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Chapter 1061: Implicated By Her (Part Twelve)

Su Yue pursed her lips and was speechless. Just not too long ago they were agreeing with her—such fence sitters!

She was still indignant and glared at the instructor. "You're just finding an excuse to punish us."

She then ran onto the running track.

"It's all your fault for implicating us."

Everyone caught up with her and started scolding her.

Su Yue pretended that she couldn't hear them. She couldn't be bothered to.

Bai Jing also couldn't take it any longer. She stepped up for her and said, "She knew that the instructor was trying to make things difficult for us. She was just trying to help all of us redress an injustice."

"Who are you? Who are you to speak up for her?"

"Exactly, she's the school belle and she's rich, that's why you follow behind her every day, right?"

Their remarks became harsher.

Su Yue turned around and her piercing stare landed on those girls with the sharp tongues.

They were glaring at her with haughty airs.

Su Yue coldly glanced them and said nothing.

All along, she would ignore the people she disliked and would only turn to her fists when she couldn't take it any longer.

By then, Bai Jing had already run to the front of the group, her pace increasing.

Su Yue frowned and chased after her. "Bai Jing, ignore them. They're annoying and are always complaining."

Bai Jing turned around and gave her a smile.

Seeing that, relief washed over Su Yue.

Luckily, their words hadn't affected her.

After the two kilometers, all of them fell flat on the grass field. Some couldn't even complete the five rounds.

Many bore grudges against Su Yue since they had to run an extra round because of her.

On the first day, she had become the school belle of A University and was the envy of many, and now it seemed like she had even more enemies.

Su Yue panted heavily against a big tree.

Bai Jing leaned against a neighboring tree, her head bowed and sweat dripping profusely. Her fringe covered the upper half of her face that nobody could make out her expression.

Su Yue saw the beads of perspiration dripping from her. Concerned, she asked, "Bai Jing, are you thirsty? I'll go get a drink."

Bai Jing lifted her head and looked at her. "Later, when the instructor says we can rest."

She then turned around and walked towards the instructor.

Su Yue watched her retreating figure and felt that Bai Jing was unhappy. However, she couldn't pinpoint what emotion it exactly was, nor find the right words to describe it.

The last day of military training ended and cheers flooded the field. Everyone couldn't wait to change out of their camouflage uniforms.

When they returned to the dormitory, Su Yue showered first. By the time Bai Jing was out, she had already blown dry her hair.

She said to Bai Jing, "Let's eat out today. My third sister-in-law says that we can go out more often to eat delicious food."

Bai Jing shook her head gently. "I'm too tired. I don't want to go so far."

"Mm," Su Yue pouted. "Okay then."

Actually, she really wanted to eat out. She had been eating the canteen food for the past few days and she was getting sick of it.

But Bai Jing didn't feel like going. Su Yue didn't want to force her, but she didn't want to go alone either.

Both of them went to the canteen. On the entire way there, including ordering, Bai Jing said less than ten sentences.

Su Yue didn't know why she behaved like that all of a sudden. It could be because of the harsh words from the girls earlier on, but somehow she had an inkling it was more than that.

They were on such good terms and never bothered about each other's financial status, so why would people's comments affect her?

Su Yue lay on the bed, confused the whole day.

Chapter 1062: Will Never Allow Anyone to Take Advantage Of Her (Part One)

Just when Su Yue was about to ask Bai Jing why she was unhappy, Bai Jing called after her. "Su Yue."

Su Yue raised her eyebrows. "Mm?"

Bai Jing stared at her with bright eyes. "Tomorrow. Tomorrow is my younger sister's tenth birthday. Can you accompany me home?"

"Sure," Su Yue agreed almost immediately. She then thought of something that made her confused, and so she asked, "That Lei Yong's younger sister?"

She remembered that Bai Jing was an only child.

Bai Jing explained, "My mother had her after me."

"Oh." Su Yue nodded. "So both of you have the same mother?"

After asking, she confirmed it in her mind. 'It should be.'

Bai Jing nodded.

Su Yue smiled and continued, "Then she's your biological sister. I have to think hard about what present to get her."

She then turned around and picked up her phone. She opened WeChat and found Xuxu's chat.

"Third sister-in-law. Third sister-in-law."

Xuxu replied almost immediately. "What's up?"

Su Yue said, "Bai Jing's younger sister is celebrating her tenth birthday tomorrow and she invited me over. What gift should I get her?"

Afraid that Xuxu wouldn't know that she was talking about Bai Jing's biological sister from the same mother, she added, "She's the daughter of Bai Jing's mother."

