of you."

Lin Weijing did not reply and only put on that trademark smile of his. At that moment, Chu Ling came over and said, "Thank you for helping us out just now. You must be a busy man. Now that you've bought the house, we won't disturb you anymore."

After she said that, she dragged Liu Qiaozhen away to leave.

"Where are you taking me, dear? We just bought such a large villa but we haven't even taken a good look at it yet," Liu Qiaozhen called out.

Chu Ling said, "That was bought by Lin Weijiing so it has nothing to do with us."

Liu Qiaozhen immediately became unhappy. She said angrily, "How is it unrelated to us? Lin Weijing said just now that he bought this villa for us and that we are to move in tonight."

"Lin Weijing was just saying that for the sake of saying it. His name is the one that is written on the contract so it doesn't have the slightest bit to do with us!"

"How is it unrelated? You are his wife—" As soon as she said it, she abruptly cut herself off. Now that she thought about it, Chu Ling and Lin Weijing were already divorced. In the eyes of the law, they really had nothing to do with each other anymore.

She had gotten too excited just now and forgotten about this fact. Right then, her facial expression became stiff and she felt unsettled. It felt like she had missed the chance to seize a valuable opportunity.

"That is... I mean, even if you guys have divorced each other, there's still a possibility of you guys getting back together and remarrying... "

"Mom!" Chu Ling fixed an angry stare at Liu Qiaozhen. "What nonsense are you spewing?! What do you take me for, huh?!"

Liu Qiaozhen didn't dare to face Chu Ling's deadly stare, so she digressed from the topic and mumbled quietly, "Oh c'mon, why are you so angry? I was just stating some facts."

They were not too far from Lin Weijing when that conversation happened. As his hearing was very sharp, he had<sup>Th</sup>eard all that the mother-and-child couple had said. Right then, he couldn't stop the smile that formed on his face. Liu Qiaozhen had not been stingy with her mockery toward him in the past few years but now she was starting to appreciate him. This made him rather pleased with himself.

Chu Ling bit her lips and turned to look at Lin Weijing once more before she left the premises with big strides.

To be frank, she knew that she had behaved a bit rudely. No matter what, Lin Weijing did help them settle the issue and leaving without a proper word of thanks was very ill-mannered of

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However, she really could not bear to face Lin Weijing with a regular mindset right now, especially after that impressive display of his!

Thus, the only thing she could do right now was to leave Lin Weijing as soon as she could in order for her mind to calm down.

Liu Qiaozhen was reluctant to leave because she really wanted to explore the insides of the villa that cost 40 million. Nevertheless, Chu Ling had already left so she had no more reason to stay further.

She gave Lin Weijing a deep look and felt her heart fill with regret. If she had known that Lin Weijing would one day be so exceptional, she would never have agreed to Chu Ling and Lin Weijing's divorce even if she died! Although she really wanted to have a good chat with Lin Weijing to appease him and encourage him to remarry Chu Ling and give them this villa, she thought it was best to stay silent for the time being. Indeed, she hadn't exactly been stingy about humiliating Lin Weijing in the past.

Ugh! This really was what it meant to regret because of a past mistake.

Even Chu Zhenyao felt regretful as he looked at

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Lin Weijing, finding him to be quite pleasing to the eye. He thought about how he would talk to Chu Ling after they returned home to see if there was a possibility that Chu Ling and Lin Weijing could remarry.

Lin Weijing waited for all of them to leave before he looked away; his heart felt light. After several years, he could finally lift his head with dignity before Chu Ling and her family.

After that, he finished up the necessary procedures with Yulong Bay and moved into the villa on the day itself.

The villa had already been renovated and was fully-furnished. There was no smell of formaldehyde so it was conveniently ready for people to move in, quite befitting of Lin Weijing's current situation.

"Chu Ling, where did Lin Weijing get his wealth from? How could he suddenly become so wealthy? He could even afford to buy a house that costs 40 million."

