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Chapter 151: The Ploy

Zhao Yao left the mansion and carefully placed the five supercats at the back of his car. He then drove the van into a secluded corner before he parked it. By then, Baiquan was who unconscious in the vehicle had already regained woken up and repented, “Boss, I’m so sorry. I’m so sorry.”

“What are you apologizing for? You are still a rookie, it is impossible for you to overcome the ambush by the 4 of them,” Zhao Yao said with a kind smile on his face.

Baiquan was a little confused and started asking, “Boss, who are those few people? Why do they also have a superpower?”

Zhao Yao knew that he could no longer keep up with the lie. He decided to divulge some information regarding the supercats and apostles.

“After a cat awakens its superpower, it can lend this power to human beings. These humans who have received the power are known as apostles,” Baiquan could not believe his ears. He just mumbled, “So this is how it all works.” Baiquan had started suspecting the cats after spending the past month in the café. His encounter with the apostles and Zhao Yao’s words only confirmed his hypothesis.

“Your power of invisibility is given to you by Roly Poly. We have a few supercats at our café, each with their unique power. Shi Yu is an official sent by the government, so she can be considered a liaison between the government and us,” Zhao Yao explained.

“The government knows about this?”

“Of course, if not how do you think I was able to open this café? This opportunity was only given to me because I’m the strongest apostle in Jiangmen city,” Zhao Yao could sense that Baiquan was trying hard to process all these information. Zhao Yao continued, “The apostle’s world is a dangerous world. Your encounter today is a good example. If you’re unlucky, you might get killed. I’ll be sending you back to the café; I won’t stop you if you decide to leave.”

“Leave?” Baiquan said as he raised his brow. He continued excitedly, “How can I leave? After spending so many years in the relentless rat race, I have a whole new world staring right at me. It’s a chance that not many are given. How can I leave? I’m more than excited to join you.”

Zhao Yao rolled his eyes when he realized Baiquan was bent on continuing down this path as an apostle. Zhao Yao had already said his piece. He knew that Baiquan was not an evil person or whatsoever, he was just a little idealistic.

Furthermore, supercats registered in his BOOK cannot lend their powers to other apostles. Hence, he did not have to worry about Baiquan abusing Matcha’s power.

“Whatever makes you happy,” Zhao Yao said as he shrugged his shoulders. He continued, “However, we have to take care of the three men and five cats here.”

Baiquan stared at them viciously and asked, “Do you want me to throw them into the bottom of the sea or should I chop their body into pieces?”

“F*ck you! Who said anything about destroying their bodies?” Zhao Yao immediately slapped Baiquan on his face. Zhao Yao said, “Leave them to the police. However, there are some things for us to do to prevent the police from suspecting us before I hand them over to Inspector Ho.”

Zhao Yao already had an idea to contact Inspector Ho using an anonymous phone. However, Ho Hao Cang’s death complicated the entire situation.

“This is going to be quite troublesome. Why did Ho Hao Cang have to die? I’m not sure what Inspector Ho would do when he receives the news.”

“Now, I need to focus on removing any evidence that might lead to the police suspecting me. The wounds on their bodies were all inflicted using hand grenade so it won’t implicate me. I’ve also destroyed the security footages in his mansion.

All that was left were the testimony given by these three guys. I will just use my illusion to implant a fake memory in their head,” Zhao Yao’s lips had already curled into a smile at the thought of it.

Zhao Yao looked towards Baiquan, Roly Poly, Dust Ball and asked, “Do you know what’s their reason for coming to the café?”

Dust Ball hesitated for a moment before replying, “I think they’re here for a cat.”

Baiquan continued, “Oh yes! They kept asking if I knew where you were and whether I knew where earthquake cat was.”

“Earthquake cat?” Zhao Yao was stunned by Baiquan’s response. He thought, “How did they know that earthquake cat was in my hands?”

However, Zhao Yao did not give it further thought as his priority was to prevent the police from suspecting him.

During the previous encounter, Golden-Haired, Four-Eyed and Ah Tao were robbed of their senses and did not even see Zhao Yao’s face. To them, they only saw the van turning into this small street before they went unconscious.

Zhao Yao thought, “So it’s up to my creativity to fill in the blanks.”

Zhao Yao used his illusion to penetrate into their brains and filled it up with an elaborately constructed story. What they saw, heard, experienced in the next half an hour were what Zhao Yao wanted to show them to get himself off the hook.

The three of them in the van had a different experience compared to butler Xia. Instead of seeing Zhao Yao’s Super Saiyan strength, they were just robbed of their senses and fell unconscious.

In Zhao Yao’s carefully constructed story, they were attacked by a golden-haired woman. She took away one cat from the cages after defeating them. However, butler Xia managed to take it back in the end.

Butler Xia ran back to the mansion to ask Hao Cang for reinforcement. The woman quickly chased behind while they followed behind her.

However, the woman’s combat prowess was just too strong. She was spot on with every shot she took and easily dodged all their attacks. Then, she started killing Ho Hao Cang, butler Xia, and the five supercats.

The cat that she tried to steal was earthquake cat in disguise. This intensified the battle between them.

After the last grenade's explosion, the three of them were knocked unconscious by the impact. However, they saw Ho Hao Cang and butler Xia running towards the garden before they fainted.

Zhao Yao had implanted this intricate false memory in their head. To them, this was the truth.

In the false memory, the golden-haired woman who killed Ho Hao Cang was Isabella.

"She is a CIA agent; I'm sure she can handle it."

Zhao Yao nodded his head and continued, "Isabella had used a mysterious power to disguise earthquake cat and hid it in Zhao Yao's café. However, Ho Hao Cang realized, and after a heated discussion, Isabella killed him and took away the cat."

Baiquan saw the three men lying unconscious in the hall and asked, "Is it okay to just leave them here? This is a really secluded place with no one around. It might take some time before anyone realized that something had happened."

"Don't worry, I've already controlled a passerby and used him to contact the police, they'll be here soon." Zhao Yao started giving his head a gentle massage. The perfect illusion which he had used over the past two days had taken a toll on his body.

It was worse after constructing the false memory for the three apostles. There was a throbbing pain in his head.

Baiquan asked, "How about the bodies at the garden? Are we going to leave them there?"

Zhao Yao shook his head when he heard Baiquan's question, "It's okay. It fits the story where they self-detonated using the hand grenade. Let's go now; Inspector Ho will be here soon."

Zhao Yao immediately expelled his Panamera from his belly and placed all the cats inside it.

Baiquan's forehead furrowed and asked, "Wouldn't the security cameras catch us if we go on the highway?"

"It is natural for us to be caught on the camera since our movement was already captured when we were traveling towards the mansion," Zhao Yao chuckled, "However, we were not involved in the fight. We were just alerted by our sources and came here. But we saved the cats from the van and escaped."

"Just like this, we would have evidence and testimony which would point towards Isabella. They might start questioning us during their investigation. Remember to stick to this story."

"I understand."

Zhao Yao then sped down the highway towards his café.

A thought flashed past his head while he was driving, "There shouldn't be much problem on Inspector Ho's side. However, what am I supposed to do with these five cats?"

Suddenly, new words appeared on his mission panel again.

Chapter 152: Now What?!

With Ho Hao Cang's death, Zhao Yao had completed his mission to take down the cat thief's organization and received 600 experience points from it.

Mission: Supercats also require guidance and teaching.

Objective: Teach the five cats from the cat thief's organization and impart them with knowledge. You have half a year for them to accept you as their leader.

Reward: You will be rewarded experience points for each cat which accepts you as their leader.

Punishment: Nil

“Huh? What a troublesome mission?” Zhao Yao was reminded of his previous mission to bathe the cats.

“Earning their respect and making them accept me as their leader would be much harder than bathing them. Some of them might still regard me as their enemy.”

“Thank goodness I have half a year to complete this mission. I can slowly take my time to earn their respect.”

When Zhao Yao returned to the cat café, Shi Yu immediately rushed over and asked, “What happened? Why is the café in such a mess with everything strewn all over the place? Were we robbed?”

Zhao Yao had already prepared his story to explain the situation, “I’m not sure, but I think someone came over to steal the cats. I caught up to a van with all the cats inside. However, there was no one inside.”

Shi Yu nodded to Zhao Yao’s story as she was still processing the magnitude of the entire situation.

Zhao Yao’s throbbing headache returned as he massaged his temples. He thought, “Perfect illusion’s toll on the body is significant.” Until now, he had continued to use his power to seal the five cats’ senses. Who knew what they would do if they found out what had happened?

Zhao Yao’s headache only worsened when he saw the state of the café, he looked at Shi Yu and Baiquan and said, “Can you help me take care of the mess in the café? I have something to attend to, and I have to leave first.

Anyway, the café won’t be opened for business today. I’ll bring Matcha and the rest back first.”