Xuxu asked, "Tomorrow? You're going to her house?"

Su Yue answered, "Yes, she invited me just now. I want to give her a present, but I don't know what to get."

Xuxu said, "Buy her a stuffed toy, or one of those huge huggable stuffed bears. She's a girl after all."

Su Yue said, "Okay, I'm going to bed now, Third sister-in-law. Don't sleep too late."

Xuxu replied, "Mm. Goodnight."

After communicating with Xuxu, Su Yue put down her phone. She already felt at ease. She told Bai Jing, "I know what I'm going to give your sister now."

Bai Jing smiled. "Actually, your presence is good enough. You don't have to get a present."

Su Yue frowned. "Of course I must, it'll be so rude to turn up without a present."

Bai Jing smiled. "Let's turn in."

"Mm." Su Yue felt thrilled and she finally felt at ease.

Bai Jing was finally talking to her, and she even invited her to her sister's birthday celebration.

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Yan Rusheng got out from the shower and saw Xuxu smiling at her phone.

He dried his hair as he walked towards her. "Who are you talking to? You're smiling."

Xuxu replied, "Yueyue."

Afterward, she placed her phone down on the bedside cabinet. She then put away the book on her lap and got ready for bed.

'So, she was talking to that little lass.'

Yan Rusheng nodded in understanding. "Okay."

He then walked over to the edge of the bed and sat down. He plugged in the hair-dryer and was about to blow-dry his hair.

Xuxu suddenly crawled over and snatched it from him. "Ah Sheng, let me help you."

Yan Rusheng was a little startled. He froze for a second before glancing at Xuxu.

Why was she being so nice today? She even volunteered to help him blow-dry his hair.

The past few days, in her last month of pregnancy, she was having all sorts of mood-swings. Now, he didn't even dare to say anything romantic or sexy to her.

Xuxu turned on the hair-dryer to its lowest power. As she dried his hair, she spoke, "She said that Bai Jing's younger sister is celebrating her birthday tomorrow and invited her over. She asked me what to get her."

Yan Rusheng frowned. "The Lei household?"

His tone was cautious.

Xuxu nodded. "Yes, she's the daughter of Bai Jing's mother."

Yan Rusheng asked, "Tomorrow night?"

"Yes," Xuxu hummed. "Yueyue is so happy. Only Bai Jing can get her to accept such an invitation."

Chapter 1063: Will Never Allow Anyone to Take Advantage Of Her (Part Two)

From what she knew, Su Yue had rejected invitations from a few of her classmates.

"Flourish & Prosper is inviting tenders for molds for our new product," Yan Rusheng stated. It was clear that it held an underlying meaning.

"What does that have to do with Su Yue going over to their place for a birthday celebration?"

Yan Rusheng turned around and took the hair-dryer from Xuxu. He turned it off and put it on the bedside cabinet. He raised his eyebrows at her and asked, "Do you think Bai Jing would voluntarily invite Su Yue over to her stepfather's place for a meal?"

Xuxu immediately knew what he meant. "You think they're taking advantage of Bai Jing and Su Yue's relationship?"

Yan Rusheng laughed coldly.

"Then we shouldn't let Yueyue go," Xuxu said, picking up her phone and dialing her number. "I don't want anyone to take advantage of our Yueyue."

She had finished dialing her number when she suddenly remembered that it was late and they were definitely already in the dormitory.

She felt that telling her that matter over a phone call wasn't very convenient, and so she sent her a text instead. "Yueyue, your Third Brother and I will pick you up and bring you home tomorrow. Don't go over for the celebration. You can pass the present to Bai Jing."

Su Yue didn't reply long after she sent the message out.

Xuxu kept waiting. Yan Rusheng made her lie down and said, "Wife, go to bed. The little lass must have fallen asleep after a tiring day of military training. Call her tomorrow."

He also didn't approve of Su Yue going over to the Lei household.

Taking care of Bai Jing was one thing, business was another.

There was no need for the two to intertwine.

Xuxu nodded. "Okay."

She placed down her phone and lay down.

Yan Rusheng purposely rolled over until he was beside her. "Darling."

Xuxu looked at him with a face of caution. "What do you want?"

Yan Rusheng saw the lack of spirit in her eyes and hurriedly shook his head. "Nothing much, I just wanted to call you."

He then shifted back, not daring to be too close to Xuxu.

"Ah Sheng," Xuxu suddenly called out as she held his face. She stared at him without blinking, her eyes full of emotion.

Yan Rusheng began to feel hot. "Darling, don't look at me like that."

F*ck. He didn't even dare to pleasure himself for the past few days.