After they arrived back home, Liu Qiaozhen impatiently bombarded Chu Ling with her questions because the events that had taken place just now were beyond her imagination. It

had never crossed her mind that the useless son-in-law that she scorned so much would one day turn out to be so outstanding and great.

Chu Zhenyao also asked, "Yeah, Chu Ling, the 1 billion that Lin Weijing spent on Sheng Ke Company last time shouldn't be his own money, right? But the money seemed to be going through the accounts of Purple Jade Studios. When did Lin Weijing form business connections with Purple Jade Studios?"

Liu Qiaozhen continued, "I can't believe that there would actually come a day where Lin Weijing would do a complete turn, becoming a boss from the loser that he once was. Sigh, Chu Ling, won't you say something? I'm about to go mad from anxiousness."

There was no emotion on Chu Ling's face. After she took off her outdoor shoes and slipped on her indoor shoes, she went directly into her room.

Liu Qiaozhen wasn't satisfied and chased after her. She blocked her way and scolded, "Such a brat, you really don't seem to respect me anymore!"

"I've already divorced Lin Weijing. Does it still concern us whether he has money now or not?" Chu Ling calmly responded.

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"How could it be unrelated to us? You were married to him for four years! You really don't listen, do you? You've slept with him for four years! So what if you guys are divorced? Does that mean that you guys were together for nothing? He didn't even help us out when he was living with us. Now that he has become wealthy, he really ought to compensate us with something."

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Chu Ling's temper flared when she heard Liu Qiaozhen's remarks. With that, she snapped, "Mom! What nonsense are you talking about? It's not like you don't know that we've always slept in separate beds! He never touched even the tip of my fingers when we slept! Strictly speaking, we weren't even a real married couple so he has no obligation at all to compensate us in any way."

Liu Qiaozhen was speechless after she was scolded by Chu Ling but she was still unsatisfied. She paused and then continued, "Well, you were married to Lin Wenjing for so many years! You could have performed your duties and actually play your part as his wife. Why didn't you do that?"

Chu Ling was angered to the point that she found the situation a little amusing. She retorted, "Oh, so now you're chastising me? Clearly, it was you who taught me to do that! On the very first night Lin Wenjing walked into our house, you were the one who kept going on and on about making sure I kept my chastity safe and sound! Now you want to pin the blame on me and say that it is my fault?"

"You little..." Liu Qiaozhen was at a loss for words.

At that, Chu Zhenyao walked over and asked,

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"My child, do you know what happened to Lin Wenjing? Wasn't he just a poor country bumpkin? How on earth did he do a complete 360 and become so wealthy after you guys divorced each other?"

That question stumped Chu Ling, only serving to stir up her confused emotions further. She forced out, "He... said he had a good relationship with the Chairman of Purple Jade Studios. He had asked the Chairman for 1 billion to make the investment in Sheng Ke Lighting Company."

"Oh... So it was like that?"

Liu Qiaozhen and Chu Zhenyao were both surprised because they knew that Purple Jade Studios was a large corporation and was worth quite a few billion on the stock market. They hadn't expected that Lin Wenjing would personally know such a bigshot.

This only served to make Chu Ling more unsettled because she suddenly recalled the night when she tore off the mask of the Chairman of Purple Jade Studios and the face that was revealed turned out to be Lin Wenjing's! In addition to that, Lin Wenjing had said something to her. He had said that he was the Chairman of Purple Jade Studios...

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In the past, she had resolutely refused to believe that piece of news. But right then, her heart had begun to waver.

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# Bang! Bang! Bang!

In a certain secluded gym, there was a topless young man who had in front of him three large upright sandbags. Each sandbag weighed at least a few hundred kilograms, yet they swung about easily with each of his punches. The chains that held the sandbags up creaked as if they weren't able to support their heavy weight.

