

Madam's 2321

Chapter 2321 Sister Nian: Is There a Problem With Me Looking Like This?

At the same time, Ji Ziyin's private residence.

No one picked up when she called Liao Quan. Frowning, she called him again. This time, a mechanical and cold female voice told her that the other party had turned off his phone...

Ji Ziyin was not a fool. She understood after giving it some thought.

—Liao Quan refused to answer her call!

Ji Ziyin's chest felt as if it was weighed down by a thousand pounds. She gripped her cell phone tightly and did not move for a long time.

Until the old servant walked over and made her a cup of coffee. She placed it on the table and whispered, "Miss, the Blue Mountain you wanted."

Ji Ziyin seemed to have woken up from a dream. She lowered her hand and said, "Put it on the table."

The servant placed the coffee cup by her usual seat and then returned to the kitchen.

Ji Ziyin sat on the sofa dejectedly looking down at her cell phone.

Liao Quan's phone number was still on the screen.

Ji Ziyin remembered it very clearly.

A few months ago, this Liao Quan was still a 'good dog' who fawned over her all day. In the blink of an eye, even someone like him dared to not take her seriously.

Ji Ziyin was unable to accept this reality.

The old servant saw her pale face from afar and her eyelashes fluttered. Although she did not know what had happened to her, she vaguely felt that something big had transpired.

After all, Ji Xiao and Ji Hongyuan, who used to come often, had not appeared recently. Ji Ziyin was in low spirits every day, so it was obvious that she was in a bad mood.

The old servant was hesitating on whether to comfort her.

Ji Ziyin's cell phone suddenly rang, and she picked it up in a hurry. "Hello, Patriarch."

"Come over," Ji Lingfeng said concisely.

Ji Ziyin immediately became nervous. She bit her lip and carefully probed, "Patriarch, why are you looking for me?"

Ji Lingfeng's attitude towards her was indifferent. She could detect nothing abnormal from his tone. He was very calm. "I have something to ask you."

Ji Ziyin sat up straight and was about to ask another question when the other party hung up.

She stared at the phone for a long time.

Ji Ziyin did not care about it anymore. She got up and said to the servant as she walked to her room, "I'm going out for a while."

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In the evening, the sky was filled with red clouds that dyed half the sky red.

Under the setting sun, the scenery of the independent continent was especially beautiful.

Qiao Nian went to the airport to pick them up an hour in advance.

In the early spring weather, it was rare for her not to wear a hoodie. Instead, she wore a smog-blue sweater over a long-sleeved white T-shirt. The sweater was big and belonged to the lazy and leisure style.

She did not roll up the hem of her shirt, letting it hang loosely. Coupled with her jeans, the girl's legs looked straight and long.

Qiao Nian was also not wearing a cap. She had tied her hair into a bun, revealing her smooth forehead and exquisite face. Although her expression could not be concealed, it was obvious that she had restrained herself a lot and was trying her best to look like the elders expected of her.

The window of the black SUV rolled down. Qiao Nian looked at the exit. No one had come out yet.

She rested her elbow on the side and tapped the edge with her slender fingers, then turned and asked the person in the car with clear eyes, "Is there a problem with me looking like this?"

"No problem at all!" Qin Si sized her up and said sincerely, "If my mother sees you, she might decide to send you to my house on the spot..."

Chapter 2322 Have You Forgotten? It Was You Who Refused to Get off the Plane

Qin Si had yet to finish his sentence when he felt a cold gaze on him. The hair on the back of his neck stood on end. He quickly straightened his back and immediately changed his words. "Ahem! I mean, Sister Qiao, you look quite good like this."

He did not forget to turn around and seek approval. "Master Wang, don't you think so?"

Ye Wangchuan called Ye Lan, but no one picked up. He turned off his cell phone and looked up in the girl's direction. His gaze paused for a moment before he handed her a black mask. "It's windy outside. Put on a mask. Be careful not to catch a cold."

