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Chapter 541: Happiness Comes Too Suddenly

37.89 million yuan!

Everyone was stunned when they heard this number.

That much money?

"Hiss!"

Not only the students, but even Xu Jiuge and her colleagues were shocked. All this cash bonus to be shared out among the studio?

It's unimaginable!

You should know, when Principal Ding initially bought their Tianqi Animation Studio, he didn't spend this much money. It was something close to an insignificant sum.

And now, just one year later, Principal Ding is giving out a bonus of 37.89 million to the studio!

"This much?"

Xu Jiuge couldn't help but take a deep breath, walked forward, looked at Principal Ding and asked, "Principal Ding, isn't this money too much?"

"Who would dislike more money?" Ding Yue smiled and said, "I promised you all. You worked hard for several months and produced a 'Super Combat Team' that I'm delighted with. It's your deserved reward."

Ding Yue's demeanor was showing one thing - his generosity!

With such a splendid boss, such a great principal, everyone in the Feiyue Animation Studio were in love.

"Xu Jiuge, you're the person in charge at Feiyue Animation Studio. You've been busy with the technical aspect, you coordinated everything, and thus you're the key contributor in the production of 'Super Combat Team'. How about you take 10% of this 37.89 million bonus? How does everyone feel about this?"

Ding Yue said this to Xu Jiuge with a smile.

This young woman who was a bit older than himself was undeniably capable – she led the Feiyue Animation Studio well.

"I have no problem with that!"

"Yes, Sister Jiuge deserves it!"

"I agree!"

"I agree too!"

"Yeah, yeah, yeah, Sister Jiuge is both the leader and the main contributor; she should take 10%."

"I agree!"

"No problem, none at all."

Whether they were Xu Jiuge's original partners from Tianqi Animation Studio or the new students from Mist City Arts and Science University's Animation Department who had just joined Feiyue Animation Studio, they unanimously agreed that Xu Jiuge deserved 10% of the grand prize.

"Ah, this... it's just too much..." Xu Jiuge said with a happy and joyous smile on her face. But she couldn't help but feel that 10% might be too much for her to take alone?

10% of 37.89 million is 3.789 million. That much money would be enough for Xu Jiuge to buy an excellent house in Mist City.

"Look, everyone feels that this bonus is what you deserve!" Ding Yue looked at Xu Jiuge and said, "Congratulations! After arriving at Mist City Arts and Science University, you've certainly hit the jackpot in terms of making money, haven't you?"

"Um, um, thank you, Principal Ding. Mostly it's because your foresight was just amazing!" Xu Jiuge nodded and expressed her gratitude to Principal Ding.

Who could have expected that, after selling off to Principal Ding and being reorganized into Feiyue Animation Studio, they would receive an enormous bonus within just a year?

It was simply too surreal. If it weren't for the fact that this was all real, Xu Jiuge would hardly believe how fantastic her life had become.

"Regarding the remaining money, all of you who Xu Jiuge brought over from Tianqi Animation Studio are the core talents of our Feiyue Animation Studio. You should also get a slightly greater share of the bonus. What do you guys think?"

Ding Yue turned to the students from his Mist City Arts and Science University's Animation Department.

Although they had officially joined Feiyue Animation Studio, when it comes to their contributions, they still lagged behind Xu Jiuge's partners somewhat.

Ding Yue's principle was a meritocratic one: the more one contributes, the more bonus one gets. This distribution would be considerably fairer.

"Mm-hmm, Principal Ding is right!"

The animation department students all nodded in agreement.

Principal Ding's distribution plan was very reasonable. Even if Sister Jiuge and the older colleagues get a larger bonus, it's fair. The students felt there was no issue with it. Even with this distribution, they could still get a hefty reward, which was very satisfying.

"Alright then, Jiuge, distribute this bonus in a reasonable proportion among all the official members of the Feiyue Animation Studio!"

Ding Yue reminded Xu Jiuge once again.

"OK!"

For thirty-six people to share 37.89 million yuan, even if Xu Jiuge took her 3.789 million yuan, the others could still get more than a million each.

And those Animation Department students from Mist City Arts and Science University who had become official members of Feiyue Animation Studio could potentially get around a million, with the least getting a couple hundred thousand!

The least amount of bonus money was given to a student who had only officially joined Feiyue Animation Studio a month ago.

Although he didn't participate in the production of "Super Combat Team", he still got a bonus of 150,000 yuan, which made him extremely happy.

Many of Xu Jiuge's partners were thrilled beyond belief when they found out that they could get over a million yuan in bonus.

"I can't believe this is true – a bonus of over a million yuan!" One of Xu Jiuge's friends remarked, trembling.

He was not trembling with fear but with excitement!

"Once everyone gets their bonus money, I hope you'll redouble your efforts in the future development of Feiyue Animation Studio!"

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Ding Yue encouraged everyone, saying,

"Principal Ding, when are we going to start a new project? I don't care about the money, I just love animation and I really want to work overtime!"

One of Xu Jiuge's friends asked excitedly.

"Hahaha, don't rush, we will set up a new animation project once we have the right material. In the meantime, keep honing your skills to prepare for the new battles, alright?"

Ding Yue was not in a hurry.

After all, "Super Combat Team" was still in cinemas. Starting a new animation project now seemed a bit too soon. They should have a buffer period after all.

Most importantly, Ding Yue didn't know what animation project Feiyue Animation Studio should embark on next.

The decision to make "Super Combat Team" in the first place was due to the popularity of the medical health robot Big White.

"Also, I should tell you that I have booked the entire three-story school themed hot pot restaurant in the second cafeteria for a celebration party tonight, don't be late!"

Ding Yue suddenly remembered the celebration and announced it to everyone.

"Ok, thank you, Principal Ding."

Everyone shouted in unison.

"Alright, Jiuge, you'll make the bonus distribution list. Secretary Wen." After Ding Yue finished speaking to Xu Jiuge, he called his secretary Wen Ruohan.

"Principal Ding."

Wen Ruohan stepped forward.

"Tell the finance department to transfer the money to Feiyue Animation's account. Then let Jiuge be responsible for the actual disbursement of the bonus."

"Don't worry, Principal Ding, I guarantee that every bonus will be disbursed on time to each individual." Seeing that Principal Ding had entrusted him with the task of disbursement, Xu Jiuge hurriedly declared.

By the afternoon,

All 36 members of the Feiyue Animation Studio had received the bonuses promised by Principal Ding.

Seeing the additional 3.789 million yuan in his bank account, Xu Jiuge grinned for an hour.

Many students from Feiyue Animation Studio couldn't help but show off their bonuses a little on Twitter.

Liu Cheng, a student in the Animation Design and Production major at Mist City Arts and Science University, had joined Feiyue Animation Studio as an intern when the "Super Combat Team" project was approved due to his hard work. Later, because of his hard work, good performance, and excellent abilities, he became one of the first student members of Feiyue Animation Studio.

As a result, Liu Cheng, due to his significant contribution to the "Super Combat Team" project, received a bonus of 1.05 million yuan!

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For a university student like Liu Cheng, who was still in school, it was an astronomical figure.

And yet, such an astronomical figure reached him.

[Liu Cheng's Blog]——

"After months of hard work, our studio's 'Super Combat Team' achieved great success. Principal Ding is very nice to every person in our studio, and he sent bonuses today [bank card balance 1.05 million yuan screenshot.jpg]."

Young people getting so much bonus at once, isn't it a show-off moment on Twitter?

In fact, many people in the Feiyue Animation Studio did the same as Liu Cheng. After receiving the bonus from Principal Ding, they all posted about it on Twitter.

As soon as Liu Cheng's post went live, many former classmates commented on it, including some female students.

Even the goddess Liu Cheng had been chasing after, also sent him a message on Whatsapp a few minutes later.

Zhang Yali: Are you now an employee of Feiyue Animation Studio?

His goddess had not been in contact with him for a long time, and unexpectedly, today, she sent him a message on Whatsapp asking about his situation.

Liu Cheng was over the moon.

"Yes." Liu Cheng replied to his goddess' message.

Zhang Yali: That's great. So, you must have been involved in the production of "Super Combat Team", right? I watched "Super Combat Team" at the cinema with my classmate. It's really good. I even want to watch it again.

