

G E D 801

801 Don't Chase Me

The families of their victims might try to take revenge if they knew what the hitmen looked like.

Moreover, Imperial College's system was monitoring all candidates, and Blade could be spotted at any moment.

The team leader took a deep breath, then said in broken words, "You... kill... Feng Wu..."

Three cried out in surprise, "Captain, did you run into Feng Wu? Where are the others? Where are Two, Five, and Ten?!"

Ten had been leading the team this whole time and everyone trusted him.

"Dead... they're all dead..."

WHAT?!

The south group was baffled!

How?

Their captain was poisoned, and Two, Five, and Ten were all dead?!

"Did Feng Wu do this? Is that girl even human? How is that even possible?!" They couldn't believe their ears!

The team leader took a deep breath, trying to clear his mind.

It was such a long story, and revealing the truth would only make them look incompetent, so the team leader decided to keep it to himself. With a wave of his hand, he said to Three, "You... must be careful... That girl is... so cunning..."

"Captain, Captain, have you been poisoned? Let's wait until everyone's here; she won't be able to trick all of us, no matter how cunning she is! Captain, get some rest. Let's work on the antidote first!"

The others agreed with Three.

Before long, the west group joined them.

Blade was still a capable team, for most of its members were still alive.

The team leader, Three, Four, Six, Seven, Eight, and Nine were all alive. And everyone except for the team leader were still in good condition. Feng Wu would have no hope if they spotted her.

All of a sudden —

"What's that?!" Four, the most sharp-eyed among them all, spotted a shadow in the snow, and he jumped to his feet!

Feng Wu had hidden under the snow once before, and he was alarmed right away!

Seeing Four come at her like a ferocious tiger, Feng Wu jumped out and bolted.

That astonished everyone.

“Oh god, that’s Feng Wu! That’s really her! Go get her!”

“Feng Wu?! She didn’t run away? She was right here?!”

“She killed Two, Five, and Ten! Get her and avenge them!”

The team members was shocked. They never expected Feng Wu to be this audacious!

The team leader was furious!

“Catch her! You have to catch her!”

Hence, Three, Four, Six, Seven, Eight, and Nine all dashed off after Feng Wu.

Feng Wu ran as fast as the wind. She warned the team members over her shoulder as she ran, “Don’t chase me! I’m warning you! Stop chasing me!”

Three smirked. “Don’t chase you? You wish!”

Four said, “Stop running now and I’ll make it quick!”

Feng Wu rolled her eyes. “Quick or not, you’re going to kill me!”

“Stop right there!”

“I won’t!”

“Stop!”

“I won’t!”

Three was speechless.

Did the girl think they were making fun of her? This was a pursuit!

Feng Wu looked over her shoulder as she ran. “Stop chasing me already! You’ve been warned! You’ll regret this!”

Three found it preposterous!

“You brat! Is that what you want to say before you die?!”

Feng Wu looked very innocent. “I mean it. Don’t chase me and stop right there... Otherwise, you’ll be in a lot of trouble!”

802 I See!

“Are you really not going to leave me alone?” Feng Wu said in resignation.

“You brat! One of us has to die today, and it’s going to be you!”

Three couldn’t understand what Feng Wu’s nagging was about.

The members of Blade ran very fast, and Feng Wu was slightly slower in comparison.

Even if she was doing her best.

Before long, she was surrounded by the team.

The six men circled Feng Wu.

And there was a ferocious look in their eyes.

Three grinned grimly. "Kid, what did I tell you? Stop running. But you wouldn't listen. Here we are."

Four grinned ominously as well. "What did you say would happen if we caught you? Do tell."

"You're all going to die," Feng Wu stared at them and said in a calm voice.

"Hahahaha —"

The hitmen guffawed!

That was the most ridiculous thing they had ever heard!

"We've surrounded you and we're going to die? Are you an idiot or what?"

"Three, cut the crap. Get the antidote from her."

"Yes!"