Doubtful, Qiao Nian took it from him and lowered her head to play with it. She was about to say that there was no need, but the man seemed to know what she was thinking. His eyes were deep as he looked at her. "You're now a popular person in the independent continent. Many eyes are on you. It's best to cover your face when you go out to avoid unnecessary trouble."

No matter how many times he looked at her face, she still looked exceptionally eye-catching.

Qin Si and Gu San nodded in agreement.

Sister Qiao's looks... It was indeed difficult to avoid trouble.

However... Why did they feel that Master Wang had other reasons for insisting that she put on a mask?

Before they could think further, Ye Wangchuan took the mask from the girl, leaned forward, and said in a low voice, "Nian Nian, lower your head."

Qiao Nian glanced at him. She sat still and before she knew it, he gently stroked the mask behind her ear with one hand, carefully putting it on for her.

Qiao Nian stiffened, but she did not resist much. She seemed to have already gotten used to someone's aura. It was just a temporary discomfort, but she quickly naturally relaxed. Every nerve seemed to be defenseless against him.

Even Qiao Nian was stunned by this absolute trust. "You..."

Ye Wangchuan had already put on the mask on her outstanding face. His thin lips curled up slightly as he said lazily, "Done."

"This will do." He retreated back to his original position, looking as if he had no personal agenda.

Qiao Nian narrowed her.

At this moment, Gu San whispered, "Eldest Miss and the rest are out."

Qiao Nian's attention was diverted and she turned to look out of the window.

Old Master Ye and Ye Lan came out under the protection of the Ye family's bodyguards.

Qiao Nian did not care about the mask anymore. She unbuckled her seatbelt and opened the door to get out.

Gu San and Qin Si also got out.

Ye Wangchuan's eyes rippled as he slowly unbuckled his seatbelt and opened the door.

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Ye Lan immediately saw the person waiting by the road. She pointed in Qiao Nian's direction and said in surprise, "Dad, look, isn't that Nian Nian?"

"Where?" After all, Old Master Ye was old and his reaction was not as fast as when he was young. However, his eyes were bright, and he quickly discovered Qiao Nian and the others' location.

A smile split on his face the moment he saw the straight girl standing in the crowd. He quickened his pace and walked forward as he rebuked, "Why didn't you tell me that Nian Nian was coming? If you had told me earlier, we would have walked out more quickly. It's so cold outside. I wonder how long she's been waiting."

Aggrieved, Ye Lan supported him as she went along. "I wanted to answer Wangchuan's call, but you insisted that I didn't. You said that he's a brat, that I should let him stand outside in the cold!

"Did you forget? You didn't let me answer the call and deliberately refused to come out."

Chapter 2323 I'm a Freeloader. Why Do I Need to Be Promising?

Of course, Old Master Ye did not forget what he had said previously, but he did not know that Qiao Nian was also waiting for them outside!

Feeling a little awkward, he touched the bridge of his nose and pretended to be deaf, pretending not to hear her accusation.

However, it was as if he was aided by the wind, and he walked as if he were flying.

Ye Lan almost could not keep up with him. It could be seen how quickly he walked.

"Dad, slow down."

Old Master Ye ignored her and walked quickly as if he was afraid that Qiao Nian would get tired from waiting.

However, when he was about to reach the girl, Old Master Ye deliberately slowed down and covertly tidied his collar. Only then did he walk over and stand in front of the girl. He looked at the girl lovingly and asked softly, "How long have you been standing here? Are you tired?"

A panting Ye Lan greeted Qin Si and looked at the young man standing upright. "You brat, why didn't you tell us?"

Ye Wangchuan raised his eyebrows. "Tell you what?"

"Tell us that..." Ye Lan almost blurted out, "That Nian Nian is here too." However, her brain reacted quickly and she immediately realized that a certain someone was digging a hole for her. She immediately glared at the young man. "Forget it, it's nothing. Your grandfather was angered by you this time. Your crimes worsened. You'll have a good time when you go back."

Seeming confident, Ye Wangchuan said calmly, "It's fine. In the future, I'll bring Qiao Nian along every time I go back."

Ye Lan sized him up.

