## Little Sweet 81

Chapter 81: Shouldn't you know best?

Ye Wan Wan watched coldly as Shen Meng Qi used Jiang Yan Ran and Fang Qin as ammo and continuously fired shots at her. She couldn't help but sneer in her heart.

This was familiar to her.

It was just like this in her previous life as well--Shen Meng Qi hid at the back and pretended to be the good guy each time while Jiang Yan Ran and Fang Qin stepped forward in her place to fight.

Previously, she'd shared a dorm with Shen Meng Qi, Jiang Yan Ran, and Fang Qin. Her relationship with Jiang Yan Ran wasn't so bad at the beginning while Fang Qin was a complete pushover; she didn't dare to offend anybody.

So, she didn't know Jiang Yan Ran and Fang Qin slowly started to exclude her and requested the school for a change of dorms.

It was a long time before she found out that there were rumours that she was always being picked up in luxurious cars and had intimate relationships with people outside school because of her sugar daddy.

As the rumours about her spread, nobody wanted to live with her and so, she was switched to a room by herself.

It was easy to guess where all these rumours came from and why Jiang Yan Ran and Fang Qin believed them.

Ye Wan Wan smiled faintly and glanced at Shen Meng Qi.

You still want to pretend to be innocent?

I want to see how Jiang Yan Ran and Fang Qin react after seeing the true face of this "kind and innocent" girl!

Shen Meng Qi was good at manipulating people's hearts; her two-faced tactics managed to create quite a few connections for her and she stepped on all these people, one-by-one, to climb higher and higher.

Of course, she wasn't the only one.

Jiang Yan Ran was one of them as well. Her father was a veteran in the entertainment circle and the Jiang Yan Ran of the future was an internationally known director. The film which led Shen Meng Qi to stardom was directed by her.

However, this talented director's fate was tragic in the end. During the peak of her career, she committed suicide by slitting her wrist and died in the bathtub at home.

As for her cause of death, there were many speculations. The reported cause was depression, but the truth was that her husband Song Zi Hang had cheated on her and the mistress was her good friend, the lead actress whom she had groomed herself, Shen Meng Qi.

Jiang Yan Ran and Song Zi Hang grew up together. Jiang Yan Ran had always loved Song Zi Hang deeply but Song Zi Hang only loved her like a sibling and married her because of the pressure from his parents.

Jiang Yan Ran only found out on her deathbed that the person who'd captured Song Zi Hang's heart was actually the person she was closest to and trusted the most.

At this time seven years ago, Jiang Yan Ran wasn't dating Song Zi Hang yet but Song Zi Hang and Shen Meng Qi were already fooling around way before that...

Like the way she used to tackle her brother, Shen Meng Qi's way of dealing with men was to not accept but also not to reject. She'd keep them hanging, waiting for their anticipation to spike and reaping the biggest gains. She also especially enjoyed the thrill of stealing men away from others.

As all of these thoughts swirled around in her head, Ye Wan Wan replied nonchalantly, "Meng Qi, shouldn't you know best about what's going on between me and Ling Dong?"

"Me? I've only just found out!" Shen Meng Qi's face was filled with confusion.

She wasn't sure why but Ye Wan Wan's expression made her feel a little uneasy.

Ye Wan Wan replied with certainty, "I told you before that I overheard Ling Dong losing a bet to some of his friends so he had to court me. At first, I thought they were joking; I didn't think that Ling Dong would really court me. Don't you remember?"

Hearing what Ye Wan Wan said about Ling Dong courting her due to a lost bet, the onlookers suddenly understood. If that's the case, everything makes sense!

"When did you say that?" Shen Meng Qi furrowed her brows.

Chapter 82: She reveals her true nature!

Just as Shen Meng Qi was about to deny what Ye Wan Wan had said, Ye Wan Wan glanced at Jiang Yan Ran inadvertently then gave a thoughtful expression and reminded Shen Meng Qi, "It was the end of last month. Weren't you with Song Zi Hang at the amusement park? It was probably too loud so maybe you couldn't hear me clearly?"

The moment Shen Meng Qi heard these words, her face turned pale and she looked at Jiang Yan Ran in panic.

Damn it! She did go to the amusement park with Song Zi Hang last month and that time, Ye Wan Wan had called her for some reason. As she was enjoying Song Zi Hang's attention, she didn't have the strength to entertain Wan wan so she simply sent her off with a few words and hung up.

