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Chapter 1151: Two People In Bed

Late at night, in a high-class villa area in Imperial, Ning Xueluo was walking around her living room with an annoyed and angered expression. "I've waited for a whole night and now you tell me there's been an accident?! You told me that nothing would go wrong. I don't have to teach you how to do things, do I? There're so many of you and you can't handle Zhuang Keer, a girl, and the useless Zhuang Rongguang! Is this how you handle things?"

"Brat! You assured us that Zhuang Keer would never tell anyone from the Zhuang family for the sake of her brother, and now my team is all gone. Obviously, someone from the Zhuangs assisted them! I've lost three men in this matter and now you're yelling at me?"

The voice from the other side of the phone sounded very angry.

"Anyway, it was your lack of capability that caused this! You have to settle this for me!"

"It was already a risk when you insisted on going against someone from the Zhuang family. Now that we've made them alarmed, you still want me to be involved further? We're done!" The phone call ended.

"You! Hey...hey!" Ning Xueluo threw her phone aside with a frustrated expression.

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The next morning, the sun was bright and birds were singing in the sky. Pink flower petals drifted over all the way from the mountain, leaving a light aroma of blossoms in the air.

The usually late Zhuang Rongguang actually woke up early today. He quietly drove to a famous breakfast shop in Imperial and bought breakfast for the ladies back home.

A while after Zhuang Rongguang had left, a black Maybach parked outside. Lu Tingxiao came out of the car. He went to the back seat and helped his son down.

The moment the little bun got down, he ran towards the door. He stopped as he reached the entrance. He was not tall enough to reach the password lock.

The little guy went to his father embarrassingly and opened his arms wide signaling to his father that he needed help.

Lu Tingxiao just looked at his son questioningly. He crossed his arms and did nothing. His intention was obvious.

Call me "Father".

The smart little bun, of course, understood. He pouted and his eyes screamed with anger.

The little guy suddenly took out a small black controller. After clicking on it a few times, the door was opened from the inside.

"Welcome back, the cutest and Mommy's favorite Little Master!" The robot Steamed Bun greeted.

The little bun patted its head, then glanced at his father cheekily.

Lu Tingxiao smiled, his eyes doting on his son. It surely was troublesome to have a smart child, but it was his genes in the little guy after all.

As the door opened, the little bun quickly ran in.

Lu Tingxiao saw his son carefully opened his mother's bedroom door, but oddly, instead of going in, he stood there hesitantly...

What happened?

Lu Tingxiao went over and took a look.

He then saw two lumps of figures on Ning Xi's bed. There were two people in bed...

Chapter 1152: Damn It! Listen To Me My Dear Wife...

Ning Xi slept soundly with Zhuang Keer beside her in Ning Xi's pajamas. She was cuddling with Ning Xi...

Lu Tingxiao's expression turned dark instantly.

She had gone out for work till late at night. Not only did she not see him, she had slept with another woman?!

Probably due to the strong aura of hatred emanating from Lu Tingxiao, Zhuang Keer woke up. She saw Lu Tingxiao by the door and was shocked. "Ah..."

Ning Xi woke up as well. The moment she saw Lu Tingxiao, her expression changed. She sat up and said, "Damn it! Listen to me, my dear wife..."

Lu Tingxiao was speechless.

Ning Xi felt that something was off about what she just said...

She was dazed!

It was all Zhuang Rongguang's fault! He kept calling her a man and a bro. She almost thought she was really a man!

Ning Xi cleared her throat and returned to her usual self. "Boss, why are you here? Ah, my little bun is here too! Wait for me outside, I'll be there soon!"

The little bun nodded obediently and went to the living room.

Lu Tingxiao pinched the space between his eyebrows. "I'll leave you guys to change first."

He then slowly closed the door.

As Ning Xi was picking out clothes for herself and Zhuang Keer, she saw Zhuang Keer not looking very happy, so she asked nervously, "Keer, what's wrong?"