Three rushed over to Feng Wu's side and grabbed her by the arm.

He hesitated for a brief moment when he took her arm.

This was much easier than he had expected.

This girl had poisoned their team leader and killed Two, Five, and Ten... She should be very difficult to catch, but... he caught her? Just like that?

"Three caught her!"

The others closed in right away!

However, just then —

Pfft —

Blood poured down on their heads!

It happened too suddenly!

And they didn't have enough time to react!

Three, Four, Six... all six men more or less had some blood on them.

Three had it the worst. Being the closest to Feng Wu, he got most of the blood over him; it was all over his head, his face, and his clothes!

His face looked as if someone had painted it red!

Everyone stared at Feng Wu in disbelief!

What the hell?!

“The blood is poisonous!” Three and the others jumped backward at that thought.

They still circled Feng Wu, but not as close as before.

Everyone glared at Feng Wu, but they looked hesitant as well.

“It’s not poisonous, but...”

But what?

“But it’s worse than poison.” Feng Wu grinned.

Three narrowed his eyes. “What blood is it?”

Just then, Four cried out, “Isn’t this Qilin Beast’s blood?! Can you feel the dense spiritual essence?”

Six said, “Gosh, I suddenly have the urge to make a breakthrough. Am I the only one?”

“No, you’re not! I have the same urge!”

They exchanged looks of amazement.

They thought that Feng Wu had poisoned them. However, she offered them something that would benefit their cultivation!

“I see!” Four cried out.

803 Abandon Hope...

Four cried out, “I see! Feng Wu is trying to distract us with bribery. That way, we’ll be busy cultivating and won’t have time to go after her!”

He then stared at Feng Wu. “You brat! Am I right?”

Feng Wu only smiled at him without saying a word.

That only made Four more certain of himself. He turned to his teammates. “I was right. That’s her plan.”

Three stared at Feng Wu. He didn’t think it could be that simple.

Feng Wu looked too sure of herself.

And she shouldn’t be.

She should look flustered and perplexed, and should be shaking all over... However, her eyes were twinkling, as if victory lay within her grasp and she was planning how to celebrate.

“What on earth are you trying to do?” The more Three thought about it, the more disturbed he became.

Instead of answering him, Feng Wu looked around at the team and said, “You don’t get a chance to level up every day. Are you sure you’re going to waste this opportunity? You can kill me any time you want, but I can’t say the same about making a breakthrough.”

Four and the others exchanged hesitant looks.

Three bellowed, “What are you all waiting for?! Have you forgotten how cunning this girl is? Kill her!”

The team leader wasn’t here and Two was dead, which made Three the one who called the shots.

Instantly, everyone charged at Feng Wu in unison.

Feng Wu spun, then jumped out of the circle.

“You’re not going anywhere!” Three bellowed. He knew it! The girl was bluffing!

The hell with not chasing her and the consequences! She had made everything up.

“I mean it! You’ll regret chasing me in a moment!” Feng Wu shouted as she ran.

“Heh —”

Three and the others couldn’t be bothered to talk back anymore.

The only thing they could think of now was catching up to Feng Wu, then kill her!

Feng Wu thought to herself as she ran: Where is that Qilin Beast?

With its keen nose, it should have picked up the scent of the cub’s blood and caught up with them by now!

Thump!

Three ran the fastest and he struck out at Feng Wu from behind with a fist!

Thump!

He was much more capable than Feng Wu. As a matter of fact, any individual of Blade was a more advanced cultivator than she was.

The impact sent Feng Wu flying forward.

Thump!

Her body arced in the air and she flew over a low hill before falling into a pile of snow on the other side.

Pfft —

Feng Wu spat out a mouthful of blood.

That Three was such a formidable hitman.

Feng Wu rubbed her back. If she hadn’t dodged in time to protect her main organs or had failed to make good use of the momentum to quickly move forward, she would probably be dead by now.

Dear Qilin Beast, show up now, or I'll really be killed!

