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Chapter 251: Give Up Your Room

Thus, on the first day that Shen Hanxing returned to class, she carried her school bag and left early with Ji Yan.

Shen Sisi watched their retreating backs. No matter how dissatisfied she was, she had to silently accept it.

“Alright, stop looking.” Unlike the angry Qiao Wei and Shen Sisi, Shen Yong could be said to be rather pleased with himself. He opened the car door with a smile and said, “Go back and tidy up a room with good lighting in the next few days. Make it Hanxing’s room.”

A room with good lighting? Was Shen Hanxing worthy of that? Qiao Wei didn’t even want to leave her a broom closet! Originally, Qiao Wei had been treated with disdain and rejection as a mistress. After so many years, her dark history had been buried with time. However, Shen Hanxing’s return was simply a reminder to everyone that Qiao Wei looked bright and beautiful on the surface, but in reality, she was just a mistress that could not be seen in the light!

Qiao Wei’s expression could not help but distort. She forced herself to lower her head and forced a smile. She said, “The rooms with good lighting in the house have already been taken and occupied. It’s not good to change it all of a sudden, right?” Of course, the largest and best room in the house was the master bedroom. After that, it was Shen Sisi’s room and followed by the room of their youngest son, Shen Jie. The remaining rooms with the morning sun had also been converted into the study and Shen Jie’s play room.

“We can’t let our children move out of their rooms to give Shen Hanxing a place, right? As for the other rooms, they won’t be ready so quickly.” Qiao Wei tucked her hair behind her ear. She pretended to be virtuous and suggested, “Why don’t we tidy up the best maid’s room and decorate it briefly? Although the lighting might not be that good, the scenery is very good. It faces the small garden outside. I think Hanxing will definitely like it.”

“What are you saying? Hanxing is the eldest daughter of our Shen family, how can she stay in the maid’s room?!” Under the influence of his interests, Shen Yong had the image of a loving father who thought for his daughter. He frowned and said unhappily, “That’s not appropriate!”

Shen Yong was only thinking about how to please Ji Yan, thus, he overlooked the hatred in Shen Sisi’s eyes after hearing his words. Shen Hanxing was the eldest daughter of the Shen family, so what was she then? When her father said this, did he even consider her existence?! Shen Sisi couldn’t help but start to doubt whether the love he felt for her as a father for so many years was real or fake. Or even if he really did love her as her father, was his love still vulnerable in the face of benefits?

Qiao Wei also frowned unhappily, but her thoughts were much deeper than Shen Sisi’s. When she saw this, she smiled gently, “Yes, Hubby, you’re indeed more thoughtful. Then, why don’t we change it to a guest room?” Since she couldn’t use the maid’s room to disgust Shen Hanxing, then she would use the guest room. Even if Shen Hanxing could enter the Shen family, she was just a guest. She would never be able to enter the house as a Shen family member in her entire life!

Ever since Qiao Wei married into the Shen family, she had tacitly acknowledged that she was the only female master of the Shen family. Only the children she gave birth to could inherit the family's assets. No one else could even dream of snatching it!

"No, that won't do." Shen Yong frowned deeply. It was his instinct as a businessman to pursue profits and gains. With bountiful benefits dangling in front of him, he became a father who always thought of Shen Hanxing. He said, "After all, Hanxing is the oldest daughter of a wealthy family. How about this, let Sisi give up her room first and have Sisi temporarily move into the maid's room." The more he said, the more Shen Yong felt that it was a good idea. He said to Shen Sisi with an amiable face, "Sisi, since you don't stay at home that much anyway, why don't you take this opportunity and temporarily give her your room? When your sister leaves, you can move back, okay?"

Okay?! Of course not! That was the room that she had lived in since she was young. Why should she let Shen Hanxing, that b*tch, have it? ! Not only did Shen Hanxing steal her engagement, she also stole all of her limelight. Now, Shen Hanxing was going to steal her father and her room?! Shen Sisi could not care less about maintaining her usual obedient and docile facade. She screamed and refused, "No! That's my room. Why should I let Shen Hanxing, that b*tch, have it! I won't agree!"

Shen Sisi could not help but shed tears, she looked at Shen Yong hatefully. She asked, "So you want Shen Hanxing now and not me, Daddy? She stole my dad's love away from me and wants to steal my room. What next? What else will she steal from me? Will she steal my clothes and jewelry and take everything I have? I don't agree! I absolutely won't agree to this!"

"Even if you don't agree, you still have to do it!" Shen Yong didn't expect Shen Sisi to dare to refute him. He said angrily, "Everything you have now is given by me. It's not up to you whether you agree or not! This matter has been decided!"

"No!" Shen Sisi's state of mind completely collapsed.

Chapter 252: Even If She Died, She Would Not Be Willing to Do So

Her wet dress was still stuck to her leg. She could even smell the faint smell of urine on her body. She had shed too many tears today, and her eyes were a little dry. Her face was especially tense in the cold wind. She had been through so much humiliation today, and she did not know how to face her classmates tomorrow. Her biological father did not even comfort her and even forced her to give up her room!

"I'm not willing, even if I die, I will not do it!" Shen Sisi screamed, "You're not my father, I don't have a father like you!"

Anger bubbled from the bottom of Shen Yong's heart.

"Pa!"

He suddenly raised his hand and slapped Shen Sisi.

He said menacingly, "B*stard, you dare to talk back to me?!"

Shen Yong was furious. He glared at Shen Sisi and berated her, "I spent so much money to raise you, you shouldn't go against me!"