But how did Ye Wan Wan know where I was? Could it be that I accidentally blurted it out?

Damn, and this dumb girl had to talk about this in front of Jiang Yan Ran!

Sure enough, Jiang Yan Ran's expression changed immediately, "What did you say? Last month, Shen Meng Qi and Song Zi Hang went to the amusement park?"

Fang Qin was also a little shocked, "It was Yan Ran's birthday that day! Yan Ran especially invited Song Zi Hang and was prepared to confess her love to him. In the end, Song Zi Hang didn't show up and you also said that you couldn't make it since you were sick. You... Why were you with Song Zi Hang that day...?"

The girls around them were all stunned as well. Jiang Yan Ran likes Song Zi Hang?

Not many people knew about this but Shen Meng Qi was Jiang Yan Ran's roommate and they were very close; there was no way she didn't know.

Since Shen Meng Qi was clearly aware that Jiang Yan Ran liked Song Zi Hang and that she was prepared to confess her love to him on her birthday, why would Shen Meng Qi lie to Jiang Yan Ran about feeling sick and going out with Song Zi Hang?

The expression of the onlookers staring at Shen Meng Qi changed in an instant.

Going behind a good friend's back to seduce the person she likes... completely shameful.

Ye Wan Wan heard Fang Qin's words and immediately looked anxious like she had said something wrong but her eyes were gleaming, "Did I say something wrong...?"

Saying those words increased her credibility.

As everybody knew that Shen Meng Qi and Ye Wan Wan were on very good terms, Jiang Yan Ran trusted those rumours about Ye Wan Wan that Shen Meng Qi said previously. On the contrary, she also believed what Ye Wan Wan had just accidentally revealed.

Furthermore, Jiang Yan Ran wasn't a fool; she had her suspicions as well but wasn't completely sure.

Sure enough, Jiang Yan Ran immediately took out her phone with shaky hands and opened the message Song Zi Hang posted on his Moments at the end of last month.

Song Zi Hang had set a mood: [Love of my life, I'll wait for you to graduate]

The accompanying picture was a photo taken at the amusement park. There were no real people in the photo but only two elongated shadows of a guy and girl.

This obviously meant that Song Zi Hang had confessed his love for the girl but the girl had told him that they could only be together after her graduation.

After her birthday, Jiang Yan Ran saw this message and knew that Song Zi Hang didn't go to her birthday party because he wanted to confess his love to a girl whom he liked for a long time.

But she never would've expected that the true love Song Zi Hang hid from her, the person she really wanted to find out, was someone she actually viewed as her best friend, Shen Meng Qi!

No wonder... no wonder Song Zi Hang never told me who it was!

The person he was protecting so fiercely was actually just by my side!

At that moment, Jiang Yan Ran stared at Shen Meng Qi in disbelief, "Shen Meng Qi, tell me, what's going on here? The person that Song Zi Hang liked all this time... Is you?"

Chapter 83: You need two hands to clap

Shen Meng Qi never expected that a thoughtless remark from Ye Wan Wan would land her in such big trouble; she wished she could tear her apart on the spot.

But since everything was already out in the open, she could only suppress her anger and plead, "Yan Ran, listen to me, it's not what you think! I had a reason for being with Song Zi Hang that day, I did it for you..."

"Oh, so the person who was with him that day was really you! So, you're admitting it? The person that Song Zi Hang liked all along, is you!"

Jiang Yan Ran started laughing hysterically all of a sudden, "Ha... Haha... Shen Meng Qi... I even shared all my feelings with you every day like a fool... shared with you my thoughts on the identity of the girl that Song Zi Hang liked...

Was it entertaining for you to watch me be so stupid? To watch me love him to death while the person he liked was you? Do you feel accomplished?

You clearly knew that I had prepared so long to confess my love for him on my birthday and that I was so nervous I couldn't sleep for countless nights. Knowing all that, you still went out with him that day behind my back and now you dare to say that you were doing it for me?"

Shen Meng Qi hurriedly replied, "I wanted to make it clear to him!"

Jiang Yan Ran sneered and looked at Song Zi Hang's post on her phone, then she forcefully shoved her phone onto Shen Meng Qi's face, "Make it clear? You made it clear like that?"

Shen Meng Qi's nose had been jolted so hard by the phone that tears started flowing. She covered her face and said, "Yan Ran, let me explain, I told him that I only wanted to focus on my studies and rejected him. But he may have misunderstood what I meant and thought that I wanted to be with him after graduation..."