If a professional boxer Were to witness this scene, they would definitely be very astonished and start questioning reality. How could such a strong person exist on this earth? Even if they were a heavyweight boxer, they wouldn't necessarily possess such magnificent strength. Moreover, this young man was very fast. He punched three sandbags in one go and with each punch, the sandbags swayed easily like a swing; it was a horrifying sight.

Lastly, he struck the three sandbags in a row and managed to rip a hole in each of them. The sand within the bags poured out rapidly.

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"Second Young Master, your kungfu has improved greatly."

A man clapped his hands as he made his way over. This man was Master Grim of Hua City.

As for the shirtless young man, his identity was Lin Wenjing. He had spent the last two days with Master Grim, training in seclusion.

Lin Wenjing swiftly caught the bottle of protein shake that was thrown at him before gulping it down in two to three mouths. He then smiled as he said, "Do you want to have a duel? We can learn from each other, so how about it?"

Master Grim chuckled and said, "Let's not compete with each other. How could I possibly be a worthy opponent of yours?"

Lin Wenjing laughed and didn't say anything else. After he wiped away his sweat, he took a break from the training and walked to the balcony with Master Grim. As they enjoyed the cool breeze, Lin Wenjing said, "I defeated Lin Zihao and got my revenge during my last return to the Lin family."

"Mmhm, I've heard." Master Grim nodded his head, it was hard to hide the admiration and praise toward Lin Wenjing in his voice. It was a big shock to him when he first received this

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piece of news! He was very familiar with just how strong the Lin family was. Although he was known as the emperor of Hua City's underworld, he was a mere small fry compared to the Lin family and he could easily be squashed flat by them. This was especially true of Lin Zihao as he was a difficult opponent.

However, Lin Wenjing had entered the battlefield with just the sword on his back and, with the strength of just him alone, had crushed the Lin family with the soles of his feet and taught them a harsh lesson. Indeed, flabbergasted was Master Grim's initial reaction to this news.

Lin Wenjing paused and looked into the distance. His gaze was deep and mysterious as if he had seen and experienced the many ups and downs of the world.

After a while, he said, "Joker, do you know about my mother?"

Master Grim was taken aback for he had never expected that Lin Wenjing would ask this sort of question.

"She was someone who was kind-hearted and generous. She treated everyone she met warmly and was like a refreshing spring breeze that brightens your day. Amongst all the

women that I've met, she was the most motherly person in the entire world," Master Grim said seriously.

Lin Wenjing laughed and replied, "I never thought that you'd praise her so much. You even talked about her incomparable motherliness."

Master Grim sighed. "It's a shame that good people don't live long. She passed away at such a young age."

As he said those words, his face showed such sorrow and sentimentality. Anyone who heard him would believe that he said it with sincerity. However, Lin Wenjing was not fooled by it.

"Joker, your acting skills are superb. You almost managed to fool me," said Lin Wenjing with a smile and a big thumbs up.

Master Grim's pupil visibly shrank when he heard Lin Wenjing. As shock flashed across his eyes, he asked, "Second Young Master?"

Lin Wenjing shot a piercing stare at Master Grim and looked him in the eyes directly. The smile on his face gradually grew cold before it turned grave. He asked sternly, "Tell me, who was she and why did she go to such lengths?"

Under the intense gaze of Lin Wenjing, Master Grim's breath quickened uncontrollably and his facial expression became unnatural. He was the Master Grim of Hua City. Just the sound of his name alone would make a grown man piss his pants. But, when he stood before Lin Wenjing, he felt small and weak.

That was right, he felt weak. Whatever menacing aura he had was obscured by Lin Wenjing.

However, Master Grim was still a seasoned veteran and his mental composure far exceeded the average person's. He quickly composed himself and looked at Lin Wenjing with clear eyes. Puzzled, he asked, "Second Young Master, forgive my stupidity. I'm not entirely sure what you mean by that."

Lin Wenjing continued to stare intensely at Master Grim for a good ten seconds.

Master Grim also kept his gaze on Lin Wenjing and met his stare levelly.