He hurriedly moved backward.

"Ah Sheng," Xuxu called out, voice full of emotion.

Her gentle voice made Young Master Yan's bones weak. He was about to lick his dry lips when the woman suddenly attacked him with a kiss.

Yan Rusheng's eyes widened. He didn't know what was happening, so he looked left and right.

Xuxu saw that he wanted to reciprocate but was wary. She grinned.

Slowly, she placed one hand on his neck and moved the other downwards.

"Mm..." Yan Rusheng groaned. In a moment, he felt like he had entered heaven.

He held her tightly. "Darling."

It had been way too long since he released himself. He couldn't hold it in any longer.

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For the past ten consecutive days, waking early had already been a part of her routine. She turned on her phone to check the time and realized that her phone was flat.

She hurriedly plugged it in to charge.

That day was their first official day of lessons, and so they had to go to the classrooms earlier to mark attendance.

Both of them quickly showered and went to the canteen to have breakfast together before going to class.

Chapter 1064: Will Never Allow Anyone to Take Advantage Of Her (Part Three)

The counselor alone spent around 40 minutes talking and introducing the school.

The young male counselor was a second-year student at the university. He was humorous, so the 40 minute-long introduction wasn't a bore.

A class lesson immediately followed their introduction, and then it was lunchtime.

During lunch, Su Yue dragged Bai Jing out of school to a relatively high-end Chinese restaurant nearby. They left after a full meal.

Su Yue glanced over the sidewalk and had an idea. She smiled and pulled Bai Jing's arm. "We have no lessons in the afternoon, so let's go get a gift for your sister."

Bai Jing shook her head. "You don't need to get a gift. Your presence is good enough."

"No, I have to bring a gift," Su Yue said with determination in her voice.

There were many shops selling birthday gifts for girls near the school. Su Yue randomly picked one and used her preference as a reference for her gift, and so she bought a small guitar.

The main reason was that the small guitar came with a box, and it was easier to carry as compared to a huge stuffed toy.

Both of them bought a pile of snacks. When they reached the school entrance, Bai Jing's phone rang. She took it out and when she saw the caller, her expression turned hostile.

"Hello," she answered as she put the phone to her ear. She suddenly increased her pace and left Su Yue behind.

Su Yue carried her textbooks on one hand and the guitar in the other. She chased after Bai Jing.

When she finally caught up, Bai Jing had just ended her call.

"Su Yue, my—my second brother has sent someone to pick us up," Bai Jing said, looking at Su Yue. She sounded very forced and unwilling to call him *second brother*.

Su Yue didn't think into it and nodded. "Okay, I'll just grab my phone from the dormitory. I left it there."

"Sure, you can bring back your textbooks, too."

When they returned to the dormitory, Su Yue unplugged her phone and turned it on. Countless messages and WeChat messages greeted her, and all of them were from Xuxu.

She read Xuxu's message—it said that she should not go to Bai Jing's house.

All her messages forbade her from going. It confused Su Yue because she didn't know why. Hence, she called Xuxu.

"Hello, Third sister-in-law."

When Xuxu heard Su Yue's voice, she worriedly chided, "I've been trying to reach you the entire morning. Why did you turn your phone off?"

This was the first time she raised her voice at Su Yue.

Su Yue froze for a moment before explaining. "I went for lessons in the morning. My phone was flat."

Her third sister-in-law must have been worried sick because she could not contact her.

"I'm already outside your school. Do you have lessons in the afternoon?" Xuxu asked, her tone milder than before.

"Today's the first day of lessons, so I have none in the afternoon," Su Yue replied. Then it finally registered in her brain and she asked in shock, "Did you say that you're outside our school right now?"

Xuxu answered, "I couldn't reach you and I was worried sick. Come over quickly. I'm in the school's parking lot."

"Oh," Su Yue answered before ending the call.

She looked at Bai Jing and said, "My third sister-in-law is here at the carpark. She asked me to go over."

Bai Jing nodded. "Let's go together."

"Mm." Su Yue nodded. She turned around and retrieved her bag from the bed. "Let's go," she said to Bai Jing.

Xuxu saw Su Yue and Bai Jing walking over in the distance. She hurriedly walked over. "Yueyue."

She then looked at Bai Jing. "Bai Jing."

"Third sister-in-law," Bai Jing greeted, nodding slightly.

Xuxu observed her face and smiled with concern. "The past few days of military training must've been tough on you."

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Bai Jing managed a brief smile. "Quite alright."

Xuxu glanced at Su Yue as she said, "Yueyue, I'm here to fetch you home. Your brother is coming back today."