Although she was so angry that she wanted to laugh, she had to admit that her nephew's move was ruthless! It was definitely taking drastic measures, making it impossible for the Old Master to find a chance to attack even if he wanted to beat him to death.

"How promising you are!"

Ye Wangchuan was handsome and magnanimous. "I'm a freeloader. Why should I be promising?"

"Tsk!" Qin Si said quickly.

Ye Wangchuan glanced at him.

Qin Si immediately covered his mouth with both hands, indicating that he was just passing by.

Ye Wangchuan slowly retracted his gaze.

However, Ye Lan seemed to think about it and nodded in agreement. "That's true."

Ye Wangchuan was speechless.

Ye Lan even looked at him seriously and patted his shoulder. Then, she said earnestly, "It's good that you think that way. It's not shameful to freeload in this society. Someone like Nian Nian... It's not a loss for you to live off her."

"Hahaha." Qin Si laughed so hard that his head almost fell off.

He became bolder since Qiao Nian, Ye Lan, and the others were all here. He held back his laughter and imitated Ye Lan with a mischievous expression. He patted a certain someone's shoulder and said with a smile, "Master Wang, I was young and didn't know how to live off a woman. I accidentally planted seedlings in my youth. Fortunately, you were enlightened early."

Ye Wangchuan expressionlessly pushed his hand away and looked at him with his deep eyes. He said casually, "That's true. Auntie Qin doesn't seem to know that you took a liking to someone. Why don't I talk to her another day?"

Qin Si immediately put down his hand as if he had been electrocuted and slid to his knees. "No, I was wrong. Don't tell my mom..."

Curious, Ye Lan interrupted and asked, "Qin Si likes someone? Who is it?"

Qin Si did not know what to say.

Ye Wangchuan said for him, "He likes that person, but that person doesn't like him."

Chapter 2324 Nian Nian, Do You Want to Enter the First Research Institute?

Qin Si's heart was stabbed and he could no longer smile.

Ye Lan sized him up and sighed. She patted his shoulder, comforting him. "... Unrequited love! Don't be too sad."

Qin Si's heart was stabbed again. He had internal injuries now.

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Qiao Nian booked a private room in the Mountain Sea Pavilion.

They toasted each other and ate.

Old Master Ye ate a lot. In a good mood today, he even made an exception to drink two mouthfuls of wine. He looked radiant.

Qiao Nian sat on his left. She ate quite a bit too.

Old Master Ye told Ye Wangchuan about the family's business in the independent continent. He did not hide it from Qiao Nian, Qin Si, and the others and spoke for a long time.

Ye Wangchuan replied to him and the two of them stopped talking after a while.

Old Master Ye turned his head to the girl who had not spoken much the entire night. She listened to their conversation quietly and ate with her head lowered.

He hesitated for a moment before putting down his chopsticks and asking, "Nian Nian, do... do you want to enter the First Research Institute?"

On the other end, Ye Lan was chatting with Qin Si, asking about the name of the girl he liked, where she lived, and what her parents did for a living...

But she stopped and looked in the girl's direction when the Old Master asked Qiao Nian if she wanted to enter the First Research Institute.

Overwrought by the torrent of questions, Qin Si was suddenly saved.

Everyone in the room paid attention to Old Master Ye and Qiao Nian.

Old Master Ye ignored their gazes and only focused on the girl. With a benevolent expression, he said gently, "If you want to enter the First Research Institute, I'll help you think of a way. It's just that... it might take some time. Nian Nian, tell Grandpa Ye if you want to enter the research institute."

Old Master Ye's connections were extremely powerful, so he naturally had more than just Liao Quan as a connection.

However, he was unwilling to contact some people.

To him, it would be good for the Ye family if he did not touch these connections.

However, Ye Maoshan's heart ached for Qiao Nian. He decided that as long as Qiao Nian wanted to enter the First Research Institute, he would beg those old friends even if he had to sacrifice his old face.

Not expecting this question, Qiao Nian looked at Old Master Ye in shock.

However, Old Master Ye thought that she was embarrassed and was about to ask her again when Ye Wangchuan interrupted him. "Grandpa, finish eating first."

