

## Little Brat's 381

### Chapter 381: This is My Girlfriend's Seat

Su Yuan was stunned.

Of course, she had known that Ning Li had gotten first place and had even scored full marks.

This was definitely something to be proud of.

If it had been any other family, they would have been excited and happy for their child to get such a score.

However, it had to be the Ye family.

It had to be at the same time that something happened to Ye Ci!

Su Yuan had been so distracted by the scandal of Ye Ci's cheating and the leaked questions in the past two days. How could she have had time to think about Ning Li?

She opened her mouth, but no matter how hard she tried, she could not say the words.

Ning Li's future was bright, but Ye Ci's had been completely destroyed.

Her efforts and training over the past ten years seemed to have become a joke.

The more outstanding Ning Li was, the more ironic the joke became.

She felt as if a fishbone was stuck in her throat.

“It seems that this matter is quite difficult for you.”

Ning Li smiled, shrugged, and took a step back.

Su Yuan looked at her smile and suddenly felt as if something was tugging at the bottom of her heart.

She spoke in confusion.

“No, no... You know that these past two days, Lil Ci...”

Ning Li replied with an extremely soft “Hmm”, her expression indifferent.

Suddenly, Lu Huaiyu shouted, “Ah Li, let’s go.”

Ning Li turned around.

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When she arrived at the door of the room, Ning Li swiped her card and pushed the door open.

She had never stayed here. After she had brought her luggage over, it had been placed there the whole time.

This time, she had not brought many things to the Capital, so there was not much for her to pack up.

Lu Huaiyu helped her carry her luggage.

Zhou Fei called and said that he was waiting for them in the hotel lobby.

Ning Li and Lu Huaiyu went downstairs.

Zhou Fei walked over as soon as he saw them.

He seemed to be in a hurry. He was probably still busy with the investigation.

“The certificates and trophies will be sent to the school later. You don’t have to worry about that. “Also, Pei Song is on the same flight as you, but he went back to his home in the Capital yesterday. You can meet him at the airport terminal later and go back together.”

Ning Li nodded and asked again, “Teacher Zhou, about the leak... How’s the investigation going?”

Zhou Fei pinched the area between his eyebrows.

“There’s been no progress so far.”

Ye Ci refused to admit it, so they could only start with the evidence.

The only fingerprints on the cheat sheet had been the invigilator’s, and the paper and ink used for the microprinting were the most common types in the copy shop. They had not been able to find any useful clues at all.

The key was still Ye Ci’s cell phone and computer.

Of course, the relevant personnel were also conducting investigations. As long as they could find the person who had leaked the questions, the matter would naturally be solved.

“You don’t have to worry about this. Go back and rest well.”

Ning Li had not signed any university contract so she still had to take the college entrance exam. After that, she would have to return to school as usual.

Ning Li nodded and said goodbye to him.

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An hour later, the car arrived at the Capital Airport.

There was another car parked in front of them, and a familiar figure got out of it.

It was Pei Song.

Ning Li also got out of the car.

Pei Song seemed to sense something and looked over.

Ning Li greeted him.

“Class Monitor.”

“Ning Li.”

As Pei Song spoke, his gaze fell on the man behind her.

Lu Huaiyu took down Ning Li’s suitcase from the trunk.

Ning Li made a gesture to receive it, but Lu Huaiyu did not let go.

“Let’s go.”

Ning Li was stunned.

“Second Brother, it’s fine to just drop me off here. I’ll go in by myself—”

Fang Qingyun shout out to the two of them.

“Second Master, Ah Li, have a safe journey!”

Lu Huaiyu nodded.

“Goodbye, Uncle Fang.”

Fang Qingyun chuckled, started the car, and left.

The Black Panamera quickly disappeared from their sight.

Ning Li, “...”

Lu Huaiyu raised his eyebrows.

“Oh, I forgot to tell you. I’m going back to Yunzhou as well.”

Ning Li’s eyes widened slightly.

He was going back too? But, why had he not mentioned it before!?

He had not brought anything with him either!

“Didn’t Zhou Fei say that he wanted me to send you back?”

As Lu Huaiyu spoke, he raised his chin.

“Let’s go.”

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After they had checked-in, Ning Li realized that Lu Huaiyu was in first class.

During this period of time, the universities had already started their classes one after another, and the seat availability had been scarce.

The university had booked her and Pei Song’s tickets at the same time, but their seats were also separated.

Only the last first-class ticket had been left, and Lu Huaiyu had bought it.

When they reached the boarding gate, Lu Huaiyu looked at his watch. There was still some time before boarding.

“Would you like something to drink?”

Ning Li shook her head.

Lu Huaiyu sat down next to her.

Many people around were looking over.

They could vaguely hear a few women discussing excitedly.

Ning Li sighed silently.

Lu Huaiyu really was too eye-catching.

This man was born with an unsullied appearance, and his entire body exuded an indolent and noble aura.

Even if he did not do anything, just by relying on his face, he could easily turn people upside down.

Lu Huaiyu had only sat here for a while, yet many people had quietly appeared around him.

Most of them were women.

However, perhaps it was because he looked too aloof, noble, and unapproachable, they only dared to watch from afar.

Ning Li said in a low voice, "Second Brother, I'm going to the restroom."

Lu Huaiyu nodded.

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"Oh my God! Did you see that man just now? He's so handsome!"

Ning Li was washing her hands when she heard a voice that could not hide her excitement.

A few women walked in together.

“I saw him! Ahhh! Oh my god, what kind of luck is this today?”

“I swear he’s the most handsome person I’ve ever seen! There’s no one else like him!”

“He looks so young! Is he some kind of celebrity?”

“That can’t be right? If he was a celebrity, his face would have been extremely well-known already, right? Besides, looking at his temperament, he’s definitely a noble young master!”

“That’s right. If he doesn’t wear a watch on his wrist, it’ll be seven digits. If he wears a watch, add another zero after it.”

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The others gasped.

After a while, someone clicked her tongue.

“So what if he’s in the eight digits? For a man of this level, isn’t he the most valuable? His face, his legs, his hands... Tsk, he’s amazing!”

Ning Li dried her hands and walked out.

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After taking a few steps, she looked up and saw a woman standing in front of Lu Huaiyu as she talked to him.



Although she could only see her back, it was not difficult to tell that she was a beauty.

She was wearing a light brown coat, revealing her slender calves. Her long chestnut-colored hair fell over her shoulders, and she was carrying a brand new G&S bag.

She was a noble beauty.

She pointed to the seat beside Lu Huaiyu and spoke in a sweet and soft voice.

“Little brother, is it convenient for me to sit here?”

Lu Huaiyu and said lazily, “It’s not convenient.”

The beauty had not expected Lu Huaiyu to reject her so straightforwardly. She was stunned for a moment.

She was beautiful, with a good background. Whenever she made such a request to a man, she was almost never rejected.

“But, I don’t think there’s anyone here...”

The beauty was unwilling to give up. Her voice softened a little, with a hint of coquettishness.

Originally, Lu Huaiyu would be too lazy to bother with her. Suddenly, he noticed something and looked behind her.

Ning Li was standing in the distance, looking over.

Lu Huaiyu raised his eyebrows slightly and leaned lazily on the back of the chair. He tilted his head slightly and said with a low smile, "This is my girlfriend's seat."

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"Thus, it's not convenient."

### Chapter 382: Blatantly Liking

When Ning Li walked over, she saw the noble beauty turn around and leave, her face unable to hide her disappointment.

Lu Huaiyu's expression was the same as usual, as if he had not been affected in any way.

It was true that this kind of thing was extremely common for Lu Huaiyu.

She came to the seat beside Lu Huaiyu and just as she sat down, she felt a gaze fall on her.

She turned around and saw the beauty who had been trying to strike up a conversation with Lu Huaiyu looking in her direction.

By now, she had already walked to another boarding gate.

She was obviously not on the same flight as Ning Li, but she had come here for Lu Huaiyu.

They were a little far from each other, so Ning Li could not see her expression clearly. She saw her stomp her foot, clutch her bag tightly, and turn around to leave.