“You hit me? You hit me because of Shen Hanxing?!” Shen Sisi covered her face in disbelief. Compared to the pain in her heart, the pain on her face was not worth mentioning. It was the first time that she felt so clearly how terrifying Shen Hanxing was. Shen Hanxing seemed to be silently taking away everything that she had bit by bit. She was even taking away Shen Sisi’s glorious future.

No, it shouldn’t be like this! When did all of this start to change?

Shen Sisi’s face was full of tears. She clenched her hands in vain, it was as though something she couldn’t hold on to was slowly leaving her.

“Sisi, what’s wrong with you? How can you talk to your father like this?” Qiao Wei was anxious. She hurriedly grabbed Shen Sisi and gave her a look. She said, “What did Mommy teach you? Daddy worked hard to raise you up. You should be filial to your him, not talk back to him, understand? Hurry up and apologize to your father!”

“I’m not wrong, I’m not wrong!” Shen Sisi cried hysterically, “What did I do wrong? I just don’t want to give up the room to Shen Hanxing. Am I wrong? That room was originally mine!”

“You don’t know how to repent!” Initially, Shen Yong still felt some regret after beating up his daughter whom he had loved dearly for many years. However, when he saw Shen Sisi’s expression, the anger in his heart grew even more. He cursed, “What do you mean by ‘yours’? What didn’t I give you? Even your life was given to you by me! If I didn’t want to care about you, you would have already gone to sleep on the streets!”

When she heard Shen Yong’s unrestrained scolding, Qiao Wei’s eyes flashed with a hint of forbearance. On the surface, she still held Shen Sisi’s hand gently and advised, “Sisi, you can’t do this. Quickly apologize to your father.” Her expression was serious, and there was a hint of warning in her eyes. She desperately gave Shen Sisi a look.

“Mom...” Shen Sisi was too wronged. What right did Shen Hanxing have? Shen Hanxing talked back to her elders once and even hit her and her mother. Not only did her father not break off relations with Shen Hanxing, he even coaxed her to go home and even wanted to prepare the best room for her. And Shen Sisi just didn’t want to give up her own room, yet her father hit her...

“Sisi, think about what Mommy taught you.” Qiao Wei firmly held Shen Sisi’s hand and said softly, “Listen to me. Quickly apologize to your father.”

Shen Yong’s assets were all his pre-marital assets. Qiao Wei and Shen Sisi were able to live their current lifestyle because of Shen Yong. If they wanted to live well and obtain the assets under Shen Yong’s name, they had to endure it.

Thinking of Qiao Wei’s usual teachings, Shen Sisi bit her lip and lowered her head to cover her eyes full of reluctance. Then, she softly said, “I’m sorry, Daddy. I was too impulsive just now. I just liked my room too much because...” she sobbed, there was a hint of sobs in her voice. “Because Daddy and Mommy helped me slowly renovate that room. It was filled with gifts that Daddy gave to me. I just couldn’t bear to give it up to someone else...” she began to cry in a low voice, there was a hint of grievance in her voice. Without the terrifying hysteria and madness that she exhibited earlier, she looked especially pitiful as she cried silently.

Seeing this, the anger in Shen Yong's heart also dissipated a little. It was rare for him to feel a little guilty. He had not controlled his temper properly just now and had even hit Shen Sisi...

Shen Yong sighed softly. He frowned and said, "You can buy the things in there again. Moreover, I only want you to move out of that room temporarily. It's not like I'm not returning it to you. Why are you throwing a tantrum about this? It's going to be your 20th birthday in a few months. You're already an adult, yet you're still throwing a tantrum here. Are you acting like an ignorant child?"

Chapter 253: The Guest Room Is the Most Suitable

Even if Shen Yong wanted to reconcile with his child, he still had to reprimand the child and point out the child's shortcomings to establish his authority as a father.

Shen Sisi lowered her head in anger and replied softly, "Yes, Daddy, I know I was wrong. My room..." she closed her eyes fiercely, her heart hurt so much that it was almost numb. "I'll just give it up." Even if she got the room back after Shen Hanxing had used it, she would not want it anymore.

"That's Daddy's good daughter." Shen Yong finally revealed a smile, he said with satisfaction, "Haven't you always wanted to change the style of your room? After your sister leaves, you should also redecorate your room. You can make it into whatever you want, okay?"

"Thank you, Daddy," Shen Sisi forced a smile and nodded obediently.

"I don't have any objections to giving up Sisi's room to Hanxing." Seeing that Shen Yong had calmed down, Qiao Wei frowned and said in a worried manner, "It's just that... Hanxing might not bring Mr. Ji to spend the night at our house, right?"

Hearing this, Shen Yong's expression instantly froze. How could he not know that he had completely ignored Shen Hanxing previously and hurt Shen Hanxing? It was impossible for him to cajole her back so easily. But...

"Regardless of whether he is staying or not, I have to make preparations first." Shen Yong calculated inwardly. Even if Shen Hanxing would not be staying in the room, he would still have to let her bring Ji Yan upstairs to take a look. In any case, Shen Yong had to show his good attitude towards her. Shen Hanxing had come to look for him a few times in the past. This proved that Shen Hanxing still wanted him as her father. As long as he had a good attitude, he would be able to coax her back.

"You're right." Qiao Wei nodded slowly. Then, she helplessly said, "It's just that I still feel a little uneasy. Of course, it's not that I, as a stepmother, have any bad intentions. It's just that Hanxing, this child, doesn't have a good personality. She loves to hold grudges. I'm afraid that not only will she not think well of you as her father, but she will also gossip in front of Mr. Ji... After all, some people are cold-hearted and heartless. No matter how hard I try to melt that cold heart, it's impossible."