Listening to Shen Meng Qi's excuse, Jiang Yan Ran's face turned gloomier. She said with a face of full rage, "Shut up! Song Zi Hang told me himself, he said that the girl admitted to having feelings towards him, that you kissed him yet you're still trying to defend yourself! Get lost! I don't want to hear any more about the both of you! Disgusting!"

That day, she had gone to find Song Zi Hang and saw for herself that his eyes were filled with happiness; he told her that the person he liked had accepted his love.

If it weren't for Shen Meng Qi giving him hope, why would he have that sort of reaction?

Shen Meng Qi didn't expect that Song Zi Hang would tell Jiang Yan Ran about this, so her face went pale and she was speechless.

Looking at Shen Meng Qi's reaction, the onlookers understood everything.

After Jiang Yan Ran finished talking, she forcibly pushed through the crowd and staggered away.

Fang Qin looked at Jiang Yan Ran hesitantly and then turned to Shen Meng Qi. In the end, she hurriedly chased after Jiang Yan Ran.

The crowd had initially gathered to watch a spectacle involving Ye Wan Wan but unexpectedly bumped into this huge news about two girls fighting over a boy. They all glared at Shen Meng Qi and started whispering.

"I really couldn't tell that Shen Meng Qi could do something like that! She looks so simple-minded!"

"She knew that Jiang Yan Ran liked Song Zi Hang all along but still hooked up with Song Zi Hang behind her back. She's really cruel!"

"Maybe it was one-sided and Song Zi Hang was the one chasing her?"

"It takes two hands to clap, okay? Didn't you hear what Jiang Yan Ran said about the girl voluntarily kissing Song Zi Hang?"

"That's true!"

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Ye Wan Wan stood at the same spot and watched silently at the back of Jiang Yan Ran staggering off and she felt a strange sense of kinship as if they suffered from the same disease.

This person, Jiang Yan Ran, drew a clear line between her friends and foes and showed intense feelings for both, as shown by the hatred towards her, and the intense love towards Song Zi Hang.

The Jiang Yan Ran from her previous life insisted on being with Song Zi Hang even after she found out he didn't like her. She even begged her parents to pressure him and was finally met with a tragic ending.

Would anything change this time after finding about Song Zi Hang and Shen Meng Qi in advance? What would her choice be? Would she continue to forgive him or would she let go...?

However, this was no longer something she had the energy to care about. She still needed to figure out how to deal with Ling Dong. Her words just now had tampered down the school rumours and dragged Shen Meng Qi down, but she still had to deal with Si Ye Han.

What should I do? Call him and ask if he can help me ward off a suitor?

Chapter 84: Treat him as my own brother

While she was thinking, she felt Shen Meng Qi glaring fiercely in her direction.

Ye Wan Wan raised her brows innocuously and asked leisurely, "Meng Qi, I didn't know things would turn out like that! You won't blame me, will you?"

Shen Meng Qi was so pissed listening to all the nasty whispers around her but she could only force herself to hold it in and hide the darkness beneath her eyes. She forced a laugh, "Wan Wan, why would I... Why would I blame you...? You didn't do it on purpose..."

Shen Meng Qi spoke through gritted teeth and her eyes swept across the people who remained. Then, she explained to her urgently, "Actually, Yan Ran misunderstood me. Why would I steal her sweetheart?!"

Song Zi Hang did in fact like me and has always been courting me but I've never responded to him and even went to make things clear with him. He took the chance and kissed me when I wasn't paying attention. I didn't make the first move; I wasn't expecting it at all..."

I was afraid that Yan Ran would misunderstand so I kept it from her, but who could've guessed that you..."

Since Yan Ran was gone and Song Zi Hang wasn't there, nobody knew the truth. Shen Meng Qi tried to smooth everything over and pushed the blame onto Ye Wan Wan instead.

Ye Wan Wan didn't give the game away either; she responded as if she just had a sudden revelation, "That's what I said, the person you like is obviously my brother!"

Shen Meng Qi was startled by what she said and then corrected her sternly, "Wan Wan, don't spout nonsense, I've always treated Mu Fan as my own older brother. I liked him only as an older brother!"

Now that Star Entertainment under the Shen family was thriving, she'd become a big star in future. With a bright future ahead of her, there would be countless boys chasing her. She didn't want to have anything to do with that good-for-nothing loser, Ye Mu Fan.