Ning Li was baffled.

This... Why was she staring at her?

She looked at Lu Huaiyu.

“Second Brother, what did you say to her just now?”

Earlier, she had been standing far away, and the beauty had been standing in front of Lu Huaiyu, blocking most of her view.

She had not heard what the two of them had been talking about.

Lu Huaiyu smiled.

“What do you think it was?”

Ning Li could guess it without even thinking. It had been nothing more than a rejection.

The Second Master of the Lu family, the flower of the highest mountains, was sought after by countless socialites in the Capital.

Over the years, the number of women that Lu Huaiyu had rejected was probably countless.

She was not really interested in knowing about it.

She kicked the ground with her heel and said nonchalantly, “I guess someone was eyeing my seat?”

She had seen the beauty point at her seat just now and could guess what she had been talking about.

Lu Huaiyu laughed.

“Don’t worry, it’s yours. No one could take it.”

The announcement to board the plane sounded.

Ning Li went to get her suitcase.

Lu Huaiyu was in first class, not with them.

However, just as her hand landed on the suitcase, Lu Huaiyu stood up and pulled it over again.

His warm and powerful hand landed on the side of her hand, touching it slightly.

Ning Li was stunned. Then, she heard Lu Huaiyu say, “I’ll accompany you there first.”

She kept feeling the heat from his hand.

Ning Li let go of his hand. Her gaze subconsciously swept across his hand before quickly moving away.

“Okay.”

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Pei Song seemed to be on the phone with his family. He only came over after the boarding announcement had been made.

When he turned around and saw Lu Huaiyu accompanying Ning Li, his expression was indifferent and calm. He quickly retracted his gaze and checked in.

Ning Li and Lu Huaiyu followed.

“...42A...”

Ning Li took the boarding pass and came to her seat.

Looking up, she noticed that Pei Song was to the left in front of her, with an aisle between.

Lu Huaiyu opened the luggage compartment and helped her put the luggage in.

He was so tall that it was a piece of cake for him.

Ning Li turned around.

Lu Huaiyu was not wearing a jacket. When he raised his arms to place the luggage, his thin shirt outlined his slender but strong waist.

Further up, one could vaguely see the pale blue veins on the back of his hand, as well as the sharp and smooth line of his jaw.

Ning Li suddenly remembered what she had heard in the bathroom earlier.

—for a man of this level, isn't he the most valuable? That face, those legs, those hands... ! Tsk, he's amazing!

She held her breath slightly, retracted her gaze, took a step inside, and sat down at her seat.

She raised her head and said to Lu Huaiyu, “Second Brother, you can go back now.”

Lu Huaiyu glanced at her. Before he could say anything, the people behind him were urging him to go inside.

Lu Huaiyu simply sat down on the seat next to Ning Li and waited for them to pass.

After a while, everyone had sat down. A middle-aged man walked over.

He looked at his boarding pass and then looked at Lu Huaiyu.

“Sir, you seem to be sitting in the wrong seat?”

Lu Huaiyu took out his boarding pass and smiled faintly.

“I know. But I have to accompany the child, so please change seats with me.”

The middle-aged man saw that he was in first class, so he immediately agreed.

Ning Li was stunned.

“Second Brother, there was no need for that.”

The flight was only two hours long, not to mention that they were on the same flight.

Exchanging first class for economy class was really quite a loss.

Lu Huaiyu turned to look at her.

“Do you want to sleep for a while?”

It seemed that he really did not care about this matter.

Seeing him like this, Ning Li knew that she would not be able to persuade him anymore, so she simply did not bring it up again.

“Let’s wait for a while.”

She fastened her seatbelt, adjusted the back of her seat, and turned her head to look out of the window.

The side profile of the man beside her could be vaguely seen reflected from the porthole.

She looked at him quietly for a while.

He was very tall. Sitting here, the seat looked a little cramped.

Second Master Lu had always been noble and proud, and he always had the best in food and clothes.

However, he was sitting next to her now. On his handsome face, his expression was the same as usual, as if he did not feel anything.

A child...

Ning Li let out a gentle breath.

Lu Huaiyu had not married in his previous life, so naturally, he did not have children.

His family did not seem to have any descendants or nephews that were close to him.

So, she did not know what kind of behavior Lu Huaiyu would have if he really had children?

Would he go to such great lengths?

Would they use a first-class ticket to exchange for an economy class ticket and accompany them home?

Yes...

She closed her eyes and suppressed the surging thoughts in her heart.

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The plane took off.

Ning Li leaned her head against the back of the chair.

She was not sleepy at first, but probably due to the cool cedar smell, she started to feel at ease.

She had indeed fallen asleep at some point in time.

Lu Huaiyu was casually flipping through a magazine when he suddenly felt a weight on his shoulder.

He turned his head and saw Ning Li's head resting on his shoulder as she slept.

He put down the magazine and held her head with one hand while crossing her with the other. He bent over slightly and closed the sunshade.

After doing all this, he felt a gaze fall upon him.

He looked up and saw Pei Song looking back at him coldly.

Chapter 383: Is There Anything You Like?



Lu Huaiyu raised his eyebrows, half-wrapped his arm around Ning Li who was leaning against his chest.

Ning Li sleepily nuzzled into his chest.

It was an extremely intimate gesture, with a feeling of dependence that even she herself had not noticed.

Pei Song's gaze rested on her quiet sleeping face for a moment before he averted his gaze.

Lu Huaiyu turned his head to look at Ning Li.

Her thick and curly eyelashes fluttered slightly, and a few strands of her hair lay messily against her fair, delicate cheeks. The corners of his lips curled up slightly.

He did not know what kind of dream she was having.

Lu Huaiyu observed her for a while before he chuckled.

"She's quite attractive..."

His voice was soft and deep, but Ning Li did not hear it. She merely leaned quietly into his embrace.

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Two hours later, the plane landed at Yunzhou Airport.

Ning Li woke up in a trance and found herself leaning against Lu Huaiyu and his shoulder.

She immediately sat up straight and widened her eyes slightly.

It was one thing to sleep, but she had actually...

“You’re awake?”

There seemed to be a casual smile in Lu Huaiyu’s voice.

“I was just about to call you.”

With that, he stood up and took her suitcase down.

Ning Li unbuckled her seatbelt and followed him slowly.

She did not try to look at Lu Huaiyu’s expression, so she turned on her phone to distract herself.

Yunzhou Second High School released another piece of good news.

Ren Qian had just finished in fifth place in the National Mathematics Competition Finals.

At the same time, they also announced the good news of him signing with Xijing University.

Everyone congratulated Ren Qian.

[ Qianzi has done well! I’m so happy! I’m so happy! ]

[ Xijing University’s mathematics department! I’m so envious! ]

[ This is the first person in our grade that has confirmed a place at Xijing University, right? Eh? Speaking of which, why haven't Ning Li and Pei Song announced which universities they have signed with? ]

[ Yes! These two got first and second place in the whole country. They could pick any university in the country, so why haven't we heard of where they have signed to? ]

Previously, when the results of the competition had been announced, everyone was only concerned with admiration and envy. Coupled with the fact that they had all been focused on the gossip regarding Ye Ci, they had not had the time to think about this matter.

However, now that Ren Qian had also ended the competition and announced the university that he had signed with, everyone suddenly remembered that Ning Li and Pei Song did not seem to have mentioned this.

After a while, Ren Qian replied.

[ Brother Pei did not sign up. ]

After the results of the competition had come out, he had asked Pei Song about this matter, so it was relatively clear.

Everyone was in an uproar.

[ Did not sign? For real? ]

[ The class monitor is the second-highest scorer in the country! Yet, he did not sign even this? ]

Ren Qian sent a shrug emoji.

[ Brother Pei said that he did not want to go to the Institute of Physics. This must be the big boss. ]

Everyone was silent for a moment before they started to spam.