After Qiao Wei finished speaking, she seemed to have noticed that she had made a slip of the tongue so she lightly slapped her mouth twice. Then, she said, "Aiya, look at what I'm saying. After all, you're Hanxing's biological father and she's the eldest daughter of the Shen family. Why would she do something to harm the Shen family!" She acted as though she unintentionally said these words without thinking. However, Shen Yong furrowed his brows deeply, and a deep thought flashed across his eyes.

Qiao Wei's description made Shen Yong involuntarily think of Shen Hanxing's mother. The two of them had clearly fought together and started from nothing until they were worth over a million and even tens of millions. He had only made a mistake that every man would make, he only found another woman outside. However, Shen Hanxing's mother refused to forgive him no matter what. In the end, her depressed self died not long after giving birth to Shen Hanxing. During that period, no matter how Shen Yong apologized, Shen Hanxing's mother refused to see him. This was also the reason why he married Qiao Wei in a fit of anger less than seven days after Shen Hanxing's mother died.

'Shen Hanxing's personality was very similar to her mother's. If...' Shen Yong's face instantly darkened, and ruthlessness flashed in his eyes. If that was really the case, Shen Hanxing marrying into the Ji family would not bring him any benefits. Instead, it would bring him a lot of trouble.

"Forget it. She's just coming home to eat and stay for a couple of days. There's no need to go through so much trouble." Shen Yong frowned, he said distractedly, "When the time comes, just clean up a guest room. She's a daughter who is married now. How can she be bigger than a father like me?"

A smug smile flashed across Qiao Wei's eyes. She pretended to be surprised and said, "No need for Sisi to give up the room? Won't it be a little unacceptable?"

"What's unacceptable about it!" Shen Yong was very worried, his tone was also not good as he said, "Who does she think she is? Isn't she just going back to her maiden home? Does she still need us to provide for her? Don't worry about it. When the time comes, clean up the guest room. As the old saying goes, the daughter who marries out is no longer part of the family. It's just right for her to stay in the guest room!"

"Okay, then I'll listen to you." Qiao Wei acted as if Shen Yong was in charge of everything. She nodded obediently and said, "Then I'll go home and get someone to prepare the room."

"I still have some matters to attend to at the company." After saying that, Shen Yong got into the car and drove away.

They had already informed the chauffeur at home to pick them up, so Qiao Wei and Shen Sisi didn't have any thoughts about Shen Yong driving away on his own. They stood at the school gate and waited for the chauffeur to come over.

Shen Sisi looked at her mother with a face full of admiration. She held Qiao Wei's hand and praised, "Mommy, you're the best! With just a few words, you made Daddy change his mind."

Chapter 254: The CEO's Wife Is Here!

"Silly girl, you still have a lot to learn in the future." Qiao Wei lovingly poked Shen Sisi's forehead. She chuckled, "What did Mommy tell you? Crying and throwing tantrums would not solve the problem. The most powerful weapons we women have are our faces and our gentle and understanding personality. We don't need to kill people ourselves, and we don't need to fight for what we want." She narrowed her eyes, her eyes were full of viciousness. She continued, "You have to learn well so that you can lead a better life in the future."

"I know, Mommy," Shen Sisi nodded obediently. However, she could not help but pout unhappily, "But when I think of Shen Hanxing coming home, I feel disgusted. Mommy, you don't know what she said in school. It's to the point that I don't know how to face anyone when I have to go back to school!"

"What are you panicking for? It was just a moment of humiliation." Qiao Wei's heart was filled with hatred. She gritted her teeth and said, "Don't worry, I will make sure that she can never enter our house again! Mommy will never allow her to take away anything that belongs to you!"

"Mommy, you're the best!" Shen Sisi couldn't help but cheer.

On one side, the mother and daughter pair had a warm atmosphere. On the other end, Ji Yan looked at Shen Hanxing, who was sitting beside him, with a big smile in his eyes. Shen Hanxing moved her body a little awkwardly and asked, "What's wrong? Why are you looking at me? Is there something dirty on my face?"

"It's my wife's first day of school and she managed to get the teacher to call her guardian in an hour and twenty-four seconds." Ji Yan raised his watch to take a look, he said seriously, "The time you took to have your guardian called in directly broke Ji Yang's record. I should have someone frame a medal and put it in our living room for people to admire."

Shen Hanxing was extremely embarrassed. She didn't want to! She went to school to study hard, but some people wanted to pick a fight with her.

"Who asked them all to find trouble with me?" Shen Hanxing muttered, "If you want to laugh at me, then laugh at me. There's no need to beat around the bush."

After she said that, the corners of Ji Yan's lips curled up high. He didn't hold back at all!

Shen Hanxing snorted angrily and turned her head away, not looking at him.

"My wife, don't be angry." Ji Yan held her hand and discussed softly, "Just treat it as if you're leaving school early today to accompany me to work at the company, okay?"

"Won't I be disturbing you?" Shen Hanxing's eyes lit up slightly. Although she wavered, she was still very rational. "This isn't appropriate, right?" It had been so long, but she had never been to the Ji Corporation!

Thus, the employees of the Ji Corporation were shocked to find that the CEO, who had always been expressionless, cold, distant, noble, and unapproachable to women, was holding the hand of a ridiculously beautiful woman in the company!

The news of Mrs. Ji's arrival instantly spread throughout the company. It was unknown who had secretly taken Shen Hanxing's photo, and it went viral in every department.

"Sob, sob, sob. And here I thought all the nice-looking photos of the CEO's wife that were posted on the internet were fake and touched up. Now that I've seen her in person, I realize that our CEO's wife is much more beautiful than those photos posted on the Internet!"