"My brother is back?" Su Yue's eyes were sparkling with excitement.

Wen Xuxu nodded. "Mm."

Su Yue suddenly frowned. "But I'm going to Bai Jing's place to attend her sister's birthday celebration."

She had agreed to go. If she broke her promise, it would disappoint Bai Jing.

"Why don't you let Bai Jing bring the present back to her sister?" Xuxu turned to Bai Jing with an apologetic expression. "Bai Jing, I'm so sorry. Yueyue's brother is back and he has been abroad for a long time. But he will fly off again in two days' time."

A streak of disappointment flashed across Bai Jing's eyes. Nevertheless, she still nodded lightly. "It's... It's alright."

Xuxu observed her expression and it further ascertained Yan Rusheng and her conjecture. It was the Lei family who had instructed Bai Jing to bring Su Yue to their place.

The only reason they would want to get close to Su Yue was to establish connections with Flourish & Prosper.

She knew that Bai Jing had no say over that matter.

Xuxu empathized with Bai Jing, and so she warmly smiled at her. "Bai Jing, come over with Yueyue to our place on a weekend."

Bai Jing nodded and agreed.

Seeing how quiet she was, Xuxu couldn't bear to see her in such a state. She repeated once more. "Bai Jing, if you have any difficulties, you must let us know. Don't suffer in silence. If there is anything we can help you, we will definitely do so."

"Thank you, Third sister-in-law." Bai Jing pressed her lips, but there weren't any emotions in her tone.

Her phone rang inside her bag at that moment.

Her expression changed subtly as she rummaged for her phone. After glancing at the screen, she didn't pick up the call right away. Instead, she bade goodbye to Xuxu first. "Third sister-in-law, I'm leaving now."

"Sure." Xuxu nodded.

After she left, Xuxu turned away from Bai Jing and sighed.

Su Yue noticed that Xuxu seemed troubled. Puzzled, she asked, "Third sister-in-law, what's wrong?"

Xuxu shook her head and smiled. "Nothing much. Let's go."

She held Su Yue's hand and walked to the car. Su Yue entered the car first, followed by Xuxu.

The chauffeur had sent her today.

Su Yue had her head bowed throughout the journey, and Xuxu knew that she must have felt upset that she had broken her promise to Bai Jing.

But how could Xuxu tell her the exact reason?

Su Yue had treated Bai Jing as her true friend, and she really liked her.

And she believed that Bai Jing had treated Su Yue as her friend, too.

'Sigh .' Unfortunately, that poor lass was caught in such a situation.

Xuxu began to regret that she didn't stop Bai Jing from leaving with her mother.

If she had used Bai Jing's father last words to stop her mother, it was likely that Bai Jing wouldn't have agreed to leave with her mother.

At that point in time, she felt that Bai Jing's mother had truly wanted Bai Jing to leave with her so that she could make amends. She assumed that Bai Jing's mother would treat her well.

'Perhaps... She really wanted to make amends, but her situation ...'

Forget it. It was too late for regrets. Yan Rusheng and Xuxu wanted to observe for a while more, and if Bai Jing was really having a hard time, they would step in to intervene.

It was a good thing that she was staying in the school dormitory now.

It was afternoon and it was still early. Hence, Xuxu brought Su Yue to Flourish & Prosper.

The security guards rushed to welcome her. "Lady boss."

Chapter 1066: Will Never Allow Anyone to Take Advantage Of Her (Part Five)

"There isn't a need for you to be so formal with me." Xuxu smiled.

She stroked her belly and held Su Yue's hand with the other hand. She led the little lass towards the elevator.

Everyone politely greeted Xuxu and addressed her as 'lady boss'.

"Yan Rusheng, I bought this for you in Europe. Look! It's all handmade and designed by a famous designer."

Xin Yanting had just stepped into Yan Rusheng's office when she saw Xin Yanting flaunting a shirt right in Yan Rusheng's face.

He was stony-faced. There was annoyance and contempt in his eyes, and he couldn't conceal it anymore.

Xin Yanting looked as though she didn't notice him and rattled on endlessly about the fine quality of the shirt.

Xuxu covered her mouth to conceal her grin as she stopped outside the door.

Yan Rusheng caught a glimpse of her and his handsome face softened right away. A gentle smile played at the corners of his mouth.

Xin Yanting halted when she noticed the change in his expression. She turned towards the door, looking suspicious.

Hostility blazed in her eyes the second she saw Xuxu. "Wen Xuxu, you're here."

She spoke as she walked towards her.

Xuxu entered and addressed her. "Miss Xin."