[ This must be the big boss. Spread your hands. jpg. ]

[ This must be the big boss. Spread your hands. jpg. ]

[ This must be the big boss. Spread your hands. jpg. ]

[ This must be— Wait, what about Ning Li? After all, being first in the whole country can't just be a random choice of major, right? ]

Compared to Pei Song, Ning Li's refusal to sign was even more strange.

A moment later, He Xiaochen, who had been diving, jumped out and said:

[ My deskmate said that it would be a pity if she couldn't participate in the college entrance exam. Smile. jpg. ]

The group fell into a dead silence.

After a long while, Ren Qian replied: [ Sorry for disturbing you. ]

The next line quickly followed.

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Some people were completely speechless.

They had been desperately studying there, wishing that they had been the ones who could have participated in the competition to get a guaranteed place. In the end, these people gave it up just like that?

After a long while, someone interrupted.

[ Some people don't want the guaranteed admission. Some people would do anything to get the guaranteed admission. The gap between people is really quite big. ]

Everyone was skimming the screen, and this sentence was quickly deleted.

However, everyone knew very well who they were talking about.

Ning Li followed behind Lu Huaiyu, looking at her phone as she walked.

When she walked out of the airport, she saw a familiar car parked by the roadside.

Cheng Xiyue was standing by the car, making a call.

When he saw Lu Huaiyu and Ning Li, he hung up the phone and greeted them with a smile.

"Sister Ning Li!"

Ning Li felt that Young Master Cheng, this part-time driver, was really quite dedicated...

"Brother Xiyue."

She walked over.

Cheng Xiyue waved his phone.

“You did well in the exam, Sister Ning Li.”

First place in the national competition, with full marks even. Tsk.

Even Zhou Fei had not gotten this score back then.

No wonder he thought so highly of Ning Li before.

He glanced at Lu Huaiyu.

He did not know how this man got to be so blessed.

“Ah Song.”

A car was parked beside them. A woman in her thirties came out of the driver’s seat. She seemed to be Pei Song’s family member.

Pei Song walked over.

Just as he was about to get into the car, he glanced at Ning Li.

“Ning Li, goodbye.”

Ning Li waved her hand.

“Goodbye.”

Lu Huaiyu pulled open the backseat door and lightly patted her head.

“Let’s go home.”

Ning Li got into the car, and Lu Huaiyu went to the passenger seat.

Cheng Xiyue looked thoughtfully at Pei Song.

The youth was tall and handsome, distant and cold.

He looked at Lu Huaiyu again and tsked.

Cheng Xiyue then drove the car away from the airport.

After driving some distance away, Cheng Xiyue looked at the rearview mirror and questioned with interest.

“Sister Ning Li, there are quite a lot of boys in your school who like you, right?”

Ning Li was currently looking at her phone. When she heard that, she was momentarily stunned and raised her head.

“It’s just alright.”

She did not know why Cheng Xiyue had suddenly asked this.

Lu Huaiyu was lounging on the passenger side.

When he heard that, he gave Cheng Xiyue an extremely indifferent look.

Cheng Xiyue did not mind watching the show.

“Then, you don’t have a favorite?”

Chapter 384: Younger Sister Ning Li Is So Fierce

Ning Li tightened her grip slightly.

“No.”

“Not a single one?”

“Hmm.”

Hearing her say this, Cheng Xiyue laughed.

“Younger Sister Ning Li’s standards are so high, did not even one person catch her eye?”

Lu Huaiyu finally opened his mouth lazily.

“What kind of relationship would a child have?”

Cheng Xiyue grunted.



“Other families don’t allow puppy love because they’re afraid of their studies being affected. Sister Ning Li has already taken the top overall score at the national level, so why are you still worried about this? So, Sister Ning Li, did you sign with Xijing University?”

Ning Li said honestly, “I didn’t sign.”

Cheng Xiyue was stunned for quite a while.

“Oh, so you didn’t sign... I thought that you would have been liberated after taking this round of exams. But that’s fine too. With your results, you can take any exams you want. You’ll be able to make your choice from the various departments of Xijing University! Besides—”

He glanced at Lu Huaiyu.

“You’re still young. It’d be normal if you did like someone.”

Ning Li did not say anything. She looked down at her phone.

Lu Huaiyu glanced in the rearview mirror.

She lowered her head slightly. A few strands of her hair fell around her face. No emotion could be seen on her fair and pretty face.

“Li, where are you going back to later?” He asked.

It was actually not suitable for her to return to the Ye family home now.

Ye Ming and the others were still in the capital. The matter of Ye Ci cheating and leaking the questions was a very big issue, and it would probably take a long time to resolve.

Most importantly, the Ye family’s attitude towards Ning Li was definitely not friendly.

To go back now in Ning Li's situation...

"Let's go back to the Ye family home." Ning Li said.

Lu Huaiyu paused.

Others might not know, but he knew.

Ye Ci had insisted that the cheat sheet had been given to her by Ning Li. Otherwise, Su Yuan would not have said such things to Ning Li in the corridor.

Based on their reactions, Ning Li would definitely not be treated kindly.

If she continued to stay with the Ye family after that...

"Are you sure?"

Ning Li sensed something and looked up at him.

She nodded.

"Yes."

Of course, Ye Ci would not admit that she had been the one who had brought the cheat sheet in, let alone admit that she had something to do with the leak.

It was obvious that she must have pushed all the blame onto her.

However...

So what?

Any verbal explanation would be useless. Only evidence would be the most powerful testimony.

Right now, there were not many people in the Ye family home, so there would not be much of an impact if she went back.

Moreover, if she went to live somewhere else, she would appear to be guilty instead, which would confirm for Ye Ci that these matters were related to her.

She wanted to stay in the Ye family home and wait for this good show to begin.

After a long time, Lu Huaiyu responded.

“Alright, then let’s go back to the Ye family home.”

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Cheng Xiyue drove Ning Li back to the Ye family home and watched her push the luggage through the main door of the Ye family’s villa before leaving.

After driving for some distance, Cheng Xiyue turned to Lu Huaiyu.

“Do you want sister Ning Li to move out?”

Previously, he had mentioned this matter before, but Lu Huaiyu had never expressed his stance. Basically, everything was according to Ning Li’s wishes.

However, this time, Lu Huaiyu's attitude was quite obvious.

It was just that Ning Li was not in agreement.

Lu Huaiyu's expression was indifferent.

"The Ye family is now in a mess. It's not suitable for her to stay."

"That's true."

Cheng Xiyue clicked his tongue.

"I really don't know what the Ye family was thinking. For the sake of a physics competition, they were willing to do something like leaking the questions."

Ye Ci cheating was nothing when compared to this matter.

The nature of the two matters were completely different.

If she had cheated herself, at most, she herself would have been punished. With the Ye family's resources, it was not like Ye Ci had no other way out in the future.

However, if the leak was confirmed, it would be different.

The entire Ye family would be dragged into this.

"Now that this matter has spread throughout Yunzhou, any negotiations for collaborations that the Ye family will be affected. They will either be postponed or canceled, pending the results of the investigation."

Businessmen valued profits and were the sharpest in such matters.

If this matter had only involved Ye Ci herself, it would still be fine. But for a matter like leaking exam questions, who would believe that she had not accepted other people's help behind her back?

"Jinsheng was exposed this morning as having failed the hygiene sampling test. It's estimated that it will soon be ordered to be closed for rectification."

Cheng Xiyue sneered.

"Truly unfortunate things have all happened together. Isn't this too much of a coincidence?"

Jinsheng was the Ye family's high-end chain hotel and accounted for a considerable weight within the Ye family's industry.

Logically speaking, this matter was neither too big nor too small. However, it was just unfortunate that it had been exposed at this time.

To the Ye family, this was simply adding insult to injury.

Lu Huaiyu raised his brows slightly.

"It wasn't me."

Cheng Xiyue was slightly stunned.

"It wasn't you?"

Looking at the past few days, he had seen that the Ye family's troubles had come one after another, without giving the Ye family the slightest chance to catch their breath. He had thought that it was Lu Huaiyu's doing and—

He suddenly thought of a possibility, and a flash of shock flashed across his eyes.

“Then...”