"Ah, ah, ah, ah, no wonder our iceberg CEO fell into the hands of his wife. Who wouldn't love such a beautiful woman!"

“The CEO and his wife are a perfect match!”

Just as the group of people in the company was lamenting how good-looking Shen Hanxing and Ji Yan were, someone suddenly coldly said, “Discussing all these during work hours... Have you all finished your work?”

The person who said this had a high ponytail and wore gold-rimmed glasses. She looked charming and attractive. As soon as she finished speaking, the people who had been bustling with discussion instantly quieted down. No one dared to speak anymore.

“How disappointing.” The secretary of the Secretary’s Office couldn’t help but curl her lips. She lowered her voice and complained to her colleagues, “She’s so cold all day long. She doesn’t allow us to chat and if we drink a bit more water than usual and end up going to the washroom more often, she has to comment on that too. She’s so serious and upright. People who don’t know might think that she’s the one who started the company.”

“Aiyo, maybe she really wants to turn the company into her family’s business?” Another person couldn’t help but laugh. He also lowered his voice and said, “Who doesn’t know her intentions towards the CEO?!”

“Wang Wen is indeed good-looking, but our CEO doesn’t like her type.” The secretary pouted and said, “Mrs. Ji is much prettier than her. She is capable and kind. If I had to choose, I would choose Mrs. Ji, not Wang Wen!”

“Bang!”

At this moment, a stack of documents was thrown on the desk in front of the secretary.

Chapter 255: Admit Our Luck Is Bad

Wang Wen was wearing a suit and pencil skirt. She stood in front of the two of them coldly, her eyes stern and filled with killing intent.

The secretary was shocked and stood up trembling. She stammered, “Secretary... Secretary Wang.”

“If you have the time to gossip, why don’t you have the time to finish your proposal? Look at what you have written? There are so many loopholes and errors everywhere. If your resume didn’t say that you graduated from a famous university in the country, I would have thought that you came from some mountain valley and an illiterate who can’t read!” Wang Wen’s expression was stern. Her red lips were like a machine gun, continuously reprimanding, directly scolding the young secretary to the point that she almost cried on the spot.

“I, I’m sorry...” the young secretary sobbed and apologized, tears streaming down her face. “I’ll do it again right now.”

“Sorry? You think just a word of apology is enough?” Wang Wen did not let the secretary go. She sneered, “Now you know how to cry? What did you do earlier? If you used your abilities to work, you wouldn’t have come up with such a terrible proposal! I can find a junior high school student who would be better than you, and you graduated from a famous university? Is this the standard of a prestigious

university?! Hurry up and do it again!” She slammed the documents on the table, the eyes behind the gold-rimmed glasses shone with a fierce light.

After reprimanding the young secretary, Wang Wen glanced at the people in the Secretary’s Office. Her red lips opened slightly and she coldly said, “If you have time to gossip here and discuss this and that, why don’t you do your job well? If you can’t even do your job well, how can you care about others? I’ve said it before, I’ve always been a merciless person. The next time I catch something like this, don’t blame me for being impolite!”

The people in the Secretary’s Office all lowered their heads. In the huge office, only the young secretary’s uncontrollable sobs were heard.

“Wang Wen.” At this moment, the office door was pushed open. Assistant Chen Liang stood outside the door and said, “Bring the report and go to the CEO’s Office for a bit.”

“Okay.” Wang Wen gave a professional smile. After replying, she looked at the crowd coldly and left with the report. The crisp sound of high heels hitting the ground was getting further and further away. After confirming that Wang Wen had left, the atmosphere in the Secretary’s Office suddenly relaxed.

“Okay, okay, Don’t cry anymore.” The colleague grabbed a tissue and handed it to the secretary. She comforted the young secretary with a sense of sadness, “Wang Wen is like this. She doesn’t show mercy when she speaks. Don’t take it to heart. Who asked us to be unlucky and accidentally bump into her?”

“I’m telling the truth. Don’t tell me I can’t even tell the truth?” The secretary wiped her tears and grumbled, “What’s the point of throwing her flames of fury at us? CEO Ji won’t even look at her.”

Ji Yan’s office was large and clean, exuding a strong vibe. The business-oriented decorations looked low-key and dignified, but they were even colder. Shen Hanxing was still wearing Si Cheng High School’s uniform. She was sitting on the sofa, looking charming and beautiful. The office was like a world of ice and snow, with sharp edges and corners. Suddenly, with her appearance in the office, a colorful flower bloomed. It looked out of place, but it was exceptionally harmonious.

When Wang Wen pushed open the door and saw this scene, a dark light flashed in her eyes. Her gaze quickly swept past Shen Hanxing and landed on Ji Yan. “CEO Ji,” she greeted.

When Wang Wen saw what Ji Yan was doing, she was so shocked that her mouth fell open. Ji Yan, who had always been professional and would not be affected by anything, had a gentle expression on his face while doing something that did not match his status. The sleeves of Ji Yan’s exquisite and expensive suit were casually rolled up to his elbow. He bent down and carefully cut the fruit on the table in the lounge while Shen Hanxing sat on the sofa with a book in her arms, she didn’t have the slightest intention of helping him.

“CEO Ji, how can you do this type of thing?” Wang Wen couldn’t help but step forward and try to grab the fruit knife. “Let me help you.”

Ji Yan’s hands had signed countless of contracts worth hundreds of millions, stirring up S City’s financial market. He was a mastermind and had the market under his control. His handsome and perfect face had appeared in various major financial magazines several times. Even international celebrities had been amazed by his looks and abilities. A person like Ji Yan should be high and mighty, sitting on a golden

chair and casually taking control of the situation. He should not be on this narrow table, doing something like cutting fruits, which didn't require much skill!