Zhao Yao did not bother to wait for their response and immediately brought the supercats back. The pounding pain in his head had made him extremely irritable.

Shi Yu’s eyebrow rose as she saw Zhao Yao hurrying out of the café. She thought, “Why does Zhao Yao seem so tired today?”

Suddenly, she received a notification from WeChat. She took a glance and realized it was a message from Zhao Yao with an RMB 500 transaction.

“Use this money for any restoration works in the café. Sorry to trouble you. I’ll give you guys another reward at the start of the new month.”

Zhao Yao could not reward them now as he had to maximize his revenue for the monthly mission.

Zhao Yao immediately lay on the sofa when he got home. However, he could not sleep just yet. He had to settle the five supercats.

Matcha, Elizabeth, Dust Ball, and Roly Poly surrounded the five supercats which were lying on the sofa with their five senses all sealed.

Matcha glanced at the five cats and exclaimed, “Zhao Yao! Zhao Yao! How do you plan to deal with these cats? I suggest you leave the female cats to serve me while you can take the male cats.”

Elizabeth rolled her eyes at Matcha’s foolish remarks and asked, “Zhao Yao! How do you plan to handle them? Ho Hao Cang just manipulated them. The ones who committed the atrocities were the apostles themselves. These supercats did not commit any vice.”

Bam! Roly Poly dashed towards the Persian cat, Ares, and threw his body onto it before slapping it.

Bam!

“Bully me?”

Bam!

“You dare to come to my café and wreak havoc?”

Bam!

“Who do you think you are?”

Dust Ball got reminded of how cowardly Roly Poly behaved when the assailants came charging into the café. Dust Ball rolled her eyes and pressed her paws against his face. She said, “Alright, stop embarrassing yourself.”

Roly Poly pouted and stared at Dust Ball. He asked, “Why do you have to hit my nose; I’m just taking revenge against our enemies.”

Dust Ball, Matcha, and Elizabeth all simultaneously turned to Zhao Yao.

“Zhao Yao, what do you plan to do with them?”

Zhao Yao rubbed his eyes and tried his best to stay awake. He said helplessly, “We’ll just keep them somewhere safe first. I’ll spend some time to teach and educate them and hopefully help them turn over a new leaf.”

Zhao Yao activated Dust Ball’s ability and absorbed the five cats into his extradimensional belly. However, he removed the seal on their five senses and cast a new illusion on all of them.

When Ares woke up, it noticed that it was surrounded by darkness. There was only a glimmer of light shining in front of it. It could even hear Ho Hao Cang’s voice.

After sending the five cats into his extradimensional belly, Zhao Yao could finally take his long-awaited rest. He shut his eyes and immediately went to sleep.

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The five cats were no longer affected by the illusion since they were inside the extradimensional belly and were out of reach from the illusion.

They had all been sent to the blue container.

They started to break into a cold sweat when they realized that they had been captured in a tiny room.

Ares, the strongest supercat among them, raised its paws and announced calmly, “Do not worry! We are just momentarily transported to this place by a mysterious power. We can escape if we all put our minds to it.”

“But where is Ho Hao Cang? Isn’t he fighting against Zhao Yao?”

“Don’t tell me Zhao Yao had defeated him?”

“It’s impossible; I just heard his voice a moment ago.”

“Why are our bodies floating around?”

The five supercats had been rescued by Zhao Yao before Hao Cang could detonate the hand grenade. Hence, they had no idea that Hao Cang was already dead.

Ares raised its paws and waved them in the air to capture the cats’ attention. It said, “Calm down! Try to recall how each of you entered this place.”

After a round of discussion, they realized that all of them had entered under the same circumstances. All of them saw a glimmer of light and heard Hao Cang’s voice. They followed his voice and suddenly appeared in this place.

“This must be some sort of power capable of manipulating space,” Ares thought. It could not help but started licking the fur on its tail to calm itself down.

“Let’s relax by licking our fur.”

“Yes. The most important thing in a battle is to stay calm!”

The four other supercats started licking their fur in unison, in an attempt to calm their nerves.

After a careful deliberation, Ares concluded, “This power can most likely create a new dimension. Currently, we are all floating inside it and cannot move around freely.” Ares tried to wriggle its body, but it was close to impossible to move in this space.

The Siamese cat, Fūjin, raised its paw and said, “I am still able to move around by altering the air flow around me.”

This Siamese cat had black fur on its face and white fur on the rest of its body. It managed to roam around the container by using its power.

The remaining cats were inspired by Fūjin and tried to move around as well. It was not impossible, but it was a somewhat cumbersome process.

“That’s good! Try to find a way out of this place!” Ares announced.

After a round of searching, Lucifer, the cat with the power of regeneration, raised an object in the air and shouted, “A phone! A phone! I found a phone!”

All of the cats turned their heads towards the phone. At that moment, the phone emanated a holy glow because it carried their hopes of escaping the place.

Chapter 153: What’s Worse Than Death?

If we backtracked a few hours, we would see Zhao Yao casting an illusion on the three apostles while spirit cat floated around in the garden, staring at Ho Hao Cang and the butler.

“Hao Cang and butler Xia, you guys can’t die just like that.”

No matter what, both of them had taken him in and took care of him all these while. Spirit cat could not just stand there and watched them die.

Spirit cat descended beside them and placed both its paws on butler Xia’s chest. Suddenly, his body started disappearing and turned into a faint shadow. Spirit cat had lent his power to butler Xia and turned butler Xia into his spirit form.

Just when he was about to complete his transformation, his body started shaking violently before it vaporized into the air. Butler Xia had left, with nothing left behind, not even his body.

“Even his spirit had been destroyed?”

Nekomata heaved a long sigh of despair before moving on to Hao Cang. Nekomata did the same by placing his paws on Hao Cang’s chest.

“Thank goodness! He is still not completely dead yet.”

The next moment, Nekomata had unreservedly transferred his power to Hao Cang.

With Nekomata’s power, Zhao Yao’s body had turned into a faint shadow. However, instead of vaporizing like butler Xia, Hao Cang had successfully transformed to his spirit form.

Hao Cang’s forehead furrowed as he looked towards Nekomata and asked, “Nekomata? Did you save me? I remember I was dead already.”

“You were indeed dead, and my power is to transform the living into their spirit form which explains why you are still alive.

However, your physical body had suffered too much damage, and it had already died. Your spirit lives on. This means that you can no longer revert to your physical body with blood and flesh. If you decide to try, you will die the moment you revert.”

Hao Cang could not comprehend cat’s meows but based on Nekomata’s actions and his current situation, he could guess what had happened.

“What should I do now?” Hao Cang asked Nekomata. Hao Cang raised his brow before he rephrased his question, “Can I continue to live in this form?”

Nekomata immediately shook his head.

Hao Cang continued with a follow-up question, “Are there any ways to salvage my physical body?” Nekomata replied with the same shook of his head. Hao Cang scratched his chin and was deep in thought.

Nekomata got flustered, and he said, “Your physical body is already dead. You will spend the rest of your life in your spirit form and have no chance of reverting to your physical body. However, you also cannot last long in this form as you will be depleted of energy soon. Hence, you can only continue surviving if you possess someone else’s physical body and nourish your soul using it.”

Despite how loud he meowed, Hao Cang could not understand a single word he tried to say.

Suddenly, a brilliant idea flashed across Nekomata’s head as he started using a pebble to write on the sandy ground with his power of psychokinesis.

Ho Hao Cang finally understood what Nekomata was trying to say. He exclaimed, “So I just need to possess another human’s body? I understand!”

Hence, the cat and human pair floated out in search of their targets. After floating past a few streets, Hao Cang could already sense his soul getting weaker and weaker. His spirit had turned fainter in Nekomata’s eyes. It seemed like it was going to vanish anytime now.

“Nekomata, I remember that you had to find individuals with weaker willpower and spirit to improve your chances of successfully possessing their body.”

Nekomata immediately nodded to Hao Cang’s words. Hao Cang then gave up possessing the muscular bloke standing in front of him. They flew to a nearby district but still could not find any possible targets.

Just when Hao Cang was about to turn completely transparent, they noticed a little girl walking her dog.

“I guess this is my only option.” Hao Cang hesitated because he did not want to turn into a female, much less a young girl.

Nekomata started meowing incessantly to remind Hao Cang that there was no time to waste. Hao Cang looked at himself and knew that Nekomata was right. He gritted his teeth and made his decision.

“There is no time for me to hesitate.”

“It must be you!”

Hao Cang let out a loud road and bolted towards the little girl. It felt as if he had rammed his body against a mountain and his body had been shattered to pieces from the impact of the collision.

Hao Cang thought, “Am I too late? Has my spirit depleted to a state that I cannot even possess a young girl’s body?”