She was holding onto him only because he had some value she could use.

What Shen Meng Qi said about treating Ye Mu Fan like her own brother was enough to make Ye Wan Wan choke in disgust.

As if she didn't know what Shen Meng Qi was truly thinking about. She sneered in her heart and asked suspiciously, "Really? I personally mailed out the love letter you gave my brother! The letter was very mushy; something like 'I fell in love with you when I first saw you, you are the perfect god in my heart...'

It turns out I was wrong--that's considered liking someone as a brother? And I thought you looked down on my brother because of what happened to my dad!"

The attentive crowd suddenly let out a sigh, revealing that they understood clearly and they looked at Shen Meng Qi with even more disgust.

With regards to Shen Meng Qi's explanation, they were doubtful of her and most still stood by Jiang Yan Ran's side.

Hearing what Ye Wan Wan said now, they suddenly felt that Shen Meng Qi was indeed guilty of despising the poor and seeking favour with the rich. Ye Wan Wan's elder brother, Ye Mu Fan, was also a popular figure in Qing He previously and many people knew about Shen Meng Qi chasing after him.

Now she's saying that she views him as a brother? Who would believe her?!

Shen Meng Qi was stunned, "Wan Wan, that was so long ago, I was still young and ignorant. I didn't know what love was!

Also, how can I possibly distance myself from you and Mu Fan because of what happened to your family? If those were my intentions, why would I be so close to you and even help your brother get into my father's company?"

Shen Meng Qi suddenly gained some confidence. She laughed and said, "Other than his hobby of gambling, Mu Fan's quite hardworking at work--my dad even complimented him a few days ago! As long as Mu Fan works hard, my dad will never treat him badly!"

Chapter 85: Took advantage of him

Shen Meng Qi acted like she'd blurted out Ye Wan Wan's brother's gambling habits by accident, though her seemingly sincere tone had an obvious superiority to it.

Hearing this, the blood in Ye Wan Wan's heart surged, resulting in a taste of iron in her throat.

In the past, Shen Hong Bin was one of her father's footmen but now, her proud brother was reduced to being a slave for the Shen family!

He thought that he was making a sacrificing for love and worked hard for the Shen family, even helping them produce for a big group of popular artists.

Due to the advantages gained from Si Ye Han; the A-list director, Jiang Yan Ran; and her brother who was known globally as the 'god of style' style consultant, the Shen family's company thrived. Their status even kept up with the Ye family in the entertainment business seven years in the future.

As for Ye Wan Wan's brother, in order to win Shen Meng Qi's hand in marriage, he tired himself out and contracted many illnesses at a young age. In the end, his body collapsed. After his value had been squeezed dry, he was kicked out by the Shen family. The Shen family didn't want to be the subject of ridicule so they got people to frame him of breaking an unspoken entertainment business rule, causing him to lose his reputation, be blacklisted by everybody in the entertainment circle, resulting in great despair to him...

She was able to make Jiang Yan Ran see Shen Meng Qi's true self but couldn't get her own brother to regain his senses.

In the past, her brother was also very charming himself--he could go through a million pretty girls without being tempted. He had innumerable girlfriends but then fell for Shen Meng Qi. He treated Shen Meng Qi specially, spoiled her and treated her better than his own sister.

With her ruined relationship with her brother now, if she talked bad about Shen Meng Qi, not only would he not believe her, it would also worsen their relationship.

Until she found someone who could expose Shen Meng Qi and allow her brother to thoroughly see the evidence of the Shen family's true colours, then could he be saved.

However, it's okay to take it slow. Jiang Yan Ran was just the beginning!

Looking at Shen Meng Qi, Ye Wan Wan acted surprised and said, "My brother is a top style consultant and has the title of the 'god of style' in the industry. When Global Entertainment, the rival of Imperial

Sky, came to poach him, he didn't even agree to go over. Who knew that some casual words from you could persuade him to switch to your company?"

Although the Shen family's Poly Star Entertainment completely crushed Global Entertainment seven years in the future and became on par with the Ye family's Imperial Sky, currently the Shen family's company was still lagging far behind these two dominant forces.

Once those words had been spoken, the girls around them naturally began to follow the direction of Ye Wan Wan's thinking. If Shen Meng Qi and Ye Mu Fan really had nothing going on, why would Ye Mu Fan be so submissive to her words, give up the opportunity with the leading Global Entertainment and run over to Poly Star?