Xin Yanting puffed up her chest and haughtily proclaimed, "I'm the General Manager of Flourish & Prosper. Address me as General Manager Xin."

Xuxu smirked and corrected herself. "General Manager Xin."

"Hmph." Xin Yanting snorted coldly as though she was barely satisfied.

Her eyes darted to Xuxu's belly and she looked visibly shocked. "Your belly is so huge. Are you giving birth soon?"

Showing off to Xuxu was what occupied her mind earlier on, she didn't notice her belly.

It really startled her to see how big her belly had gotten.

Xuxu nodded in response. "Yeah, in less than a month."

"Congratulations." Xin Yanting rolled her eyes and drawled lazily. There wasn't a hint of sincerity at all.

Xuxu certainly wouldn't mind her lack of sincerity and she merely thanked her.

She walked to Yan Rusheng's desk. "Are you busy today?"

"I'm not busy." Yan Rusheng stood up and pulled his swivel chair for Xuxu.

The swivel chair was comfortable and huge and it was perfect for Xuxu.

"Water?" Yan Rusheng asked as he grabbed his cup. "I'll get some water for you."

He turned around towards the water dispenser.

Xin Yanting glared at him angrily and whined. "Yan Rusheng! I went on such a long work trip. And I came to look for you the minute I came back. Why didn't you offer me water?"

Xuxu didn't feel jealous at all; if anything, it amused her. This lady was such a fascinating and unbelievable creature.

She had blatantly flirted with someone else's husband in front of the wife. To top it off, she complained that she didn't receive the same treatment as the wife.

Other than Miss Xin, Xuxu reckoned that no one else could act in such a way.

Yan Rusheng didn't even bother to look at Xin Yanting, and he strode over to the water dispenser. After pouring the water, he passed the cup to Xuxu.

"Third Brother, I want water too. Pour for me." Su Yue suddenly spoke for the first time after she entered the room.

The corners of Yan Rusheng's mouth twitched. How dare this little lass order him around?

Xuxu saw that Yan Rusheng seemed motionless and she urged him. "Go."

Yan Rusheng responded with a vague 'oh' and turned around once more.

"Hmph!" Su Yue sneered at Xin Yanting in triumph.

Chapter 1067: Will Never Allow Anyone to Take Advantage Of Her (Part Six)

Yan Rusheng had poured water for both Wen Xuxu and Su Yue, while Xin Yanting was the only one who didn't receive a glass. Miss Xin felt that they had humiliated her, and so she stomped her heels in anger. She turned around and stormed off.

Her heels were at least 10 cm high. It had produced loud thudding sounds.

Su Yue turned to Xuxu and covered her mouth in glee. Xuxu pointed at her and softly chided, "So mischievous!"

She knew that Su Yue had angered Xin Yanting on purpose.

"Hurry and drink." Yan Rusheng placed the cup of water for Su Yue on the desk. "Your brother is back. He's in the office next door."

Yan Rusheng had barely finished his sentence when someone knocked on his door. The next second, the door flew open.

Su Yue cast a glance at the door and beamed. "Brother!"

Su Yan wore a white short-sleeved shirt and a pair of well-fitted pants. His gorgeous face broke into a warm and affectionate smile at the sight of Su Yue.

Su Yue flew towards Su Yan and tightly clung to his arm. "Brother, Third sister-in-law said that you're flying off in two days?"

Su Yan nodded. "Yeah, most likely."

Xuxu smiled tenderly at the sight of their intimate interactions.

She raised her head and peered at Yan Rusheng. "Yueyue has improved so much, and she acts like a normal person now," whispered Xuxu.

Although sometimes, she still went overboard with the way she acted.

All things aside, she was improving slowly, day by day.

In the past, she wouldn't even speak to Su Yan. Not to mention, cozying up to him.

Her changes had overwhelmed Xuxu with contentment and joy.

Su Yue and Su Yan walked towards them, and Yan Rusheng stared intently at Su Yan. "What is Paramount up to over there?" asked Yan Rusheng in a solemn voice.

Xuxu tugged at Su Yue since she knew that they were discussing work matters. "Yueyue, I'll take you on a tour around the company."

She held Su Yue's hand.

Su Yan glanced as Xuxu and Su Yue, and waited for them to leave the office. "They are trying to send more people to Flourish & Prosper to wrestle for more power," replied Su Yan.

Yan Rusheng had expected this, and it hardly surprised him.

They had spent almost 70% of their assets just to gain 30% of Flourish & Prosper shares. Only a fool would believe that they weren't intending to take over Flourish & Prosper.