If it had not been Lu Huaiyu, then was the only other person who could step so precisely on the Ye family’s lifeline, Ning Li?

The corners of Lu Huaiyu and’s lips curved extremely lightly.

He tacitly admitted it.

Cheng Xiyue took a deep breath and only regained his senses after a long while.

He repeatedly pondered over the things that had happened in the past few days, and finally couldn’t resist muttering softly, “Sister Ning Li is really fierce when she shows her temper...”

The Ye family had not been honest with her and had caused a lot of trouble to her, yet Ning Li had almost never retaliated in all this time.

There had even been two times when he had clearly checked the evidence and handed it over to her, but she still had not done anything.

At that time, he had still been worried that she was too soft-hearted and indecisive. How could she avoid being bullied?

Who knew that she had been biding her time all this while?

Previously, he had not thought so. Now that he thought back, he realized that this series of troubles had happened too coincidentally and too ferociously.

This was really pushing the Ye family into the ground and trampling them like crazy!

He could not help but take a look at Lu Huaiyu. He saw this man leaning against the back of the chair with one hand propped up diagonally. He tilted his head slightly, and on his usually cold and noble face, there was a hint of a smile.

It was as if he felt that the matter was very interesting and also very satisfied.

Cheng Xiyue could not help but say, "Alright, I know that Younger Sister Ning Li is smart, and I'm not worried that she will be bullied in the future, but can you restrain yourself a little?"

Lu Huaiyu raised his eyebrows.

"You don't understand."

If you've been beaten up, you should hit back fiercely.

If you've been bullied, you should fight back with all your strength.

She had not been taught in vain.

Cheng Xiyue was silent for a moment before he wound down the car window.

Heh.

This sour smell was too strong.

After a while, he suddenly thought of something and let out a cold laugh.

"I think you shouldn't be too proud. Younger sister Ning Li just said that there isn't a single person that she likes. Why are you so happy?"

Lu Huaiyu said indifferently, "That's just in school."

"That's Yunzhou Second High School." Cheng Xiyue shrugged his shoulders and laughed gloatingly. "Younger Sister Ning Li is about to enter university soon. Do you think that there won't at least be a bunch of young guys who will notice her?"

With Sister Ning Li's appearance, she would attract a lot of people the moment she entered.

He looked Lu Huaiyu up and down.

"I have to remind you, Second Master Lu, whether you still have hope at your old age is still uncertain!"

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Chapter 385: Call the Police

A thought came to Lu Huaiyu's mind, and his thin lips twitched slightly.

"There's no need for others to be concerned."

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Ye family home.

As soon as Ning Li had entered the house, Aunt Zhao heard the sound and walked out.

When she saw Ning Li, her brows quickly furrowed.



“Miss Ning Li, are you... back on your own?”

Su Yuan had already called yesterday and said that she would temporarily be staying in the Capital and would not be coming back.

She had also been looking at her phone in the past two days and had also learned about the matter of Ye Ci's cheating and the leaked questions in the physics competition. Of course, she understood why they were like this.

However, she had not expected Ning Li to come back on her own.

Ning Li hummed lightly and did not look at her as she walked upstairs.

Aunt Zhao stared at her back as she went upstairs and pursed her lips.

The Ye family was facing such a big crisis, yet Ning Li did not seem to have any reaction to it at all.

Although she was not a member of the Ye family, she had been living and eating in the Ye family for the past few months. Even if she was a dog, surely she would know how to be grateful. On the other hand, Ning Li had always been extremely indifferent from beginning to end. She was truly an ingrate!

Aunt Zhao could not be bothered to deal with Ning Li and turned around to leave.

Ning Li came to the door of her room. Her gaze was fixed on the lock for a moment, and her eyes narrowed slightly.

Then, she opened the door.

The whole bedroom looked as if it had been ransacked and was in a complete mess.

The blankets and pillows on the bed were in a messy pile. The wardrobe door was left open as clothes and hangers were scattered on the floor.

She went in and walked around. Finally, she opened a box that had been placed in the innermost drawer.

The packaging was intact, but it was empty.

She calmly took out her phone and took a photo.

Then, she exited the room and turned around to go downstairs.

Aunt Zhao was sitting on the sofa playing with her phone.

These past few days, Ye Ming and the rest of the family had not been at home, so she felt much more laidback.

“You broke into my room.”

A cold and calm voice came from behind, which gave Aunt Zhao a fright.

She patted her chest and frowned as she looked back at Ning Li.

“What trespassing? I just went in to look for something.”

This was an admission.

Ning Li said, “Go upstairs immediately and restore everything to its original state.”

Aunt Zhao said indifferently, “It’s only a few things. You can clean it up yourself.”

Ning Li asked in a light voice, "Are you not willing?"

It was as if her tone had made Aunt Zhao angry. She put away her phone, sneered, and spoke in a sarcastic tone.

"Miss Ning Li, you seem to have forgotten that this is the Ye family home. I'm here to serve the Ye family, not you."

That room belonged to the Ye family in the first place. As an outsider, she was merely borrowing it to stay here. What right did she have to ask her to do this and that?

Besides, it had been Miss Ye Ci's idea to ransack Ning Li's room.

That was the true daughter of the Ye family.

She knew very well who she should listen to.

Ning Li nodded.

"You're right."

Aunt Zhao snorted silently and lowered her head to play with her phone again.

In her heart, she had never taken Ning Li seriously.

Now that the Ye family was facing a crisis, she was even less bothered to say anything to Ning Li.

"This is the Ye family home. I'm staying here. Of course, I have to find out what happened and what was lost."

Aunt Zhao was stunned by Ning Li's words.

"What do you mean?"

"Nothing much. It's just that I lost something. I'm afraid I'll have to call the police to look for it."

As Ning Li spoke, she took out her phone and started dialing.

Aunt Zhao immediately stood up and her tone became more shrill.

"What nonsense are you talking about! ? What lost thing?"

Ning Li said, "The diamond-encrusted bracelet that was placed in the desk drawer in the room is missing. Speaking of which, that bracelet was given by Uncle Ye after he won the Qinghe Bridge project. It cost more than 30,000 yuan. No matter what, it's considered a valuable item. Now that it's missing, of course, we'll have to call the police."

Aunt Zhao's heart skipped a beat.

"So you suspect that I took it?!"

Ning Li raised her eyebrows.

"Didn't you admit to entering my room just now? If it wasn't you, then there must have been a burglar in the house. So it's even more reason for us to call the police."

"Don't slander me!"

Aunt Zhao's face tensed up and her voice was sharp.

“I’ve been with the Ye family for so many years, but I’ve never done anything like this! You said you lost it, so you lost it. Who knows if it’s even true or not!”

Ning Li smiled.

“Whether it’s true or not, the police will find out when they come to investigate.”

Aunt Zhao had indeed worked in the Ye family for many years.

If she had not done well, she would not have stayed until now.

The Ye family had treated her well. Logically speaking, there was no reason for her to steal a bracelet that cost more than 30,000 yuan.

However, this did not mean that other people would not steal it.

In her previous life, after Ning Li had been framed for cheating, someone had come to her room to search for evidence.

After that, a necklace that she had kept in the drawer had mysteriously disappeared.

It had been given to her by Ye Ci as a gesture of goodwill after she had been brought to the Ye family.

However, at that time, she had been shrouded in the shadow of cheating and did not have the time and energy to think about a necklace.

Later, she had mentioned it to Su Yuan once, but Su Yuan had not taken it to heart and only thought that she had lost it.

It was not until a long time later that she had seen the necklace on Aunt Zhao's daughter's neck.

Aunt Zhao had a ten-year-old daughter, who she would occasionally bring over.

After all, the Ye family was one of the top wealthy families in Yunzhou, and the family had excellent food and clothing.

The little girl was already at an age where she began to love beautiful things. She had taken advantage of the chaos and run to her room. When she had seen the necklace, she could not help but secretly take it away.

Aunt Zhao might not have known about this at first, but she had definitely known about it later on.

However, they had never returned the necklace.

After all, the one who had lost the necklace was Ning Li, a nobody in the Ye family.