"Thank you for your and your classmate's box office support." Liu Cheng was at a loss for words facing the sudden enthusiasm from his goddess.

Zhang Yali: I'm planning to visit Mist City next weekend. How about we have dinner together at that time and go watch "Super Combat Team" again?

Ah!

Liu Cheng was stunned by the message!

The goddess asked him to go on a date for a movie and dinner?!

The happiness came so suddenly.

Wait!

Something seemed wrong... Liu Cheng felt that happiness came a little too...

Chapter 543: Almost messed up by drinking

[Shocking! An animation studio's employee received a million yuan bonus!]
—— Anime Daily.

[Feiyue Animation, the rising star in the industry!]
—— Some forum.

[I'm so salty, the bonus distribution reached over 3 million yuan]
—— Some fan group.

The news about the employees of Feiyue Animation Studio at Mist City Arts and Science University receiving their bonuses spread quickly, as many employees who received huge sums of money shared their bonus on Twitter.

Among them, the highest was Xu Jiuge with a bonus of 3.789 million yuan!

There were also bonuses of over one million, around one million, and several hundred thousand yuan, which made everyone green with envy.

In Guangcheng, at a certain animation studio, when the employees saw the bonuses received by the employees at Feiyue Animation Studio of Mist City Arts and Science University, they immediately felt as if they had lost their purpose in life.

After all, they were all graduates from the prestigious animation program at Guangcheng Media University, and the animation studio they worked for was also quite well-known domestically.

But being paid tens of thousands per month and having to work overtime all the time, they had become quite bald by now.

And then they looked at this information.

Damn, a newly established animation studio where the employees' benefits were so generous, and they could even share in the box office profits from animated films.

This is something that every employee of an animation studio could only dream of.

Despite the fact that the employees work overtime every day, they have nothing to do with the animation film or series once it is released.

The only link could be telling their friends, "This animation was made by our studio." Apart from this, there were no other benefits.

In contrast, Feiyue Animation Studio under Mist City Arts and Science University, run by Principal Ding, distributed more than thirty million yuan in bonuses to their employees, evoking immense envy.

"What are all of you doing? What are you standing still for? Why are you huddling together? Have you finished all your work?"

When the boss of Xuanguan Animation Studio, Zhou Yuanguan, came to the office and saw that his employees were "slacking off", he scolded them immediately.

In Zhou Yuanguan's view, he paid them a monthly salary of tens of thousands for them to work hard.

Things like 9am-9pm, six days a week, should become a norm. Overtime should be scheduled daily. Otherwise, how would his animation studio make money via high-speed production?

Xuanguan Animation Studio used to be an original animated production studio, but in recent years, it evolved into a "factory" making animated series or films for others.

"Boss, when are we receiving our bonus? You promised to give us a year-end bonus last year, when are we getting it?"

One of the employees grumbled to the boss, Zhou Yuanguan.

Upon hearing this, Zhou Yuanguan lost his temper: "Bonus? Isn't your salary high enough? A salary of tens of thousands, plus a pension insurance scheme, are you still not satisfied? Look at your efficiency. If you can't produce something that the partners want within the specified time, forget about the bonus, we will even deduct your performance pay!"

Hearing this harsh speech from the boss, Zhou Yuanguan, the employees felt disheartened.

They felt as if there's no hope in their professional life, obeying the 9am-9pm, six days a week norm even working overtime till midnight was common, all for a little over ten thousand yuan.

Although a salary of tens of thousands seemed quite high, it was not really high in a first-tier city like Guangcheng.

What's more, the pressure of work was too great, and the volume of work was also very heavy. Boss Zhou Yuanguan was never understanding.

Most importantly, without comparison, there would be no damage!

Today, everyone happened to see the news online that the employees of Feiyue Animation Studio, Mist City Arts and Science University, were directly receiving hundreds of thousands or even millions in bonuses.

"Sigh, they at Feiyue Animation received so much bonus, while we...."

Another employee sighed and said.

"Who? Who's talking?"

The employee who spoke before was smart and deliberately changed his voice. Plus, he didn't stick his head out in the crowd. Therefore, when boss Zhou Yuanguan heard him, he didn't know who was talking.

"They are them, we are us. They were able to make a movie with a box office of over 2 billion. Can you?"

Zhou Yuanguan put his hands on his hips and spoke angrily to his employees.

"Boss Zhou, we have not made our own animations for a long time, and are only making contract works for others. We are only creating based on their ideas, how could we create anything good?"

A group leader responsible for animation rendering said helplessly.

"Boss, give us some bonus. With the bonus, we would be more motivated!" another employee echoed.

"Yeah, yeah, boss Zhou, give us some bonus, so we'll be full of energy!"

"Bonus! Bonus! Bonus!"

"If we have a bonus, we wouldn't mind working overtime."

The employees began to echo each other.

Seeing this, Zhou Yuanguan frowned and quickly raised his hand to signal everyone to stop. Then after some thought, Zhou Yuanguan said to his employees: "Alright, alright, I'll get some shopping coupons for you later and distribute them among you. Start working now, if you don't work, I'll deduct your wages!"

Chapter 544: Almost messed up by drinking

Hearing their boss Zhou Yuanguan say such things, the faces of each employee were full of disappointment.

"Ah, Zhou Bapi."

"Too stingy."

"I feel like I can't see the future and hope in my work."

The employees all said privately that Boss Zhou Yuanguan is truly a capitalist Zhou Bapi!

Some employees even wanted to quit and change jobs. They just didn't know if Feiyue Animation Studio was still hiring?

They didn't know if Feiyue Animation Studio was hiring, but the studio was already starting their celebratory banquet.

In the evening, while employees of other animation studios were still pulling overtime with sorrowful expressions, the workers from Mist City Arts and Science University's Feiyue Animation Studio already came to the university's second cafeteria.

Tonight, for the first time, the campus-themed hot pot restaurant on the third floor of the Arts and Science University's second cafeteria was fully booked.

That's right, it was fully booked by Principal Ding.

In truth...

The hot pot restaurant is owned by Principal Ding's family. So, saying "fully booked" isn't quite right. It would be more accurate to say they've cleared it out. Tonight the restaurant won't be doing business with other customers because the members of Feiyue Animation Studio will be holding their celebratory banquet here.

The university's leaders, teachers and students of the animation design and production major, as well as the members of the Feiyue Animation Studio celebrated together with Principal Ding the great achievement of the school's first animation film, the Super Combat Team.

During the celebration, Ding Yue gave an overview of the future to the animation students and teachers.

"In the future, the animation department of our Mist City Arts and Science University aims to become a benchmark for the entire country, and even the world!"

Said Ding Yue.

Everyone at the banquet, whether from drinking too much or because Principal Ding's words inspired them, cheered.

Ding Yue then added, "But we must guard against arrogance and impatience. We cannot become overconfident from a single success. We still have much room for growth. We should proceed step by step, creating new glory."

No doubt, ever since becoming the Principal of Mist City Arts and Science University, Ding Yue's speech has increasingly filled with a headmaster's flavor.

After hearing these words, everyone made note of Principal Ding's speech.

Xu Jiuge agreed with what Principal Ding said. Even if Super Combat Team shattered the box office records of Xia Country's animation films, so what?

If they were to rest on their laurels from this point onward, they certainly couldn't go far. Young people should guard against arrogance and impetuosity and steadily move forward, using time to accumulate more successes in order to achieve an animator's dream.

Xu Jiuge is very ambitious.

Ever since she joined the animation industry, her dream has been to raise the profile of Xia Country's animation, to even compete with foreign countries and stand at the forefront of the world.

This dream seemed distant when she was still at Tianqi Animation Studio.

But since arriving at Mist City Arts and Science University and Feiyue Animation, Xu Jiuge feels that her dream might actually have a chance to come true.

But the premise is to follow Principal Ding's lead.

Everyone ate and drank happily at this celebration. Ding Yue didn't know how much alcohol he was fed by everyone, but he somehow fell asleep without knowing.

It was not until he woke up the next day, surprisingly already past twelve in the afternoon.

It's been a long time since Ding Yue slept until noon. He rubbed his blurry eyes after waking up, his head still feeling a bit muddled, but Ding Yue knew he should be sober now.