Yan Rusheng's eyebrows knitted closely and he fell silent. "Why did you bring Xin Yanting along with you? What do you have in mind?" asked Yan Rusheng.

Su Yan didn't answer him and changed the topic. "Paramount is having cash flow problems as they pumped all their funds into purchasing Flourish & Prosper's shares."

Yan Rusheng eyed Su Yan suspiciously. "How did you know all these?"

Cash flow problems were a company's top secret. At the very least, it wouldn't leak out so soon.

How did Su Yan know?

"When is Chengnan's project ending?" Su Yan asked instead.

Yan Rusheng replied, "Early next year."

Su Yan pondered briefly before nodding. "Should be around the same time."

As he studied Su Yan's face, it enlightened Yan Rusheng all of a sudden. "The old madam wouldn't approve of your methods," replied Yan Rusheng, sounding serious.

Su Yan knew who Yan Rusheng was referring to, and he clammed up, looking unusually solemn.

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Colorful balloons and streamers had adorned a luxurious mansion.

The little princess of the Lei family was celebrating her tenth birthday today and many guests turned up.

The atmosphere in the living room was bustling and lively.

On the contrary, the study on the second floor was hushed and solemn.

Chapter 1068: Yueyue Goes Missing (Part One)

A slim girl stood in the middle of the study with her head bent. A pair of eyes were glaring at her intently, and she had clenched her fists tightly.

"Didn't you say you were best friends with her? You couldn't even persuade her to attend your sister's birthday celebration?"

The whole Lei Family, especially Lei Yong, was furious with Bai Jing who had failed to bring Su Yue along with her.

His icy breath drew dangerously close to Bai Jing.

Bai Jing retreated in fear and her body was trembling. She spoke, sounding quivering. "Something cropped up at home. Her brother came back."

Lei Yong inched and pointed threateningly at Bai Jing. He clenched his teeth and said, "Bai Jing, remember what I said before? This business deal means a lot to Grand Prosperity Molds, right?"

Bai Jing mustered her courage and questioned Lei Yong instead. "Are you sure that fawning on Su Yue will make the deal go through?"

Why must she pander to Su Yue?

Su Yue had already seemed far more superior in everyone's eyes.

"You're so close to her. Don't tell me you're unaware of her status in the Yan family?!" yelled Lei Yong. "Do you know how much Yan Rusheng and his wife dote on her?!"

Bai Jing jumped when he raised his voice and her eyes glimmered with tears.

Zhang Lihong, who couldn't bear to sit any longer, stood up. She walked to Bai Jing and clenched her arms. "Lei Yong, that's enough. Xiaojing can try her best to help, but if she can't, you can't force her to."

"Mother, are you defending her?" Lei Yong turned and glared at Zhang Lihong. "Since she entered the Lei family, she is part of us. Shouldn't she do something to contribute?"

Zhang Lihong sounded anxious as she spoke again. "Xiaojing can try her best to help. But she is still a child. How can you blame her if the business deal didn't go through? Will Grand Prosperity Molds not be able to operate with Xiaojing?"

"She is the child you bore with someone else. We are not related at all. We are kind enough—"

'Slap!'

Zhang Lihong forcefully slapped Lei Yong before he could even finish his sentence. She pointed at Lei Yong as she heaved a heavy breath. "Lei Yong, I'm warning you. Xiaojing is my daughter and she has nothing to do with the Lei family. But I do. Without me, Grand Prosperity Molds would never expand so quickly throughout these years."

"Zhang Lihong, how dare you hit me." Lei Yong touched his cheek and his eyes were red with rage.

The next second, he raised his hand and returned Zhang Lihong's slap.

Zhang Lihong was incensed. She gripped Lei Yong's clothes and began to hit him. "Lei Yong, you hit me!"

But how would she be able to win him in strength? Lei Yong shoved her aside and Zhang Lihong collapsed to the floor.

Zhang Lihong began to scream. "Lei Minghe! Your son hit me! Aren't you doing anything?"

She glanced at the old man sitting on the chair as she yelled.

"That's enough! We have so many guests here with us today. Is your behavior appropriate?"

The head of the Lei family, Lei Minghe finally broke his silence. He glared at Zhang Lihong and hatred flickered in his eyes. "It's Tiantian's birthday today. Stop your nonsense."

He rose, grabbed his walking stick and walked towards the door.

He wasn't that old but one of his legs wasn't well, and so he had to use a walking stick as support.

Lei Minghe swept past Bai Jing. She barked an instruction, "Get changed and wash your face before coming down."

He didn't stop and strode out of the room.

Bai Jing bowed her head.