Just when Hao Cang was about to give up all hope, he suddenly felt a warm gush floating through his body. He felt as if he had entered a space which was extremely comfortable and cozy. The pain from the collision had slowly dissipated.

“Have I succeeded?”

Hao Cang tried to open his eyes and saw the little girl hugging himself. She seemed extremely worried and kept asking, “Noodle! Noodle! What happened to you? Don’t scare me!”

“Hmm, shouldn’t I be inside the girl’s body? Why is she hugging me?” Hao Cang was taken aback by what had happened. He tried to open his mouth, but instead of words, all he could say was woof.

His body froze. He raised his hands to his eyes. However, all he saw was a pair of dog’s paws.

“Woof! Woof!”

“I’ve turned into a dog?”

The little girl just saw her husky raising his paws in the sky. The husky then clutched his head between his paws and began howling.

“Nekomata! Nekomata! Get out now!”

“I promise you I will not kill you if you come out now.”

“No, I need to become a human! I need to take my revenge! I need, I need! D*mn it, why can’t I seem to recall anything?”

Hao Cang began sieving through the memories in his head, but all he saw were images of balls, bones, shitting and peeing. His spirit had already been combined with the husky’s by then.

Nekomata was hiding at a corner while he fixed his eyes on the husky. He started rolling around with laughter and thought, “He can’t even possess a little girl’s body! He can only possess a dog?”

I didn’t even know that this was possible. This deserves my observation!”

The little girl tried to restrain her husky which broke out in hysterical cries. She shouted, “Alright, Noodle, stop barking! We are going home now!”

Woof! Woof!

The husky was furious and started rolling on the floor. Hao Cang thought that this was worse than death.

Hao Cang tried to escape from the husky’s body. However, it seemed like he had lost the power the moment he possessed the husky’s body. He also could not use the psychokinesis abilities and other skills which Nekomata possessed.

Nekomata stared at the husky in front of him and thought, “Did Hao Cang lose the ability because he was stuck inside a dog’s body and a dog does not have the physical attributes required of an apostle?”

Does this mean that he is going to spend the rest of his life as a dog and he can never receive a supercat’s power? The only difference between him and an ordinary dog is his intelligence.

However, would his memory and intelligence deteriorate after entering the husky’s body? This deserves my observation.”

The little girl exhausted all her energy lugging the husky back home. She closed the gates and fed the dog some dog food before returning to her shower.

The husky was lying on the floor with its tongue sticking out. He seemed extraordinarily listless and was not interested in the food lying in front of him.

“How did I turn into a dog?”

“Of all dogs, why did I become a husky?”

“How can such a thing happen to me?”

Just when the husky was busy coming up with an idea to revert to a human, a chubby American Shorthair with silver fur and black stripes sauntered towards him.

The cat came over and started sieving through his dog food. The cat even commented with a disdainful look, “R*tard, were you out shitting again?”

“Tsk! I can’t imagine you still have to shit out in the grass patch. You are truly a r*tard. Don’t you know that higher beings like me use the toilet bowl instead?”

I don’t think you can understand a single word I said.” The cat said smugly. It patted the husky on his cheeks and continued, “You look so stupid from head to toe. What’s the point of becoming so big? If not for me, you would already have been thrown away.”

The cat took a bite of the dog food before spitting it out immediately, “Why doesn’t it taste like salmon? It’s disgusting!”

Suddenly, the husky slapped the cat across its face and sent it flying towards the wall. It rolled down the floor like a ball before colliding against the wall.

Chapter 154: The Husky

The chubby cat never expected the husky to retaliate. The cat’s eyes seethed with anger as if someone had offended him. He got to his feet and shouted at the husky.

“How dare you hit me with your dirty paw? Even Xiao Yu doesn’t hit me!” The chubby cat, Fish Ball, stared at the husky with his fur all puffed up.

“Have you forgotten who the alpha in the house is?” The chubby cat stood on his hind legs as if he were a human. He shouted, “I’m going to use my ultimate ability!”

The husky’s lips drew back in a snarl as he stared at Fish Ball. Suddenly, a blinding beam of light emerged from its paws. The husky got ready for the impending battle between them.

“It is a supercat. From the looks of it, it has quite a powerful ability.”

“Are you scared? It’s too late for that.” Fish Ball burst into laughter when he noticed the husky standing on guard. He reduced the giant beam of light into a tiny dot and pointed towards the husky.

“Is it coming for me?” The husky was taken aback by the cat’s sudden attack as he saw a white dot darting around on the floor.

The corner of Fish Ball’s mouth curled up as he moved his finger around which caused the beam of light to dart around on the floor.

“Meohahaha, chase it Noodle! This is your favorite toy! See how I am going to play with you, you silly dog!” Fish Ball declared.

Based on his experience, the husky standing in front of it loved to chase after the dot projected by Fish Ball. Fish Ball always resorted to this when he was unhappy or irritated. The husky would chase after the dot incessantly till it was worn out.

Fish Ball had even used this to trick the husky into breaking the vases and tearing the curtains. The husky received a beating from Xiao Yu’s parents because of it.

“Meowhahaha, you silly dog! Do you still dare to hit me in the future? I’ll make you smash the television this time! I can’t wait to see Xiao Yu’s parents’ reaction when they see it!”

However, the truth was far from what Fish Ball imagined. The husky just stared at the dot on the floor nonchalantly before fixing his eyes on Fish Ball.

“Trash cat with trash ability,” The husky rolled his eyes and sat down on the floor. It was indifferent to the dot zigzagging around in front of it.

“Why is this happening? This silly dog is no longer interested in chasing after the dot?” Fish Ball was bewildered by the scene.

Fish Ball decided to change his game plan. He started annoying the husky by shining it onto his body, face, and even his nose.

However, the husky was apathetic towards it and continued lying on the floor. He stared at Fish Ball as if he was an idiot.

“How is this possible? Has my dot tactic failed? Has this silly dog grown smarter overnight?” Fish Ball stared with amazement at the dog lying in front of him.

When Fish Ball was still in awe of the husky’s transformation, a dull rumbling noise erupted from the husky’s stomach.

“I’m hungry,” The husky was famished, and he walked over to the dog food given by Xiao Yu and took a few sniffs.

“No, how can I eat dog food?”

“I am still a human, and I must maintain my dignity.”

“I would rather die than to eat dog food.”

“I need to find some way to get hold of some human food.”

Just when the husky was devising an idea to achieve his objective, the fragrant smells of the food entered his nostrils and whetted his appetite. Every cell in his body was pushing him to devour the plate of dog food left in front of him.

After his first bite, he realized that his entire worldview had a 180° change.

He began devouring the food in front of him, and tears welled up in his eyes.

“I didn’t know that dog food can be made so delicious!”

The food given to it was not particularly delectable, it was chosen because it suited the husky’s taste buds. A small amount of phagostimulant was also added to entice the dog.

The husky let out a satisfying burp after polishing off all the food. He thought, “It must be the food coma from the good food! I need to find someplace to rest first. I’ll think about reverting to a human after I catch up on some sleep.”

He carefully surveyed his surroundings before settling on the largest pet bed. When he rested his body on it, he felt the soft and comfortable cushion enveloped his entire body. It was as if he were sleeping on the fluffiest cloud in the sky.

Fish Ball was infuriated when he saw the silly dog resting on his bed and shouted, “Dumb Dog! Get Out!”

“This is my bed!”

“If you continue sleeping on it, I am going to fight it out with you!”

The husky’s ears twitched when he heard the blabbering from Fish Ball. He immediately slapped Fish Ball before turning his body around and adopted a more comfortable position.

Every action that the husky made was carefully scrutinized by the spirit cat hidden in the air.

“Why do I feel as if Hao Cang has changed?” Spirit cat’s brows snapped together as he tried to recall every scene after Hao Cang had turned into a dog.

It started off with his intense desire to turn back into a human. Then, he started fighting with Fish Ball before he succumbed to the dog food’s temptation. Now, he was happily sleeping in a cat’s bed. Something had changed dramatically.

“Is it behaving just like a dog already? The transformation is so fast!” The pupil in spirit cat’s eyes constricted as he thought, “His spirit had been slowly corroded by the dog’s body since he first entered it. His behavior had been slowly molded by the dog’s inherent instincts. Maybe his soul had already combined with the husky’s soul.”

“It also seems as if his intelligence had plummeted. Is it because the dog was quite dumb to start with?”

Spirit cat looked at Hao Cang helplessly who was sleeping soundly in the cat bed.

“This will be troublesome.”

All of a sudden, spirit cat saw Fish Ball jumping in front of Hao Cang’s face, and a glimmer of light started blinking in his palms.

“Meowhaha, I’m going to turn you blind with this blinding light!”

Husky opened his eyes and stared at the faint blinking light in front of him with annoyance. He could not sleep with this irritating cat continually disturbing him.