Zhuang Keer looked at Ning Xi and mumbled, "For some reason, I think Lu Tingxiao hates me!"

Ning Xi's mouth twitched. "Just ignore him. As long as I like you!"

"Mmm." Zhuang Keer nodded with a smile.

While Ning Xi acted tough on the outside, her heart was throbbing fast. Apparently, the devil was being jealous again...

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After Ning Xi finished changing, she went to the living room. The little bun went up to her quickly.

Ning Xi held him up happily and kissed his soft little cheeks. "My little bun! I really missed you! Give me a kiss!"

She glanced at the cold Lu Tingxiao on the sofa. After she was done with the little bun, she slowly went up to Lu Tingxiao. She kissed the man's lips and in a volume that little bun could not hear, she said, "Of course, I miss my sweetheart even more..."

Lu Tingxiao's expression was still pretty gloomy but he felt much better listening to the girl's sweet words.

Still, he did not forget about the important issue at hand. "If I'm not mistaken, it was already midnight when you reached Imperial last night."

It did not make sense that Zhuang Keer would appear here at that time.

At the same time, Lu Tingxiao's eyes landed on the sofa on the opposite. There were obvious traces that someone had slept on it.

The doorbell rang just then.

Could it be Zhuang Rongguang?

Ning Xi went up and opened the door. Just as she thought, it was Zhuang Rongguang.

"Sis! Sis Xi! I bought you both breakfast!"

Ning Xi scratched her head, then reported what happened to Lu Tingxiao like a primary school kid reporting her homework to the homeroom teacher. "Actually, Zhuang Rongguang was in trouble and angered Chief Zhuang again, so Keer brought him over here just for the night..."

Chapter 1153: Rumored Fear Of Wife?

As Zhuang Rongguang heard her, he went along with her. He then looked at Lu Tingxiao nervously. "Pardon my intrusion, Brother-in-law Xi."

Lu Tingxiao's expression obviously softened when he heard how Zhuang Rongguang addressed him.

Ning Xi let out a sigh of relief when the emergency was settled. She subtly signaled a "good job" sign to Zhuang Rongguang.

Zhuang Rongguang's expression was indescribable...

After knowing her for so long, she had always acted arrogantly. This was the first time seeing her so afraid of someone.

So, was this the rumored...fear of wife?

Zhuang Rongguang had a lot of plastic bags in his hands. He bought a wide variety of breakfast, more than enough for the five of them to eat.

"Sis, have some buns! I bought your favorite crab meat bun from Restaurant Yi Xing! You can't get them even if you went and queued up for it. Luckily, the owner recognized me and reserved a box for me!" Zhuang Rongguang then passed Zhuang Keer a colorful little box.

He then went up to Ning Xi. "Sis Xi, I'm not sure about what you like to eat, so I bought some of everything. Just eat whatever you like! I bought these from the famous shops in the city!"

Zhuang Rongguang was really familiar with these sort of things. These were popular items from the renowned restaurants in Imperial and you would not be able to get them if you did not go early enough to queue up for it.

"Thank you!" Ning Xi gave the little bun his favorite shrimp bun, then fed the devil beside her a slice of fried pancake. "Boss, you've probably never tried this before! Take a bite, it's really delicious!"

She was feeding him personally. Seeing how the girl was treating him, the devil was happy now, so he took a bite.

"How's it? Good?" Ning Xi asked.

"Brother-in-law Xi, while it's really cheap, that's the best fried pancake in town!"

"Not bad." He did not care where was it from. It tasted good because his wife was feeding him.

While they were having breakfast, Zhuang Rongguang could not take his eyes off Lu Tingxiao. He felt more respectful towards Lu Tingxiao as compared to Ning Xi. He had heard about Lu Tingxiao from before. When he realized that his family might arrange his sister to get married to him, he simply thought that Lu Tingxiao was just a richer businessman.

His perspective was totally changed now. To be able to tame Sis Xi and make her act like a real woman meant he could not be just an ordinary person!

He was really curious... How did he do that?