"Joker, you need not hide it any longer. I've already found out that Grandfather became a vegetable as a direct result of her actions," Lin Wenjing said without the slightest trace of emotion. It was as if he wasn't related to them in any form and was simply speaking about the

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tragedies of another person.

Still, Master Grim was able to detect hints of rage and sorrow within Lin Wenjing.

Master Grim stayed silent for a while before he asked, "Second Young Master, how did you see through my act?"



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Master Grim had finally admitted to it. At the same time, he wondered how Lin Wenjing managed to see through his act?

It was true; he was in fact a person affiliated with Lin Wenjing's mother, Qin Yizhi, and had been so right from the start. He had hidden it so well that the entire Lin family did not suspect his true identity at all, including Lin Changtian who had already passed away.

Now that he had been found out by Lin Wenjing, he started to question if he had slipped up somewhere.

Lin Wenjing heaved a long and heavy sigh. "Joker, I was really surprised to find out that you are related to my mother. It seems like the reason my mother married into the Lin family isn't that simple after all."

When Master Grim saw the expression on Lin Wenjing's face, he suddenly understood what happened. It seemed like Lin Wenjing did not have any solid evidence that he was associated with Qin Yizhi and only had his suspicions to base on. If he had just kept his mouth shut, the Second Young Master would have never come to the conclusion that he was related to Qin Yizhi. In the end, he had fallen for his trick and exposed his identity himself.

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"Second Young Master, you truly are quite skilled. I've hidden this for such a long time that even the Master of the Lin family failed to discover my true identity, yet I was easily fooled into exposing myself by your tactics." Master Grim laughed in admiration.

Lin Wenjing did not become smug after that comment. Instead, he scoffed and said, "Joker, you've really given me a great surprise! In that case, the reason you came looking for me this time was because of my mother and not because you were obeying my Grandfather's orders, am I right?"

Master Grim did not say anything in reply and silently acknowledged Ein Wenjing's speculation.

Lin Wenjing thought of something before he smiled and continued, "Hey, I'm curious now. Since my mother isn't dead, why didn't she pay me a visit in the last four years? Unless, of course, she just views me as another tool for her use?"

"No!" Master Grim said seriously, "Miss isn't that sort of person. She has always loved you from the bottom of her heart and treats you as her most precious treasure."

"Hahahaha..."

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As if he had just heard the most absurd joke, Lin Wenjing burst into a guffaw. "Her most precious treasure? Joker, do you think of me as a big idiot who is easy to deceive?"

Master Grim grew silent at the sight of Lin Wenjing's uncontrollable laughter. He mulled over it for a while before continuing seriously, "Young Master, it isn't like that. Miss has always loved you dearly. There is no doubt about that fact."

Lin Wenjing said, "You address her as Miss. It seems that you have been her assistant from a really long time ago."

Master Grim nodded his head and admitted to it.

"You say that she loves me dearly, then explain why she hasn't visited me even once all these years. She just sat and watched silently as I was made into a convenient call-boy son-in-law when I lived with the Chu family," Lin Wenjing said coldly, his face expressionless.

"Miss was protecting you," Master Grim said seriously.

"Protecting me?" Lin Wenjing's eyebrow twitched as he said, "How so?"

Master Grim was silent and did not answer.

Lin Wenjing raised his voice and commanded, "Answer me!"

"Young Master, I am aware that you are angry right now. But please, believe me when I say that Miss was really protecting you. She is waiting for the right time to come and pay you a visit," Master Grim explained.

Hearing this, a ferocious fire blazed in Lin Wenjing's heart, making his head boil. He clenched his fists tightly and it was obvious that his breaths were much quicker than it was before. He shut his eyes and inhaled to reign in his anger. After a while, the continued, "Tell me then, why did she marry into the Lin family at the start? Why did she need to bring harm to Grandfather?"

Master Grim lowered his head and did not answer for a long while.