Hence, the husky opened his mouth and grabbed onto Fish Ball by his neck using his mouth. He then placed him on the comfortable bed.

Fish Ball grinned from ear to ear as he thought that the husky had finally given up the bed to him. Fish Ball thought, “Meowhaha, I guess he finally understood my true strength!”

Suddenly, Fish Ball’s vision turned dark as the husky planted his enormous butt on his face and sat on Fish Ball as if it were a cushion. It then returned to its sleep.

Fish Ball immediately retaliated by commencing its relentless attack on the husky’s butt. However, it was futile. Fish Ball gave up after a minute.

The husky comfortably nudged his butt as he went into deep sleep.

Spirit cat saw this scene and shook his head, “It seems like the situation is worsening by the second.”

Xiao Yu had just left the toilet after showering. She looked around the room and shouted, “Fish Ball! Where are you?”

Fish Ball frantically waved his paws under the husky’s butt to capture Xiao Yu’s attention.

“Fish Ball, come out now! Why were you making so much noise just now?” Xiao Yu grabbed her phone and suddenly her brows knitted together, and her eyes blazed with anger. A terrifying aura emanated from her body.

“Where did my RMB 250 go?”

Husky somehow knew that Fish Ball was in trouble and immediately woke up.

Fish Ball which was frantically waving his paws around stopped all of a sudden and shrunk behind the husky’s butt, out of Xiao Yu’s sight.

Chapter 155: The Interrogation

Ahh!

Under the husky’s watchful eyes, Fish Ball was dragged into the toilet as he screamed at the top of his lungs.

His paws were frantically scratching against the floor, leaving behind trails of scratch marks.

“Help me!”

“This is animal cruelty!”

No matter how Fish Ball struggled, Xiao Yu was adamant about dragging him into the toilet.

Moments later, a blood-curdling scream erupted from the toilet which made the husky tremble in fear. He felt sorry for Fish Ball even though he had no idea what happened.

“He is too pitiful.”

Just when the husky was feeling sorry for Fish Ball, Fish Ball came crawling out of the toilet all drenched. His face was covered with tears and mucus; he looked like a young girl who had just been raped.

“Save me!”

Suddenly, a pair of white hands emerged from the toilet and grabbed onto Fish Ball’s hind legs, sending him back to the bathroom. Fish Ball left behind a new trail of scratch marks on the floor.

“Is the cat going to die? Should I call the police?” Hao Cang stared dumbfounded at the scene with his mouth wide open.

Chills went down his spine when the husky heard the screams again. He could not take it anymore and decided to crawl over to take a look at what had happened.

Fish Ball was hiding in the corner of the toilet with his mouth wide open and face full of tears and mucus. He was drenched from head to toe with a puddle of water beneath his feet.

Xiao Yu was holding on to a pail and poured buckets of water onto Fish Ball. Every drop of water which made contact with his skin left Fish Ball screaming for help.

“Help me,” As a stream of water landed on his legs.

“Help me!” The pail of water splashed all over his chest.

“Help me!”

“Xiao Yu! I am wrong! I will never do it again!” Fish Ball’s phone was wrapped in a plastic bag as his paws darted across the screen. Fish Ball frantically typed a string of words as he begged for forgiveness.

Xiao Yu just aimed the next pail of water on his face, creating his “tears”.

“Stop pouring water on me Xiao Yu! I am your favorite Fish Ball! I will catch a cold if you continue doing this!” Fish Ball stood up with his palms clasped together begging for his life.

“You won’t catch a cold in this weather. Tell me, why did you secretly use my money? Where did the money go?” Xiao Yu asked with her eyes staring right into Fish Ball.

Fish Ball immediately explained everything to her, “You cannot blame me! It’s all because of the bank! They froze your account and my friend knew someone inside and asked me for a security deposit to solve the problem!”

Xiao Yu was left speechless by his response. She thought, “Why did I choose to raise such a stupid cat?”

She grabbed onto Fish Ball by the neck and asked, “Who did you transfer it to?”

Fish Ball tilted his head to the side because he did not dare to make eye contact with Xiao Yu before he answered, “I gave it to The Strongest Luban.”

“The Strongest Luban? You mean the cat in the WeChat group?” Xiao Yu asked with her eyes squinted together.

“Yes, yes, yes! It’s him!”

Shi Yu’s eyes burned with rage as she gritted her teeth and shouted, “I’ll make him pay ten times more for what he did!”

Fish Ball heaved a sigh of relief as he thought that all was finally over.

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Achoo!

Matcha suddenly sneezed atop his massage throne as he began licking the fur on his stomach, “The weather is so erratic nowadays, even a cat as strong as I cannot take this strange weather!”

He glanced at Roly Poly who was eagerly waiting for dinner. Since feeding Roly Poly with the imaginary fried chicken, he had always looked forward to meal time.

“Roly Poly, come here.”

Roly Poly’s forehead furrowed together, and he thought, “This guy is getting cocky nowadays, does he actually think that I’m his subordinate?”

Roly Poly dashed to the massage throne and grinned from ear to ear. He answered, “Yes, boss?”

“Come up here!”

Roly Poly immediately leaped onto the massage throne.

“Lie down.”

“Erm, what the hell is he trying to do?” Roly Poly felt slightly embarrassed but still gave in to Matcha’s demand.

“Now, roll over.”

“Boss! Stop playing! I’m not even a female cat.” Roly Poly laughed as he struggled to turn over.

“Who is playing with you?” Matcha raised his paws and revealed his five shiny and sharp claws. He said, “Can you see? These claws are as sharp as knives and have taken down Hao Cang’s supercat with ease. Do you want to try them?”

Roly Poly immediately flipped himself over, with his belly facing the ceiling.

“I guess you are not as stupid,” Matcha nodded his head contentedly as he began lying down on Roly Poly’s stomach.

“Hmm, this is so much warmer and more comfortable.”

Meanwhile, Roly Poly stared daggers at Matcha and wanted to kill him so badly for taking advantage of him. He turned around and looked to Dust Ball for help.

“Sister, please save me!”

However, Dust Ball did not seem to be bothered with Roly Poly, as all her concentration was on her extradimensional belly.

It was understandable given the fact that there was one container with the five supercats and another container with the earthquake cat inside her belly.

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Inside the blue container in her extradimensional belly, Lucifer raised the phone in its paws and captured the attention of all the cats around it.

“It is a phone! Quickly, switch it on! We can contact Hao Cang with this!” Ares stared at it with its eyes burning with excitement.

The remaining cats started shaking their bodies violently as they wanted to come closer to Lucifer who had the phone in its paws. Fūjin simply altered the air currents around it and dashed towards Lucifer. Fūjin shouted, “Quickly switch on the phone!”

“I think I just have to press this button.” Lucifer tried hard recalling Hao Cang’s action when he switched on the phone.

Suddenly, a blaring music erupted from the phone and the screen lit up.

“Hooray!”

All their eyes sparkled and flicked with anticipation.

Ares continued to rush Lucifer and said, "Quickly, use the phone to call!"

Lucifer nodded its head and touched the call button on the screen. Suddenly, it froze.

"Do you know Ho Hao Cang's number?"

"I don't know.

"I don't remember."

All the smiles on their faces instantly evaporated and inverted into a frown.

Ares immediately shouted, "Baidu! Baidu! I remember hearing the maids mentioning Baidu when they needed any sort of information."

"We can also contact the police! I remember seeing someone call 911 to contact the police on television!" A tabby cat announced.

The smile reappeared on the cats' faces, and the excitement returned to their eyes. However, it was a fleeting happiness. They soon realized that there was no signal in this place. They could not call or use the internet.

"We cannot contact the outside world from this dimension," Lucifer said and heaved a sigh of despair.

Zhao Yao only stashed this phone in the extradimensional belly for him to watch movies and drama series when he was bored. He did not plan to use it to contact the outside world.

"Do not be disheartened!" Ares declared. It continued, "There must be a reason for putting the phone in this dimension. Sieve through the contents, and there might be a memo teaching us how to escape from this place!"

Chapter 156: Why Are There Giants?

“Let me take a look!” Lucifer began sieving through the contest of the phone. Four other supercats huddled behind it to take a look. Five pairs of large round eyes stared at the phone screen as Lucifer flipped from one page to another.

“Look! There it is!” Ares slammed its paws onto the screen. Instead of opening the application, Ares had accidentally pressed back.

Lucifer turned around and glared at Ares angrily and said, “I am in charge of the phone, do not click on the screen unless I give you permission to do so!”

Lucifer carefully navigated through all the applications before reaching a folder labeled “top secret.”

All the cats’ eyes flickered with anticipation as they shouted in unison, “This must be it! Quickly open it!”

“I know! You don’t have to rush me!” Lucifer tapped on the folder and reached another folder which was labeled “Do not open”.