Ye Maoshan frowned slightly and grew unhappy. "I'm talking to Nian Nian. Don't interrupt. You don't know..."

Ye Wangchuan picked up a piece of pork ribs for him and placed it in his bowl. His eyes were picturesque. "Let's eat."

Qiao Nian finally reacted. She coughed awkwardly and put down her chopsticks. She touched the tip of her nose, still thinking about how to explain it to the old master.

Old Master Ye looked around and felt that he had missed out on some important details. Seeing that Ye Wangchuan did not let him continue, he was silent for a moment before slowly picking up his chopsticks again and lowering his head to eat.

Qin Si and Gu San looked at each other, revealing complicated expressions.

... It seemed like Elder Ye didn't know that Sister Qiao had already entered the First Research Institute and was the future successor chosen by Feng Yu.

This was a big misunderstanding.

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Old Master Ye and the others had previously planned to stay in the Intercontinental Hotel and had booked two penthouse suites in advance.

After Ye Wangchuan found out, he called Mo Xi. The latter quickly arrived and arranged a private residence not far from Qiao Nian's villa for Old Master Ye and Ye Lan.

Chapter 2325 You Are Not Staying in Nian Nian's House, Right?

Old Master Ye did not go there. Instead, he returned to the Bright Gate's four-story villa where Qiao Nian and the others were staying.

In the villa.

Gu San obediently brewed Old Master's favorite tea and respectfully placed the teacup on the table in front of him.

"Elder Ye, your tea."

Ye Maoshan was walking back and forth in the living room with his hands behind his back, sizing up the small items in the place.

Hearing this, he put back the blue and white porcelain snuff bottle in its place and sat on the sofa. Picking up the teacup, he was about to drink it when, from the corner of his eye, he saw a girl hugging a pillow and playing with her phone. He paused and put down the teacup, wanting to say something but hesitating. "Nian Nian, you came to the independent continent this time to..."

He originally wanted to say, "Did you come to the independent continent without telling everyone to investigate your mother?"

Unexpectedly, just as he started speaking, Ye Wangchuan appeared from behind and stuffed a SIM card into his hand, interrupting him. "This is the SIM card of the independent continent."

Ye Wangchuan gave Ye Lan a similar SIM card, saying, "Your previous SIM card can't be used here. Remember to change into the SIM card I gave you when you go back."

Silently taking it, Ye Lan raised her eyes and looked at him suspiciously. "Wangchuan, why do I feel that you're very familiar with the independent continent? When did you buy a property here?"

Qin Si secretly looked over.

Ye Lan really did not recover from her shock. She frowned and said in a suspicious tone, "... I've never heard you say that you have a house in the independent continent before."

All the forces outside wanted to gain a foothold in the independent continent.

The Ye family did not have a property in the independent continent yet, but Ye Wangchuan had his own villa here... Ye Lan could not digest the difference for a while and felt that it was a little unbelievable!

After all, as far as she knew, Ye Wangchuan had not taken over the Ye family's overseas power.

Their overseas forces were mainly managed by Ye Keji and Ye Shan.

Ye Wangchuan had basically never touched it.

Then, where did his house come from?

The independent continent was not a place where one could buy a house just because they had money!

And she was not stupid.

From the moment they got off the plane, she realized that her young brat seemed to be very familiar with the independent continent.

His every move revealed his understanding of everything here.

"You..." Ye Lan looked at him deeply and then glanced in Qiao Nian's direction. She earnestly asked, "You're not staying in Nian Nian's house, are you?"

She was encouraging him not to care about worldly opinions. Nian Nian was not good at expressing her feelings. He was a man and had to be more proactive.

But... if a woman was the one to buy a house, it would be too much to freeload!

The way Ye Lan looked at him changed.

Ye Wangchuan was smiling, but upon hearing his Auntie's soulful question, his smile gradually froze. After a long while, he took a deep breath and walked over. "No."

Ye Lan's reaction was huge. She heaved a long sigh of relief and nodded. "That's good."

The veins on Ye Wangchuan's forehead bulged, and his temples throbbed. He had a headache again.