Moreover, she was already in a very difficult situation at that time. No one was on her side.

Half of her life had been destroyed. Who would still think about this?

Now, because of her cold attitude towards Ye Ci, Ye Ci had been unable to give her the necklace.

However, because of the Qinghe Bridge project, she now had the bracelet that Ye Ming had given her.

The timing was the same, and so was the loss.

However, this time, it would not be so easy to get over it.

Seeing Ning Li's resolute attitude, Aunt Zhao was also annoyed.

“Fine! Call the police! I think it’s fine, how can something be lost by itself?”

What she meant was that Ning Li had probably hidden it and framed her for stealing.

Ning Li dialed the number for the police.

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The Capital, hotel.

Su Yuan took the express delivery that she had received from Yunzhou, upstairs.

Ye Ci saw the express delivery box in her hand and immediately walked over.

“The item has arrived?”

As she spoke, she took the box and was suddenly stunned.

“Why is it so light? Inside—”

She did not have a good feeling about this, so she quickly opened the box.

Inside was a white laptop.

It was hers.

Other than that, there was nothing else.

Ye Ci frowned.

“Where’s Ning Li’s laptop? Why didn’t they send it over?”

She had asked Auntie Zhao to go through Ning Li’s room, so how could it not be there?

How was she supposed to check?

She immediately called Auntie Zhao.

All she received was a busy tone.

Chapter 386: Innocence

Ye Ci called three times, but no one picked up.

“What’s going on?”

She looked at her phone in frustration.

Previously, she had repeatedly instructed her to send Ning Li’s computer over.

However, there was nothing here. What should she do?

Ning Li had not brought her computer with her when she had come to the Capital this time. According to her usual habits, she must have kept it in her bedroom.



Yet, it had not been there?

“She must have hidden it on purpose!”

Ye Ci gritted her teeth and said.

Su Yuan sat at the side without answering Ye Ci’s words. She seemed to be lost in her thoughts.

Ye Ming was not around. He seemed to have gone to deal with matters in Yunzhou.

After the leaked news had broken out, the situation in the Ye family had become very tense.

Within a short period of time, a lot of trouble had occurred within the company.

It was said that even Jinsheng had also been exposed to health problems and was facing a reorganization.

Ye Ming was now almost like an ant on a hot pan.

Ye Ci had changed her phone and SIM card again. She hardly contacted anyone, but she had been reading the news on the Internet.

She knew that it was full of negative news about her and the Ye family. She knew that when she clicked on it, there would be a barrage of curses, but it was as if she could not control herself. The moment she had some free time, she could not help but click on it.

She had even registered for a Weibo account. When she saw the comments that contained extremely unpleasant curses, she replied to them one by one to dispel the resentment and pressure in her heart.

However, the people on the Internet were extremely powerful. They often cursed and scolded, and it eventually became a group of people who came to fight with her.

She could not deal with it alone. In the end, she was filled with grievance and discomfort.

“Mom, Aunt Zhao should still be at home, right? Why isn’t she picking up the phone? Should we call Uncle Zhou?”

Ye Ci asked again, but Su Yuan did not answer.

It was not until she had shouted twice that Su Yuan suddenly came back to her senses.

“What?”

Ye Ci frowned and repeated what she had just said.

“Why don’t we ask Uncle Zhou to look for it again? Besides the bedroom, maybe...”

Before she could finish her sentence, Su Yuan suddenly interrupted her.

“Lil Ci, was it... was it a mistake?”

Ye Ci’s expression changed.

“Mom, what do you mean?”

Su Yuan saw that her expression was unpleasant, so she immediately comforted her.

“Don’t worry, Mom doesn’t suspect you. I just feel that... Although Ning Li has a bad temper, she should not be able to have access to the actual exam questions, right? Think again, could it be that someone else had harmed you?”

In fact, Su Yuan was not intending on excusing Ning Li, but she also felt that Ning Li indeed did not have the ability to do these things.

Thinking back, she had always lived in Lincheng with her grandmother. She could not study properly and would occasionally go out to do odd jobs, making friends with unsavory people.

Even when she had come to the Ye family, her temper had not been restrained at all.

How could she possibly have gotten access to the final exam questions?

If Ye Ci really had been framed, then perhaps it was because of someone that no one expected?

Su Yuan's original intention had been to let Ye Ci change her train of thought so that they could try to find out about these things as soon as possible. However, to Ye Ci, it was a different story.

She put down the computer in her hand and looked at Su Yuan in disbelief, her eyes slowly turning red.

Then, she suddenly pursed her lips.

"Mother, you still trust Ning Li more, don't you?"

Su Yuan was stunned.

Tears fell from Ye Ci's eyes.

She quickly raised her hand to wipe her face, but her voice was choked with sobs.

"It's true. After all, she is your biological daughter. She is your flesh and blood. What am I?"

Su Yuan hurriedly wiped her tears and half-hugged her.

“What are you talking about, child! Can’t you feel the way your mother treats you? Isn’t your mother anxious, too? You said that now that your father’s company has a lot of trouble that needs to be dealt with and he can’t take care of you, you—”

Ye Ci buried her head in her arms and sobbed silently.

She was really afraid.

Everything had happened too quickly in the past few days. She had not had any time to react.

By the time she had realized that something was wrong, she realized that it was already too late.

It was not just a competition, it was not just a free pass. Her future and reputation had almost been completely destroyed!

Now that she was being detained in the Capital, she felt terrified, nervous, resentful, and crazy, yet there was also a subtle sense of relief.

Compared to staying here, she was more afraid of returning to Yunzhou.

What would the people back in school think of her?

How would the celebrities in Yunzhou mock and talk about her?

How would she continue to stay in Yunzhou in the future?

In the past two days, she had been assaulted. All kinds of information, including her photos, had been rapidly uploaded on the Internet.

Ye Yiming had tried to suppress these, but it was useless.

Many people already knew what she looked like.

She even felt that if she were to walk on the road, she might be recognized by others. They would point and laugh at her.

She could not bear to imagine such a scene!

Su Yuan sighed and patted her back, but she did not know how to comfort her.

Since things had come to this, unless the organizing committee could clarify that the matter of the leak had nothing to do with Ye Ci and the Ye family, the alternative would mean—

Knock knock.

Zhou Fei's voice came from outside the door.

"Ye Ci, your computer should have arrived today, right? I need to take it away."

Su Yuan walked over to open the door and saw Ye Ming outside as well.

He walked in first and looked at Ye Ci with an expressionless face.

"Give your computer to Teacher Zhou."

Ye Ci gritted her teeth and handed the laptop over.

Zhou Fei took it.

Ye Ci clenched her fists.

“Teacher Zhou, I didn’t do anything. I hope the organizing committee can clear my name as soon as possible.”

Zhou Fei glanced at her.

“I hope so too.”

Chapter 387: Semi-Ban

After Zhou Fei had left, Su Yuan looked at Ye Ming worriedly.

“Hubby, what’s the situation like at the company?”

It would have been fine if she had not brought this up, because the moment she had mentioned it, Ye Ming’s face darkened.

“You wouldn’t understand even if I told you, so don’t concern yourself about it.”

Several ongoing collaborations had all been put on hold, and Jinsheng was also facing problems.

Those people had listened to the rain and already decided it was raining. They had already done so even before the conclusion was reached. If this matter was confirmed...

He looked at Ye Ci.

Ye Ci seemed to have sensed something and clenched her teeth as she gently shook her head.

“Dad, I really didn’t do anything.”

All traces had been wiped clean by her. They would not be able to find anything.

As long as there was no evidence, then there would be no suspicion, and there would still be some room for change.

Hearing her words, Ye Ming's worried heart calmed down a little.

Suddenly, Su Yuan's phone screen lit up.

She took a look and found that it was a call from the Yunzhou police station.

A sense of unease surged in her heart.

She picked up the call.

"Hello?"

No one else knew what the other party had said, but her expression instantly changed.

"What?!"

Due to her shock, the tone of her voice became a little shrill.

Ye Ming and Ye Ci immediately looked over.