The tabby cat’s forehead creased together and asked, “What are we supposed to do? The folder already told us not to open it.”

“R*tard! Are you just going to listen to what the folder name says? This only means that there are some important secret documents hidden inside it.” Lucifer turned a deaf ear to the tabby cat’s words and clicked on the folder.

Another new folder labeled “Matcha, I’ll blow your head into pieces if you open this folder” emerged.

Lucifer did not heed the warning and tapped on the folder again. A new folder labeled “Human race’s biggest secret” appeared on the screen.

The corner of Lucifer's mouth curled up as it eagerly tapped the folder. Inside it was no longer folders, but many files. The tile of the files resembled Chinese characters, but they could not understand the words.

"What is this?"

"It might be some sort of code word."

"Open it and take a look!"

Lucifer tapped on the icon, and a video started to play.

All five supercats stared at the video wide-eyed. The video depicted a sad story where a man continually abused a young girl.

Lucifer's forehead creased together as it asked, "Why isn't the girl in the video wearing clothes? Aren't humans supposed to wear clothes all the time?"

Ares suggested, "She might be a different breed of human. Most cats are covered with fur, but there are some that are furless. The girl in the video might be a breed of humans who do not wear clothes."

Fūjin let out a loud yawn and commented, "This is so boring! We are just watching two humans mating. How long are we going to continue watching this for?"

"I'll search for something different to watch," Lucifer exited from the video and tapped on a new file.

However, after opening all the files in the folder, they came to realize that they all shared the same content.

"It's all videos of humans mating. Is that the only thing that humans do?"

"No wonder Ho Hao Cang forbids us from leaving the house. Human's knowledge was limited to mating."

“The files in this folder were just a distraction! The secrets must be hidden in some other files!”

All five supercats grew bored after watching the repetitive content over and over again. After a round of discussion, they decided to look through the rest of the phone to find the secret file.

After ransacking the entire content inside the phone, they realized that they could not understand the file names for most files. However, there was a file labeled “Attack on Titan” in the video folder.

“There’s finally a title that we can understand.”

“Lucifer, quickly tap on it and see what’s inside.”

A heart-thumping music erupted from the phone’s speakers when Lucifer tapped on the file. Even though they could not understand a single word in the song, they felt their hearts beating faster and adrenalin being pumped all over their bodies.

This was the first time they had watched anime. They were taken aback by how detailed and realistic the drawings were. There was a seamless transition between each frame, and the animation was captivating.

Their eyes were glued to the screen, and they suddenly found themselves in a world filled with giants. The giants had been destroying the planet and humans erected three giant walls to ward off the giants. The story revolved around how the giants attempted to penetrate the wall and kill the human population.

“Attack on Titan” was incredibly famous for a period. Many humans flocked to it for its fast-paced plot, enchanting music, and the enthralling storyline.

The five supercats which had never been exposed to anime had been captivated by it after watching such a marvelous piece of work.

They watched the entire episode without blinking even once.

“Oh! The giants are so scary!”

“They have killed so many people! The outside world is truly frightening!”

“All of you shut your mouth!” Ares demanded as it pressed its finger to its lips. It continued, “Pay attention to the video and keep quiet!”

Meanwhile, within the yellow container inside the extradimensional belly, earthquake cat was staring at her surrounding as her eyes seethed with anger.

“How long are they going to keep me here for?”

“I’m angry! I’m furious! I’m mad!”

“I’m going to destroy the entire city once I leave this place! I’ll let the entire world understand my pain!”

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The following morning, Zhao Yao let out a loud yawn before he crawled out of his bed.

With the influence of Celestial Beats, he was able to enjoy a wonderful sleep. A throbbing headache which he suffered from before his sleep had vanished. The energy depleted from the use of the perfect illusion had returned to his body.

Zhao Yao began stretching his body before he sat up straight on the couch. He turned his head and saw Matcha hugging his legs and sleeping soundly.

He carefully retracted his legs and began looking around his apartment.

“Hmm, I guess Matcha, Elizabeth, Roly Poly, Dust Ball, and Mango are all at home.” Zhao Yao nodded his head gleefully. He opened his mouth to let out another yawn before a frightening thought flashed across his head, “S*it! Earthquake cat is still inside my extradimensional belly, and I have forgotten to let her out!”

He immediately switched to Dust Ball’s power and concentrated on his extradimensional belly.

He first located the earthquake cat inside the yellow container. Then, he saw a Scottish Fold which was boiling in anger as she stared daggers at her surroundings. The boxes, food wrappers and mineral bottles around her had been torn to pieces.

It was apparent that earthquake cat had vented all her frustration at anything that she saw.

However, Zhao Yao heaved a sigh of relief when he realized that she did not inflict any injuries on herself during the rampage.

He immediately focused his attention on the blue container which contained the five supercats.

“The phone has run out of battery!” Lucifer cried in despair. The cat looked as if it had aged ten years since Zhao Yao first met it.

“What is going to happen next?” Ares nibbled on its lower lip and stomped its foot in frustration. It continued, “Why are there walls? Why are there giants? Why did Eren turn into a giant?”

“I want to watch the next episode!” The Siamese cat screamed at the top of its lungs, “I’ll let anyone touch my fur if they help me charge the phone right now!”

It vented its frustration by altering the air currents around it and started slamming its head against the wall of the container.

The fat tabby cat floated to the Siamese cat and stared into its eyes. It had no expression on its face. It just kept mumbling one word repeatedly, “Battery, battery, battery, battery!”

Chapter 157: The God and His Cat

Zhao Yao rolled his eyes when he noticed how the five supercats succumbed to the temptation of “Attack on Titans” and had already developed an addiction.

“I didn’t expect them to be a fan of anime.” A brilliant idea flashed across Zhao Yao’s head as he was thinking about his mission to educate the cats.

A few minutes later, Zhao Yao held Dust Ball in his hand as if she were a loudspeaker and asked, “Are you ready?”

Dust Ball’s eyes burned with annoyance as she stared at Zhao Yao and replied, “Just get this over and down with! I still want to play the hunting game with Mango!”

Zhao Yao tried to appease her by saying, “Alright! I’ll reward you with catmint at the end of it!”

Dust Ball began struggling in Zhao Yao’s hands as she retorted, “Do you think you can make me do anything according to your whims and fancies by using catmint?”

Zhao Yao feigned a look of disappointment and replied, “Oh that’s such a shame. This is a premium catmint flown all the way from Yunnan. The contents inside are extremely pure. I heard that one sniff could knock a cat unconscious for 2 hours.”

Suddenly, Dust Ball’s eyes glistened with anticipation and asked, “Really?”

“Of course! When did I ever lie to you? I’ve specially contacted a few reputable sellers to prepare this divine catmint. Many lives were lost during its transportation to Jiangmen city.” Zhao Yao answered as he pretended to fight back his tears.

“Hmph!” The black cat turned her head around and opened her mouth. She replied smugly, “Don’t think you can control me for the rest of my life. You will lose your value the moment you run out of catmint.”

Zhao Yao grinned from ear to ear as the prideful voice rang in his ears. Zhao Yao positioned his mouth right in front of Dust Ball’s open mouth and said, “Hello! Are there any cats inside here?”

With his mastery over the extradimensional belly, Zhao Yao could direct his sound waves directly to a specific position in the belly.

Zhao Yao’s voice erupted in the five supercats’ ears.

The five cats started looking around in fear when they heard the male voice which descended from the sky.

Lucifer immediately shouted, “Who is speaking?”

Zhao Yao answered, “I am God.”

Lucifer smirked, “Are you taking us for fools? We are not three years old who would fall for your words.”

The tabby cat exclaimed, “God, please help us!”

Lucifer turned to the tabby cat and looked down at it with contempt. Lucifer commented, “R*tard, how can that person be God?”

Zhao Yao announced, “I can grant you one wish!”

The tabby cat immediately shouted, “God, please help us charge our phone!”

“R*tard, why do you still believe that he is a god? Furthermore, shouldn’t you wish to leave this place if he were god?” Lucifer exclaimed as it rammed its head into the wall angrily.

Suddenly, a power bank miraculously appeared in front of the five cats.

Zhao Yao asked, “How about a power bank?”

“Yes! Thank you so much!” The tabby cat’s eyes lit up with excitement as it instructed Lucifer, “Quickly charge the phone with the power bank!”

Meanwhile, Lucifer was already kneeling at a corner with its palms clasped together. It whispered, “God, could you turn me into a tiger?”

Zhao Yao cleared his throat before he replied, “No! I can only grant you one wish each day.”

“R*tard!” Lucifer pounced onto the tabby cat and vented all its frustration on it. Lucifer shouted, “Who told you to wish for a power bank?”

Tabby cat retorted, “Says the cat which is addicted to Attack on Titans!”