After breakfast, the siblings prepared to leave as they knew Ning Xi had just returned from work outstation, so they did not want to bother their family time.

Before they left, Zhuang Rongguang went up to Lu Tingxiao when Ning Xi was talking to Zhuang Keer. He asked the question he was pondering about over breakfast, "Well...Brother-in-law Xi...can I ask you something?"

"Sure."

"I'm just a little curious. You...how did you manage to handle Sis Xi?" Zhuang Rongguang was like a student awaiting enlightenment.

Lu Tingxiao glanced at the young man as he gave the question some thought.

Zhuang Rongguang waited for his reply patiently.

Lu Tingxiao replied after a while, "With my beauty."

Zhuang Rongguang was speechless.

Chapter 1154: Overnight Growth

At the Zhuang residence, after Zhuang Keer and Zhuang Rongguang reached home, Zhuang Rongguang spent some time and effort to find his long-lost school bag.

All the textbooks inside were almost brand new. There was even a new English dictionary and an electronic dictionary. The stationery was well prepared. It was all thanks to Zhuang Keer...

Zhuang Rongguang swept the dust off the bag, then took out a new set of uniform which he had never worn before from his messy wardrobe. On the school badge was "Hong Wen High School". After he found his uniform and bag, Zhuang Rongguang took a shaver. He went into the toilet and trimmed his most treasured hair, letting it fall into the flat hairstyle that he hated the most.

He wiped off the bits and pieces of hair on his neck. Zhuang Rongguang stared into the mirror and looked at himself for a long time, his eyes tearing up. He took a deep breath and forced his tears back in. Then, he went back to his bedroom, put on his uniform and picked up his school bag.

Zhuang Rongguang closed his bedroom door and left his bedroom.

As he passed by Zhuang Keer's room, he stopped. He looked at the weak-looking yet always protective sister and called her, "Sis..."

Zhuang Keer was folding the laundry in her room. She turned around as she heard someone calling her. To her amazement, she whispered when she saw who was at the door, "You...Rongguang..."

The young man stood up straight. He had put on his blue school uniform and slung his bag over his shoulder. His clean, short hair made him look freshened up. The light in his eyes especially made him look like the rising sun...

This...was her brother...?

Although he was still the same person, he also felt like totally different...

She had never seen him like this...

Zhuang Keer almost could not recognize him. She did not know how to react.

Zhuang Rongguang greeted his sister, "Sis, I'll be going to school now."

Zhuang Keer returned to her senses. She just replied instinctively, "Oh, okay...it's still early now, be careful on the road!"

"Mmm, okay." Zhuang Rongguang nodded. He looked at Zhuang Keer and seemed like he wanted to say something, but in the end, he just left.

Sis Xi said it. A man should walk the walk, and not just talk.

Zhuang Keer still felt surreal. She quickly went to the balcony to look out. She had really seen her brother walk out in his uniform with his school bag. Her eyes welled up...

The 18-year-old young man seemed to have grown up overnight...

At Hong Wen High School in Imperial, Zhuang Rongguang was actually pretty handsome, but his old look was intimidating and he always looked for trouble everywhere, thus no one liked to be near him.

With his new short haircut, Zhuang Rongguang went to school. He walked past the green blinds with his hands in his pockets. He attracted a lot of attention on the road, especially from the high school girls, who were all discussing him...

"Wow! Who's that guy? He looks so cool!"

"I don't know! I've never seen him before! How can I not know about such a hot guy in our school?!"

"Ugh, why does he look a little like Zhuang Rongguang?"

"Zhuang Rongguang? You mean that troublemaker... Are you kidding me?"

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More and more people talked about him. Finally, a girl was impatient. "This is stupid, we'll know the moment we call his name!"

She then raised her voice and yelled, "Hey, Zhuang Rongguang! Zhuang Rongguang!"

Zhuang Rongguang turned around as he heard someone call out his name. "What?"

Chapter 1155: Get Lost!

The students' jaws fell when they heard his reply.