"Answer! Me!" Lin Wenjing enunciated each word forcefully as he fixed a deadly glare on Master Grim. His rage was clear on his face and his eyes slowly became bloodshot. Master Grim could distinctively feel the raging inferno within Lin Weijing's heart; it resembled a smoking volcano that was ready to erupt at any moment.

As great as Master Grim's was, even the hairs on the back of his nape stood on end when faced with the wrath of Lin Wenjing. Even so, he gritted his teeth and said, "I'm not entirely sure..."

Just as he said that, he was met with a powerful punch in his stomach. He felt as though he had been struck by a small car and was thrown backward, falling to the ground with a heavy thud.

Although his endurance was quite strong, he couldn't help but scream when he was hit by Lin Wenjing's punch. His face was pale and his body rattled as he shook from the pain. It was so painful he felt as if his intestines were ripped apart.

Lin Wenjing knew just how powerful his punches were and he was sure he could kill a bull with them. So, even if Master Grim's physique was much better than the average person, it would certainly heavily damage his body. It would take at least a whole month of rest to recover from it.

# Thump, thump, thump...

Lin Wenjing made his way to him slowly and casually gripped Master Grim's clothes, lifting him up and placing him on a chair. He flattened

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his ruffled clothes and said calmly, "Tell me where she is and I won't make it difficult for you."

Master Grim panted as he gasped hungrily for air. The force behind that was beyond him. He had not expected that Lin Wenjing's fighting ability had become so terrifying. He truly was Miss' biological son.

"Young Master, please, don't make my life difficult. I really do not know," Master Grim pleaded. Large droplets of sweat formed on his forehead.

If this scene were to be published on the news, it would surely stir up atto of attention in Hua City. The high and mighty Master Grim had actually been crushed by such a young man.

Lin Wenjing's gaze was chilling. "Do you think I don't have the guts to end your life?"

Fear flashed in Master Grim's eyes and the muscles in his body tensed up. However, he regained his composure in the next second and replied, "Young Master, I truly do not know. If you really don't believe me, then go ahead and strike me as you wish."

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He met Lin Wenjing's gaze bravely and assumed an open stance.

Lin Wenjing could see that Master Grim was ready to welcome death with open arms and wasn't afraid. This only served to highlight how special his mother's identity was.

After he thought for a long time, Lin Wenjing chose not to strike. He released Master Grim and turned around to leave.

Master Grim was surprised as he hadn't expected that Lin Wenjing would suddenly up and leave just like that. He hurriedly asked, "Young Master, where are you going?"

"I'll figure out a way to find her by myself."

When he heard Lin Wenjing say that, Master Grim began to panic. Disregarding the sharp pain in his stomach, he rushed over to stop Lin Wenjing. "Young Master, you can't do that! You will put both yourself and Miss in grave danger!"

Lin Wenjing halted his footsteps and threw a sharp glare at Master Grim before he said, "Then tell me just what sort of person she is and why she needs to go to such lengths."

Master Grim hesitated.

"Do not challenge my patience," Lin Wenjing said coldly.

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In the end, Master Grim made up his mind. "To tell you the truth, both Miss and I come from an ancient secret organization. This organization is very powerful and it isn't something the Lin family can easily go against. Miss holds a high position within this organization. One day, she met an enemy when she came out to train and was almost killed by them. However, your father saved her life, leading her to fall in love with your father and conceiving you. Miss had intended to settle down with the Lin family and bury her true identity without ever returning to the organization. However, good things never last long. She was found by the organization. They requested that she return to the organization or else they would annihilate the entire Lin family."

"Miss knew just how horrifying the organization can be. She knew that if she did not return, they would surely obliterate the entire Lin family. So, in order to protect the Lin family, she had to leave her source of happiness. Unfortunately, your grandfather found out that the organization was planning to exterminate the Lin family. Miss managed to stop him but in the end... she was forced to take action and she did what she had to do... "

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