Also, what Ye Wan Wan said was obviously hinting that the Shen family took advantage of him while still acting as if they were doing him a favour.

Shen Meng Qi's face changed slightly. She forced a smile and said, "After all, Mu Fan and I have known each other for ages so he trusts whatever I say. Even though Poly Star isn't as big as Global, it has potential for growth. Mu Fan is very talented, but after you know what happened with your father... It's no longer so easy for him to work with a big company... Oh, Wan Wan, I'll talk to you again soon, I'm worried about Yan Ran. I'm going to go look for her!"

Shen Meng Qi never expected that Ye Wan Wan would be so difficult today. Even after giving her best effort in her verbal match with Ye Wan Wan in front of the crowd, she was left with almost no room to refute her.

To prevent Ye Wan Wan from making an irrefutable counter, Shen Meng Qi hurriedly found an excuse and left.

Chapter 86: I am no god

Ye Wan Wan watched as Shen Meng Qi fled and the corners of her lips curled upwards a little.

After what happened today, no matter how Shen Meng Qi tried to explain or hide her behaviour, everybody would have a changed impression of her and her attitude.

According to her understanding of Shen Meng Qi, she was probably thirsting for revenge after suffering such a big defeat.

Back at her dorm, Ye Wan Wan immediately took out her phone and looked up Si Ye Han's number.

She decided to take a risk one more time.

To Si Ye Han, lying and running away were the greatest sins, so this was probably tame in comparison. What was there to lose by being honest?

At the same time, just as Ye Wan Wan expected, Shen Meng Qi was boiling inside.

Jiang Yan Ran and Fang Qin weren't in the dorm. She looked at her face which had been smashed by the phone--it was rapidly swelling up. With one furious sweep of her arm, she sent everything on the table crashing to the ground.

Damn it, this is all that dumb Ye Wan Wan's fault!

That dummy actually dared to bring up my old flame, Ye Mu Fan. Ye Mu Fan is only a dog in my family's company now, how can he compare? He's like a toad wanting to be a swan!

Ye Wan Wan, I definitely won't let you off so easy!

Shen Meng Qi pulled out her phone with a gloomy expression. She sneered and quickly drafted a message: [Mr Si, Wan Wan's been hanging out with some bad company lately; she's very close to a troublemaker at school. She clearly knows that he has bad intentions. I'm worried that Wan Wan will be foolish and get tricked by him. I really don't understand why she keeps doing things to harm her relationship with you when you're such a good person and treats her so well, Mr Si!]

Shen Meng Qi twisted the truth with just a few words.

On the surface, she acted like she cared about Ye Wan Wan's safety but in reality, she actually didn't care at all.

When it came to snitching on people, Shen Meng Qi was top notch.

Aside from this message, she didn't forget to send over some photos of the two of them walking together. This allowed her to finally let off some steam.

She didn't know what went wrong yesterday; Ye Wan Wan was able to go back to school like usual. But this time, with evidence in place, she would get her for sure!

Late at night, Jin garden:

Xu Yi stared at the door that had been shut for an entire day and night. He paced around anxiously, "What should I do? 9th master has locked himself in the room for one day and one night already. Dr. Mo, aren't you a top psychologist? Think of something!"

Mo Xuan folded his arms and leaned against the wall opposite. He was astonished, "I'm a doctor, not a god!"

Does he think I'm omnipotent?!

Anyway, I'm completely useless with Si Ye Han.

"There's nothing we can do, right...?!"

While Xu Yi was freaking out, there was suddenly the sound of an incoming text nearby.

Xu Yi followed the direction of the sound and realized it was the phone Si Ye Han threw on the floor.

He picked it up to take a look and saw that there were many new message notifications on the screen. They were all from Shen Meng Qi. "This woman is some lingering ghost! I already have enough to deal with!" Xu Yi cursed silently and clutched the phone tightly to prevent Si Ye Han from hearing.

Mo Xuan looked at the phone and pondered slightly before saying, "Go and check what's going on with Ye Wan Wan, maybe she can lure 9th master out."

Xu Yi's face turned black after he heard that. Did they have to use such a terrifying method to lure the 9th master out?

But there was no other way; if master keeps refusing food and drink, how can his body take it?

It looked like they could only fight poison with poison.

Chapter 87: The boy chasing after Wan Wan

And so, Xu Yi quickly got someone to check up on Ye Wan Wan.

A short while later, the investigation concluded. There was a boy in school who was courting Ye Wan Wan openly and the whole school knew about it!