This was simply an insult to Ji Yan and a waste of his ability!

Chapter 256: I Don't Want to Know

Wang Wen looked at Ji Yan with faint admiration in her eyes. She took the initiative to step forward and volunteered, "CEO Ji, I can handle such a small matter. Don't worry, I will definitely cut the fruit properly."

Wang Wen's excessive enthusiasm finally attracted Shen Hanxing's attention. She was originally focused on preparing for the entrance examinations tomorrow, but this woman...

"I can do it myself." Ji Yan avoided her hand without hesitation and said in a deep voice, "Step back."

As she was explicitly rejected, Wang Wen could only bite her lips and step back.

Ji Yan set up a fruit plate and brewed tea. He personally brought it to Shen Hanxing's hand. "My wife, eat and drink this first." His expression was gentle as he patiently instructed, "After I finish my work, I'll bring you down to eat."

Shen Hanxing nodded. At this moment, she clearly felt a sharp gaze on her hand, as if she had done something extremely evil.

Shen Hanxing met the gaze and looked over. Wang Wen did not avoid it and looked at Shen Hanxing with hostility in her eyes. Shen Hanxing paused for a moment as interest flashed in her eyes. She deliberately held Ji Yan's hand and said in a reluctant manner, "Then don't be busy for too long."

Shen Hanxing was not old, to begin with, and now that she was wearing Si Cheng High School's uniform, she looked even more youthful. She raised her beautiful face, and her eyes glistened. Her voice was warm, clear, and sweet, exuding an unquenchable sweetness. She acted coquettishly like a child.

Ji Yan's adam's apple bobbed. He raised his hand to loosen his tie and replied softly, "Okay."

Wang Wen was a typical strong woman. When it came to work, she became sharp and steady. It was precisely because of this that Ji Yan promoted her to the position of the secretary-general and worked together with her for many years. The two of them worked together long enough to have a tacit understanding.

After she finished dealing with work matters, Wang Wen did not stay long. "CEO Ji, if there's nothing else, I'll go back to work." Other than revealing some emotions when she first entered the room, Wang Wen looked the same as usual.

Ji Yan raised his hand and said, "Wait a moment, I forgot to introduce you. This is my wife..."

"CEO Ji," Wang Wen interrupted Ji Yan without hesitation. She said expressionlessly, "I entered the Ji Corporation to show my worth. I'm here to work, not here to get to know others." After she finished speaking, she glanced at the high school textbook in Shen Hanxing's hands. Her eyes revealed a hint of contempt. She continued, "I think my work here is done. May I leave now?"

Ji Yan's gaze suddenly turned cold.

Shen Hanxing was his wife. He did not like others to look down on her or even ignore her. However, Wang Wen did not back down. She stood straight and looked at Ji Yan, expressing her attitude.

"Mr. Ji, this secretary-general of yours has quite a personality." Shen Hanxing could not help but chuckle. Everyone had their own personality. Shen Hanxing was not unreasonable enough to ask everyone to like her. Wang Wen was much better than those socialites who only knew how to rely on men to survive. She could still argue with her boss whom she adored.

Thinking of this, Shen Hanxing waved her hand. She said, "I'm here to read a book. I don't want to affect your work. Secretary-general Wang is right. She's here to work in the company, not to greet me. She doesn't need to know me."

Wang Wen looked at Shen Hanxing in surprise, as if she hadn't expected Shen Hanxing to say such a thing. However, she didn't say anything. After receiving Ji Yan's nod, she left.

Shen Hanxing didn't take this small interlude to heart. However, when she came out of the bathroom and saw the serious figure waiting not far away, she raised her eyebrows.

"Mrs. Ji," Wang Wen looked at her expressionlessly. "Would you mind having a chat?"

Shen Hanxing smiled, "I thought you didn't like to waste your working time. After all, you are a very principled person, Secretary-general Wang."

Wang Wen raised her watch to take a look and said, "The lunchtime for the Ji Corporation is 11:30. It's now 11:25. I'll make up for the five minutes I've wasted by going to work five minutes earlier in the afternoon."

This woman was really rigid.

Shen Hanxing shrugged and took the initiative to take her to a quiet corner. She asked, "Tell me, what does Secretary-general Wang want to talk to me about?"

"Mrs. Ji, you're CEO Ji's wife. I have to say something." Wang Wen adjusted the glasses on her nose. Then, she said with some dissatisfaction, "A person like CEO Ji has to do great things. Do you know what kind of legend he has created in the business world? Do you know how great CEO Ji is?"

Chapter 257: Serving My Wife

"So what if I know? So what if I don't know?" Shen Hanxing blinked and asked in confusion, "No matter what his status is, he's still my husband, isn't he?"

Seeing Shen Hanxing's stubborn look, Wang Wen's eyes flashed with anger. Wang Wen replied, "You have to understand that CEO Ji can create a huge amount of wealth every minute and every second. Every decision he makes has a huge impact on the business world. A person like him is destined to sit in a high position and stir up trouble. He's not going to do such a small thing as cutting fruit plates to satisfy your appetite. It's a waste of his talent."

Wang Wen was still brooding over the scene she saw in the morning.

"I want to ask you something. Don't you have any social life after work?" Shen Hanxing suddenly asked, "In your life, apart from work and study, is there nothing else? Friends? Family? Or lovers?"

Wang Wen paused, her expression slightly stiff. She replied, "This has nothing to do with you."

"These things indeed have nothing to do with me, but I want you to understand that Ji Yan is the same as you and me, the same as most people in this world. He's human." Shen Hanxing's expression turned cold, she looked at Wang Wen. Then, she continued, "I don't know why you have such strange thoughts about Ji Yan, but I want to remind you that Ji Yan is not a machine. He has time to relax, he has his loved ones, family, and friends. He can't be like what you imagine, a machine that works continuously."