Three and the others caught up to Feng Wu before she was out of the pit.

"You brat! This is your last day on earth!" Three's sword glinted in the sun!

Feng Wu's stomach lurched!

She had done all she could to stall, but apparently, she needed to stall for a bit longer.

"Did the Zuo family send you?" Feng Wu stared at them with piercing eyes.

But Three didn't want to give her an answer.

"If you're going to kill me, at least tell me what I'm going to be killed for! The Zuo family sent you, didn't they?" Feng Wu glared at them.

Three smirked. "You really want to know?"

804 You're Not Getting Away

Feng Wu nodded, the look on her face very serious. "Just tell me. Yes or no."

Three snorted. "I don't care how you want to die. There's no way I'm going to leak my client's information. You're so naive!

"Die!"

Just as Three snarled and leapt up –

All of a sudden!

Something bellowed a short distance away!

It was a bloodcurdling sound!

And the thing making that noise sounded furious!

It was ready to kill!

Instantly, everyone turned around involuntarily.

There —

A powerful magical beast was running wildly in their direction!

And there was a murderous air around it which they could sense even at a distance!

The beast was coming right at them!

"No! It's a Qilin Beast!"

"And a fully grown one!"

"Is it coming for Feng Wu?"

“I think so!”

“It’s going to kill Feng Wu. We better get out of the way!”

Wait!

No one had seen it coming, but that Qilin Beast caught up with them and jumped at Nine!

Whoosh!

It raised both front paws and slashed down at Nine!

Poor Nine. He was torn in half before he saw it coming.

That shocked everyone!

What the heck?!

Wasn’t the Qilin Beast after Feng Wu? Why had one of them been killed? What did they do?

“Shit!”

Three then remembered the blood on them and he panicked!

“The blood! We’re covered in the blood of its cub!”

That answered the question for everyone!

It was Feng Wu!

She had splashed the blood all over them!

Four had been so confident and claimed that Feng Wu did it so that they would be busy cultivating instead of chasing her!

Only then did they realize what Feng Wu really had in mind!

She...

She had been waiting for this moment!

Gritting his teeth, Three yelled at the Qilin Beast, “Feng Wu killed your cub! We have nothing to do with it! She’s the one —”

However, when Three pointed at the spot where he thought Feng Wu was —

Feng Wu was nowhere to be found!

“Feng Wu!” Three bellowed!

She did this on purpose! She had lured the Qilin Beast here!

No wonder she had been yelling about not chasing her. This was why!

Feng Wu, that cunning girl!

“Thump!”

The Qilin Beast couldn't care less about the grudges between these human beings. The blood was the only thing it could think of!

A Qilin Beast's blood!

The amount suggested that its cub was already dead!

These stupid, abominable humans had killed it!

“How dare you hurt my child... How dare you!” The look on the Qilin Beast's face was ferocious as it spoke in a deep, murderous voice!

“No, we didn't... It wasn't us...”

Three tried to explain, but his words were futile.

They were covered in the cub's blood, which was irrefutable evidence!

Nothing he said could exonerate them!

Thump!

As expected, the Qilin Beast ignored what Three said. It raised a front paw and smacked Seven to the ground.

Four glared at the Qilin Beast with utter hatred when he saw that half of Seven's face was gone. He then shouted at his remaining teammates, “It already believes that we killed its cub, and we can't change its mind! We need to fight it together!”

Although they didn't want to, the others had to admit that this was the reality they had to face now.

“We can still run!”

“No, we've been marked by the Qilin Beast,” Three said in a terrifyingly calm voice. “Once marked, we'll never be able to get out of Proud Snowfield alive. It'll hunt us down one by one!”

805 You're Going to Die!

Since they couldn't run, there was only one option left.

Three ground his teeth. “We have to kill this Qilin Beast!”

The beast and them – only one side could live!

“Where's Feng Wu?”

Four gritted his teeth!

After luring the Qilin Beast here, the girl just disappeared.

“She's gone.”

Everyone was speechless.