Su Yuan was still saying something to the other party.

"Okay, I got it. I'll go back as soon as possible."

As she said that, she ended the phone call.

Ye Ming frowned and said, "What's wrong?"

Su Yuan's expression was very unpleasant.

"Aunt Zhao was caught stealing Ning Li's things."

As soon as she said that, an eerie silence descended upon the room.

"What did you say?!"

Ye Ming simply suspected that he had heard wrongly.

"How could she steal from Ning Li? Besides, what could Ning Li have that she would steal from her?"

Aunt Zhao had worked for the Ye family for many years, and she had always been treated well. This had never happened before.

How had this suddenly happened?

"I'm not too sure. The police said that it wasn't her who had actually stolen it. It was her daughter who had broken into Ning Li's room and taken a diamond-encrusted bracelet from her. It should be the one that you gave her previously."

After Ning Li had arrived at the Ye residence, she had barely taken anything from the Ye residence.

She even wore her old clothes all the time. Several times, Su Yuan had offered to buy new ones, but she had never accepted them.



Thinking about it carefully, the only time Ye Ming had brought gifts for them had been after he had won the Qinghe Bridge project.

Who would have thought that such a thing would happen now?

“The bracelet cost more than 30,000 yuan. Since it was taken by a child, it’s not that serious, but it’s quite troublesome to deal with. Most importantly, I’m afraid that there’s no one to take care of Lil Cheng at the moment. Thus, I have to go back.”

At the mention of Ye Cheng, Ye Ming began to worry.

Even if Aunt Zhao had not been the one who had done it, her daughter was the one who had stolen the bracelet. She definitely could not stay in the Ye family to take care of Ye Cheng for the time being.

“Then, you should go back first.”

Ye Ming was very frustrated.

Actually, in Yunzhou, this wasn’t the only troublesome matter.

There were many problems that he urgently needed to go back and solve.

However, the most important matter at the moment was still the matter of the leak. He still had to stay in the Capital and keep an eye on the situation at all times. He would then think of a way to deal with it and see if he could solve this problem as soon as possible.

He could not go back to Yunzhou for the time being.

Su Yuan was also very anxious and hurriedly packed her things.

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At eight o'clock in the evening, Ning Li finished making a statement at the police station.

Aunt Zhao was still at the police station.

At first, she had refused to admit that she was the one who had taken the item, so Ning Li had called the police.

Perhaps it was because the Ye family was involved, the police had taken the matter very seriously and were very efficient.

In the end, Aunt Zhao had found the bracelet in her little daughter's schoolbag.

The child had not realized how serious the matter was, but Aunt Zhao's face had turned pale on the spot.

After such a thing happening, it would be difficult for her to stay in the Ye family in the future, regardless of whether she had been the one who had done it or not.

Even the top-ranked wealthy families in Yunzhou would not accept her anymore.

Ye Cheng was not there either. He had been taken away by Ye Yiming in the afternoon.

The huge Ye family home was empty.

Ning Li was too lazy to go back there, so she went to the residential area where she had rented a place instead.

At this time, many people were walking around in the residential area.

The lights in the building were on.

She went back to her three-bedroom apartment.

Her computer was on the table in the master bedroom.

Of course, she would not leave these things at the Ye residence.

After washing up, she turned on the computer and brought up the results of the data that had been obtained from the Fino lab.

Her slender white fingers quickly tapped on the keyboard.

As she was in the middle of her work, her phone lit up a few times.

All of the calls were from Su Yuan.

She only replied that her room had been turned upside down so she was staying outside today. After that, she did not bother with it anymore.

Su Yuan stopped calling after that.

She was busy until 11:30 in the night, so Ning Li simply washed up and went to bed.

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The next day, Ning Li returned to class at Yunzhou Second High School as usual.

As soon as she stepped into the classroom, several gazes fell upon her.

Most of them had complicated expressions on their faces.

On one hand, Ning Li had obtained first place in the overall national score in the physics competition, which made people feel envious.

On the other hand, Ye Ci and the Ye family were still deeply involved in the matter of the exam leak. No matter what, Ning Li was still partly a member of the Ye family, so no one really knew what to say at the moment.

Ning Li did not seem to be affected and went back to her seat.

He Xiaochen's eyes lit up when she saw her.

"Ning Li! You're finally back! Sob, sob, sob!"

Only God knew that she had only been able to rely on a few photos of Ning Li that she had collected from all over the place to admire. It was really tough!

However, those photos could not capture the beauty's charm at all!

The real person was still the best!

"Ning Li, have you heard? Xu Yini seems to have offended someone and was half-banned!"

Chapter 388: After the Snow Melts, It Becomes Spring

Ning Li flipped open her English book.

"Is that so?"

George had mentioned this before, but she had been a little busy at the time, so she had not asked much about it.

“Yeah! Her schedule has decreased a lot recently, and she hasn’t been out of the country much. She even lost quite a few endorsements.”

He Xiaochen was a fan of Tang Wei, so she was relatively well-informed about the entertainment industry.

“Her fans said that she had recently picked a script and joined a film production, which explained her absence. It was so funny. Ever since she debuted, she had endless resources, especially in the business field. She had never lost before. Now that she’s saying that her disappearance is due to a film shoot, who would believe it?”

He Xiaochen shrugged, apparently not taking this statement seriously.

Xu Yini had made her official debut in a school youth movie. The movie’s box office sales and word of mouth had both been good, which made her an instant hit and came to be known as the first love of the nation.

After that, her development had been very smooth. She had received all kinds of top-notch resources.

Whether it was the script, the director, producer, and actors that she worked with, they had all been the best.

Other people could not get endorsements even after a lot of boot-licking on their part, yet she had easily managed to sign all kinds of contracts.

Her fans had always talked about “Miss Xu”, “The earthly rich flower”, and so on. They had joked that her most indispensable asset was her family’s resources. Being a fan of Xu Yini’s career was really a happy win.

In the end, after only one year, Xu Yini's exposure was now greatly reduced. Her activities and endorsements were also dropping.

Everyone could see that there was a problem. Joining a film shoot was just an excuse.

"She had a jewelry endorsement previously, but now she has been replaced. It will be officially announced next month."

He Xiaochen rested her chin on her hand and giggled.

"You don't know, the previous spokesperson for that brand was Tang Wei. Later on, Xu Yini became popular, and that endorsement had been snatched away by her. Everyone in the group said that the company now wants to renew the contract with our Wei Wei. Tsk, dream on!

"Our Wei Wei is now a brand ambassador for G&S. She can't possibly sign on to just an ordinary endorsement."

These words were very realistic.

This was because the situation in the industry was indeed like that.

Tang Wei's status had not been high in the past, so she could not say anything when her opportunity had been snatched away by Xu Yini.

But now, it was different.

With the support of her status as a brand ambassador for G&S, Tang Wei's status was no longer on the same level.

"You have to know that Tang Wei is the only female star who has ever walked for the opening of Ning's fashion show!"

Up until now, the “Flower and Moon” series of shows would still occasionally be brought up and admired by people.

Tang Wei had been the first person to truly receive this bonus.

This was luck and strength.

After all, she had been selected by G&S after many rounds of selection.

With the rise in her status, she was naturally more particular than before in all aspects.

“I just don’t know what’s going on... It’s said that Xu Yini’s family background is very powerful. I don’t know who she had offended this time until she was messed up like this.”

He Xiaochen clicked her tongue and shook her head.

Xu Yini and Tang Wei were competitors, so she naturally did not have a good impression of Xu Yini.

She was merely curious.

Ning Li’s hand paused as she recalled what George had said the other day.

It was said that it was because of Second Master Lu’s crush.

She frowned slightly.

However, He Xiaochen did not notice the subtle change in her expression. She took out her phone again, opened Weibo, and handed it over to Ning Li.

“Oh right, the G&S’s spring and summer collection launch will be held soon. They posted on their official blog today, and it’s been said that Ning will be the only main designer this time. Many people are waiting in anticipation!”

Ning Li took a look.