Shen Hanxing paused and raised her chin. She stared at Wang Wen coldly and said, "I've never asked him to do anything. It's all up to him to do whatever he wants. As long as it's something he wants to do, it's never a waste of his time or abilities. He has his thoughts. He's not someone's puppet, and he's not the almighty deity in your mind either, Secretary-general Wang."

"You're talking nonsense!" Wang Wen's brows were tightly furrowed as if she had received a huge shock. Her expression went blank for a moment. Then, she said, "Wasting time on insignificant things is a waste of CEO Ji's talent!"

"I've said it before. As long as it's something he wants to do, it's not a waste," Shen Hanxing said in a deep voice. "There's no rule that says talented people should work non-stop, just for the so-called ridiculous reason of not wasting their talents and abilities."

"My wife," Coincidentally, Ji Yan came over to look for Shen Hanxing. He stood not far away and looked at Wang Wen indifferently. Then, his gaze fell on Shen Hanxing with a subtle gentleness. He said, "It's time for lunch."

"Okay, I'll go over now," Shen Hanxing smiled. After waving her hand at Ji Yan, she said to Wang Wen, "Ji Yan is a person, not a machine. No one has the right to use any reason to restrain him. He's a free and independent man." After saying that, she walked briskly towards Ji Yan and the two of them left side by side.

From the back view, the two of them were a perfect match.

Wang Wen stood where she was and she had an agonizing expression on her face.

"Wang Wen." Ji Yan suddenly stopped and turned his head. His dark eyes looked at her with a hint of coldness.

"CEO Ji." Wang Wen's throat was inexplicably tight.

"I don't think serving my wife is a waste of time," Ji Yan said coldly. "I'm willing to do anything for my wife. I have my own life. As the secretary-general, you have interfered too much." After saying that, he took Shen Hanxing's hand and left in big strides, leaving Wang Wen alone in a daze.

The next day, Shen Hanxing received countless stares as soon as she entered the school. After all, there were very few fierce people who caused trouble on the first day of school at Si Cheng High School. Along the way, there were complicated and indiscernible gazes.

Si Cheng High School did not emphasize on grades, but every test was stressful for the students. Shen Hanxing's deskmate was a young woman with a round face and she wore glasses. Her name was Chu Yuanyuan.

Chu Yuanyuan was not afraid of Shen Hanxing because of what happened yesterday. When Shen Hanxing sat down, she even carefully lowered her voice and took the initiative to speak to Shen Hanxing. She said, "Shen Hanxing?" Although she was not afraid, her round little face was inevitably nervous.

Shen Hanxing was amused by her behavior. Shen Hanxing asked, "What's wrong?"

"I heard that you made a bet with Bai Ling to see if you could get on the honor roll? Is that true?" Chu Yuanyuan, who had been a good child since childhood, looked at Shen Hanxing with a mixture of awe and admiration. "Are you sure you can get on the honor roll?"

"Even if I can't get on the honor roll, would Bai Ling kick me out of the school?" Shen Hanxing shook her head in amusement. She continued, "I only said that I want to prove that I have the ability to stay in Si Cheng High School."

Chapter 258: Do You Dare to Bet

"If you can't get on the honor roll, what right do you have to stay in Si Cheng High School?" Bai Ling, who happened to pass by, raised her chin and said arrogantly, "You brag but you can't make it come true. If I were you, I would have quit school with my tail between my legs."

"That's why you can't be me," Shen Hanxing smiled indifferently, "With such strong self-esteem, you still came to school today. After all, you were the one who was so scared that you sat on the ground and cried loudly yesterday."

"You!" When the embarrassing incident yesterday was brought up, Bai Ling's face instantly flushed red, and her eyes couldn't help but redden. She was smart, hardworking, and had been held in the palm of others since she was young. She was used to being surrounded by everyone. When had she ever been bullied like this? Yesterday's incident was already a great humiliation to her, yet the culprit who caused everything was still sitting here unharmed.

She was furious!

Bai Ling said angrily, "How can you be so thick-skinned! No wonder you could do something like stealing someone's boyfriend! You don't know shame!" Thinking of her sister's words, Bai Ling looked at Shen Hanxing with even more disgust. This woman was really bad and shameless.

"You can eat whatever rubbish you want, but you shouldn't speak rubbish, little friend." Shen Hanxing's expression instantly turned cold. She asked, "Tell me clearly, whose boyfriend did I steal?"

"You know very well!" Faced with Shen Hanxing's sharp gaze and recalling her crazy act of pulling people to jump off a building yesterday, Bai Ling's face turned a little pale. She took a couple of steps back and forced a proud expression on her face. Bai Ling coldly said, "If you still know propriety, justice, and shame, then if you can't get on the honor roll for this exam, you should obediently withdraw from school." she said with disdain, "Si Cheng High School won't accept a scum like you."

Si Cheng High School was an elite school. It was really terrible to have a disgusting woman like Shen Hanxing enter this school.

Shen Hanxing's face also darkened. After a long time, she curled her lips and replied, "Alright, since you want to bet, then let's bet big." She had an icy glint in her eyes as she said, "If I can surpass your rank in this exam, you have to apologize to me in front of all the teachers and students in the school for what you said. If I can't surpass your rank, then I'll withdraw from school. How about it?"

To Bai Ling, who cared about her pride, apologizing to Shen Hanxing in front of the entire school was worse than killing her, but...