As a matter of fact, Feng Wu hadn't run off. She was hiding in a pile of snow a short distance away. She had no blood on her and wasn't marked. She could leave whenever she wanted.

Roarr!

The Qilin Beast growled, then quickened its steps!

Three said, "Everyone, together!"

Thump! Thump! Thump!

It was a fierce battle!

Before long, blood was everywhere.

The members wanted to fight against the beast together, but when the actual fight started, it was like an inexorable landslide. They stopped trying once they saw that death was inevitable.

Instead, they turned to flee!

Three headed east, Four west, Six north, and Seven...

Everyone picked a different direction and they ran as fast as they could!

For it could be the last time they would ever be able to run in their lives.

They knew perfectly well that they had been marked by the Qilin Beast, but they wouldn't give up hope just like that!

Even if they had to die, they had to take Feng Wu down with them!

Whoosh —

Feng Wu saw the Qilin Beast pounce at Six from behind.

She smiled a little.

They wanted to kill her? Sorry about that, but she wasn't that easy to kill.

Feng Wu knew that with the Qilin Beast's speed and capabilities, it wouldn't be long before Four and Three met their ends.

However —

There was one more person left — the team leader.

He had stayed behind because of the poison and he hadn't been tainted by the cub's blood. So —

Feng Wu strolled off and arrived at the rendezvous point a few moments later.

The team leader was no longer there.

Do you really think you can run from me?

Feng Wu smiled a little.

“Aww —” The tiger cub waved its paws.

It then spoke to Feng Wu in her head. “I know where he is! I know, I know!”

Feng Wu waved her hand. “Let’s go!”

Yes!

Feng Tutu darted off right away!

This trip to Proud Snowfield had benefited Feng Tutu greatly. Speed had always been its forte, and it was now quicker than a streak of lightning. Even Feng Wu had a hard time keeping up with it.

Before long, she saw a figure up ahead.

It was the team leader of Blade.

In front of him was a frozen river!

Sensing the hostility, he turned around to find Feng Wu behind him. He frowned.

“Feng Wu!!!”

Staring at Feng Wu, the team leader had a murderous look on his face!

Feng Wu stopped when she was ten meters away and smiled at the guy. “That’s me.”

Overwhelmed by hatred, the team leader wanted to tear Feng Wu to pieces!

“You killed Two, Five and Ten!”

Feng Wu nodded.

“And you poisoned me!”

Feng Wu nodded again.

Seeing the unperturbed look on Feng Wu’s face, the team leader was furious. “You’re very calm, but you’re going to die!”

“Is that so?” Crossing her arms, Feng Wu darted an unhurried look at the team leader.

“There are ten of us! You killed three, but there are seven more!”

“Oh, do you mean the dead bodies of Three, Four, and the others?” Feng Wu asked casually.

806 Dead!

D- dead bodies?

His face turned livid!

“What did you say?!”

Feng Wu smiled. “Captain, do you really need me to repeat it?”

“You —”

The team leader’s gaze was sharper than a blade. His face looked stiff and he looked as if he was going to throw up. “What did you do to them?!”

“Nothing.” Feng Wu smiled. “The Qilin Beast is eating them up as we speak.”

“Qilin Beast? Isn’t it dead?” The team leader frowned.

“Well, the dead one was a cub, and its dad is here now.”

“But they didn’t kill the cub!”

Feng Wu nodded. “I know.”

“Why —”

“Too bad. They were covered in the cub’s blood.” Feng Wu shrugged.

The cub’s blood?

The team leader then remembered something!

That was it!

That was why the burnt corpse of the cub looked strangely shriveled, so much so that he hadn’t been able to draw any blood. Feng Wu had drained it already!

“You! You took its blood, then...”

“Yes.”

“You!” The team leader stared at Feng Wu, as if he was seeing a ghost!

That was to say, she had planned everything from the very start!

Was she even human?!

How could anyone be this scheming?!

“You, you...” The team leader could taste blood in his mouth!