“Now is not the time for us to argue!” As the leader amongst them, Ares immediately broke up the fight and tried to pacify both cats.

Lucifer rebutted, “We are still stuck in this place because of that stupid cat’s wish!”

Ares nodded its head before saying, “What’s done is done. We cannot undo the wish that we have asked for, but we can still wish for it tomorrow!” In an attempt to lighten the mood, Ares pointed towards the power bank and announced, “How about we charge the phone and continue watching Attack on Titans.”

Lucifer’s lips quivered in anger as it saw how the three cats stared at the power bank with anticipation. Lucifer shouted, “All of you have lost your mind to this silly show!” Suddenly, it had already held the power bank in its mouth and asked, “How am I supposed to connect this?”

“How can you accuse us of losing our mind to this show? This documents the hidden secrets of the human world. If not for this drama, we would never have learned about the existence of giants.” Ares retorted.

“I agree!”

“Let’s switch it on and continue watching the show!”

“I’m trying to turn it on. Why are you guys so impatient. By the way, which episode did we stop at?”

Zhao Yao started chuckling when he saw five tiny faces glued to the phone’s screen. They just stared at the anime with their beautiful round eyes. None of them requested for neither food nor drinks even though they were without food for an entire day.

Zhao Yao’s lips curled into a smile as he thought, “Maybe I can successfully teach and educate them by keeping them here.”

Zhao Yao finally let go of Dust Ball's mouth. Dust Ball stared at Zhao Yao and asked matter-of-factly, "Where are the goods you promised me?"

Zhao Yao returned to his bedroom and retrieved a bag of catmint from underneath his bed and placed it in front of Dust Ball.

Dust Ball's eyes squinted into a line when she saw Zhao Yao re-appearing with the catmint in his hands. She thought, "I never expected him to hide it in such a secretive spot. He is slyer than I thought!"

There was no limit to Dust Ball's desire for catmint. Hence, Zhao Yao had to hide it to prevent Dust Ball from over-consuming them.

Locks would not be able to stop Dust Ball with her power to absorb non-living matter. Thus, Zhao Yao had to hide it somewhere where she cannot access.

Zhao Yao noticed Dust Ball's gaze and sniggered, "Stop looking! I've only kept one bag underneath my bed."

Dust Ball rolled her eyes at Zhao Yao's response before she opened the packaging and started tasting the new catmint.

She slid her paws over the catmint before slowly dabbing it on her tongue. Instantly, Dust Ball lay on the floor with her eyes all squinted together in pleasure. A trickle of saliva appeared at the corner of her lips.

Zhao Yao raised his brow and commented, "Don't forget to wipe the saliva off of your face." Zhao Yao took a look at the remaining cats and announced, "Alright! Everyone get ready! We are leaving for work soon!"

Zhao Yao had to personally wake every single cat up because they were all immersed in the soothing music of Celestial Beats. Zhao Yao still had to decide on what to do with earthquake cat.

He must release earthquake cat from his extradimensional belly. Her condition would continue deteriorating if she were not released into their dimension and exposed her body to Celestial Beats.

However, Zhao Yao was also worried about the repercussions if he released earthquake cat and she started causing havoc.

After a careful deliberation, Zhao Yao decided to talk to earthquake cat face to face.

His body flickered before he got absorbed into his extradimensional belly.

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Zhao Yao appeared in front of the Scottish Fold following the flicker.

The female Scottish Fold detected his presence and reacted by puffing her fur and arching her back. She was ready to attack him at any time.

“Humans! My endless suffering had made me grown stronger! Get ready to die!”

“Calm down!” Zhao Yao raised his hands to show that he meant no harm. He continued explaining, “I did not purposely throw you into this dimension. I had to settle too many things yesterday, and I forgot about you.”

“Do you know how long I starved for?” Earthquake cat gnashed her teeth in rage.

Zhao Yao nodded his head helplessly and answered, “I’ll bring you out and give you something to eat.”

“Furthermore, I haven’t been to the toilet for 24 hours!” Earthquake cat burst into screams and howls. This was equivalent to a baby’s bawl.

“I’ve kept her here since I went to rescue Shi Yu. This means that she had spent much more time here than the five other cats. She must have had a hard time controlling her bladder and hunger. Maybe the endless suffering that she mentioned refers to this.” Zhao Yao thought.

Chapter 158: Rice Cake and Her Deep Sleep

However, Zhao Yao merely shrugged his ears when he heard earthquake cat's complaint. He commented, "Why did you have to control? You could have settled your business right here."

Dust Ball which was engrossed in the catmint glanced at Zhao Yao and stared daggers at him when she heard his response.

Earthquake cat's screams just turned, even more, shrilling after she heard Zhao Yao's words. She shouted, "I keep floating around in this dimension and cannot even stand on my four feet. How am I supposed to pee or shit here?"

"Alright, I understand." Zhao Yao instantly released earthquake cat from his extradimensional belly and hurriedly brought her to the cat toilet.

When he turned his body around to take his leave, he noticed Dust Ball standing on his feet with her eyes glaring at him.

"What happened Dust Ball? Are you done with the catmint?"

Dust Ball's glare remained fixed on Zhao Yao as she asked, "How long do you plan to keep the five supercats inside my belly?"

Zhao Yao just answered her without giving it much thought. He said, "Probably a few years?" With the size of the extradimensional belly, Zhao Yao thought that there was no difference between stashing them inside it or inside the apartment.

Dust Ball reacted by raising her paws in the sky and slamming it to the ground. She retorted, "Are you joking? Are you planning to let them eat, shit, pee and sleep inside my belly?"

Zhao Yao bent down and carried Dust Ball into his arms. Her relentless struggle was futile against Zhao Yao's tight grip.

Zhao Yao gently rubbed against Dust Ball's tiny head and explained, "Dust Ball, you have to see it from a different perspective. Food is constantly digested inside our stomach, so it's natural for there

to be excrements inside our belly. This means that there will be excrements in your belly regardless if the five cats are inside your belly or not.”

Dust Ball stared wide-eyed at Zhao Yao and nodded to his words.

“Furthermore, these excrements were produced inside our body, so what’s wrong if it returns to our body again? You must not be biased against excrements. Technically, they are part of our body just like our fur, skin, and muscle.” Zhao Yao explained.

“Is that so?”

“Of course it is!” Zhao Yao declared confidently. He continued, “By absorbing the cats into your belly, it is as good as absorbing their excrements in as well. Hence, what’s the difference if they actually defecate in your belly?”

Dust Ball blinked her eyes as she shifted her head from left to right. She found what Zhao Yao said somewhat logical.

After pacifying Dust Ball, Zhao Yao noticed the earthquake cat leaving the toilet. She squatted beside Zhao Yao’s feet, but her eyes continued to seethe with anger.

Zhao Yao asked out of concern, “What happened?”

Earthquake cat replied, “I’m so hungry.”

“Oh!” Zhao Yao patted her on her head and instructed, “Follow me! I’ll get you some food!”

Seeing how earthquake cat instantly devoured the food Zhao Yao prepared for her, he started laughing and said, “Oh yes, I’ve forgotten to ask you for your name.”

Earthquake cat raised her head and glanced at Zhao Yao. However, her lips remained sealed.

Zhao Yao did not seem bothered by her silence; he just continued talking, “I have to thank you for not activating your power since I’ve released you into this dimension. You might not understand

how dangerous your power is. The results would be dire if you started activating your power anyhow.”

Earthquake cat remained focused on her food and did not pay any attention to Zhao Yao. However, she knew that the thought of activating her power did cross her mind when she was released.

However, she was enveloped by Celestial Beats the moment she stepped into the apartment. The soothing effects made it impossible for her to activate her power no matter how hard she tried.

Earthquake cat did not know that her power was dependent on the pain she experienced from osteodystrophy. The worse the pain, the more powerful the earthquake caused.

Her condition improved significantly after she was adopted which explained the temporary stop in earthquakes in Jiangmen city.

However, after her owners abandoned her, her condition worsened which increased the frequency of earthquakes.

The pain was the source of her power.

However, both Zhao Yao and earthquake cat did not know about the source of her power at the moment.

Zhao Yao continued, “If you’re not going to tell me your name, I’ll just have to give you one then. I can’t possibly call you Scottish Fold because it would be quite confusing.”

Zhao Yao tried to prove it by shouting, “Scottish Fold!”

“Who called me?” Matcha raised his head from the food bowl and used his paws to wipe the corner of his lips.

“I knew it. Hence, it’s important for me to give you a nickname.”

Earthquake cat remained indifferent to all of Zhao Yao's words. Zhao Yao just continued, "Hmm, let me think!" He glanced at yesterday's leftover rice cake and announced, "How about I call you Rice Cake? It's a cute name."

Earthquake cat's ears twitched, but she did not protest against it. Zhao Yao continued, "Rice Cake, I'll have to bring you to the cat café after breakfast."