He placed his hand on his forehead and looked at his Auntie. "Don't worry, I'm not that much of a freeloader."

A little embarrassed, Ye Lan turned her head away and pretended that she had never suspected him.

Old Master Ye ignored them and stared at the girl the entire time.

Chapter 2326 Sister Nian, You Can't Cover Your Identity

He had been interrupted by Ye Wangchuan previously, and he had wanted to mention the First Research Institute to Qiao Nian several times.

He also wanted to ask Qiao Nian if she was investigating Ji Qing.

If so, he would think of a way for her to enter the First Research Institute.

Old Master Ye's thoughts were very simple. Ji Qing was once part of the First Research Institute. If Qiao Nian wanted to investigate Ji Qing's past, she had to start from the First Research Institute.

He couldn't let Qiao Nian waste her time!

"Nian Nian..." Old Master Ye couldn't sit still anymore.

Qiao Nian had just replied to a message when Ye Maoshan talked to her. She looked up slightly.

Before Ye Maoshan could say anything, Qiao Nian's cell phone suddenly rang.

The girl stood up apologetically. "I'm sorry, I'm going to take this call."

Ye Maoshan magnanimously waved his hand. "It's fine. Go ahead."

Qiao Nian nodded and walked to the side to answer the call.

She did not go far.

Old Master Ye could still hear the girl's low and hoarse voice.

"Now? What's the matter? I'm at home. Let's talk about it another day..."

The girl quickly returned after making the call.

Ye Maoshan organized his words and prepared to continue on the same topic.

Unexpectedly, there was a series of knocks on the door.

Gu San was cutting fruits. He immediately put down the fruit knife and said, "I'll go see who it is."

"Okay." Ye Maoshan was already a little impatient after being interrupted time and time again. He ignored him.

His old but kind face looked in the girl's direction and he said in a low voice, "Nian Nian, have you thought about what I said at dinner?"

Qiao Nian had just returned from the call and was thinking about something. "Mm? What is it?"

Old Master Ye was about to mention the First Research Institute when Gu San entered with a familiar person.

The person was about 70 years old. From his appearance, his first impression was very ordinary. He was just an ordinary old man.

However, Ye Maoshan's reaction was huge. He stood up immediately.

He looked at the person in shock, his heart thumping. Because he was too surprised, he maintained a surprised expression with his mouth slightly open.

Seeing his huge reaction, Ye Lan called out, "Dad?"

She also realized that Old Master Ye was looking at the person Gu San had brought in. She looked over but couldn't figure out who it was.

She only felt that the other party was an ordinary-looking old man. Why was her father's reaction so big?

"Miss Qiao, Elder Feng is looking for you," Gu San said to the girl.

Qiao Nian did not expect Feng Yu to come looking for her. She got up and walked towards him, then asked with a low voice, "Why are you here?"

"I was in the neighborhood when I called you. You said it was inconvenient for you to go out, so I came over by myself."

Feng Yu belatedly saw the unfamiliar faces in the house. He looked at the girl and asked in surprise, "You have guests?"

Qiao Nian tugged at her sweater, feeling a little upset at his sudden arrival. "No, my elders came to see me."

Feng Yu straightened his expression and immediately said, "Let me greet them."

Qiao Nian had yet to figure out how to explain the current situation to Old Master Ye. She simply grabbed him and said, "There's no need. I'll introduce you guys next time I treat you to a meal."

Chapter 2327 Feng Yu Is Here to Deliver Information

Feng Yu looked at Ye Maoshan, then retracted his gaze and nodded.

Qiao Nian let go and raised her chin. "Let's talk upstairs."

"Alright." Feng Yu had no objections.

After she finished talking to him, Qiao Nian turned around and said to Ye Wangchuan, "I'll bring him up. Will you accompany Grandpa Ye and the others?"

Ye Wangchuan was extremely familiar with Feng Yu. His eyes were filled with gentleness as he nodded and said softly, "You guys go up. Don't worry about us."

Qiao Nian responded and politely said goodbye to Ye Maoshan and Ye Lan before bringing Feng Yu upstairs to her room.