He glared at Feng Wu, but was unable to utter a word.

Feng Wu smiled. “Do you know why I told you that?”

“Why?”

“Because you deserve to know why you’re going to die.”

After that, with a wave of Feng Wu’s hand, a bottle landed at the team leader’s feet.

Feng Wu smiled. “I put your antidote in the blood of that Qilin Beast.”

She was giving him a choice.

The blood could neutralize the poison, but it would draw the parent Qilin Beast here.

“Your choice.” Feng Wu waved at him, then left with a grin.

What?!

The team leader stood there, utterly befuddled!

He couldn't believe how evil the girl was!

To use the blood or not, that was the question!

If he didn't use it, he would die from the poison, but if he drank it, that Qilin Beast would be after him for revenge!

What should he do?!

In the end, the team leader decided that he would use it!

For once the poison was neutralized, he still had a chance to get out of here alive, as long as he could survive the next three days!

At that thought, he found a snow pit to hide in, then downed the blood in one go!

Gurgle —

As soon as he swallowed the blood, spiritual essence erupted like a volcano!

It quickly ran through all his energy channels!

How terrifying this power was!

The spiritual essence was so dense!

Instantly, the team leader felt the urge to break through to the next level.

He needed the extra strength now more than ever, and he began to work on it right away!

But —

The Qilin Beast had killed off almost all the members of Blade!

Nine and Eight were killed!

Followed by Six and Seven!

Four died after that!

So did Three...

However, that wasn't enough for the Qilin Beast to vent its anger! It sniffed the air again.

It could still detect the scent of its cub's blood!

Following the scent, Qilin Beast headed for the frozen river.

807 Oh, No!

The team leader was thrilled!

He was going to make a breakthrough very soon!

After that, he would be able to get out of here!

And then...

Just when he was overwhelmed with joy —

Smack!

A giant paw landed in front of him!

A shadow then blocked his field of vision!

The team leader looked up at the Qilin Beast in disbelief!

“You —”

“Have you seen my child?” the beast said in human language.

At the Qilin Beast’s level, it had enough spirituality to speak the common language that human beings used on this continent.

“N- no —” The team leader shook his head repeatedly!

“No?”

Qilin Beast smacked the team leader in the head.

“Pfft —”

The team leader was dazed by the impact and he could see stars. The next moment, he spat out a mouthful of blood.

Because he drank the Qilin blood, this parent Qilin Beast hadn’t been able to sense anything on him. It was only here to ask around, but...

It then saw the blood...

It had a scent unique to Qilin Beasts!

Qilin Beast raised a front paw and stared at the team leader in disbelief.

The team leader was stupefied...

The Qilin Beast’s face turned livid!

“You killed my child!” It stared at the team leader with a murderous look in its eyes!

The beast had its own line of thinking.

The human beings it had killed earlier were no match for its child. Therefore, those people had to have a leader.

And the leader was right here in front of it!

“How dare you! Die!!!”

Thump! Thump! Thump!

A fight broke out between the beast and the man.

Hiding in a snow pit a short distance away, Feng Wu watched the battle in trepidation.

Luckily, she had found the team leader as a scapegoat. Otherwise, she wouldn't be able to handle this Qilin Beast all by herself.

“It wasn't me! I didn't kill your child! It was Feng Wu!” In that moment of life and death, the team leader cast his work ethic aside and sold Feng Wu out without hesitation.

“Who's Feng Wu?” The Qilin Beast frowned.

“She's a teenage human girl and she's...” The team leader then described what Feng Wu looked like. He insisted, “She was the one who murdered your child! I swear!”

Thump! The Qilin Beast smacked the team leader's head again.

“A teenage human girl in a red robe?”

“Yes, that's right —

“That stupid girl did it!” The team leader went on, “She gave me the blood and she killed your child. Shall I take you to her?”

Feng Wu's stomach lurched!

Shit!

If the Qilin Beast marked her as a target, she wouldn't be able to go anywhere in the next three days!