Zhang Lihong stood up and held Bai Jing's hand. "Xiaojing, don't be afraid. I will not let anyone bully you."

After Lei Minghe and Lei Yong went out, Bai Jing finally raised her head. Tears had glazed her face as she stared at Zhang Lihong with hatred.

There was a mixture of emotions on her face.

Lei Yong had used all his strength to slap Zhang Lihong and her face was swollen as a result.

Bai Jing bit her lip and remained mum. She hastily turned around and ran out of the room.

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Su Yue opened the dormitory door softly and entered the room. A weak light shone from Bai Jing's bed—she was using her phone.

"Bai Jing, you're back." Su Yue shut the door and walked to Bai Jing's bed.

"Yeah," Bai Jing muttered softly. "Did you meet your brother?"

"Yup." Su Yue smiled as she raised a bag. "I brought delicious snacks for you. My brother got it overseas."

Even the darkness could not conceal how happy and cheerful Su Yue was.

Bai Jing quietly glanced at Su Yue and she seemed entranced. "Thank you Su Yue," she softly said.

"You're welcome." Su Yue placed the bag on the table before walking to the wardrobe. "I'll go take a shower," said Su Yue.

Su Yue entered the bathroom and shut the door. Sounds of running water was soon heard.

Bai Jing glanced at the bag on the table.

'My third sister-in-law bought me a load of clothes again...'

'I brought delicious snacks for you. My brother got it overseas.'

'Do you know how much Yan Rusheng and his wife dote on her?'

The expression in Bai Jing's eyes hardened before gleaming quietly.

When Su Yue came out of the bathroom, Bai Jing had already closed her eyes. She assumed that she was asleep, so she trod softly across the room.

She quietly climbed into her bed.

She took a nap in Yan Rusheng's office during the afternoon, and so she wasn't sleepy at all. She grabbed her phone and began to browse through WeChat's updates.

Zhou Shuang was the only person who posted frequently.

Su Yue suddenly felt a strange feeling of emptiness. She couldn't put it in words as she didn't know what she wanted.

She tugged at her collar and used the light from her phone to shine on the tattoo on her chest.

The tattoo was a lazy-looking cat who was sleeping.

Suddenly, her mind wandered to Ming Ansheng's tattoo of a blackthorn apple flower.

Her heart began to pound involuntarily, and it was beyond her control.

She released her grip on her collar and shook her head, trying to get rid of her thoughts.

What should she do? Suddenly, she missed Uncle Ming so badly.

Su Yue clicked on WeChat once again and clicked on Ming Ansheng's messages from weeks ago.

After he sent her home that night, he had sent her a text. 'Little lass, I'm home. Good night.'

Su Yue read the message repeatedly.

'Little lass... good night.'

Her heart seemed to jump out of her chest.

'You'll miss him if you don't see him. And if you see him, you won't dare to look at him. Your heartbeat changes...'

Bai Jing's words echoed once more.

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Su Yue flung her phone away and was trying to deny the revelation. '*No, no, no! It couldn't be!*' Uncle Ming was so old and he already had a fiancée. There was no way she had fallen in love with him.

Furthermore, Bai Jing had said that she wouldn't dare to look at the person if she liked him. But she wasn't like that when she was with Uncle Ming.

So it was impossible.

Su Yue pulled the blanket over her head and repeatedly denied.

And that was how she fell asleep.

The next morning, Su Yue and Bai Jing went to the canteen for breakfast before going for class.

After they came out of the canteen, a group of boys was headed in their direction, seemingly specifically towards them.

Su Yue appeared nonchalant as usual.

As expected, the boys stopped before Su Yue.

The leader who led the group was a very good-looking boy, and he was at least 1.8 meters tall. He was wearing a basketball jersey, and he radiated under the sunlight.

"Look! The school beau just met the school belle!"

Excited voices were heard.

"Su Yue."

That tall boy briefly eyed Su Yue before speaking. After he called her name, he raised his eyebrows, looking even more charming.

Su Yue's eyes darted everywhere, avoiding him.

The good-looking boy appeared unconcerned by her lack of attention. He formally introduced himself. "My name is Liang Zihua."

Su Yue furrowed her eyebrows tightly. "I don't know you."

She responded coldly before sweeping past him.

Liang Zihua swiftly blocked her path. "We can get to know each other. I'm from the Computer Science course, year two, class four."

"Excuse me." Su Yue continued to frown, and she sounded impatient.

She had been handling such situations almost every single day.

"Be my girlfriend," Liang Zihua loudly said.

His friends whistled to cheer him on. "School beau and school belle!"