Zhao Yao went to wash up after addressing Rice Cake's concerns. When he returned, Rice Cake was already sleeping beside her food bowl.

"I didn't know you are so tired." Zhao Yao chuckled and took this opportunity to pet her on her head. There were no signs of retaliation, and Zhao Yao inched closer to her. He could ever hear a faint snoring.

"I guess she didn't have enough sleep last night because of all the pain she had endured from osteodystrophy. Under the influence of Celestial Beats, she had instantly fallen asleep," Zhao Yao commented as he stroked his fingers down her spine.

Memories of when Dust Ball first joined him flashed past Zhao Yao's mind when he saw Rice Cake sleeping soundly under the influence of Celestial Beats.

However, Rice Cake's condition was worse. The pain brought about by osteodystrophy was far more tormenting than the pain caused by dwarfism.

Zhao Yao decided not to wake her up and quietly carried her in his arms as they made their way to the café.

The cat café was in a much better state than yesterday after Shi Yu, and Baiquan cleaned it up. However, there were still some shattered light bulbs, torn curtains that needed some time for them to be replaced. However, they had to replace the cups and drinks immediately to prevent it from affecting their business.

Zhao Yao carefully placed Rice Cake on the table. It did not seem like she was going to wake up anytime soon. She just lay on the table like how a human would lay on a chair.

Seeing her cute sleeping posture, Zhao Yao could not help but started poking her. However, she was entirely oblivious to Zhao Yao's pokes.

“Is it unconscious?”

Zhao Yao decided to stick his fingers up her nostrils. He wanted to see how long she could sleep without breathing.

After more than 10 seconds, she was still oblivious to Zhao Yao's actions. Zhao Yao was taken aback by it. He glanced at her chest and noticed that there were no movements in her chest.

“Hey! Don't scare me!”

“You can't die just like this!” A cold sweat broke out from Zhao Yao's forehead as he tried to rescue Rice Cake. He pressed against her chest and pried open her mouth. He continually slapped against her face until he heard the faint breathing sounds of Rice Cake.

“Are you serious? She continues to sleep even though she almost suffocated to death? She is such a deep sleeper.”

Chapter 159: The Failure and the Investment

Rice Cake rolled over before she continued to sleep. Zhao Yao instantly rolled his eyes at this scene.

Theoretically, cats were supposed to be extremely alert even while sleeping to escape from a potential aggressor's attack. They should be light sleepers and would be awakened by any small movement or noise.

Only domestic cats which had spent a lot of time at home, ranging from a few months to a few years, would lose their alertness and continued to sleep regardless of their surroundings.

Rice Cake's behavior was more like a domestic cat which had spent years with Zhao Yao than a stray cat which had just joined him.

“It seems like Celestial Beats is really effective at ameliorating its pain.”

The doorbell rang and jolted Zhao Yao from his thoughts. Zhao Yao raised his head and saw Xiao Ming entering.

Zhao Yao's eyes immediately lit up when he saw Xiao Ming. He whispered, "Is he coming with my RMB 52 million?"

However, Zhao Yao noticed the expression on Xiao Ming's face and the smile on Zhao Yao's face vaporized.

When he first met Xiao Ming, he was a suave and confident young man. Now, he looked more like a homeless man than the fuerdai that he was. His hair was a mess, and his clothes were filthy and crinkled.

Celestial Beats seemed to have no impact on Xiao Ming as his expression remained as solemn as ever.

He sat on the chair opposite Zhao Yao with his head lowered before uttering a few words, "Boss I apologize for disturbing you at this hour." Xiao Ming raised his head and took a look at the café and asked, "I hope I did not interrupt you."

The café had not opened for the day. Shi Yu and Baiquan were still busy with some last minute touch up to ensure that the café was ready for business. The cats were lazing around in their corners.

Matcha noticed Xiao Ming and sauntered towards him and leaped onto his lap with a meow.

Matcha thought, "This guy should be pretty rich! I'll make him succumb to my cute white paws!" Matcha buried his head into Xiao Ming's arms.

Xiao Ming's lips finally curled into a smile after seeing how affectionate Matcha was towards him.

Zhao Yao looked at Xiao Ming and asked, "Why did you come here today? What happened?"

Xiao Ming let out a long sigh before he started explaining, "I don't know what had happened, but my uncles are constantly arguing over the company. Now, the business has plummeted, and it is on the verge of ceasing operation. The state of the company is worsening by the day just like my granny's condition. We don't even dare to inform her about the company's situation."

Zhao Yao already knew the reason behind the chaos in the Xiao's organization.

The instigator behind the entire Xiao's organization saga was Ho Hao Cang. Now that he was dead, the uncles who supported him had no leader to take their instructions from which resulted in the constant arguments.

"Ho Hao Cang only met his demise a few days ago. I didn't imagine the information to spread so quickly. With Hao Cang dead, I'm sure many are hungry to take over him as the leader which resulted in the internal conflict." Zhao Yao speculated.

Zhao Yao raised his head and took a look at Xiao Ming. He asked, "I'm sure there's something else which is bothering you."

Xiao Ming just smiled bitterly and answered, "I invested some of my money into the stock market when the economy was doing well."

Zhao Yao asked curiously, "How much did you put in?"

Xiao Ming took in a deep breath before answering, "Approximately 20 million RMB. With the plummeting housing price due to the earthquakes, I decided to sell all my properties and invested them in the stock market instead."

Zhao Yao rolled his eyes when he heard Xiao Ming's rash decision. Zhao Yao had just captured earthquake cat which would most likely spell the end of the earthquakes in Jiangmen city. This meant that the housing price would bounce back. To think that Xiao Ming had sold his properties and invested them in stocks.

Zhao Yao just asked, "How much are you left with?"

Xiao Ming's hands trembled, and tears welled up in his eyes. He answered, "I tried doing leverage, and now it had all backfired."

"Backfired? Does that mean you are left with nothing?" Zhao Yao clutched his face between his hands and whispered, "This guy is f*cking ballsy. First, he sold all his properties and invested them in stocks. Secondly, he even tried to do leverage."

Xiao Ming frantically scratched his head and said, “I don’t know why but the stock prices just plummeted all of a sudden. Initially, it has already increased by a few folds.”

He suddenly went on his feet and announced with a determined voice, “Never mind! I plan to sell my sports car! With this cash, I would enter the market and recoup my losses.”

“You still want to buy stocks?” Zhao Yao was left speechless by his rashness.

Xiao Ming replied, “No, I’ve already carefully thought through my decisions. Investing in stocks does not benefit the country or the people. It is not something that I’m suited for. I’ve decided to invest my money in my new company. I’ll take it one step at a time to serve the nation and the people.”

“That’s a pretty good idea!” Zhao Yao continued asking, “What industry are you looking at?”

“Transit elevated bus!” Xiao Ming announced with a gleeful smile on his face. He continued, “This would mark the next revolution in transportation after the invention of the steam engine. If it’s successful, every single country in the world will adopt this technology. The future is limitless.

Furthermore, this project has the backing of the government. It will bring in lots of profits. There will not be any problems.”

Zhao Yao’s brows knitted together as he was skeptical about Xiao Ming’s optimism.

“To believe is to have light while to doubt is to be shrouded in darkness. If you believe, you would see the promising future. If you doubt, you would be blinded by the challenges ahead. The optimists will always prevail over the pessimists.

We have missed the opportunity to invest in properties, e-commerce, and even bitcoin. We cannot miss out on transit elevated bus.”

Suddenly, Xiao Ming fixed his gaze on Zhao Yao and stared at him excitedly. He said, “Master, this is a once in a lifetime opportunity! I want you to join me in this project. This is a brilliant project! Now is the best time for you to join us in this transportation revolution!”

“Huh?” Zhao Yao was taken aback by Xiao Ming’s unbridled enthusiasm. Zhao Yao sniggered, “I think I will give it a pass. I’m not that good at investing.”

“Transit elevated bus is the hope for the newer generation!” Xiao Ming declared, “I know that you are skeptical about this project. How about this, I will return you your money after I’m successful. Then, I’ll invite you to join me again!”

Xiao Ming suddenly broke out into yawns in the middle of his pitch. He said, “I haven’t slept in days. Tomorrow I’ll have to take a train to meet a few others interested in the project. I just wanted to come here and catch on some sleep.”

“Wait!” Zhao Yao started tapping Xiao Ming on his shoulders and asked, “Are you going to get any drinks?”

Xiao Ming was embarrassed with his answer as he whispered, “No, thanks. I’ll leave immediately after I wake up.”

“No! No! It’s such a rare opportunity for you to join us in the café! How can you not order a cup of coffee from us when you’re already here?”

“I won’t be able to sleep after taking a cup of coffee.”