Right at that moment!

“Fool!” Qilin Beast smashed down on the team leader's chest!

The team leader stared at the Qilin Beast in disbelief!

He had told the truth!

“That girl is a mere Level 5 Spiritual Grandmaster. How could she have killed my child?” The Qilin Beast found this human being abominable. Not only did he kill its child, he had also tried to put the blame on another person.

“You're going to die a miserable death!”

The Qilin Beast gave its verdict!

Once the team leader was dead, Feng Wu took a deep breath, then turned to leave.

However, at that moment!

“Where do you think you’re going?”

A deep voice rang out behind Feng Wu!

Feng Wu shuddered.

Seriously?

That Qilin Beast again?!

Had it found out that its cub had been...

Feng Wu bolted. However, she was only able to take a few steps before the Qilin Beast grabbed the back of her collar and picked her up like a chicken.

808 Feng Wu Is in Trouble!

Feng Wu: !!!

“A teenage human girl in a red robe,” the Qilin Beast said in an affirmative voice.

Shit! Feng Wu’s stomach lurched!

What the team leader had said worked!

The Qilin Beast had decided to kill all possible suspects without even bothering to try and verify their innocence!

Turning around, Feng Wu looked up at the Qilin Beast with an innocent look on her face.

Qilin Beast snorted. “Why aren’t you trying to run away?”

Feng Wu said innocently, “Why... should I run?”

“You had nothing to do with the death of my child?”

“No! I swear! I had nothing to do with it!” Feng Wu raised both hands to prove her innocence.

Qilin Beast snorted, then took off with Feng Wu.

“Hey, hey! Where are you taking me? Hello —” Feng Wu cried out in despair.

Meanwhile —

In front of the screen.

After making sure that there weren’t any outsiders, Grand Secretary Fang finally switched the camera back to Feng Wu.

And he blanched as soon as he saw what was happening!

Feng Wu had been picked up by a powerful Qilin Beast!

And it was between Zone 2 and Zone 1.

That was to say, this Qilin Beast was a Spiritual Elder at least!

“Xiao Wu has been captured by that thing?!” Priest Wu stared at the screen, his eyes popping out.

“That’s not good at all!”

Grand Secretary Fang agreed with Priest Wu.

Things were getting out of hand...

Back in the snowfield —

“Wh- what do you want from me?” Feng Wu stared at the Qilin Beast in trepidation.

Throwing Feng Wu on its back, the Qilin Beast dashed off at lightning speed!

There was nothing to block her on the beast’s back, so Feng Wu wanted to jump off from there. To her amazement, she was stopped by a force resembling a magnetic field, which surrounded her...

She couldn’t find any opening in it.

She had no way to escape.

In front of the screen, Grand Secretary Fang’s and Priest Wu’s faces looked very grim!

Grand Secretary Fang said, “Oh god, the Qilin Beast is taking Xiao Wu back to its nest!”

Priest Wu asked, “But why? Does it want her as its wife?”

Grand Secretary Fang wanted to smack Priest Wu on the head!

“If I’m guessing right... it needs her as a blood sacrifice,” said Grand Secretary Fang after a brief moment of silence.

“A blood sacrifice?”

“That Qilin Beast talked about a dead cub, and Qilin Beasts have a special skill.” Grand Secretary Fang stared at Priest Wu. “They can summon the soul of a dead cub and insert it into a human body, if that body is compatible with the soul.”

Priest Wu blanched. “What happens after that?”

“After that, the cub and Xiao Wu will compete over her body, but do you think the Qilin Beast will let Xiao Wu win?!” Grand Secretary Fang’s voice trembled.

“Where did you learn such things?” Priest Wu asked in bewilderment.

“Because I know a person who once provoked a Qilin Beast, who almost...” Grand Secretary Fang took a deep breath. “No, this can’t wait any longer! I’m going to court now!”

The terrain could only be reopened with Emperor Wu’s consent!