After getting up, Ding Yue stumbled into the living room to find a bowl of soup on the table near the kitchen?

Ding Yue walked over curiously, finding a note at the bottom of the bowl, signed by Wen Ruohan.

"Principal Ding, this is the hangover soup your mother made for you. If you drink it after waking, it will help to clear up your mind — Secretary Wen Ruohan."

Seeing this note, Ding Yue basically knew that last night must have been his secretary, Wen Ruohan, who had taken him back to his apartment room to rest.

Of course, it could also have been Huang and Bin.

Ding Yue was too lazy to think about how he got back to his apartment room to sleep last night. His head was still a bit foggy, so he immediately picked up the hangover soup and gulped it down.

The hangover cure soup made by his mother, Zhang Yuping, was delicious. After finishing it, Ding Yue felt instantly refreshed.

Ding Yue had a vague memory that his mother, Zhang Yuping, had learned to make hangover cure soup to serve his father, Ding Jianjun, who often came home after drinking with his company friends and leaders at night.

After finishing the hangover soup, Ding Yue looked at the clock hanging on the living room wall. It was already past noon.

Ding Yue had a nagging feeling that he had left something undone, which felt rather uncomfortable.

Thus, Ding Yue quickly returned to his bedroom, picked up his phone, and saw missed calls and a string of Whatsapp messages from his secretary, Wen Ruohan.

"Ruohan, I'm awake. If you have any business, come and report it to me in person."

After Ding Yue sent Wen Ruohan a Whatsapp message, he set down his phone and headed to the bathroom.

Upon receiving Principal Ding's voice message, Wen Ruohan immediately rushed from the dormitory to Elegant Garden Apartment Building 1.

Ding Yue took a quick shower which almost completely eliminated the smell of alcohol on him. He then changed into a fresh sweater. At this moment, he heard knocking at his apartment door.

As expected, when Ding Yue opened the door, he found Wen Ruohan, and to his surprise, his playful younger sister, Ding Xiaoyou.

"Xiao You? Why are you here?"

Ding Yue cast a glance at his sister, Ding Xiaoyou, and asked curiously.

"Mom asked me to come over and see whether you've taken the hangover soup. So, how is it? Is it particularly hard to drink?"

Ding Xiaoyou breezily walked into the room, asking with a chuckle.

"Ahem, not bad at all, I think it's delicious," Ding Yue shook his head.

Ding Xiaoyou walked over to the dining table, noticed the empty soup bowl, paused as if deep in thought, then picked up the delicate bowl. "Then I'll be off. I need to return the bowl to mom."

"You came for this?"

Ding Yue couldn't help but chuckle, thinking his little sister had come to see him for something important.

"What else? Oh yes, everything's going smoothly with the development of our graphite mechanical exfoliation machine."

After saying this, Ding Xiaoyou turned around and left.

Watching his sister leave, Ding Yue didn't say anything. He turned to his secretary, Wen Ruohan, with a frown, "I have a feeling... that there's something I need to do today. But I can't remember right now, perhaps because I drank too much yesterday."

"Principal Ding, you remembered! We have to welcome the inspection team from Qinghua University and Yancheng University today!"

Seeing Principal Ding ask her, Wen Ruohan immediately reminded him.

"Oh right, right, right!"

Ding Yue slapped his forehead as he finally remembered.

At the end of the month, the inspection team from Qinghua University and Yancheng University should be arriving in Mist City today to conduct an inspection of Mist City Arts and Science University. After the inspection, they would decide whether or not to establish cooperation and exchange relationships with Mist City Arts and Science University in the fields of mechanical engineering and artificial intelligence based on the inspection results.

"Oh no, drinking too much has delayed my work. Has the inspection team from Qinghua University and Yancheng University arrived in Mist City yet?" Ding Yue immediately turned to Wen Ruohan to ask.

"Yes, yes."

Wen Ruohan promptly nodded in response, "They have already arrived..."

Chapter 545: Domestic Top Universities Inspection Group

"Damn it!"

Ding Yue remembered it.

Inspection teams from Qinghua University and Yancheng University were both visiting Mist City Arts and Science University today, but he had overslept till noon due to a lively celebration the night before.

"Secretary Wen, did the inspection teams from Qinghua University and Yancheng University all arrive?"

As Ding Yue was getting ready to go out, he turned to ask his secretary, Wen Ruohan.

"Yes, they arrived around ten this morning on the same flight. I organized the university's vehicles to fetch them, and have had them settled."

Wen Ruohan nodded in affirmation as she responded.

She hadn't forgotten about the event during the celebratory dinner last night. Anticipating that Principal Ding might overdrink, Wen Ruohan barely drank at all and simply enjoyed the meal.

"They're already settled?" Ding Yue looked at Wen Ruohan with surprise.

"Yes, Principal Ding. I've instructed the logistics and dormitory department to arrange accommodations for the team members of the investigations from Qinghua University and Yancheng University. I also explained your situation to the team leaders."

Wen Ruohan explained in detail.

"Phew, that's a relief, really." Hearing Wen Ruohan's words, Ding Yue was able to relax.

He had been worried that his late wake-up due to overdrinking had delayed management of the inspection teams. But it seemed that the Secretary, Wen Ruohan had handled it aptly.

However, he wondered if it would be impolite for him not to pick up the inspection teams personally at the airport.

Ding Yue gave it some thought. Wen Ruohan had explained his situation, so they should be understanding, right?

"We'll meet with the inspection teams later. Following the order of arrival, we'll see the inspection team from the Department of Mechanical Engineering of Qinghua University first."

Ding Yue got to the door, put on his shoes, and said to Wen Ruohan at the same time.

"Sure, Principal Ding!"

Wen Ruohan excitedly approached Principal Ding, asking, "Should we prepare anything?"

"Of course. Call Luo Peng, Su Beilin, Tong Yihang, Liu Tiefei, and Yang Jie to my office."

Ding Yue thought that since the inspection team from the Department of Mechanical Engineering of Qinghua University was here, they could meet the ace students of their Department of Mechanical Engineering at Mist City Arts and Science University.

As well as Luo Peng and Su Beilin, two Qinghua University graduates.

"Okay!"

Wen Ruohan quickly took out her phone and started contacting student Tong Yihang as well as teacher Luo Peng.

Luo Peng and Su Beilin had already become teachers in the Department of Mechanical Engineering at Mist City Arts and Science University. Additionally, with Tong Yihang and others, they formed the lithography machine experimental project team at Mist City Arts and Science University, responsible for the precision mechanical processing area of the lithography machine.

However, due to the urgency of some projects, the lithography machine experimental project was temporarily not progressing much. Instead, they had switched to assist Ding Yue's sister in the graphene mechanical stripping preparation machine project.

After contacting Tong Yihang and Liu Tiefei, Wen Ruohan also contacted teacher Luo Peng and Su Beilin.

She directed them to come to Principal Ding's office later.

Then, Wen Ruohan contacted the team leader of the Qinghua University Department of Mechanical Engineering inspection team, the renowned Professor Liu Mingjiang.

"Professor Liu, we will be over to meet you soon." Wen Ruohan sent a text message to Professor Liu Mingjiang.

Afterwards, Wen Ruohan also sent a text message to the team leader of the Yancheng University inspection team, Professor Xie Changhe, explaining that Principal Ding would be meeting the Qinghua University inspection team first.

Xie Changhe was understanding of this, as Principal Zhu had previously informed him that their visit to Mist City Arts and Science University was likely to coincide with that of Qinghua University. While at the National College Education Innovation Exchange Conference, it was Professor Sun from Qinghua University who had first proposed sending an inspection team to Mist City Arts and Science University.

Therefore, Xie Changhe understood that Principal Ding was meeting the inspection teams of both universities in order of their proposals.

Xie Changhe wasn't in a hurry, he was touring the campus of Mist City Arts and Science University with his students. He had heard that the Book Ship Library was quite famous, so he planned to visit.

"Principal Ding, I have already contacted Professor Liu Mingjiang and the Yancheng University inspection team. I've also explained the situation to them."

Wen Ruohan briefed Principal Ding on her contacts.

"Good!"

Ding Yue put on his shoes and left the apartment. After getting downstairs, he headed over to the Elegant Garden Apartment building.