"Wow! That's really Zhuang Rongguang! Did he go for plastic surgery?"

"Can plastic surgery fix his brain as well?"

"Hahaha, who knows? Maybe it can even cure his stupidity..."

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Everyone roared with laughter. With Zhuang Rongguang's former attitude, he would have already punched the person in the face, but because of his near-death experience last night, he felt his former self had been so childish that he almost wanted to give himself a tight slap in the face.

They were right. He had been pretty stupid before.

Zhuang Rongguang just stayed quiet when people laughed at him. He turned around and walked to class to everyone's surprise.

"What's happening? Did he eat something wrong?"

"Maybe he argued with his family!"

"That's not something new. He's just a useless guy!"

"I think he was probably triggered by something..."

"No point guessing. Isn't it good that we have another handsome guy in our school? I'll leave handsome Zhang to you. I'm on my way to the new target!"

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The whole day of classes took a toll on Zhuang Rongguang.

Because he never really paid attention in class, he had no idea what was happening. It was like he was listening to some foreign language and he felt like he was being tortured.

Finally, school ended. The young man looked a little disappointed, but he was not about to give up yet...

By the school entrance, there were two people with weird clothes and odd hairstyles. They had cigarettes between their fingers and were puffing while looking at the students walk out...

One of them whipped out his phone and made a call. "Hey, Xiao Guang, where are you? Why's your phone switched off all the time?!"

"Opposite you." Zhuang Rongguang looked at his former best friends right outside the school entrance.

Sun Bin looked around to see a guy with a phone by his ear and his cigarette dropped out of his mouth. "You...Xiao Guang?"

Zhuang Rongguang ended the call and walked up to them. "What's up?"

Sun Bin and Liang Haoqiang looked at each other in disbelief.

"Xiao Guang, are you alright?"

Zhuang Rongguang looked at the time on his phone impatiently. "If you have something to tell me then just say it or else, I'm going home."

"Hey, Xiao Guang, are you angry about what happened last night? We really couldn't do anything. Where could we have gotten so much money?! By the way, how did you get out of it? Did your sister bring the money over?" Sun Bin asked.

"Did you ask more from your sister? Let's go and win some back! You must be able to do it. You have good luck!" Liang Haoqiang was excited.

Last night, when he was abandoned by the both of them, he thought countless times that he would bash them up the moment he saw them, but now, he felt that he did not want to waste any time and effort on them.

If he had really been betrayed by his brothers, he might really get angry, but the two of them...were they even his friends?

"Get lost!" Zhuang Rongguang spun on his heel and left.

Chapter 1156: Who Did It?

At the Zhuang residence.

Recently, a few of Zhuang Liaoyuan's old friends came to Imperial for work. Since it was such a rare opportunity, Zhuang Liaoyuan invited them to his house.

Zhuang Keer served the guests, then ordered the servants to prepare dinner.

A middle-aged man with a three-star rank greeted warmly, "How's the old chief?"

"My father's recovering in the military caretaking center recently. He's still going strong!" Zhuang Liaoyuan replied as he served them tea.

"Is your wife not back yet?"

"I've already requested to the higher-ups, but I guess I won't get an easy approval."

"Fortunately, you still have Keer with you. She's become even more beautiful after a few years. Who knows which kid will be lucky enough to be with her in a few years!?"

"I bet Liaoyuan won't let her daughter get married so easily..."

"Hahaha..."

Zhuang Liaoyuan was very proud of his daughter. His wife worked as a military scientist and her job required a high level of secrecy, so she stayed in the laboratory mostly and gave almost all of her time to her career and country. He, on the other hand, spent most of his time in the army and Keer handled most of the things at home.

"Oh, how's Rongguang?" One of them asked.

The moment he said it, the others looked at him nervously and shook their heads. His son was a taboo topic!

That person forgot about it and felt a little awkward, but he could not take his words back now...

Zhuang Liaoyuan felt a little bitter looking at his comrade's awkward expression. He did not really care about keeping up his reputation anymore because it had all been ruined by Zhuang Rongguang.