Ye Maoshan watched them go up to the second floor and disappear around the corner. Then, he turned his head and looked at his grandson with a burning gaze. "Young brat, aren't you going to explain to me?"

He did not know whether to laugh or cry.

Previously, he was still worried that Nian Nian would not be able to enter the First Research Institute. In the end, the dean of the First Research Institute personally came to look for her.

It seemed that Qiao Nian was very familiar with Feng Yu.

Even his unfilial grandson knew him.

In the entire villa, he was the only one dumbfounded.

Even Qin Si and Gu San looked unfazed when they saw Feng Yu. Clearly, Feng Yu had come to look for Qiao Nian many times.

"What's going on with the dean of the First Research Institute? Did Nian Nian enter the research institute?" Ye Maoshan could not be bothered to argue with him. He pointed to the second floor and went straight to the point.

Only now did Ye Lan realize the identity of the ordinary old man. She said in shock, "Dad, you said that the person who went up with Nian Nian just now was—"

Ye Maoshan felt a little better at her reaction. He pretended to be calm and said, "That's the dean of the First Research Institute, Feng Yu."

Silence.

He turned his head again and fixed his gaze on his grandson, who was siding with outsiders. Angry, he said in a low voice, "How many more things are you hiding from me!"

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On the second floor.

After Feng Yu entered her room, he handed her a folder yellowed with age.

Qiao Nian lowered her head, opened the file, and took out the contents one by one. He said softly, "This is a report I found in the archives regarding your mother's experiments. Take a look."

Qiao Nian did not need him to say anything. She was already reading through it.

Feng Yu gave her a form that she would fill in before the experiment. It would include the materials she needed, the laboratory, and so on.

"I checked this form."

"Your mother was doing experiments on nuclear decomposition before she left the Institute."

Feng Yu's tone was heavy. "It's the experiment that I chose for the selection. I suspect that her death has something to do with this."

Qiao Nian had already finished reading all the forms and rewound them to study them a few times.

Feng Yu was right.

Ji Qing had been studying nuclear decomposition. According to the records on the form, she had done a lot of research related to nuclear decomposition.

Qiao Nian turned the form and looked at the yellow marks on the back of the paper. These marks left behind by time could not lie.

This form was the clue left behind by Ji Qing 20 years ago.

"The reclusive family seems to be very afraid of this." It wasn't that Feng Yu hadn't done anything all these years. He had always guessed what the reclusive family was afraid of.

Qiao Nian put the information back into the file and smiled expressionlessly. "Of course, they're afraid of this!"

Chapter 2328 Nian Nian, How Do You Plan to Compensate Me?

"Nowadays, nuclear-related weapons represent the most advanced technology in the world. If these weapons turn into scrap metal, who do you think can't accept it the most?" Qiao Nian casually asked as she looked at him. In fact, her eyes were filled with killing intent.

Of course, it was the people who possessed these weapons who could not accept this outcome!

Didn't the reclusive family have these large-scale lethal weapons?

Qiao Nian touched the tip of the iceberg. However, there were still many details that she could not understand and needed time to investigate.

Feng Yu was enlightened and gasped. "Qiao Nian, you..."

The girl just put the file into the drawer of the desk. She looked at him with her dark and bright eyes and said firmly, "I'll investigate to the end!"

Feng Yu was scalded by her gaze.

He originally wanted to persuade her to stop investigating, but he could not bring himself to say it.

He just let out a long sigh.

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Qiao Nian chatted briefly with him before sending him downstairs.

Feng Yu had already composed himself. As he walked down the stairs, he thought of something and said to the girl, "You're already the legitimate heir of the research institute. I want to hold a celebration banquet for you."

"There's no need." Qiao Nian paused and said, "I don't like crowded places."

Feng Yu knew her temper and knew that she did not take the identity of the future successor of the First Research Institute seriously. However, he still tried his best to persuade her. "I know you don't like lively places. I wouldn't make things difficult for you if it were any other thing. However, since you were selected this time, we have to at least go through the process to prevent outsiders from spreading unpleasant things.