Because Wen Ruohan had told him that the inspection teams from Qinghua University and Yancheng University were both staying in the Elegant Garden Apartments, specifically in building no. 2.

In a room in the Elegant Garden Apartment Building no. 2, Ding Yue met with Professor Liu Mingjiang of the Qinghua University Department of Mechanical Engineering.

A big-name figure!

A professor who could become the head of Qinghua University's Department of Mechanical Engineering was a high-profile figure not just nationally, but also globally.

Professor Liu Mingjiang, who had devoted much of his life to mechanical engineering research, joined the Qinghua University Department of Mechanical Engineering as the department head at the turn of the 21st century. His leadership stimulated the rapid development of the department, making it renowned worldwide.

Having such a distinguished person visit Mist City Arts and Science University made Ding Yue feel a sense of honor.

"Professor Liu, welcome, welcome. My sincere apologies for not meeting you at the airport. I had a scheduling oversight."

Ding Yue warmly greeted Liu Mingjiang after seeing him, and expressed regret for not having been able to meet them at the airport.

"Principal Ding, you are too polite. Secretary Wen has already told me that your school held a celebration banquet last night. This is a good thing. Drinking a bit too much at the banquet is inevitable. I understand."

After knowing the reason why Principal Ding couldn't meet them at the airport, Liu Mingjiang showed his understanding.

After all, it was a celebration banquet for the Feiyue Animation Studio of Mist City Arts and Science University. The box office success of over two billions is indeed worth celebrating.

"Thank you for your understanding, Professor Liu," Ding Yue said with a smile.

"Principal Ding looks quite well now. Shall we start our inspection and exchange activities?"

The thing Liu Mingjiang wanted to know the most during his visit was whether the rumors about Mist City Arts and Science University's research in the field of photolithography precision machinery were true and if they were, to what extent?

"Sure, everything is arranged. Professor Liu, let's go to the conference room in the Administration Building for an initial meeting?"

Ding Yue nodded immediately and said with a smile.

"Okay." Professor Liu Mingjiang also nodded, then turned to a young man next to him and said, "Xiao Wang, go and tell everyone to get ready."

"Okay, Director Liu." Xiao Wang then hurried to the other apartments to notify the other members of the Qinghua University inspection team.

Liu Mingjiang brought the best faculty and student team from the Mechanical Engineering Department of Qinghua University. The purpose of this visit was to exchange ideas and learn from each other. After meeting, they naturally needed to have an initial meeting. In the following days, they would delve deeper into what they wanted to investigate.

When Liu Mingjiang had gathered all the members of his inspection team, he and Ding Yue headed towards the Administration Building of Mist City Arts and Science University.

At this time, in the Administration Building, in Ding Yue's office.

Tong Yihang, Liu Tiefei, Yang Jie, Luo Peng, Su Beilin, and Ding Xiaoyou were all present.

Ding Xiaoyou was there just to join in the fun.

To be precise, it wasn't about joining the fun as she was also involved in the photolithography experiment project, being responsible for the chemical technology aspect.

"Big White."

As soon as Luo Peng entered Principal Ding's office, he started interacting with the robot Big White, "Can you play chess?"

"Play chess?"

Big White responded to Luo Peng, "What is chess?"

"Professor Luo Peng, many things in Big White's AI program require learning. Obviously, Big White doesn't know what chess is," Tong Yihang explained with a smile when he saw Luo Peng interacting with Big White.

"How does Big White learn?" Luo Peng asked with confusion, and then said to Big White, "Big White, learn the knowledge of chess and then play a game of chess with me."

Big White made no response.

Because when it comes to command type instructions, Big White only listens to Ding Yue and Wen Ruohan.

Ding Yue was the first voice command operator, and Wen Ruohan was the second. Ding Yue had absolute authority over Big White, while Wen Ruohan had partial authority.

"Professor Luo, Big White won't listen to your instructions," Tong Yihang shrugged his shoulders and quickly explained to Luo Peng.

"Oh?"

Luo Peng was not very familiar with the robot, Big White, which is leaning towards artificial intelligence.

"Big White now only executes the instructions of Principal Ding and Secretary Wen. It only interacts within its known range with us. Our instructions are of no use to Big White," said Tong Yihang, the creator of Big White, who had a better understanding of Big White's humanoid intelligence program.

"I see," Luo Peng nodded thoughtfully.

"Peng, who is leading the inspection team from our Mechanical Engineering Department of Qinghua University?" Su Beilin asked Luo Peng with a smile.

Since both Luo Peng and Su Beilin were graduates from the Mechanical Engineering Department of Qinghua University, they felt very close to the inspection team from there. And surely, they knew the professor who was leading the team.

"Who do you think it is?" Luo Peng asked in return.

"I guess it could be Professor Zhang Jiansen," guessed Su Beilin.

"I think it might be Director Liu," Luo Peng laughed and shook his head.

"Director Liu personally leading the team?" Su Beilin found it hard to believe.

"How about a bet, dinner?" Luo Peng laughed and looked at Su Beilin.

"Okay, dinner!"

After thinking for two seconds, Su Beilin agreed.

He really didn't believe that Director Liu would personally lead the team. Would such a haughty man like Director Liu come to inspect a private university?

It was already good enough that Director Liu agreed. According to Su Beilin's understanding of Director Liu, he might not have agreed to inspect the Mist City Arts and Science University at first. Maybe it was Principal Sun who did a lot of work, and finally persuaded Director Liu.

"Let's wait and see." Luo Peng was just guessing. Even if he lost, it wouldn't matter much. He and Su Beilin often played like this. Sometimes he won, sometimes he lost.

After a while,

The footsteps outside the office corridor could be heard.

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Upon hearing footsteps, Luo Peng and Su Beilin hurried to the office door and looked down the corridor.

"Hahaha! Dinner is sorted out for tonight."

Luo Peng laughed heartily at Su Beilin.

On hearing this, Su Beilin's face darkened. He had already "bet" and lost to Luo Peng three times.

"I never expected that Director Liu would personally lead the team here." Su Beilin mumbled in disbelief.

It seemed that the Mechanical Department of Qinghua University really valued its cooperation with the Mechanical Department of Mist City Arts and Science University. Otherwise, there was no way Director Liu would personally bring an inspection team.

"Director Liu!"

Both Luo Peng and Su Beilin had been students under director Liu Mingjiang, so they went up and greeted him.

Although Liu Mingjiang was the director of the mechanical department, he was also a professor in the department. Both Luo Peng and Su Beilin had taken his professional courses.

"Luo Peng, Su Beilin, good to see you still remember me even after graduating several years ago." Liu Mingjiang said with a smile when seeing his proud pupils.

"Director Liu, don't say that. We were both brought up under your supervision. Of course, we remember you."

Su Beilin flattered him without reserve.

"You went to Dingli Group after graduation, why are you now at Mist City Arts and Science University?" Liu Mingjiang asked curiously.

It's quite normal for the superior students of the Mechanical Department of Qinghua University to work for Dingli Group after graduation, as Dingli Group is a top-tier company in the domestic mechanical manufacturing industry.

However, Liu Mingjiang couldn't understand why Luo Peng and Su Beilin left Dingli Group to work for the Mechanical Department in Mist City Arts and Science University or, more precisely, for the Mechanical Manufacturing Division of the Feiyue Group.

Liu Mingjiang knew that Mist City Arts and Science University was a private institution, like a corporation. Feiyue Group was closely affiliated with the university.

"Director Liu, even good birds choose the right trees to nest in. This place is more suitable for us, so we came here."

Luo Peng was very good with words. Instead of explaining the actual reasons, he simply stated that the university was suitable for them, and thus, they came there.

Liu Mingjiang nodded with a smile and said, "As long as it's suitable, that's good. I heard from Principal Ding that you are participating in a lithography experiment project at Mist City Arts and Science University?"

The main purpose of Liu Mingjiang's visit to Mist City Arts and Science University was to inspect the precision mechanical processing involved in the university's lithography experiment project.

If Mist City Arts and Science University possesses this capacity, then the Mechanical Department of Qinghua University may consider establishing a cooperative exchange relationship with the Mechanical Department of Mist City Arts and Science University.