The students who heard Shen Hanxing's words were discussing, "Did I hear wrong? Shen Hanxing actually wants to compete with Bai Ling in grades?! That's Bai Ling she's talking about! Ever since she transferred here, Bai Ling has dominated the honor roll for a very long time. I think she had never gotten below first place in the three major subjects! It's over, it's over. Shen Hanxing just came to the school not long ago, and she's going to drop out soon."

Bai Ling received so many university admission letters at such a young age. She was not bragging, she was a legendary student. After returning from abroad and transferring to Si Cheng High School, she firmly occupied first place in the three major subjects of science every time, and occasionally in the four subjects.

It was impossible for Shen Hanxing to surpass Bai Ling in her exam results.

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"Are you sure?" Bai Ling also found it funny. Ever since she was young, she had never failed to rank in any of the ranked exams! Shen Hanxing had overestimated herself!

"Shen Hanxing." Chu Yuanyuan could not help but stop her. "There's no need to bet so big, right? Bai Ling is really amazing. Don't be so impulsive."

Although Shen Hanxing had just transferred here yesterday, thanks to her shocking appearance yesterday, everyone in Si Cheng High School now knew about Mrs. Ji's history before coming to this school. She grew up in the slums and had been studying in an ordinary school. Even if her academic results were considered good in those ordinary high schools, there was a huge difference between the teachers of an ordinary high school and an elite high school. Moreover, Shen Hanxing had dropped out of school two years ago, and she had just picked up her books again recently...

With Shen Hanxing's situation, it would be her wishful thinking to get on the honor roll, let alone surpass Bai Ling. It wasn't easy to get into Si Cheng High School. If Shen Hanxing lost the right to go to Si Cheng high school because of a bet, it would be a real loss.

There were also students around who were not afraid of getting involved. They chimed in, "You should gamble, why not gamble?! Anyway, the Ji family has a big business. If you lose the bet, you can still go back to being a rich man's wife!"

"It doesn't matter, I know what I'm doing," Shen Hanxing smiled at Chu Yuanyuan with great confidence. "That's right, I'm sure. How about we compete for the final total score?"

Chapter 259: Overestimating Yourself

No way? Was Shen Hanxing going to compete in every subject? If Shen Hanxing was a little smarter, she might have a chance to win against Bai Ling if she was better at one subject, but to compete using the total score...

What a joke, that was Bai Ling! She was the god of learning at Si Cheng High School!

Everyone looked at Shen Hanxing with a gaze that turned from surprise to ridicule. Chu Yuanyuan opened her mouth to say something, however, her friend pulled her away. "Enough, stop talking. She won't listen to you even if you say it. I really don't know how such an arrogant and ignorant person got into our school. She came in through the back door. Don't tell me that she thinks that we are all unorthodox and have no real talent? This is ridiculous!"

"That's right," A girl at the side echoed. "She actually dares to compete with Bai Ling in the total score. This is simply mocking all of us." It didn't need to be calculated to know that with Bai Ling's results, she was definitely one of the best. Bai Ling far surpassed all the other students and was publicly recognized as the first place in Si Cheng High School.

Shen Hanxing's bet was tantamount to provoking the entire Si Cheng High School, thinking that all the elite students in Si Cheng High School could not compare to her.

No wonder everyone was so dissatisfied.

"No, Classmate Shen Hanxing didn't mean that..." Chu Yuanyuan opened her mouth and tried to explain on behalf of Shen Hanxing, but she realized that everyone was furious and wouldn't listen to her explanation at all. However, for some reason, when Chu Yuanyuan thought of Shen Hanxing's confident and self-assured smile, she inexplicably believed that Shen Hanxing was definitely not the kind of person who would say such arrogant words, nor was she the ignorant or arrogant person that everyone thought she was.

Speaking of which, it seemed ridiculous to believe that a genius student who had dropped out of school for two years could surpass a genius who had been studying all this time. However, for some reason, Chu Yuanyuan just felt that Shen Hanxing wouldn't lose.

"Okay." Bai Ling was so surprised that there was only amusement and astonishment left. "Everyone, did you hear that? The entire class witnessed that I, Bai Ling, made a bet with you, Shen Hanxing!"

Hahaha, Shen Hanxing, this idiot, competing with her using the total score in the examination results, was no different from a mantis trying to stop a car! Shen Hanxing would not think that Bai Ling was the same as those so-called number one students in her previous school and that she could easily surpass them, right? This time, she had to give Shen Hanxing a hard slap on her face. She had to let Shen Hanxing know that there were some places and some people that she couldn't reach no matter how hard she tried to rely on a man!

Bai Ling was a popular figure in Si Cheng High School, and with the addition of a rising star, Shen Hanxing, the news of their bet spread throughout the school in an instant. Shen Sisi, who had braced herself to go to school, naturally heard this news. With such explosive gossip in front of her, naturally, no one paid attention to the matter of her peeing her pants yesterday.

A curious classmate came over to ask Shen Sisi, "Sisi, is your sister really going to compete with Bai Ling in grades? Isn't this too funny?"

"Yeah, isn't competing with Bai Ling practically asking for death?" Another classmate couldn't help but say, "Sisi, what do you think your sister is thinking? How can she be so stupid?"

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"I... I don't know either." Shen Sisi almost laughed out loud. How could there be a fool like Shen Hanxing in this world?! Did she think that she was the chosen one? She actually dared to compete with Bai Ling in exam results. She was probably going to become the fastest student in history to drop out of Si Cheng High School.

Shen Sisi laughed inwardly, but on the surface, she bit her lip worriedly. Wearing a worried look on her face, she said, "I... I'm not too sure either. You guys know that my sister and I don't have a good relationship. She always feels that my mother and I have let her down, so I don't dare to ask too much. I also don't understand why she wants to compete with Bai Ling."