"You're not from the independent continent, after all. If we don't organize a banquet for you, those people will say that the First Research Institute doesn't value you." Feng Yu went down to the first floor and stood beside the stairs as he spoke to the girl.

Qiao Nian was still thinking about the form. Hearing this, she looked up at Feng Yu, clearly still thinking.

Feng Yu was not in a hurry and waited for her.

Qiao Nian did not think long before saying, "I understand. Set a time and let me know what to do."

Feng Yu's dark face revealed a trace of a smile. He nodded and patted her shoulder. Then, he lowered his voice and said, "Don't be too anxious about your mother's matter. Take your time. I'll try my best to help you investigate."

Qiao Nian nodded. The arrogance in her eyes had long been restrained. She did not look like an impulsive person.

Feng Yu did not say anything else.

He went over to greet Ye Maoshan and Ye Lan, then Ye Wangchuan, before leaving the villa with Gu San.

Qiao Nian watched him leave before walking to the living room.

Old Master Ye stood up. There was no abnormality on his face. He said gently to Qiao Nian, "Nian Nian, your Aunt Ye and I will go back to rest."

"I'll send you guys," Qiao Nian immediately said.

Old Master Ye refused. Before he left, he only said to her, "You should rest early too. Listen to Grandpa Ye. Don't tire yourself out."

Qin Si went out to send Old Master Ye and Ye Lan back.

In the blink of an eye, only the two of them were left in the villa.

Qiao Nian stood at the door and saw Old Master Ye and the others get into the car before entering again.

Ye Wangchuan was leaning against the wall waiting for her. As soon as she entered, he pulled her over and held her in his arms. He lowered his head and chuckled softly. "I took a scolding from the Old Master for you. Nian Nian, how do you plan to compensate me?"

Chapter 2329 Sister Nian: That's Fine, Come On

Qiao Nian was not angry at being pressed into his arms. She looked up, her exquisite and eye-catching face looking especially ostentatious. "How do you want me to make it up to you?"

Ye Wangchuan looked down at her bright eyes. His thin lips curled up as he leaned against the wall and pressed her against it. He placed his arm against the wall and hooked his neck, extremely seductive. "I want... you."

Stunned, Qiao Nian looked up at him with raised eyebrows. "I'm not 20 yet."

"That's why I regret it." Ye Wangchuan's voice was low and hoarse as he spoke frankly. His breath landed on the girl's neck as he leaned closer to her earlobe. "Nian Nian, I take back what I said before."

"Are you serious?" Qiao Nian looked at him seriously.

Ye Wangchuan smiled and deliberately asked her, "What do you think?"

The girl was not anxious or angry. She tilted her head back slightly and leaned against the wall, then casually said, "Oh, that's fine too. Go for it."

Ye Wangchuan paused. He did not come back to his senses for a long time.

Qiao Nian, on the other hand, had a generous expression on her face. She leaned against the wall with her hands in her pockets, pretending to be at ease. She looked at him with her beautiful eyes, as if saying, "Come on."

"You..."

"Mm?" Qiao Nian looked at him coldly. No matter how she looked at him, she appeared pretty arrogant.

Ye Wangchuan boasted that he had seen many storms and rarely failed.

This time, he was the first to be defeated. He let go and stepped aside helplessly. "What do you want for your coming-of-age ceremony?"

Qiao Nian looked at the path he had made for her. He was still leaning lazily against the wall with his arms crossed. She raised her eyebrows. "Haven't I already passed my coming-of-age ceremony?"

She had already come of age at 18.

She had long since passed her adult birthday.

"I'm talking about the 20-year-old ceremony."

"I don't know." Qiao Nian lowered her eyes and casually said, "It doesn't matter. I'm not interested in receiving gifts."

Ye Wangchuan looked at her deeply, then walked to the living room and opened a drawer.

Qiao Nian watched from afar as he took out a velvet box from the drawer and walked back.

Ye Wangchuan handed the box to her and then said in a low voice, "Open it and take a look."