At that time, the Mechanical Department of Mist City Arts and Science University will become one of the leading majors in the country. Even if it doesn't become one of the best in a short time, there will be absolutely no problem being recognized as a key provincial discipline, since it will have established a cooperative exchange relationship with the Mechanical Department of Qinghua University.

"Yes, Director Liu, but our lithography experiment project is still in its startup phase." Luo Peng responded.

Liu Mingjiang had no doubts about Luo Peng and Su Beilin's capability to investigate the precision mechanical processing of lithography machines, as he knew they had the ability.

"Professor Liu, let's move the discussion to the meeting room, shall we?" Ding Yue invited Professor Liu Mingjiang to continue their conversation in the meeting room.

This preliminary meeting between the inspection team from the Mechanical Department of Qinghua University and the Mist City Arts and Science University's top team wasn't quite appropriate to be held here in this corridor.

"Good!"

Liu Mingjiang nodded.

Afterwards, Ding Yue led Professor Liu Mingjiang and the members of the inspection team from Qinghua's Mechanical Department into Meeting Room 1. Luo Peng, Su Beilin, Ding Xiaoyou, and Tong Yihang from the Mechanical Department followed closely.

After everybody arrived in the office, Ding Yue asked Wen Ruohan to arrange for some purified water and such. After all, meetings could go on for quite some time and all the talking could easily lead to dry throats and parched mouths.

Wen Ruohan swiftly set out to arrange everything.

"Let's start with introductions," said Ding Yue as everyone settled within the meeting room - with Professor Liu Mingjiang and the Qinghua University inspection team members occupying the side by the floor-to-ceiling window, and the Mist City Art and Science University group on the side facing the corridor.

"Professor Liu, Luo Peng and Su Beilin don't need introductions, do they?" Ding Yue said, looking at Professor Liu Mingjiang with a smile.

Professor Liu Mingjiang nodded slightly in agreement.

Then Ding Yue introduced the rest of the team: "This is Tong Yihang, Liu Tiefei, and Yang Jie, who are students in our Mechanical Department. This is our teacher Li Shengbin from the Mechanical Department, a graduate from the East China University of Science and Technology."

After introducing them, Ding Yue could proudly say he had presented the trump cards of the Mechanical Department of Mist City Arts and Science University.

However, there was one more person in the meeting room who was introduced: "Professor Liu, this is my sister, Xiao You. She is also involved in the lithography experiment project, so she is here to join in the excitement."

"Ding Xiaoyou... you are the science top scorer in this year's College Entrance Examination in Mist City, aren't you? Rather than choosing our Qinghua University, or Yancheng University, you stayed in your Mist City Arts and Science University."

Upon glancing at Ding Xiaoyou, Professor Liu Mingjiang felt it was quite a pity.

If an academic high-achiever like Ding Xiaoyou were to come to Qinghua University, her accomplishments and achievements would certainly be greater.

However!

What Liu Mingjiang didn't know was that if Ding Xiaoyou went to Qinghua University or Yancheng University, that would have been a waste.

Only by staying at Mist City Arts and Science University, could Ding Xiaoyou shine with her own brilliance.

"Hello, Professor Liu. You are a nationally renowned professor in mechanical engineering, and I have admired you since I was a child. However, compared to physics and mechanics, I prefer Energy Chemistry."

Ding Xiaoyou enthusiastically greeted Professor Liu Mingjiang.

"Hello, choosing a major you like is indeed the best. But choosing a good college is also very important."

The implication in Liu Mingjiang's words seemed to suggest that Ding Xiaoyou didn't choose the right university.

With such good grades, choosing a private university - what's up with that? It's simply outrageous!

However, as for Professor Liu's words, Ding Yue didn't care because the majority of people outside share Professor Liu's view that Ding Xiaoyou, his younger sister, should have chosen Qinghua University or Yancheng University, or at the very least Fudan University.

But only Ding Yue knew that his little sister, Ding Xiaoyou, was better off staying at their Mist City Arts and Science University.

"Professor Liu and his team came over from Yancheng as representatives of the mechanics department at Qinghua University for an academic exchange and inspection of our mechanics department. I hope that in the coming days, the demeanor shown by our mechanical department of Mist City Arts and Science University will satisfy you."

Ding Yue introduced Professor Liu and his team to his students and colleagues at Mist City Arts and Science University.

For teachers and students like Tong Yihang and Liu Tiefei, and even teacher Li Shengbin, the name of Professor Liu Mingjiang rings a bell. After all, as students of mechanical engineering, how could they not know such a master in their field?

"Let's continue our previous topic. To be honest, I came here to see your lithography machine experimental project at Mist City Arts and Science University."

Professor Liu Mingjiang said seriously.

The conversation was about to delve into professional exchanges, and everyone in the conference room became serious and cautious.

"Professor Liu, here's the situation. With respect to the lithography machine experimental project, we are still in the early stages. By the way, Luo Peng, Tong Yihang, how far has your research gone in this area?"

First, Ding Yue explained to Professor Liu Mingjiang the current progress of the lithography experimental project at Mist City Arts and Science University.

Indeed, the project is still in its early stages. After all, it was not long ago that Ding Yue had just approved the experimental project plan for the lithography machine, clearly, it would not have been quickly established as a systematic research project.

Most importantly, a research base is needed. Therefore, Ding Yue needs to have Tianfu Construction Group build a research base at Mist City Arts and Science University, similar to the one that his sister Ding Xiaoyou has.

In the end, Ding Yue even thought about it briefly, why not allocate a specific area in Mist City Arts and Science University for constructing a technological research base? The base could be a little larger, so in the future, any researchable technologies could have their corresponding laboratories established there.

This way, it could centralize things and prevent them from being scattered across the teaching and experimental buildings of various colleges and specialties.

"Principal Ding, we have made some progress in theoretical research. In terms of theoretical research in the field of precision machining technology for lithography machines, we believe that

we may be able to achieve 3 nanometers, or even 2 nanometers, maybe even potentially reaching 1 nanometer."

Luo Peng reported earnestly to the Principal.

"3 nanometers? 2 nanometers? Even 1 nanometer? Can domestic lithography machines produce chips with such processes? That's impossible!"

Upon hearing Luo Peng's words, Professor Liu Mingjiang felt the claims were too exaggerated.

Keep in mind that domestically, 14-nanometer chips have just started to be mass-produced and commercialized on a large scale. 7 nanometers is already the advanced process technology of Guoxing Technology. Even abroad, no one dares to claim that they can manufacture corresponding lithography machines for 3-nanometer, not to mention 2-nanometer processes.

"Professor Liu, I'm talking about theoretically."

Luo Peng explained.

Thanks to Luo Peng's access to the [Lithography Manufacturing Process Technology] provided by Ding Yue, after some time of studying and researching, he has gained a lot of progress and insights into the theories of precision machining technology in lithography manufacturing.

"Theory? Don't even theories need data support?" Professor Liu Mingjiang couldn't help but frown, and he sternly asked.

To Professor Liu Mingjiang, a veteran professor of mechanical engineering for several decades, any theory needs to have data at least roughly supporting its plausibility, otherwise, it's just hollow talk, or boasting!

Ding Yue quietly watched the professional debates between Professor Liu Mingjiang and Luo Peng about precision machining technology in the field of lithography machines.

He considered himself an "outsider", so he kept his mouth shut...

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The debate between Professor Liu Mingjiang and Luo Peng, Su Beilin, Tong Yihang continued until nearly six o'clock in the afternoon.

Everyone thought that the meeting might last for about an hour.

But to Ding Yue's surprise, it lasted the entire afternoon. Wen Ruohan stayed in the meeting room with Principal Ding, watching Professor Liu from Qinghua University and Luo Peng, Tong Yihang debate over the intricacies of precision engineering.

Wen Ruohan almost fell asleep several times.

Seeing the intense discussion between the two sides without any resolution, and noting the time, Ding Yue abruptly suggested to everyone in the meeting room: "It's six o'clock, shall we go eat first?"

Upon hearing Principal Ding's words, Luo Peng did not continue the debate, but slightly nodded his head, indicating acceptance of Principal Ding's arrangement.

Because Luo Peng and Tong Yihang had received Ding Yue's [Lithography Manufacturing Process Technology] and after a period of learning, they had advanced insights on advanced lithography manufacturing theory.