Xu Yi was on the verge of breaking down. Ye Wan Wan was simply a disaster and the consequences were too terrifying!

"There's someone in school that's openly chasing Ms Ye! Dr Mo, should we tell 9th master about it?" Xu Yi asked with a sullen face.

Normally, when Ye Wan Wan spoke to other guys, 9th master flared up. But now, there was someone who dared to chase her. How could he continue to let Ye Wan Wan wander about freely? If the two of them fought again...

He wanted desperately to hide this from master.

Mo Xuan went blank for a while. "Are you sure?"

With the way Ye Wan Wan looks, she's still able to attract a suitor?

Xu Yi nodded his head sternly, "It's true! Also, it's been said that the guy is Qing He's big shot; he's the son of the school's director. He's quite good looking and popular with the girls. He might just have a problem with his eyesight."

Mo Xuan pinched the space between his brows and was a bit hesitant. After deep consideration, he said, "9th master will find out sooner or later."

Xu Yi agreed. It's just a matter of an early or late death.

So, Xu Yi took a deep breath, knocked on the tightly shut door and pushed it open carefully.

He saw that the curtains were all drawn, with only a narrow gap revealing a weak ray of light that landed on the man's face.

Si Ye Han's long body lay on the sofa, one leg bent and one hand covering his eyes to block out the light. The collar of his black shirt that was normally meticulously buttoned to the top now had two buttons unfastened, his devilishly handsome face morbidly pale. His presence produced a gloomy aura around him.

But with this kind of aura, not only did it not hurt him, it made him look more malicious instead, like a vampire that had been in deep sleep for a thousand years in an ancient palace...

In fact, the master was a hundred times more dangerous when silent than when actively enraged.

Xu Yi swallowed hard and walked over trembling, "9th... 9th master... There are some messages for you... They... They were sent by Shen Meng Qi... She sent many messages over... It might be an emergency..."

In the past, as long as it was a message from Shen Meng Qi, Si Ye Han gave it his full attention. But now, Si Ye Han didn't react at all.

Xu Yi waited for a long while, so long that his limbs were going numb. So, he could only summon up his courage and tell him the news, "9th master... There seems to be a boy in school who's courting Ms Ye..."

In the next second, there was a surge of cold air and a fearsome, murderous intent entered the space.

Although the man on the sofa didn't move and only kept his eyes open slightly, the atmosphere changed completely.

Facing this terror, the petrified Xu Yi was filled with fear in his heart.

He grieved in silence for that boy who was blind and tempting death and prepared himself well for whatever came next.

While Xu Yi was still extremely nervous, a sudden ringing of the phone shocked him so much that he almost tossed the phone away in fright.

He quickly looked at the incoming call display, thinking that it was Shen Meng Qi trying to stir up trouble again but then he saw clearly that it was actually Ye Wan Wan!

Xu Yi's heart suddenly went to his throat; why is Ye Wan Wan calling at this hour?

"9th... 9th master, it's Ms Ye calling... A video call..."

Chapter 88: Top notch suck up

In the room that was as quiet and gloomy as a cemetery, only the ringing of the phone reverberated.

Xu Yi couldn't guess what was on Si Ye Han's mind and couldn't figure out whether he wanted to answer this call or not. He stood there, frozen, with the phone raised. He had a sense of foreboding about this call; he hoped master would ignore it.

The atmosphere became more and more unbearable with each ring; the ringing was like a bomb ticking away.

Xu Yi's nerves were frazzled, and probably because he was so flustered, his hand slipped and he accidentally pressed the button to answer.

In the next second, Ye Wan Wan's usual grotesque face appeared on the screen.

Damn! It's over...

At the other end, Ye Wan Wan had waited for a very long time and saw that the phone was just about to automatically end the call. Right at that moment, the screen flashed and the video call was finally connected.

The moment she saw the screen, Ye Wan Wan's pupils contracted.

She could only see the man on the screen lying on the sofa with one hand over his forehead, his collar with two buttons unfastened and hair in a mess. His face was abnormally pale.

Even through the screen, she could feel the terrifying and dangerous aura emitting from the man's body.

Judging by the angle on the screen, the phone seemed to be held by another person, possibly Xu Yi.

The display on the phone was shaking slightly and she guessed it was Xu Yi's hand trembling.

From this slight tremble, Ye Wan Wan was acutely aware of the dire situation and was 80% sure that Si Ye Han had received the news already. She was a moment too late.