Qiao Nian paused for a moment before taking the box. She pulled open the bow tie and opened it. What entered her sight was a jade bracelet of extremely good quality.

There was a good-textured, jade green bracelet. The texture was smooth and delicate, and its luster was gentle.

The key was that it was just the right size for her wrist.

Qiao Nian looked at it for a long time without taking it out of the box. Instead, she looked up at him. "Why did you suddenly give me this?"

Ye Wangchuan took the jade bracelet out for her with gentle eyes. "Nian Nian, try it on."

Qiao Nian hesitated.

Ye Wangchuan grabbed her hand and carefully put on the jade bracelet. Then, he held her wrist and admired it carefully. His gaze was gentle and affectionate. "Do you like it?"

Qiao Nian felt a chill on her left wrist. She looked down at the jade bracelet.

Ye Wangchuan's aesthetic taste was excellent. The jade green bracelet complimented her extremely fair skin.

Qiao Nian looked at it for a while and couldn't say that it didn't look good. After serious consideration, she replied, "It's fragile. I won't wear it for everyday life."

She was usually either in the laboratory or running around with Feng Yu.

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The jade bracelet was indeed beautiful.

But it was too fragile for her. It might shatter if she was not careful.

Qiao Nian took off the jade bracelet and placed it back in the box. Then, she closed the box and solemnly put it away.

Ye Wangchuan watched as she put away the gift. His lips curled up slightly as he said to the girl, "This is my advanced coming-of-age gift to you."

He had prepared a total of 20 gifts. This jade bracelet was personally designed and polished by him. It could be considered his first gift.

He had been absent from her first 19 years.

Now, he wanted to compensate her with everything that the Qiao Family owed her.

Ye Wangchuan knew that Qiao Nian might not care about this, but he could not bear to see her suffer.

His sweetheart should deserve the best in the world, and not have regrets in life.

If she had any regrets in the past, he would use the rest of his life to make up for them.

"There will be other presents in the future."

Qiao Nian: "Mm."

"Why are there more gifts?" She thought for a moment and looked back at the man. "What are they?"

Ye Wangchuan looked at her with a burning gaze. Then, he walked to the sofa. "I've already received what I wanted."

Qiao Nian looked at him in confusion. After a moment of silence, she asked with a serious expression, "Are you serious about regretting your promise to wait?"

She was half-joking just now.

Now she had changed her mind.

Ye Wangchuan did not expect this. He lowered his head and coughed lightly, then touched the tip of his nose and said in a helpless tone, "A gentleman never goes back on his word. I'm not that impatient."

"Is that so?" Qiao Nian looked at him suspiciously and sized him up, obviously not believing him.

After all, a certain someone did not seem as calm as he appeared.

However, Ye Wangchuan suddenly changed the topic. "Why did Elder Feng look for you?"

Qiao Nian's attention was successfully diverted. She walked to the water dispenser and got herself a glass of water. Holding the paper cup, she casually said, "He found an experimental application form left behind by my mother in the research institute's archives. It's related to nuclear decomposition. He suspects that my mother's departure from the First Research Institute and her early death are related to this research."

"Nuclear decomposition?"

As the actual head of the Bright Gate, Ye Wangchuan knew the situation very well.

As soon as Qiao Nian mentioned nuclear decomposition, he immediately thought of the stakes.

So, he asked the girl, "What do you think?"

"What can I think?" Qiao Nian shrugged and indifferently said, "The truth is right in front of us, isn't it?"

Ye Wangchuan remained silent.

Qiao Nian carried the glass of water to the living room and found a place to sit down. "I'll continue to investigate. This might involve the reclusive family."

Ye Wangchuan frowned, but he did not try to persuade her like Feng Yu. "If you want to investigate, investigate. But you can't act alone. Tell me if you find anything. I'll accompany you."

In the past, Qiao Nian was used to acting alone and rarely cooperated with others.

She subconsciously looked at him and saw the seriousness and concern in the other party's eyes. Qiao Nian retracted her gaze and lowered her head to take a sip of water, then placed the cup on her knees and lowered her eyes. "Mm."