However, to Professor Liu and his team, these insights could not be substantiated with the rigorous research attitude.

The issue was that Luo Peng and the others have not yet presented concrete theoretical research achievements, like a professional paper.

Therefore, this meeting involved continuous disagreement between the two sides.

"Okay then."

After a round of intense debate with Luo Peng and others, Professor Liu was parched and weary. Upon hearing that Principal Ding suggested to temporarily conclude the meeting, he agreed.

"Wen Ruohan, please take Professor Liu and others to the second cafeteria for dinner." Ding Yue instructed his secretary, Wen Ruohan.

"Okay, Principal Ding, Professor Liu, please follow me." After responding, Wen Ruohan led Professor Liu Mingjiang and the members of the visiting team from the Mechanical Department of Qinghua University out of the conference room.

Meanwhile, Ding Yue kept Luo Peng and Tong Yihang behind.

"You have argued with Professor Liu for an entire afternoon and failed to convince him with your theories. Naturally, Professor Liu wouldn't trust us."

Ding Yue looked at Luo Peng and spoke seriously.

"Principal Ding, you're right. But our current theory on the precision engineering of 3nm lithographic machines has not yet been systemized, although we have produced some important research data,"

Luo Peng said helplessly.

Ding Yue understood Luo Peng's meaning: they had made some breakthroughs in their theory of producing a lithography machine capable of etching 3nm chips, but they had not fully materialized it yet.

And this is precisely why Professor Liu thinks that their so-called "breakthrough" lacks a solid technical foundation.

This was the main point of contention between the two parties.

"Clearly, what you brought to the table, didn't convince Professor Liu."

Ding Yue shrugged his shoulders and said with a smile.

"Sigh."

Luo Peng could only sigh in resignation.

Concerning the research on advanced lithography machines, Luo Peng knew it would be a long process, but the team responsible for precision engineering had made a good start.

But as Principal Ding pointed out, this good start had yet to win Professor Liu's approval.

Regarding Liu Mingjiang, Luo Peng knew him well as an expert in the mechanical field who valued rigorous scientific research highly.

But in respect to the advanced lithography machine precision engineering field, Luo Peng felt that Professor Liu's thinking might be somewhat outdated.

Seeing Luo Peng a bit disheartened, Ding Yue patted him on the shoulder and suggested: "So, let's invite Professor Liu to try and overcome the contentious points with us. Won't it be great if we make the breakthrough?"

This solution proposed by Ding Yue enlightened Luo Peng.

Indeed, it was a good direction to take.

In fact, Ding Yue was quite confident because after giving Luo Peng and Tong Yihang the knowledge of [Lithography Manufacturing Process Technology], it was only a matter of time before they made a breakthrough in the field of precision engineering for advanced lithography machines.

"Good, I'll talk to Professor Liu again when we get back!" Luo Peng nodded determinedly.

Then Ding Yue looked around at the elite members of his Mechanical Department at Mist City Arts and Science University and said with a confident smile on his face: "Everyone, keep up the good work. I believe in you."

Seeing Principal Ding say this, Yihang and other students were full of confidence.

"Alright, let's go eat!"

After leaving the meeting room, Ding Yue went to the second cafeteria for dinner with everyone.

In the cafeteria, it was while Ding Yue was eating that he joined the table of Professor Liu Mingjiang.

"Principal Ding, do you have something you want to say?" Seeing Ding Yue approaching, Liu Mingjiang asked.

"I just wanted to ask, after this meeting, what are your views on the Mechanical Department of our Mist City Arts and Science University?"

Ding Yue asked with a smile.

"As you've seen, we've debated with Luo Peng and your students all afternoon without any results."

Professor Liu Mingjiang was straightforward.

Most academics are blunt in their speech.

Ding Yue nodded slightly, saying: "Indeed, I watched you debate all afternoon. I may not understand the professional knowledge as well as you, but I know there must be some stumbling block. That must be the point of contention, right?"

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"That's right."

Professor Liu Mingjiang also nodded and then added, "Based on this afternoon's exchange, I can tell that those teachers and students from the Mechanical Engineering Department of Mist City Arts and Science University are quite formidable!"

Professor Liu Mingjiang was likely referring to Tong Yihang, Liu Tiefei, Yang Jie, and Li Shengbin.

As for Luo Peng and Su Beilin, Professor Liu Mingjiang had a clear understanding of their abilities.

"In other words, if we can develop a lithography machine that can manufacture 3nm or even higher-precision chips, it would mean that we've overtaken foreign countries in a short cut. But that's unrealistic!"

Professor Liu Mingjiang sighed deeply.

Indeed, Ding Yue also understood that for the objectively rigorous Professor Liu Mingjiang, it was normal for him not to believe that our country's lithography or chip research could overtake foreign technology in a shortcut.

If Mist City Arts and Science University can't present any hard evidence that convinces Professor Liu, this inspection, the outcome could be unfavorable.

If the inspection result turns out to be unfavorable, then the attempt for Mist City Arts and Science University to establish a cooperation and exchange relationship with the Mechanical Engineering Department of Qinghua University might be hanging by a thread.

If they fail to establish a partnership with the Qinghua University's Mechanical Engineering Department, it's likely challenging for their Mechanical engineering department at Mist City Arts and Science University to achieve their goals!

Everything is interconnected.

So Ding Yue decided to give Professor Liu a hand on his own and said seriously, "Professor Liu, since you guys have a dispute, why not try to resolve it? In terms of the lithography machine experiment project, I plan to invest more in research and development, one billion, several billion, or even more."

"Principal Ding, you...you are willing to invest so much?"

Liu Mingjiang was astonished.

A private enterprise, daring to invest so boldly in the lithography machine field?

After all, there are many great obstacles in the lithography machine field, and conquering any one of them is extremely difficult. Imagine conquering so many technical obstacles, wouldn't that be like trying to climb to heaven?

"The road to Sichuan is difficult, more difficult than reaching the sky. But we can't be discouraged because it's tough," Ding Yue shrugged and continued, "The young people like Luo Peng have ideas in this field. I support them."

Liu Mingjiang was listening carefully to every word Ding Yue said, but he didn't express his views.

From the bottom of his heart, Liu Mingjiang still felt that even if Principal Ding invested a lot of money, he might still end up with nothing.

However, Principal Ding had just suggested that instead of arguing with Luo Peng and the others, they could try to solve the problem together. Liu Mingjiang was secretly considering this.

In the evening, Luo Peng paid a visit to his teacher at apartment Elegant Garden No.2.

Unlike the afternoon meeting in the conference room, this time Luo Peng and Professor Liu Mingjiang had a heart-to-heart conversation.

In the end, after much deliberation, Liu Mingjiang decided to cooperate with Luo Peng's team and the team he had brought during the inspection period and attempt to develop a good solution for the problem that had been debated that afternoon.

From Professor Liu Mingjiang's attitude, Luo Peng felt his teacher had given some recognition to the research direction he and Tong Yihang had proposed.

The next day.

Ding Yue planned to hold a professional exchange with the artificial intelligence science inspection team from Yancheng University. He had even taken the initiative to invite the computer department's Bin and his team.

After all, the research in the field of "artificial intelligence" at Mist City Arts and Science University depends mainly on the computer whizzes Xu Bin, Chen Jun, and others.

Mist City Arts and Science University has not set up the "artificial intelligence science" major.

Just as Ding Yue arrived at his office, Luo Peng called him, "Principal Ding, Professor Liu has agreed to work with us to resolve the theoretical issues!"

"That's great news. You have to work hard. Strive to complete the theoretical system before they leave. Then I believe Qinghua University will be satisfied with the evaluation of our school's Mechanical Engineering Department."

Ding Yue solemnly told Luo Peng.

"Okay, Principal Ding, we'll get to work. The current research on the graphene mechanical peeling preparation machine by sister Xiao You might have to be put on hold for a while."

"That's not a problem."

Ding Yue didn't disagree.

After all, there are less than ten excellent talents in the field of mechanical engineering at Mist City Arts and Science University. If they want to concentrate their efforts on one project, another one has to be put on hold temporarily.