[ G&S v: When the snow melts, it becomes spring. ]

Below was a poster.

In the quiet mountain forest, white snow had fallen on the black branches that extended diagonally. A tender cyan flower bud peeked out from under the accumulated snow on the branches.

The background behind this was blurry. Beneath the branches, one could vaguely see a stream meandering like a girl’s skirt dancing in the wind. Ice and snow floated over the top of it.

Only the splendor of the cyan color was highlighted in this black and white world.

The vigorous aura of spring almost seemed to be bursting out of the screen.

In the middle of the poster, Ning’s name had been printed.

The colors of the letters were deep and shallow, interweaving with the black shore and the clear white snow. They had cleverly been blended into one, and the texture was very high.

It seemed to have been engraved into the early spring of this landscape.

The colors and composition were obviously cool and simple but carried an indescribable vitality.

It seemed that all that was needed was just to wait for one more moment and the world would become lively again.



As soon as this Weibo post had been released, it had immediately ignited the crowd.

Ahhhhhhhhhhhh! Ning Ahhhhhhhhh!

[ I'm crying, I'm crying! This is the theme of the upcoming spring and summer collection! It's so good! ]

[ Finally! This is Ning's show! Make a reservation for the live broadcast! ]

[ Awesome, I can already imagine how beautiful the dress will be this time! ]

After the stunning appearance last time, Tang Wei's fans were also half considered as fans of Ning.

Apart from them, "Flower and Moon" had also received a large number of passersby after it had become a trending topic.

Many people in the fashion circle also came out to share their comments.

In fact, they had long known that the global spring and summer collection of G&S had been specially made for Ning.

Envy, amazement, envy, admiration...

Everyone had different reactions.

However, one thing was definitely the same. They were all waiting to see the show.

Before this, only the director of their own design team had been able to hold a design show independently for G&S.

Ning was the first exception.

It could be seen how much G&S doted on this mysterious designer who had appeared out of nowhere.

He Xiaochen hugged her phone and cried, "It looks so good! The dress this time must be very expensive, right?"

Ning Li thought for a moment.

"It should be."

It should be even more expensive than the previous "Flower and Moon."

He Xiaochen, "I knew it!"

Ning Li retracted her gaze and chose a large essay to recite.

Pei Song and Ren Qian then walked in, one after the other.

When they saw Ren Qian, several boys who were on good terms with him immediately started to heckle him.

"Yo! Qian Zi! You're already guaranteed a place in Xijing University, yet you're still here to attend class?"

Ren Qian laughed and scolded, "Get lost! Can't you see that Brother Pei and Ning Li are still studying?"

Although their competition events had been different, Ning Li and Pei Song's national rankings were much higher than his.

Those two were the real big shots.

When everyone heard this, they could not help but look over.

Ning Li was reciting English while Pei Song took out a math paper.

Compared to the others, these two were extremely calm.

Everyone was speechless for a while before silently picking up their own books.

If the gods of learning were so hardworking, what right did they have to not work hard?

However, Ren Qian was really free.

He had already signed with the Math Department of Xijing University. Compared to the others, he was really liberated in advance.

He had come to school purely because it was too boring to stay at home.

He kicked the chair in front of him.

“Hey, Lin Gou?”

Chapter 389: She Really Bought the Test Paper in Advance!

Lin Zhouyang was lying on the table with his head covered by his school uniform as if he was sleeping.

Ren Qian kicked him a few times before he finally moved. He pulled away his school uniform and said in a slightly hoarse voice, “What’s the matter?”

Ren Qian sized him up.

“F\*ck, you didn’t sleep all night, did you?”

With his haggard and dispirited appearance, anyone who did not know him would think that he had been beaten up.

Lin Zhouyang looked impatient.

“You woke me up just to ask this?”

Then, as if he was too lazy to say anything else, he turned around to lie down again.

Ren Qian frowned.

A few boys next to him winked at him.

He endured it and swallowed the words in his throat.

A few days ago, he had also been in the Capital, taking part in the maths competition.

Because the venue and arrangements for the exam had been different from that of the physics competition, he had not had much contact with Pei Song and the others during this period.

This was even more so when it came to Yunzhou Second High School.

It was not until after the exam that he got back his phone and found out that Ye Ci had been caught cheating.

Furthermore, a series of troubles had broken out one after another, including the leaking of the exam questions.

He had only returned to Yunzhou yesterday, and today was his first day of class.

However, even if without asking, he could probably guess why Lin Zhouyang was like this.

He had liked Ye Ci for many years, so now that Ye Ci had fallen into this situation, how could he not be affected?

However, Ren Qian felt that it was very unnecessary and not worth it.

Not to mention other things, Ye Ci had relied on some kind of method to obtain fifth place in the province during the preliminary competition and obtained the qualification to participate in the Winter Camp that she did not deserve.

This point had been most obviously been reflected in the online release of the winter camp results test summary.

The fact that she had brought a cheat sheet had just hammered in that point.

Not to mention the problem of the leaked questions, even these matters were very serious.

Now all the students in Yunzhou Second High School were ashamed of having such a student in their school.

Now, Lin Zhouyang was like this... It was obvious that he was upset for Ye Ci.

Ren Qian stared at Lin Zhouyang's back for a while and shook his head.

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When the bell rang for the first class, Cheng Xiangxiang rushed over.

She was walking quickly to her seat when she noticed Ning Li from the corner of her eye.

She stopped in her tracks and her expression became very ugly.

However, because the class was about to start, she did not say anything and sat down in her seat.

She had woken up late this morning and was almost late because she had stayed up late.

In the end, she could not hold on during the second lesson and fell asleep.

When she woke up again, it was by the chemistry teacher.

“Cheng Xiangxiang, come and balance this equation.”

Cheng Xiangxiang opened her eyes abruptly and saw the chemistry teacher standing on the podium looking at her.

The class was silent as everyone looked over.

Cheng Xiangxiang stood up in embarrassment and walked to the podium.

However, chemistry was not her forte. Plus, she had been caught sleeping in class, so she was nervous. Facing the equation, her mind was blank, and she could not write it down for a long time.

The quieter the surroundings were, the more embarrassed she was facing the blackboard, and her whole body was stiff.

After a moment, she mumbled in a tiny voice.

“Teacher, I... I can’t write this...”

The chemistry teacher frowned and looked at her. Then she said, “Then, go sit back down again.”

Cheng Xiangxiang walked down from the platform with a red face.

Just as she sat back in her seat, she heard the chemistry teacher address the students meaningfully.

“Students, there are only three months left until the college entrance examination. You must not relax, understand? I see that some of you are still preoccupied with other things, but not your studies. If this continues, how will you be able to take the college entrance examination?”

Although he had not mentioned Cheng Xiangxiang by name, everyone knew that he was talking about Cheng Xiangxiang.

Cheng Xiangxiang lowered her head.

The chemistry teacher walked over, balanced the equation, and tapped on the blackboard.

“Everyone, get your spirits up! Look at the blackboard, the classroom is not a place for you to sleep. If you are really sleepy, you can go home and sleep. No one will stop you.”

As the college entrance exam was approaching, the teacher’s heart was also tense.

A few students who were lying on the table quickly got up and sat up straight.

Ren Qian kicked Lin Zhouyang’s chair leg.

In fact, Lin Zhouyang was not sleeping. He sat up straight and leaned against the back of his chair. He looked at Cheng Xiangxiang with a complicated expression and the empty seat beside her.

It was not easy to last until the end of the class.

The moment the chemistry teacher left the classroom, there were a few discussions in the classroom.

“Whoa, why is our chemistry teacher is so angry today?”

“Our school was completely annihilated in the chemistry competition. I understand.”

“It’s normal to be angry, right? Which teacher would be in a good mood when they see their students sleeping in class? Especially the kind whose results are not that good.”

When she heard this, Cheng Xiangxiang immediately raised her head and looked over.

“What are you talking about?”

Those girls were not afraid at all. The one in the middle smiled and said, “Didn’t you hear what I said clearly?”

A girl sitting next to her tugged at her.