Ye Wan Wan pressed her lips together and squinted her eyes, "Sorry... Did I interrupt your sleep...?"

Xu Yi saw that he had answered the call accidentally and could only try to mediate the situation with his head drenched in cold sweat, " Ms Ye, 9th master hasn't gone to bed yet. Why are you calling this late, is there something wrong? If there is nothing urgent..."

Ye Wan Wan didn't wait for Xu Yi to finish his sentence before nodding vigorously, "Yes, I have an urgent issue!"

Xu Yi: "Oh..."

Ye Wan Wan quickly said, "There was a boy in school who confessed to me and he said he likes me..."

Xu Yi almost vomited blood and his soul quivered. He knew he shouldn't have taken this call!!!

He didn't notice that the phone was swaying back and forth but he hoped Ye Wan Wan would stop talking.

Nonetheless, Ye Wan Wan's mumbles continued through the phone, "Could you come with me to meet this boy?"

Xu Yi felt a bolt of lightning striking his head.

She actually asked the 9th master to go with her to meet that boy?

At this moment on the sofa, Si Ye Han's half-opened eyes were now fully opened, like a wild beast waking up from its slumber.

While Xu Yi had all his hopes dashed, Ye Wan Wan's voice continued coming through the receiver, "I've told the boy that I have a boyfriend already and he didn't believe me. Do I look single?

I was so mad that I agreed to bring my boyfriend for him to see on impulse. Not only do I have a boyfriend, my boyfriend's also one thousand times better looking than our school's hunk..."

"Erm..." Xu Yi stood rooted to the ground, completely dumbstruck as he listened and wondered whether this was some kind of trick.

Ye Wan Wan's sucking up... Was pretty darn good!

Even the man's dreary expression was stunned for a moment.

As Ye Wan Wan didn't get a response for a long time, she hung her head low, dejected, "Sorry... Did I trouble you? If it's not convenient for you, then..."

"Time?" the man's low and hoarse voice interrupted her from the other end of the call.

Ye Wan Wan was astonished for a moment before her eyes glowed, "How about tomorrow night? Just outside school!"

"Sure."

Chapter 89: Because my boyfriend likes it

Indeed, telling the truth will get you a lighter sentence.

The next morning, Ye Wan Wan went to class feeling at ease.

Soon after she sat down, a shadow was cast over her head. Ling Dong stood in front of her looking calm.

Seeing this, Ye Wan Wan shot a suspicious gaze over.

Everybody in class looked at the both of them, hungry for gossip.

Ling Dong pressed his lips together, looked at Ye Wan Wan with a serious face and said, "Ye Wan Wan, I don't know where you've heard that rumour but I swear, I'm definitely not pursuing you because of a lost bet or tricking you. I'm serious! Please believe me!"

"Oh——" All the students around burst into an uproar.

Ye Wan Wan's face darkened instead. She had painstakingly thought of this idea last night to refute the rumours but in the end, everything was ruined by this guy.

Looking at the boy's hurt face, Ye Wan Wan stroked her forehead in silence, "The things I told you yesterday were also true, don't you believe me?"

What did she tell me yesterday?

The part where she said that she has a boyfriend?

"Yeah right!" Ling Dong replied boldly.

"I'll bring you to meet him tonight." Ye Wan Wan replied so softly that only Ling Dong and Si Xia beside her could hear.

Ling Dong suddenly realised who the "him" was and a flicker of amazement crossed his face but he quickly regained his composure, "Sure!"

Finally, class ended.

After dinner, there was no one in the school garden. Ye Wan Wan called Ling Dong out and both of them went to a restaurant not far away from school.

Ling Dong sat on the sofa opposite her with a look of certainty, as if he had already seen through Ye Wan Wan's scheme.

She would either give up and say it was all an act, or she would find someone to act as her boyfriend. The latter was more probable unless the guy was blind and couldn't see her ridiculous get-up.

Either way, he would never give up!

Ye Wan Wan naturally knew what was on Ling Dong's mind and didn't offer any explanation. She looked at the time on her phone--Si Ye Han should arrive in about twenty minutes.

"Can I ask you a question?" Ling Dong suddenly asked.

Ye Wan Wan nodded, "Yes?"

Ling Dong stared at Ye Wan Wan's heavily powdered face and coughed lightly, "You... You're so beautiful... Why do you do this to yourself on purpose..."