Otherwise, even Grand Secretary Fang, head of Imperial College, didn’t have the authority to change the rules.

Grand Secretary Fang went to court in a hurry.

In the imperial palace —

Feng had gone to the empress dowager to pick something up for Jun Linyuan, and he ran into Grand Secretary Fang on his way back.

He recalled that Grand Secretary Fang had mentioned some abnormal activity during the physical tryout.

Little Feng Wu was in that terrain at the moment, and His Royal Highness was all about Feng Wu's safety.

"Grand Secretary Fang?" Feng greeted the old man.

Grand Secretary Fang almost jumped when he saw Feng.

809 His Royal Highness

As His Royal Highness's closest servant, Feng had always kept his distance from other people. Why would he greet Grand Secretary Fang now?

But Grand Secretary Fang had no time for small talk at the moment.

He greeted Feng with a nod, then continued toward the imperial palace.

But Feng wouldn't let him go just like that.

"Is there a problem with the physical tryout?"

Feng asked the question in a casual tone.

Grand Secretary Fang didn't want to tell him at first, but he then realized that Feng represented Jun Linyuan, and if Jun Linyuan wanted to know something, even His Majesty wouldn't be able to keep it from him.

Grand Secretary Fang sighed in resignation. "Xiao Wu is in trouble. I need to talk to His Majesty now."

Xiao Wu?!

Feng's worst fears had just come true. It really was about little Feng Wu.

Feng rubbed his forehead as he watched Grand Secretary Fang leave in a hurry.

The crown prince's residence.

Jun Linyuan was drawing in his study.

He was an excellent painter, and this painting had a swordplay manual hidden in it. Those who were able to comprehend the painting might be able to make a breakthrough in their cultivation.

As it turned out, those paintings in World Tower really were his work!

However, at that moment, the crown prince was very grumpy!

Whoosh!

A heavy stroke turned an autumn drizzle into a destructive storm!

Such was the painting Feng saw when he entered the study.

“The mountain is filled with sword energy after an autumn rain. What a wonderful painting,” Feng said with a smile as he crossed his hands behind his back.

Jun Linyuan threw a dirty look at Feng. Then, with a wave of his hand, the painting was burnt to ashes.

“Shut up!”

Feng said, “Your Royal Highness, actually...”

“I said shut up. Are you deaf?!” Jun Linyuan was in a foul mood.

Feng rubbed his nose and wanted to add something.

Jun Linyuan glared at him. “Out!”

Feng walked out of the room in resignation.

Granny Gong rolled her eyes at Feng. “You know what His Royal Highness has been like these days. Why did you do that?”

Crossing his hands behind his back, Feng feigned an indifferent voice. “Sigh. It’s just that I heard news about little Feng Wu from Imperial College —”

In the study, Jun Linyuan’s grip tightened on the painting brush.

Granny Gong was concerned. “Miss Wu? What happened?”

“Miss Wu is in big trouble!” Feng said in a worried tone.

“What?!” Granny Gong cried out.

“Creak —”

The door opened and Jun Linyuan’s cold voice rang out. “Get your ass in here!”

Rubbing his nose, Feng gave Granny Gong a knowing look, smiled, then went into the study.

“What was all that about?” Jun Linyuan went back to his painting, as if he couldn’t care less.

Feng sighed. “It was Imperial College. Your Royal Highness, that’s not your responsibility and really, there’s nothing to talk about.”

Nothing to talk about?!

Jun Linyuan stared at Feng, then tossed the paintbrush to the side. “Spill it!”

Rubbing his nose, Feng chuckled inwardly, but still feigned a resigned look. “There was a rumor before this that a Frosty Night Beast was going to wake up in Proud Snowfield, the terrain which Imperial College chose this year.”

“I know.” Jun Linyuan frowned. “But it hasn’t yet.”

Feng nodded.

“Don’t stop there!” Jun Linyuan snapped.

Feng had said something about little Feng Wu being in trouble, and that was all Jun Linyuan cared about.