The research on the graphene mechanical peeling preparation machine by Xiao You has been going on for a while and it's running quite smoothly. However, for the next few days, the focus of Luo Peng and Tong Yihang will be temporarily moved to the lithography machine and Professor Liu.

After hanging up the phone, Ding Yue called his sister Ding Xiaoyou to explain the situation.

As expected, sister Ding Xiaoyou was very understanding, realizing that the most significant thing now was to make sure the inspection by the Mechanical Engineering Department of Qinghua University went smoothly and strive to establish an exchange relationship with the Mechanical Engineering Department of Mist City Arts and Science University.

Although sister Ding Xiaoyou liked to play around, she was quite rational when it came to such matters.

"Brother Yue, didn't you mention that the inspection team from Yancheng University is coming over for an exchange? Where are they?" Xu Bin just arrived at Ding Yue's office.

"I have already asked Miss Secretary to lead Professor Xie Changhe and his team over."

"Professor Xie Changhe?"

Xu Bin's face lit up when he heard the name.

"How come?"

"The big name in the field of artificial intelligence science information!" Xu Bin gave two thumbs up and said, "But the future belongs to young people. Once I make further progress and have a new intelligent program research achievement, I will be the big name!"

Xu Bin gave another thumbs-up.

"I'm not sure if we can wait until the day when you become a big name." Ding Yue also whimsically gave a thumbs-up.

"You can count on me." Xu Bin was quite confident about his abilities in the field of computer science.

"This time, my expectations are not high. I just want Professor Xie Changhe to see that we have strength in the research of artificial intelligence. Our goal is to establish a cooperative exchange relationship with the artificial intelligence science major of Yancheng University. You understand what I mean."

Ding Yue reminded Xu Bin.

"Brother Yue, I understand your point." Xu Bin and Ding Yue were naturally on the same wavelength.

"Good. If this is successful, Bin, I will reward you with a..."

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Upon hearing Yue would reward him, Xu Bin was quite excited and immediately asked, "What will I be rewarded with?"

"Hahaha, I haven't thought of anything specifically, but whatever you want, just tell me!"

As for Xu Bin, Ding Yue believed that any reward would be reasonable. Even though he owned Mist City Arts and Science University, if it hadn't been for the two of them secretly setting up a fake university behind their parents' backs, perhaps none of this would have happened.

So both Xu Bin and Huang Youjie, as school leaders, have made significant contributions to Mist City Arts and Science University. Their treatment in the university is unparalleled, and Ding Yue certainly would not mistreat Bin and Huang.

But in terms of rewards, he couldn't possibly reward Bin with a landlady, could he?

It just depends on what else Bin might need.

"Hey, I don't really want anything in particular. Hanging out with Yue, I've already achieved financial independence. If I really needed something, it would be strong support for my research in computer technology in the future."

Xu Bin didn't have any grand pursuits on a material level either.

Moreover, ever since they established Mist City Arts and Science University with Ding Yue, both Xu Bin and Huang Youjie have basically achieved financial freedom in terms of housing, cars, and money. As far as other pursuits go, Xu Bin is devoted to his beloved computers.

Xu Bin has always hoped that he could make breakthrough after breakthrough in the field of computer technology, and eventually become a leader in that field in the new era.

"Of course, I will support you!"

Ding Yue wouldn't waver on this point.

How important Xu Bin's computer technology is to Mist City Arts and Science University goes without saying.

The rise of the computer science department at Mist City Arts and Science University is somewhat related to Xu Bin, the "computer genius."

Just as Ding Yue and Xu Bin were chatting, outside the office, Wen Ruohan had already brought over Professor Xie Changhe of Yancheng University, along with the rest of the inspection team.

"Principal Ding, Professor Xie is here."

When Wen Ruohan came to the entrance of the office, she said to Principal Ding.

Ding Yue and Xu Bin immediately went out to meet them.

"Nice to meet you, Professor Xie." Ding Yue greeted Professor Xie Changhe warmly.

"Nice to meet you, Principal Ding."

Professor Xie Changhe didn't seem as stern as Professor Liu Mingjiang. Professor Xie Changhe was very kind, smiling and full of warmth.

"Professor Xie, let me introduce you. This is Xu Bin, who is responsible for our intelligent robot, Big White, at Mist City Arts and Science University."

Ding Yue briefly introduced Xu Bin to Professor Xie Changhe.

The purpose of Professor Xie Changhe's visit with the inspection team from the artificial intelligence science major at Yancheng University is to assess the strength of Mist City Arts and Science University in the field of artificial intelligence technology.

"Nice to meet you, Professor Xie. I've heard a lot about you, and it's great to finally meet you." Xu Bin eagerly came forward to shake hands with Professor Xie Changhe.

As a computer guru, Xu Bin certainly knew of Professor Xie Changhe, a leading figure in the field of artificial intelligence. He is a well-known professor in the artificial intelligence science and technology major at Yancheng University.

Yancheng University has the best artificial intelligence science and technology major in the country.

"Principal Ding, how was the inspection team from Qinghua University?" Professor Xie Changhe curiously asked.

"Hahaha, they are still exchanging their ideas," Ding Yue responded immediately.

Professor Xie Changhe probably knew that the reason he was received only today was that the mechanical department inspection team from Qinghua University had been received the day before.

"I hope our inspection exchange can also go smoothly; can we see the artificial intelligence robot, Big White? I heard from Principal Zhu that your Big White is quite interesting."

Professor Xie Changhe quickly got to the point.

"Of course."

Ding Yue nodded briefly, then invited Professor Xie Changhe to his office. "Big White is in my office. I consider him to be my principal assistant."

"An assistant?"

Upon hearing this, Professor Xie Changhe's eyes lit up, and he laughed, "Indeed, the technology of artificial intelligence is best used in scenarios involving simple tasks."

The technology of artificial intelligence is quite advanced, both domestically and abroad, but many scenarios cannot be implemented yet.

But Mist City Arts and Science University's artificial intelligence robot, Big White, has already been used in practical scenarios, such as what Ding Yue just described as a principal's assistant.

"Professor Xie, in truth I do not believe that Big White is truly an artificial intelligent robot yet. There's still a lot of room for improvement."

Ding Yue said modestly.

Soon, Professor Xie Changhe and others entered Ding Yue's principal's office.

"Big White," Ding Yue immediately called Big White.

"Principal, I'm here."

"Voice command control is representative of the intelligent age." Professor Xie Changhe laughed as soon as he heard Big White answer Ding Yue's call.

"Right."

Ding Yue nodded in agreement.

"Big White, this is Professor Xie Changhe from Yancheng University." Ding Yue introduced Big White.

"Hello, Professor Xie. I am Ding's robot assistant, Big White. Nice to meet you." Big White greeted Professor Xie Changhe.

"Hello, Big White."

Professor Xie Changhe also greeted Big White.

As a professor of artificial intelligence sciences at Yancheng University, Professor Xie Changhe was unfazed by encountering a robot like Big White. If a typical person saw a robot that could greet and chat with people, they would probably be beyond excited.

But Professor Xie was different; he was specialized in studying this stuff.

"What sort of artificial intelligence technology does our Big White use?" Professor Xie Changhe asked with particular curiosity.

There are actually many different types of technologies in the field of artificial intelligence. Some use logical chains, while others rely on big data.

Currently, big data is quite mature and has even been applied to many software programs.

For example, TikTok, Toutiao and various e-commerce platforms all use intelligent big data calculations and push notifications.

This is currently a relatively mature category of artificial intelligence technology application, but Professor Xie Changhe also understood that the technology of artificial intelligence is far from just this.

Technologies that resemble human thought logical chains, compared to big data, are more fascinating and also more challenging to research.

"Bin." Ding Yue glanced at Xu Bin.

The implication was that this topic should be discussed between Xu Bin and Professor Xie Changhe, given that Ding Yue was not an expert.

"Professor Xie, Big White currently uses a human-like brain intelligent programming technology, which belongs to the field of human-like thought logical chains. However, it's still in the preliminary stages, and has a lot of room for progress," Xu Bin said to Professor Xie Changhe with a smile.

"Human-like brain intelligent technology?"

Upon hearing this, Xie Changhe's face immediately lit up.

At this moment, the teachers and students that Xie Changhe had brought with him started a flurry of discussion.