Shen Sisi's appearance was originally pure and innocent, and she was very likable to boys. Seeing her like this, a boy comforted her, "Sisi, don't pity a person like Shen Hanxing. She's just a rude little delinquent. She doesn't have any manners at all!"

"That's right. Isn't it good that she overestimated herself and made a bet with Bai Ling? She'll get out of our school very soon!" a boy chimed in, "I feel uncomfortable whenever I think about being an alumnus with this kind of person. A rotten apple spoils the barrel. It's good to get her out of our school."

Hearing the people around her despise Shen Hanxing, Shen Sisi was overjoyed. She still tried to stop them weakly. She said, "Don't say that... It's only right that my sister doesn't like me. I can understand her. I'm just worried that she doesn't know about Bai Ling's abilities? I really want to persuade her, but you know her attitude towards me..." her worried look toward her sister moved many people.

Chapter 260: Entrance Examination

A female student was filled with righteous indignation. She said, "Who cares if she dies! She had it coming. Even if she was expelled, she deserved it!"

"But what if CEO Ji gets angry?" Shen Sisi said hesitantly, "The Ji family won't tolerate such a shameful thing, right?"

"Shen Hanxing deserves it. No one forced her to do this." A female student curled her lips and said, "It's good if she's hated by the Ji family. Such a disgusting person shouldn't enter our circle. Can't she just live in the slums?"

The classmates were all insulting Shen Hanxing. It seemed that no one remembered that Shen Hanxing was the legitimate daughter of the Shen family while Shen Sisi was an illegitimate daughter born from a mistress.

"No, I still have to persuade my older sister." Shen Sisi stood up worriedly and said firmly, "Although she doesn't like me, I can't let her do this. I have to stop her!"

“Aiya, Sisi, don’t bother about her!” A female classmate quickly pulled her back. She said, “Have you forgotten how badly she hurt you yesterday? You should avoid her in the future. Let her do whatever she wants.”

Hearing her classmate’s words, Shen Sisi almost couldn’t control her expression and revealed a twisted expression. How badly did Shen Hanxing hurt her? How bad was it anyway? Wasn’t it just peeing her pants in a sorry state and crying loudly in the snow? Why did Shen Sisi have to hide from that woman, Shen Hanxing?

Yesterday’s humiliation was simply unforgettable. Shen Sisi gritted her teeth hatefully, her heart filled with hatred. She always felt that the crowd’s comfort seemed to have a hidden meaning. These caring words were like a taunt, hitting her in the face.

Soon, the school bell rang. The entrance exam had begun.

The third year’s normal examinations modeled the college entrance examinations. After three consecutive days of exams and high-intensity questions, even Shen Hanxing, who was well-prepared, felt a little mentally exhausted. Fortunately, it was the weekend, so she could rest for two days.

When Shen Hanxing returned home, she didn’t have any energy at all. This made the butler and the auntie’s hearts ache, so they asked the kitchen to prepare a lot of soup and soupy meals for her to replenish her body. It was supposed to be a leisurely weekend, but a phone call broke it.

Shen Yong’s voice carried a hint of a smile as he asked kindly, “Hanxing, when will you bring CEO Ji over to visit?”

During this period, Shen Yong could be said to be in high spirits. With his identity as Ji Yan’s father-in-law, everyone naturally didn’t dare to look down on him in the business world, and they all treated him politely. There were even people who took the initiative to give him benefits. It was now completely different from the days when Shen Yong had to smile obsequiously and socialize with others.

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After tasting the benefits of being linked to Ji Yan, Shen Yong all the more did not want to let go of Ji Yan. The way to seize Ji Yan was to firmly control Shen Hanxing.

“Home?” Shen Hanxing felt that it was funny. She held the phone and the corners of her mouth curled up into a cold smile. “Which home?”

Shen Yong’s expression instantly turned ugly. This unfilial daughter clearly knew the answer, yet she still asked! No matter what, he had given Shen Hanxing a life in this world. Even when she married Ji Yan, he was the one who arranged it! Now that she had married into a wealthy family and had a good life, she wanted to turn hostile and not acknowledge him as her father?

Shen Yong’s heart surged with anger. Thinking of the good things he had experienced during this period, he forced himself to calm down and said lovingly, “Of course, it’s our home. I’ve already prepared a room for you. This time, you can stay with CEO Ji for a couple of days.”

“That’s not my home,” Shen Hanxing smiled mysteriously. Putting aside her unwillingness and resentment, she could see more clearly what a cold and vile person Shen Yong was. As long as there

were benefits, family and love were things that Shen Yong could discard at will. Talking about fatherly love with such a cold-blooded and heartless person was simply laughable.

“Hanxing, what are you talking about!” Shen Yong’s expression froze. He gritted his teeth and said, “Of course, this is also your home... Where’s CEO Ji? Didn’t you tell CEO Ji to come over? Quickly ask CEO Ji if he has time.”

“He’s not free,” Shen Hanxing rejected without hesitation. She didn’t want to drag Ji Yan into the Shen family’s mess.

When Shen Yong couldn’t control his anger, Shen Hanxing smiled, “Although Ji Yan doesn’t have the time, I do. I’ll be there on time tomorrow morning.” Even if she didn’t care about Shen Yong’s fatherly love, she was more than happy to give Shen Sisi and Qiao Wei some trouble. If they were unhappy, she would be happy.

On the other side, when he heard the disconnected tone on his phone, Shen Yong finally couldn’t control his anger. He grabbed his phone and slammed it on the ground. “This b*stard! Unfilial daughter!”