“You can order a cup of fruit juice instead. We always use the freshest fruits for our wonderful fruit juice!”

Xiao Ming finally relented to Zhao Yao’s request. He searched all his pockets but only managed to retrieve two coins.

“Master, can you get me a cup of plain water instead? I have invested all my money into the project.”

Zhao Yao rolled his eyes at the miserable coins on his table. He responded, “Never mind! I’ll treat you this time around. You can rest here before leaving.

Anyway, do you have enough money for your journey there? It will be disastrous if you faint or collapse during the trip there.”

“I have enough! There will be food provided for me and someone will be there to receive me.”

Zhao Yao’s forehead creased together. No matter how he looked at the project, it still seemed somewhat illegitimate.

Suddenly, Matcha leaped out of Xiao Ming’s lap with a look of contempt.

“What the hell? So he’s just a poor pauper now? Why did I even waste my effort to fold my ears?” Matcha began licking his fur and commented, “Now, I need to get rid of the stench of poverty quickly!”

Xiao Ming observed Matcha grooming himself and shouted, “Master, why is this Scottish Fold’s ears straight and not folded?”

“Huh? Really?” A red glimmer immediately flashed across Zhao Yao’s eyes as he had activated Elizabeth’s power. Matcha’s body froze. Zhao Yao willed his ears to fold downwards. However, his ears had already grown somewhat distorted from the continual folding.”

Xiao Ming was taken aback by what he saw and asked, “Master, is this cat okay? The shape of his ears seemed somewhat strange.”

“He’s okay!”

“He seems like he is in extreme pain. His eyes are almost popping out of the socket.”

“It’s a Scottish Fold. It must be the pain from osteodystrophy.”

“Master, why are your eyes all red?”

“Oh, tears welled up in my eyes when I heard your story.”

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“Let go! Quickly let go! Zhao Yao!” Matcha was screaming at the top of his lungs, “My eardrums are going to rupture.”

“This will teach you not to look down on others. Also, you need to keep up with your pretense as a Scottish Fold. You cannot give up just because it is difficult.”

Zhao Yao deactivated Elizabeth’s power and Matcha instantly lay on the floor, lifelessly.

Zhao Yao asked, “What happened?”

“I can’t make my ears stand anymore!” Matcha’s voice rang in Zhao Yao’s ears.

Zhao Yao carried Matcha and cradled him in his arms. He asked concernedly, “Are you serious? Your ears can’t go back up anymore?”

“Let me take a look! Tell me if the spot that I touch hurts.”

Matcha which was buried in Zhao Yao’s arms had his face hidden from Zhao Yao’s sight. His mouth set in a hard line.

“Hmph, he is just finding an excuse to hug me.”

“Does this spot hurt?” Zhao Yao asked as he massaged the back of Matcha’s ear.

Matcha whispered, “A little.”

“How about this spot?”

“This is not as bad as the previous spot.”

“Here?”

“Ouch! This spot hurts so badly!” Matcha instantly broke into howls and cries. However, it was all a pretense to make Zhao Yao feel sorry for him.

Zhao Yao scratched his chin and mumbled, “Maybe I need to send him to a pet hospital to check it up. It might be a fracture.”

“Huh? Pet hospital?” Matcha’s body started shaking like a leaf. Suddenly, both his ears straightened miraculously and were as per normal. Matcha said sheepishly, “I don’t know why but my ears have recovered! Meowhaha, it doesn’t hurt anymore!”

“Get lost!”

Zhao Yao pushed Matcha into a corner and saw him scurrying off somewhere. Zhao Yao’s lips curled with disgust as he thought, “This cat is getting more and more mischievous.”

Zhao Yao turned towards Xiao Ming and noticed that he was already fast asleep on the couch. Zhao Yao then returned to his usual corner in the café. He switched on his computer and mumbled, “Another day of work! This is going to be so exhausting.”

“Wait! I’ve almost forgotten about the five cats inside the extradimensional belly.” Zhao Yao slapped himself on his forehead, “Come to think of it; they have not eaten for the past twenty-four hours!”

Zhao Yao scratched his chin and decided, “I should continue going according to the plan and see if it works.”

Zhao Yao’s body disappeared with a swirl as he reappeared in the extradimensional belly.

Suddenly, a foul stench emanated from within.

Lucifer was hovering about in the container like a zombie. It opened its mouth, and a low grunt emerged from it, “Meat ... I need meat ...”

Both Ares and Fūjin floated around in the same state. Both faces were devoid of expression.

Ares stared at its miserable surroundings and clasped its palms together and started praying, “God! Our phone has run out of battery. We have shit and urine floating around us. We have not eaten for the past twenty-four hours! God! Save us!”

“Okay!”

A man’s voice erupted in their heads just when Ares finished its prayers. Their vision turned dark for a second. Then, they noticed that all the shit and urine in their surroundings had vanished.

Meanwhile, Zhao Yao was frantically washing his hands in the basin.

He muttered, “D*mn it! Can’t these cats learn from Rice Cake to hold their bladder? They just peed and shat in the area which they lived in! Didn’t Hao Cang teach them any manners?”

The container had reverted to its original state which was clean and immaculate. All their eyes glistened with excitement as urine and shit no longer surrounded them.

The tabby cat stared at the sky with its Puss in Boots Eyes. It exclaimed, “God! Can you give us another power bank?”

Lucifer slapped the tabby cat on its head and interrupted its plead, “Meat! Meat! Meat! I want meat!”

Ares separated both cats and prevented them from getting into a fight. It roared, “Let us out of this place!”

“I can’t let you guys out now. However, I can provide food and water for you.” Zhao Yao announced.

These five cats used to be under the charge of Ho Hao Cang. Hence, they still regarded Zhao Yao as a threat and enemy. Their worldview was also twisted and distorted because of how Hao Cang spoilt them. Therefore, Zhao Yao could not let them out in case they started to wreak havoc.

Furthermore, domestic cats such as the five supercats preferred to stay indoors rather than spend time outside. Even though the container might seem small at the moment, Zhao Yao would be absorbing more toys inside and would make their lives more comfortable.

“Really?” Lucifer’s eyes glowed with excitement, “Can you quickly get us some food? I’m starving to death!”

However, you have to complete one mission before I can let you guys eat! You are currently in the Village of Dreams, the ultimate paradise for all cats. If you wish to stay here ...”

Ares interrupted Zhao Yao before he completed his statement by shouting, “We don’t even want to stay here! Could you kindly return us to where we were from?”

Bam! Ares clutched its head and shouted, “Who hit me? You are too spiteful!”

Bam! Ares once again clutched its head as it slammed into the floor.

“Anyway, I just want all of you to have this etched on the back of your heads. You have to complete one mission every week. In doing so, you will be rewarded with food and drinks. I might even grant you a wish or two.”

“His voice sounds like it’s coming from that direction.” A black-furred American Shorthair said. Against the pitch darkness, many have forgotten its existence.

Fūjin went towards the entrance of the container and pressed its head against it. Fūjin commented, “I think he’s outside.”

“Stop addressing me as him. Address me as God.” Zhao Yao resorted to projecting his voice using Elizabeth’s illusion to prevent them from identifying his position. He continued, albeit slightly unhappy, “Your mission today is to defeat your enemies.”

Once Zhao Yao finished his last word, all five cat’s vision turned blurry for a moment. Suddenly, they found themselves along a street in the Middle Ages instead of the pitch dark container.

“Are we finally out?” Lucifer eagerly turned its head around as it carefully surveyed its surroundings. It was taken aback by this place and muttered, “Where is this? This place seems familiar.”

They thought that Zhao Yao's words were just gibberish used to trick them. However, this new setting sent chills down their spine. They huddled together and were on the lookout for any enemies.

The Siamese cat could not believe its eyes as it mumbled, "Don't you guys see the similarity? Isn't this the street in Attack on Titans?"

"Titans?" Ares recognized the striking similarity, but it could not believe it.

Suddenly, huge tremors erupted from the ground. Then, a 5 meters tall furless cat came dashing towards them.

"Giant cat!" The tabby cat immediately crouched on the floor and curled its body into a ball.

Lucifer could not believe that this was actually happening to them. It had previously doubted the existence of giant humans. Now, a giant cat was rushing towards them. It shouted, "Giant furless cat! It's really a giant furless cat!"

"This is not the time for you to doubt the existence of giants!" Zhao Yao's voice once again rang in their ears. He continued, "Your mission is to defeat this giant cat. In doing so, you will be rewarded with one week worth of drinks and food."

Staring at the giant furless cat in front of them, the five supercats finally believed Zhao Yao's words. However, that does not mean that they had accepted the challenge.

"How is this possible?" Fūjin held its head in its paws and shook its head violently. "That monster can crush us by simply stepping on our bodies. Are you stupid? How can you send us on a mission with no chances of success?"