Ye Wan Wan took a sip of her juice and blinked, "Because my boyfriend likes it!"

Ling Dong was speechless like he got choked on dog food.

"Wan Wan, you don't have to pretend anymore, is it that hard to accept me? Even though I'm not as good looking as Si Xia, I dare say I'm not too shabby too. Anyway, when we're together, I'll never let anybody bully you and you can walk freely in school!" Ling Dong's tone was full of confidence. Of course, he had the ability to make all of that happen.

Ling Dong's popularity in school was only second to that of Si Xia, otherwise, his affection wouldn't have caused everybody to hate her.

Ye Wan Wan rested her chin, "I only have feelings for my boyfriend~"

Ling Dong gave a helpless expression, then his eyes slightly glistened, "Fine, Wan Wan, since you insist that I don't believe you, I'll start believing you now. I'll believe everything you said, believe that you have a boyfriend and believe that your boyfriend treats you as well as you said. But what if your words are proven to be false and you were lying to me this whole time?"

Ye Wan Wan took a big bite of caramel pudding and without thinking, said, "If I was lying to you, then I'll agree to be with you!"

After Ling Dong heard that, his face immediately brightened, "Are you serious?"

Ye Wan Wan nodded sincerely, "Of course I am!"

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Seconds and minutes passed, and just like that, twenty minutes flew by.

However, time was up and Si Ye Han still hadn't arrived.

But after the full twenty minutes, Xu Yi gave her a call.

"Hello, Ms Ye, we're very sorry. 9th master is in the middle of something; we'll need you to wait a while longer!"

"Ah... What's the matter?" Ye Wan Wan asked hastily.

Xu Yi's tone sounded somewhat odd, he hummed and hawed for a long time before answering, "No... No, it's nothing much, you just have to wait a while longer!"

"Oh, all right then," Ye Wan Wan was reassured.

After she hung up, Ye Wan Wan said to Ling Dong, "My boyfriend has a sudden matter to attend to so he'll be a bit late."

Ling Dong folded his arms across his chest and gave a knowing expression that he had expected her to say this. He casually replied, "It doesn't matter, I can wait."

Si Ye Han was usually very busy so it was normal for him to be delayed. Ye Wan Wan didn't think much of it and continued to wait.

Another half hour flew by.

Si Ye Han still hadn't arrived.

But Xu Yi called again and informed her with an embarrassed tone, " Ms Ye, 9th master hasn't settled things here, you might have to wait some more..."

"Oh, it's fine, let him finish up his work first!" Ye Wan Wan replied, not fussing at all.

Ling Dong, who was sitting opposite, looked at Ye Wan Wan, "Why? He's been delayed again?"

Ye Wan Wan nodded, "So sorry, he's extremely busy!"

Ling Dong played along, "No problem, I don't have anything to do anyway, we can take our time!"

Just like that, one long hour went by and the restaurant was emptying out.

After the hour, Xu Yi called for the third time.

This time, Xu Yi sounded even weirder. He was trembling in fear like he was about to cry. Ye Wan Wan wasn't sure what kind of trouble he'd gotten into.

"I'm truly sorry, 9th master is still not done..."

"Oh..." Ye Wan Wan felt that something was off. Could it be that something serious happened? Or did Si Ye Han actually not want to come?

But that couldn't be; if Si Ye Han didn't want to come, he could've rejected her outright. There was no point in him agreeing and then keep getting Xu Yi to give her excuses.

"How about... We meet another day?" Ye Wan Wan suggested.

Xu Yi panicked immediately, "No! Please! I'm really sorry Ms Ye. 9th master can't leave at the moment, but he'll be there tonight no matter what. Please wait a little longer, please!"

"Erm, alright then!"

After Xu Yi's pleading, Ye Wan Wan could only agree but she was very curious. What exactly was happening over at Si Ye Han's house?

After Ye Wan Wan hung up the phone for the third time, Ling Dong looked at the time, stared at her and said, "Wan Wan, if this so-called boyfriend you mentioned doesn't show up by 12 a.m. tonight, can it be considered that you were lying to me?"

Ye Wan Wan thought about Xu Yi promising that Si Ye Han would show up tonight no matter what and nodded in the end, "Yes."

Ling Dong's face lit up after hearing this and relaxed. Now, he eagerly watched the time pass, bit by bit.

There was only about an hour left till 12 a.m. Just an hour more and this girl would become his girlfriend!