Even he had already given up even with his strong personality...

"Rongguang, he's still like his old self!" Zhuang Liaoyuan replied.

What a helpless remark.

"Right, I have big news this year. Do you guys still remember the three drug lords who escaped four years back? Mr. K, Poison Eye, and Dragon Head..." One of them changed the topic.

"Yeah! What about them?" This topic caught everyone's attention.

"All of them were caught! Mr. K is injured severely. His face is nearly destroyed. Dragon Head was killed with a gunshot to his head. Poison Eye is slightly better, he just had a concussion... They're all in prison now!"

"Really?"

Zhuang Liaoyuan was really interested. "Who did it?"

"The person wasn't found. The crime scene was at a relatively remote area. No witnesses, no security cameras. We asked a few of their henchmen, but they said they drank too much and fought among themselves! Even Mr. K and Poison Eye said so although the evidence didn't show otherwise...but I feel that something isn't right..."

"Who cares!? No matter whether they fight within themselves or someone else did it, it's a good thing! It's because of the three of them that we lost two good comrades!"

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As Zhuang Liaoyuan chatted happily in the living room, there was a familiar voice from behind him. "I'm back!"

"Is Rongguang back?" Everyone looked towards the entrance.

Chapter 1157: Did He Lose His Mind?

Did he come back this early?

Zhuang Liaoyuan was suspicious. That brat always came back late and was not home recently. Normally, he would have returned even later than usual.

He turned around and was about to nag him "you still know this is your home, huh?", but the words could not come out...

The boy entered in his school uniform and his school bag. With a cleanly cropped haircut, he looked exactly like a healthy high school boy.

Was this...his son?

Not only Zhuang Liaoyuan, his comrades were shocked as well. The last time they saw him, he had hair longer than a girl's and always wore striking-colored outfits like a disco ball.

This young man in front of them was way too different from what they remembered!

"Uncle Zhang, Uncle Ling, Uncle Zheng..." Zhuang Rongguang greeted the guests.

They returned to their senses.

"It's really Rongguang! I almost couldn't recognize him!"

"Me too!"

"Liaoyuan, what do you mean like his old self? He looks totally different!"

"He's really grown up! Like father, like son!"

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While Zhuang Liaoyuan had a lot of questions, it was not the time to ask, so he just casually commented, "Stop praising him just because he looks like a human being now!"

At dinner, Zhuang Rongguang acted obediently the whole time. He used to hate dinner like these with many older people around. He would usually eat very little and quickly retreat to his room. However, this time he actually finished the entire meal and sent the guests to the door after dinner.

After the guests left and before Zhuang Liaoyuan could ask anything, the young man went up to his father. "Father, I need your help for something!"

Zhuang Liaoyuan raised his eyebrows. So, he was up to something!

He acted obediently because he needed something? But he really invested a lot this time. He had even cut his most precious hair!

Zhuang Liaoyuan's expression darkened a little. He decided that if Zhuang Rongguang mentioned anything about "going on an adventure", he would disown him and let him be!

"Say, what is it?" Zhuang Liaoyuan said coldly in the study room.

The young man stood in front of his father. He glanced at his father's silver-streaked hair nervously before taking a deep breath. "Father, I'd like you to hire a tutor for me, or send me to a tuition class. My exams are in a few months' time. I know with my grades now, it's impossible to get into any university. Forcing me into a university will be a waste of time as well, so I'd like to join the army first, then I'll study while training. Next year, I'll go to military school."

Zhuang Liaoyuan was stunned when he heard the first sentence and was dumbfounded when Zhuang Rongguang finished...

Zhuang Liaoyuan tried to organize his thoughts. He asked, "What did you say just now? You want to join the army and go to military school? You want me to...hire you a tutor? Tuition classes?"

Did he lose his mind?

Chapter 1158: I Deserve It

"Yes!" The young man replied in a determined tone. His expression did not look like he was joking.