“Hey, we’re all classmates. Don’t be so rude. At least the exams are their real results. If they can’t do it and admit that they can’t do it, it’s much better than another certain person, right?”

When these words came out, they all burst out into laughter.

Cheng Xiangxiang was so angry that her face turned red, but she could not think of any words to refute them.



Before this, she had sworn that Ye Ci would definitely get a good result in the physics competition and that it would be easy for her to get a free pass.

Now, however, she had been slapped in the face.

Not only had Ye Ci failed the exam, but she also caused a series of cheating and leakage scandals!

The punishment had been handed down, and Cheng Xiangxiang had nothing left to say.

She kicked away her chair in frustration, feeling full of grievance. With an ear-piercing sound, she picked up her cup and left.

The girls looked at each other and pursed their lips.

"I don't know what she's trying to pull."

"Exactly. She was so arrogant before, bragging about Ye Ci, but after a long time, it turned out to be a result that had been gained by cheating?"

"I said it before. With her level in physics, how could she have been ranked fifth in the province? Great, now everyone knows. She's really going to bring shame to the school."

Lin Zhouyang suddenly said, "Can you be quiet? You're disturbing my sleep."

As soon as he said this, the surroundings immediately quieted down.

A girl crossed her arms and snorted.

“Lin Zhouyang, you’re really funny. If you don’t want to hear it, then you should go away. We’re just telling the truth. Why can’t we do that?”

Who could not tell that he was doing this for Ye Ci?

Lin Zhouyang did not want to argue with them, and his face turned cold.

Ren Qian walked over and pulled him up.

“Let’s go. Follow me to the logistics department to get some things.”

With that, he forcefully dragged him out.

The girls looked at each other without thinking much about it.

“He still likes someone like Ye Ci. He must really be blind.”

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The first lesson in the afternoon was physical education.

After warming up, Ning Li jogged on the track.

A group of boys was sitting on the steps of the bleachers. When she ran over, they cheered in unison.

Ning Li ignored them.

He Xiaochen suddenly ran over in a hurry.

“Ning Li!”

Ning Li slowed down.

“What’s wrong?”

He Xiaochen pulled her over and took out her phone. Her voice still could not hide her shock.

“The investigation results regarding the leak are out!

“Ye Ci really bought the test paper in advance!”

Chapter 390: Death by Hammer!

Ning Li took her phone and looked at the screen. It was a notice issued by the National Physics Competition Organizing Committee on the official website.

[ Notice: According to our investigation, Qin Guang, a member of the National Physics Competition Organizing Committee, leaked the final exam paper to Ye Ci, a Yunzhou Second High School examinee, on the eve of the final competition. This kind of behavior is bad in nature and has seriously damaged the fairness of the competition, causing a great negative impact on society. After some consideration from the organizing committee, it has been decided that Qin Guang will be removed from his position as a member of the National Organizing Committee for the competition. His title as an Associate Professor in the Physics Department of Xijing University of Technology will be revoked, and he will be transferred to the relevant departments for punishment according to law. We will release the follow-up results to the public in a timely manner. ]

The announcement had been released 10 minutes ago.

This announcement obviously had a huge impact on He Xiaochen.

Her eyes were wide open, and there was a deep sense of shock in them as she muttered, "So, it's true! This is actually true! With this official announcement, this has now been confirmed!"

It wasn't her fault for having such a big reaction. This matter was just too unbelievable.

Although there had been rumors about it on the Internet before, there had been no clear investigation notice. Many people still had some doubts.

Besides, how bold did one have to be to do something like this during the national competition?

Now that everything had been confirmed, it would be established as a fact. Even without thinking too much about it, one would know how big a storm this would cause!

Ning Li nodded and returned the phone to her.

He Xiaochen looked at her and carefully asked,

"Ning Li, are you okay?"

The leak incident had been confirmed to be related to Ye Ci. She was completely ruined this time.

Although the notice had not mentioned the Ye family, it was obvious that Ye Ci could not have done this on her own.

It was likely that the Ye family would not be able to clear their reputation now.

Although Ning Li's relationship with the Ye family had never been good, she was still living with the Ye family. How could she not be affected?

Ning Li shook her head.

“It’s fine.”

As an outsider, what did she have to do with the Ye family’s turmoil?

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On the basketball court, Ren Qian passed the ball out and allowed another player to replace him.

He walked to the side of the court, opened a bottle of water, and looked at Lin Zhouyang who was beside him.

“Brother Lin, you old dog, if you ask me, you’re boring.”

This whole day, Lin Zhouyang had been listless. He did not move even when he had been roped in to play basketball.

Was there a need to go so far just for Ye Ci?

Lin Zhouyang was silent for a long time.

“Qianzi, she’s really not that kind of person.”

Ren Qian glanced at him.

“What’s the point of telling me that?”

The school’s disciplinary results had already been sent out a few days ago. What else could he say?

Lin Zhouyang was filled with frustration.

In his opinion, Ye Ci had always been excellent and outstanding. She had always been good in her studies, good in dancing, and good in painting.

In school, she had never had any conflicts with anyone and often blushed. She was always soft and gentle.

It was really difficult for him to relate the matter of cheating to her.

He was silent for a long time before he said, "The results of the investigation haven't come out yet. There might be a mistake."

After the incident, he had sent a message to Ye Ci, but she had not replied.

However, he also knew that Ye Ci's condition in the Capital for the past few days had to be very bad. He did not dare to disturb her too much, so he had not contacted her any more after that.

It was because he had been thinking about this matter that he could not eat or sleep well.

Even he could not stand those abusive words, so how could Ye Ci?

Ren Qian finished the bottle of mineral water and took out his phone.

Suddenly, he was stunned.

"It's out."

Lin Zhouyang did not react.

“What?”

Ren Qian handed the phone over.

“Yes, the results from the organizing committee for the competition are out.”

He opened the Weibo page.

The official blog of the National Physics Competition Organizing Committee had released this notice at the same time.

Lin Zhouyang took over the phone and clicked on the bigger picture.

When he saw the familiar name on it, he was instantly stunned.

Subconsciously, he said, “This is fake, right?”

Ren Qian crushed the empty water bottle in his hand into a ball and tossed it away. It landed accurately in the trash can not far away.

“Lin Zhouyang.

He said, “Your f\*cking brain must have been kicked by a donkey.”

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A stone created a thousand ripples.

After the official announcement had been released, countless Big V1's quickly followed up. In just half an hour, the official Weibo had forwarded over 50,000 posts, and the number of comments quickly exceeded 100,000.

[ All the sordid details! Ye Ci is confirmed to have bought the final exam paper! ]

[ I told you, if she didn't do it, then where had the original question cheat sheet come from? Now that the official announcement is out, it can be considered as a fact now, right? ]

[ Puke! Disgusting! This is really disgusting! Isn't it terrible for the student who had been robbed of the final spot by her?! ]

[ With this level of skill, how could she be guaranteed a place? She should be disqualified from all exams! ]

[ This Ye family is really awesome. They even managed to get their hands on the final exam papers? ]

[ Didn't you see what it said? The insider leaked the questions, so they must have been bribed, right? I wonder how much this exam paper was sold for? ]

[ It's different when you have money and power. We've worked so hard to study, yet they spent money to ensure that someone entered the national competition. If this matter had not been exposed, Ye Ci would have already signed with Xijing University by now, right? How ridiculous. ]

Very soon, # Ye Ci bought the exam paper #, # Ye Ci leaked the questions #, # National Competition Qin Guang #, and other entries were all on the hot searches and directly occupied the top three.

The two top articles were all 'exploding'.

Not only Weibo, but other major media platforms were also popping up to promote the news.

[ Explosive! Official confirmation of the national competition leaked questions as a fact! ]



[ National competition leaked questions notice! ]

[ Rich family's daughter bought the test paper in advance. Is the competition fair or just a joke? ]

For a time, the entire Internet was covered with relevant news.

All the people involved in the leak, including Ye Ci, quickly became the target of denunciation!

Endless accountability and criticism, ridicule, and abuse flooded in like an unstoppable flood!