"To be able to create artificial intelligence operating in the field of human-like thought logical chains, Looks like Mist City Arts and Science University really has some interesting stuff."

"I initially thought it was just the conventional big data."

"I also thought it was intelligent big data, but it turns out to be a human-like thought logical chain."

Seeing the Yancheng University inspection team discussing, Ding Yue realized that to them, Xu Bin's Human-like Brain Intelligent Programming Technology must be quite remarkable.

"Come, tell me about how you developed this," Professor Xie Changhe enthusiastically pulled Xu Bin over to the sofa, wishing to understand it more deeply.

Seeing this, Ding Yue felt that Xie Changhe was very interested in Bin's Human-like Brain Intelligent Programming Technology. Thus, it seemed like the inspection by Yancheng University was progressing quite smoothly.

This was unlike the Mechanical Research team of Qinghua University, where it was still uncertain if things would go smoothly.

"Principal Ding, can I take a picture with Big White?" a student from the Yancheng University inspection team stepped forward, asking somewhat shyly.

"Of course."

Ding Yue casually shrugged his shoulders with a smile.

As a result, that student walked over, stood beside Big White, and couldn't help but cautiously pinched Big White's stomach. Then took out his mobile phone, preparing to take a photo with Big White.

"Are you preparing to take a photo with me?"

All of a sudden, when that student came to Big White's side to take a picture, Big White asked.

"That's why these human-like brain intelligent robots are amazing," the student couldn't help but exclaim.

"Yes, is it okay?"

"Principal Ding has agreed, of course, it's okay," Big White replied.

Thereupon, the student took out his phone and took some snaps with Big White, who was very cooperative and even struck a few classic photo poses.

The reason Big White knows about 'taking photos' is because Wen Ruohan had previously taken it to "learn and train", which included learning general content about taking photos.

As Ding Yue was unaware of this, he was somewhat surprised. He hadn't expected Big White to be so cooperative with posing for photos. Had it even learnt human behaviour like posing?

Professor Xie Changhe and Xu Bin were chatting enthusiastically about Artificial Intelligence technology. As they spoke, Xie Changhe occasionally revealed a highly satisfied smile on his face.

Clearly, Xu Bin had prepared well enough to impress Professor Xie Changhe.

Seeing this, Ding Yue felt relieved.

It seemed like the inspection by Yancheng University wouldn't be a challenge, and now it was up to the inspection by the Mechanical department of Qinghua University.

About forty minutes later, Professor Xie Changhe and Xu Bin stood up from the sofa and shook hands.

"I'm lucky to have had such an in-depth exchange with you, Professor Xie," Xu Bin said enthusiastically with a smile.

"Promising youth, the younger generation is becoming more and more impressive," said Professor Xie Changhe with a sigh.

That nearly forty-minute discussion had significantly impressed Professor Xie Changhe with Xu Bin's skills in computer science and most notably, Artificial Intelligence technology.

"So, Professor Xie, will you be coming to my place this afternoon?" Xu Bin asked, smiling.

"Sure!"

Professor Xie nodded and then addressed his team members, "This afternoon, let's learn and exchange more in depth. In the field of thought logic chains, the people at Mist City Arts and Science University are indeed very good."

From Professor Xie Changhe's words, Ding Yue could tell that he approved of their University's specialty in Artificial Intelligence.

Ding Yue immediately pulled out the system panel-

Field: Computer Science and Technology (Artificial Intelligence Field)

Professional Task Progress (Provincial Key): 91%

The progress of this professional task has increased quite a bit...

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Three days later.

Just like always, Ding Yue leaves the Elegant Garden Apartment in the morning to have breakfast in the second cafeteria, and then starts his work in his own office.

"When will student Wen Ruohan and Director Chen Ping come over?"

Ding Yue relaxes in his office with a cup of tea made by Big White the robot.

"They should be coming soon." Wen Ruohan answers.

Today, Ding Yue needs to give some orders about the construction of the school and then he will leave for Yancheng to attend the "NTS Awards Gala" tomorrow.

The NTS Awards Gala is scheduled to be held on November 5th, which is tomorrow. Since it will be broadcast live on the first channel of NTS at 8 pm, Ding Yue thinks his schedule should be fine.

Now the reason he needs to call Chen Ping, the director of the school of architecture, is because Ding Yue has assignments for him.

After the visits of Qinghua University and Yancheng University to his Mist City Arts and Science University, Ding Yue realizes that there are quite a few technology research and development projects in progress.

For example, their projects include photolithography machine, artificial intelligence robot, and using a machine to produce graphene by mechanical exfoliation process.

Ding Yue came up with an idea that they could build a scientific research base within the Mist City Arts and Science University and concentrate the main experimental projects there to provide a better research environment.

Ding Xiaoyou, his sister, has already established an energy and chemical research base, the surrounding area of which has not been developed yet. So Ding Yue thinks, why not build a campus science and research base using that as the center?

Ding Yue decides to leave this project to the architecture department. Therefore, he calls Director Chen Ping to explain the idea today and assigns the project to him.

"Principal Ding, how many people are going to Yancheng tomorrow? We should identify them as soon as possible so I can book hotel rooms and the flight," Wen Ruohan turns to Ding Yue with curiosity.

"Let me count, it's me, you, Director Zhu Youzhao, as well as the production team of 'A Bite of Xia Country.' We'll bring two students from it, and Director Zhu Youzhao will choose them."

Ding Yue calculates quickly.

The main purpose of this trip to Yancheng is to attend the NTS Awards Gala. They do not know yet whether they will win an award, thus it is not suitable to bring too many people.

After giving it a good thought, Ding Yue decides that himself, his secretary Wen Ruohan, along with a few members from film and television college should be enough.

"Okay, Principal Ding," says Wen Ruohan, taking out her mobile phone and starting to contact Director Zhu Youzhao of the film and television college.

Director Zhu Youzhao is asked to quickly determine the two students who will join them, and Wen Ruohan can also do her job as a secretary.

After a while, Wen Ruohan asks another question, "By the way, Principal Ding, I met Lin Zhirou last time. When does her song 'Blue and White Porcelain' get officially released?"

"Oh,"

Ding Yue snaps his fingers and says, "I would have forgotten if you had not mentioned."

Ding Yue has written three songs for Wen Ruohan, which are "Confession Balloon," "Fragrance of Rice," and "Blue and White Porcelain."

The first two have already been released and they are quite the hit. The revenue is also very good. Now Lin Zhirou is the most popular talent under Feiyue Media.

"Call An Yujia with Lin Zhirou to come over after I finish my conversation with Director Chen Ping,"

Ding Yue considers that it is November now and it's about time to release "Blue and White Porcelain."

Because from the very beginning, Ding Yue's plan was to maintain Lin Zhirou's popularity for this whole year with these three songs.

"Confession Balloon" was released on May 20, a special day, "Fragrance of Rice" was released during the summer vacation. Now that it is already November, the end of the year is almost here, and so it's about time to release the last song. Moreover, "Blue and White Porcelain" is the most anticipated song from the netizens.

"Ok,"

Wen Ruohan nods.

Knock Knock!

As soon as Wen Ruohan's words fall, a few knocks sound from the office door.

"Come in."

The person who enters is Director Chen Ping from the school of architecture.

"Principal Ding," after stepping into the office, Chen Ping comes in front of Ding Yue and asks, "You wanted to see me?"

The school of architecture is one of the key sectors to be developed in Mist City Arts and Science University. Chen Ping was entrusted by Ding Yue with the responsibility of the first and second expansion projects of Mist City Arts and Science University.

"Have a seat," Ding Yue gives a slight nod and then says, "About this, in our second expansion project of our school, some buildings like teaching buildings and dormitory buildings need to be

constructed. Some of them have been started and some are still in the planning stage. Now we have a situation, the school plans to build a research base centering around the existing energy and chemical research base. What do you think?"

Ding Yue openly shares his ideas with Chen Ping.

As for the campus expansion planning, Chen Ping is definitely more professional.

"The energy and chemical research base is located to the northwest of the Book Ship Library, which is to the left side of the central school park. Further to the left is the planning area for the new teaching buildings. But there are ample spaces at the north and south sides of that land, we can try to plan that into the research base that you want, Principal Ding."