"Why do you suddenly have this thought? How can I believe that you're not just acting at the spur of the moment or...is this just a bad joke?" Zhuang Liaoyuan's expression looked serious.

The young man clenched his teeth. "Father, I'm serious about it. As for why, you know that I've never really had any huge ambitions. I just don't want people around me to worry about me. I also hope that I can protect the people I love if anything happens. I want to be someone you can rely on, and not just someone to be protected."

Zhuang Liaoyuan was truly surprised by his son's words.

If Zhuang Rongguang said something like "I want to protect my country and make my family proud", he would never believe it.

But yet he had uttered these.

As Zhuang Liaoyuan was thinking it through, Zhuang Rongguang took out a scary long whip and gave it to his father. "Father, I actually wanted to follow sister's advice and hide it from you, but I can't just let it be."

The young man's body trembled as he remembered what happened last night. "Last night, I tried to get money on my own to leave the house, so I listened to Sun Bin and Liang Haoqiang. I went to the casino and was cheated. I lost five million dollars."

"What did you say!?" Zhuang Liaoyuan smacked the table furiously as his expression changed.

Zhuang Rongguang put the whip on the table and continued, "They aren't local and there were a lot of them. I was actually expecting Sun Bin and Liang Haoqiang to come back with the money to save me but in the end, they abandoned me..."

"Expecting the two of them to save you..." Zhuang Liaoyuan's expression darkened. "How can my son be so stupid?"

"I did something even more stupid afterwards." Zhuang Rongguang's voice went hoarse. "I dared not call home. Without any more ideas, I called Sis..."

"You bastard!" Zhuang Liaoyuan threw his teacup away as uneasy thoughts suddenly floated in his mind. He freaked out. "What happened to your sister last night?! Tell me!"

If something had not happened to Keer, there was no way he would change so drastically all of a sudden!

With his experience, he could easily imagine what had happened last night. The moment he thought about what Keer might have gone through, his mind went haywire...

"Sis brought the money over but they did not fulfill their promise. They wanted her...to stay with them for the night..."

In the next moment, Zhuang Liaoyuan whipped the young man harshly. Zhuang Rongguang fell to the floor.

The door was opened from outside. Zhuang Keer rushed in and stopped her father from hitting Zhuang Rongguang. "Rongguang! Didn't I tell you not to tell Father!? What happened to you!?"

Zhuang Rongguang's face went pale from the pain. "Sis...I don't want to hide behind you anymore...I'll be responsible...I deserve it..."

Chapter 1159: Become Someone Like Sis Xi

"Keer! Go away! I'll surely kill this bastard today!" Zhuang Liaoyuan was totally blinded by his rage. "I shouldn't have let you go the last time! And now you made your sister..."

Why did he not kill this bastard last time!? Why!? Zhuang Liaoyuan drowned in his feelings of guilt. He blamed himself for how useless he was!

If his wife came back, how could he be responsible for this? And his father...

He wanted to kill himself right away!

Zhuang Keer yelled loudly as she realized her father had gone berserk. "Father! I'm alright! I'm okay! Nothing happened last night!"

Zhung Liaoyuan did not believe her. With his eyes wide, he roared, "How could nothing have happened!? Why would he kneel in front of me now!? Go away, Keer!"

"I'm telling the truth, Father! It's true that I was almost violated by the bad guys last night, but then Xiao Xi came and saved both of us! We stayed for the night at Xiao Xi's place last night and only came back this morning! You can ask Xiao Xi if you don't believe me!"

"Xiao Xi...?" Zhuang Liaoyuan was shocked.

"Yes! Father, the three druglords you discussed with your friends today was probably the three from last night! Xiao Xi killed one of them with a gun she took from them and another one passed out from fighting. As for the last one, his face was almost destroyed because when Xiao Xi reached the scene, she saw he was bullying me, so she beat him up really badly... It should be the three of them in the news..." Zhuang Keer explained to him as fast as possible.

Zhuang Liaoyuan's uncontrollable anger cooled off a little. "What you just said...is it true?"