Someone shouted and the rest followed suit.

"School beau and school belle!" More voices sounded.

"Excuse me." Su Yue impatiently shoved Liang Zihua away.

Su Yue had mustered all her strength and Liang Zihua backtracked a few steps as a result.

Su Yue seized the chance to flee the scene, but Liang Zihua quickly gripped her arm. He glanced at her and lightly responded, "The whole school thinks we should be together."

His smile made all the girls swooned.

But Su Yue looked as though she had just tasted something disgusting. She lifted an eyebrow as she questioned Liang Zihua. "Are you a clown?"

All of them were speechless.

How dare she call the school beau a clown?

How could she! All the girls might just beat her to death.

All the girls watching them were blazing with anger, but Liang Zihua merely smiled and it softened the girls' hearts once more.

He glanced at Su Yue and gently spoke. "You're very beautiful and you've got a character. I really like you."

What a straightforward and gentle confession! All the girls were green with envy. How they wished they could tear Su Yue apart!

"Let go, you ridiculous clown!" Su Yue was enraged. She flung his hand away.

She marched away in a huff.

Everyone watched quietly as Su Yue vanished out of sight. They jeered at her.

"Su Yue." Bai Jing ran after Su Yue and consoled her. "Don't be angry anymore."

"I am not." Su Yue glanced at Bai Jing with a smile. "I just find him irritating."

Bai Jing replied, "Just ignore him."

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She stared at Su Yue, her eyes swirling with mixed emotions.

Su Yue nodded in agreement and gave Bai Jing a smile.

After one lesson, it was lunchtime.

Bai Jing and Su Yue walked along the path that led to the dormitory. Students came and went in a continuous stream.

Su Yue realized that they were all giving her weird looks.

Although everyone had been giving her extra looks after they had termed her the school belle, the looks they gave her that day made her uneasy.

Those looks were not unfamiliar to her, however.

Those were the same looks her classmates, friends, and teachers from the orphanage and at school back in Country Y gave her.

Su Yue's expression turned cold. She hung her head and hugged her textbooks to her chest, quickening her pace.

"Su Yue, what's wrong?" Bai Jing asked, concerned. She had also hastened her pace to catch up with Su Yue.

Su Yue didn't answer her. She continued walking, her head still hung low.

Everyone that she met on her way looked at her in mockery.

Su Yue ran all the way back to the dormitory block. She took out her card and prepared to swipe it.

But a poster posted on the glass door diverted her attention.

"Su Yue, you're an illegitimate daughter that nobody wants. Your mother is a mistress."

Su Yue's eyes widened. She opened her mouth in shock as she read the words on the poster.

'You're an illegitimate daughter that nobody wants. Your mother is a mistress; You b*stard child.'

'Your mother was shameless. She seduced someone else's husband. You're an illegitimate child with no father.'

'You illegitimate daughter... You illegitimate daughter...'

All of a sudden, memories of her being scolded and mocked by others flooded her mind.

Su Yue shook her head.

'Slam!' The books she was hugging fell to the floor.

She retreated backward.

"Who pasted these?" Bai Jing hurriedly tore the posters off the door. "Who is so immoral and heartless?" she angrily scolded.

"I'm an illegitimate daughter."

Suddenly, Su Yue turned around.

"I'm an illegitimate daughter. I'm an illegitimate daughter..." she repeated to herself as she ran towards the East gate.

Indeed, Su Yue was an illegitimate daughter. Her mommy didn't want her, and her daddy didn't either.

She didn't stop sprinting and similar posters were pasted all around.

The words *'illegitimate daughter'* was like a curse that tormented her in her mind.

"Su Yue, stop running," Bai Jing shouted as she ran after her.

But she couldn't catch up with her.

Memory fragments of all the times she was humiliated, bullied, and looked down upon back in Country Y kept running through her mind.

'Chicken wings, I want chicken wings.'

'Continue shouting and I'll throw you out to feed the wolves. You can only watch others eat.'

She exited the East gate and crossed the road, running into the open park opposite.

Bai Jing chased her all the way to the East Gate. When she saw her enter the park, she stopped in her tracks and took out her phone to call Yan Rusheng.

But nobody answered.

She hesitated before dialing Xuxu's number.

When Xuxu heard the phone ring and realized that it was Bai Jing on the other end, she answered hurriedly. "Hello, Bai Jing."

It was the first time Bai Jing was phoning her. Perhaps she was having some difficulty and needed help.

When Bai Jing anxiously explained the situation to her, Xuxu's expression changed. "What?!"

Without waiting for Bai Jing to continue, she turned around and bolted out the door.