Feng went on, “I ran into Grand Secretary Fang on my way back from the imperial palace. He seemed to be in a hurry, so I asked him about it.”

810 Astonished!

“Then?” Jun Linyuan frowned at Feng.

“According to Grand Secretary Fang, little Feng Wu has been abducted by a Qilin Beast at the Spiritual Elder stage. It’s going to draw her soul out of her body and replace it with the soul of its dead cub.”

The look on Jun Linyuan’s face turned very grim.

Tossing his drawing brush aside, he headed out right away.

Just then, Feng Xun and Xuan Yi arrived.

Spotting Jun Linyuan, they grinned and were going to greet the guy when Jun Linyuan walked past them as if they weren’t there.

And he was walking way too fast!

So fast that there was a sudden gust of wind.

The wind almost threw Feng Xun and Xuan Yi off their feet!

Feng Xun was rendered speechless.

Xuan Yi’s mouth fell open.

They exchanged looks and were dumbfounded.

Seeing Feng, Feng Xun went up to the old man in a hurry and stopped him. “Feng, wait, wait —”

Feng turned around and looked at the two teenagers.

Feng Xun was at a loss. “What’s going on with Boss Jun? I never thought he could look so concerned, even if His Majesty was being forced to abdicate!”

“Mind your language!” Xuan Yi glared at Feng Xun.

“Sorry —” Feng Xun covered his mouth.

Xuan Yi looked at Feng. “What happened? I’ve never seen him act that way.”

Feng Xun nodded. “Neither have I.”

Feng said, “Something’s wrong with Imperial College’s physical tryout...”

“That makes sense!” Feng Xun interjected. “The safety of a thousand candidates is at stake, so no wonder Boss Jun... Wait, Boss Jun isn’t the type to care about any candidate...”

“Little Feng Wu...” Xuan Yi reminded him.

Feng Xun smacked his own head and cried out, “Shit! I forgot about that!”

He grabbed Xuan Yi’s arm in alarm. “My sister is one of the candidates!”

Feng Xun stopped trying to figure out why Jun Linyuan was acting strangely. All he could think of now was Feng Wu!

“Feng, is it true? Something’s wrong with the physical tryout?!” Feng Xun blanched.

Feng nodded. “I heard the news from Grand Secretary Fang.”

“Let’s go!”

Feng Xun and Xuan Yi headed for Imperial College right away.

Feng had to remind them, “Grand Secretary Fang has gone to court!”

Feng Xun and Xuan Yi, who had jumped onto the wall, abruptly changed directions and headed for the imperial palace instead.

At that moment, Grand Secretary Fang was the most reliable source of information!

In the imperial palace.

The emperor’s study.

Emperor Wu frowned. “What did you say?”

Grand Secretary Fang said in a serious tone, “Your Majesty, Feng Wu has been abducted by a Qilin Beast.”

Emperor Wu said, “What are you suggesting?”

Grand Secretary Fang didn’t answer the question, but only went on stating the facts. “That Qilin Beast is going to use Feng Wu as a blood sacrifice.”

Emperor Wu said, “If I remember correctly, Qilin Beasts are at the Spiritual Elder stage, and reside in Zone 1.”

Grand Secretary Fang said, “Yes.”

“Then how did Feng Wu get involved with a Qilin Beast?”

“I don’t know, but she has, and she’s going to be used as a blood sacrifice. That Qilin Beast is going to put the soul of its cub into her body.”

Emperor Wu rose from his seat, crossed his hands behind his back, and walked back and forth in the study.

“Are you saying that I should open up the terrain for Feng Wu alone?” Emperor Wu stared at Grand Secretary Fang in disbelief.

Grand Secretary Fang said in a serious voice, “Your Majesty, the Frosty Night Beast is very likely about to wake up. If that happens, the lives of nearly a thousand candidates will be in danger. I beseech you, Your Majesty, cancel the physical tryout. We can hold it again when the time is right.”