"Yes! Father, if something really happened to me last night, would I still be here today?" Zhuang Keer explained logically.

Zhuang Liaoyuan's tensed up expression softened a little as he finally believed his daughter.

Zhuang Keer then told his father about what happened last night in detail. She then asked worriedly, "Father, will anything happen to Xiao Xi? She killed a person after all! I'm really worried that she might be charged!"

Zhuang Liaoyuan replied coldly, "What can happen? Even if something were to happen to her, I will ensure her safety!"

Zhuang Keer felt assured now. Xiao Xi would definitely be safe since her father gave her his word.

Now, Zhuang Liaoyuan understood why the gang had lied and said they drank too much and fought among themselves. They wanted to save their face and not admit that a little girl had defeated them!

As for the henchmen, they had probably gone along with the lie after they saw how powerful Ning Xi was last night.

"Get up! You should be grateful that your sister is okay. If not, I'd have killed you no matter how regretful you feel!" Zhuang Liaoyuan said coldly.

Zhuang Rongguang covered his bleeding shoulder. With Zhuang Keer's help, he stood up slowly.

"So, this is why you suddenly changed?" Zhuang Liaoyuan asked.

Zhuang Rongguang nodded. "I want to be someone like Sis Xi..."

"If you become a hundredth of her, I would be extremely grateful!" Zhuang Liaoyuan sneered at him.

Chapter 1160: What Had She Been Through

"Now, I owe that girl another one again..." Zhuang Liaoyuan sighed.

Zhuang Keer was really grateful for Ning Xi. It was the first time she met someone like Ning Xi. If someone treated her just a little nicer, Zhuang Keer would do anything to repay them.

Zhuang Liaoyuan studied his son. "I'll make arrangements for what you mentioned just now as long as you're determined to change! Also, it's Saturday tomorrow, so spend some time with your grandfather at the care center. Let him worry less about you! As for what happened last night, you can tell him about it, but don't tell him like how you broke it to me. I almost killed you instantly. You know your grandfather has a heart condition!"

"I understand, I know what to say!"

"Okay, go and take care of your wound!"

"Mmm."

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At midnight, Zhuang Liaoyuan stood beside the window. He gazed outside with a complicated expression.

Let's hope that the child will really grow up this time...

Many people mature after experiencing some life-changing events. As for Ning Xi...for her to be where she is now, what has she gone through?

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The next day, at History's main office in Imperial, Ning Xueluo did not look very happy. David and several other core members were also present.

Besides the Zhuang family drama being ruined, History was also not doing well.

The quality of their latest product was especially far weaker than before. Even though the design department would release new designs from time to time, it was getting worse. Spirit and the fashion media would pressure them.

David was the most uneasy one among everyone present. As the head of the design department, of course, he understood the main issue lay with him. If History had no more high-quality designs, Spirit would overtake them soon enough.

"Is there anything you'd like to say?"

Ning Xueluo suddenly turned around and looked at David.

"Boss...actually..."

As David was about to come up with an explanation, Ning Xueluo interrupted him, "I don't need your explanation, I just want results." Ning Xueluo's sounded indifferent. "Spirit's recent designs are becoming more and more popular. They're taking a really huge hit at History. Spirit's business is growing bigger and bigger. What is the design department doing!?"

"That's right. In the end, the one that put us up at the top spot is the design department...and all these responsibilities should fall under you, David, since you're the design director," one of the members said.

David glared at that person, then turned towards Ning Xueluo as he was freaking out.

"Did you find the person I asked you to?" Ning Xueluo asked.

David knew who Ning Xueluo was talking about. It was the genius from Italy, Han Xiao.

However, putting Han Xiao and fashion design together was odd, and people had already forgotten about him long ago. Who knew if he was still as good as before? Moreover, David did not want to be near that crazy guy, so he had not really paid much attention to it when Ning Xueluo mentioned it previously.

Of course, most importantly, he was worried that his position would be affected.

To look for a designer that was surely better than him, and with such a troublesome character spelt trouble for him!