Su Meng didn't expect Shen Yu'an to be awake in the middle of the night because of this.

In any case, Shen Yu'an had gotten injured because of her. If not for her, he wouldn't have offended Zhao Zhijun, and his leg wouldn't have been so seriously hurt if he hadn't tried to protect her in the accident.

She heard from the nurse at the emergency room that if Shen Yu'an hadn't protected her, she would have a few more holes in her head or her chest.

She bent down and looked at Shen Yu'an with a concerned face and asked gently, "Do you want me to get the nurse to give you morphine to stop the pain?"

Shen Yu'an waved his hands and refused, "Morphine will affect my nerves, I don't want it."

If Shen Yu'an himself hadn't said that his leg was too painful to fall asleep, judging from his calm and expressionless face, she wouldn't have known that he was enduring such terrible pain.

After Shen Yu'an rejected her offer, Su Meng wasn't sure what to do. "Or I'll get the doctor to prescribe you painkillers?"

Shen Yu'an waved his hand. "No need, I can still take this amount of pain. Let's have a talk."

Su Meng continued to try persuading him, "We can talk after you've taken painkillers too."

Shen Yu'an frowned at Su Meng and said with a displeased face, "You're very irritating."

He pushed the wheelchair to leave, and Su Meng was afraid that he might go hiding elsewhere to smoke again. So she grabbed hold of his wheelchair and said, "Alright I won't say anymore, let's have a talk then."

He was the injured one after all, so he had the final say. She decided to just endure things for his sake.

Su Meng couldn't find a place to sit, so she went back to her room and got a pillow and sat cross-legged on it, as if she was speaking to the king. "Ok, say whatever you wish to."

Shen Yu'an looked at her sitting so

officiously on the floor in her white hospital gown and couldn't help but laugh. "You're so silly."

Su Meng glared at him. "I'm thinking on the spot, ok?"

The two were silent for a while, then Su Meng broke the silence. "What do you want to talk to me about?"

Shen Yu'an turned to look at Su Meng. Under the dim moonlight, Su Meng couldn't really see his expression clearly and could only see the pale brightness of his eyes. "It must have been very hard on you to bring up Yankai all by yourself in France, wasn't it."

Su Meng didn't expect that Shen Yu'an wanted to talk about this.

She was a little surprised. "Why do you suddenly bring this up?"

Shen Yu'an replied, "Nothing really, just suddenly wanted to ask."

The reason why he had suddenly thought of this question was simple. That afternoon, he had overheard a few nurses chatting.

From their voices, it seemed like they felt that it must have been very hard for Su Meng to bring up a child as a single parent.

The child was still young and needed someone to take care of him every day, and this was the most tiring period of motherhood.

After interacting recently with Su Yankai, he realized that it was tiring to play with children after too long. Because children were way too intelligent.

But after overhearing what the nurses said, he understood for the first time that children didn't only require someone to accompany them.

When Yankai was just born, Su Meng must have been overseas and without a job. How was she supposed to bring up a child all by herself?

And how much had she sacrificed along the way?

Shen Yu'an thought that Su Meng would reply him with some sad story about her hardships, but instead she smiled and replied, "Actually it was still pretty ok. Mainly because I had a good

teacher and a good friend, so with their help with finances, I didn't have to suffer too much. Yankai has been a good boy since he was very young and never really threw any tantrums, so I don't think it was hard for me to bring up Yankai by myself. In fact it has been really interesting."

She couldn't help laughing as she started sharing some of Su Yankai's interesting stories with him, "Before he could talk, Kaikai liked to suck his thumb. He didn't want the pacifier, only his thumb. I only managed to get him to stop this bad habit just last year. You can look at his thumbs and you'll find that one is larger than the other. The smaller one is the one he always sucks on."

"Before learning to talk, he liked to

laugh a lot. But now that he's grown up a little, he doesn't laugh so much anymore. I've never thought that taking care of him was difficult or tough. I feel that taking care of him gave me the chance to learn even more new things."

At first Shen Yu'an suspected that Su Meng was saying this so that he wouldn't feel bad, but when he saw the genuine smile on her face, he understood that everything she said came from the heart.

Su Meng really felt that having a child by her side made her really happy.

He was a little saddened. He was sad that he had missed Yankai's first few years, and missed the chance to see the time when he was still cheeky and adorable.

Su Meng seemed to have sensed his sadness. "I have a very thick photo album at home and it's full of Yankai's photos when he was very young. I can bring it over for you to see next time."

Shen Yu'an nodded and the corners of his mouth curled up slightly. He looked especially gentle in the moonlight.

He looked like how Su Meng dreamt of him earlier.

The moment Su Meng thought of that dream, she lowered her head in embarrassment and tucked her hair behind her ears.

Shen Yu'an saw that Su Meng had suddenly stopped talking, so he said, "Let me tell you a secret." Su Meng immediately became alert and looked straight at Shen Yu'an. "What secret?"

This was the secret of the richest man in China, and she was curious just thinking about it.

Shen Yu'an didn't expect Su Meng to be so excited by this and laughed in a low voice.

In the darkness, his laughter was low like a cello, and Su Meng felt her ears getting hot by hearing it.

"Hurry up and say it then."

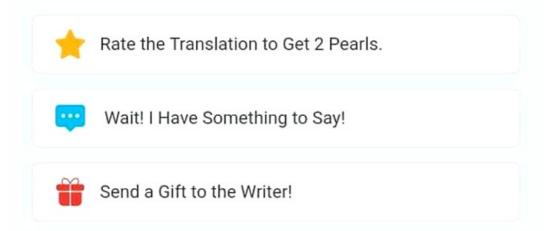
Shen Yu'an stopped laughing and continued, "That day I told you that I won't fall in love with any woman, remember?"

Su Meng thought she would hear

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about some tragic tearjerker love story or some painful childhood past.

"I can't have children."



Su Meng blinked and was a little unable to process this. "You're a man, so of course you can't have children."

Shen Yu'an clasped his forehead wordlessly. "No, what I meant was that I have a problem. I suffer from a low sperm count, so I can't have children."

Su Meng felt a little dizzy after hearing this secret. "But Yankai is really your son."

Shen Yu'an replied, "I know. So he's probably the only child I'll have for the rest of my life."

Su Meng was still a bit giddy. "I'm a bit dizzy. Give me a minute and let me sort my thoughts out."

"This low sperm count condition.

You checked it at the hospital?"

Shen Yu'an replied confidently, "That's right. I found out after getting a checkup at the hospital. I found out when I was twenty years old, I remember that clearly."

"Could they have made a mistake?"

Shen Yu'an shook his head. "That's not possible. My entire family has done their body checkups at this hospital my whole life, so they couldn't have made a mistake."

Since Shen Yu'an was so sure, Su Meng believed him.

She didn't expect that someone like the richest man of the country was impotent. There were so many young ladies dreaming of having children with him. After she finally digested this secret, there was still something she didn't understand. "But whether you fall in love or not has nothing to do with your impotency, right? There are plenty of couples who don't have children, and they still live well without having children, don't they? At most you could find a woman who doesn't mind not having children to marry you, no?"

Shen Yu'an smiled bitterly and it took him some effort to reply, "But you've seen the attitude my parents have towards Yankai. They really hope to have grandchildren. So instead of telling them the truth, I'd rather just not raise their hopes."

Su Meng couldn't really understand Shen Yu'an's logic.

"Your parents really hope that you'll

have children, but you're too embarrassed to tell your parents that you're impotent, so you decided to just never get married. That's what you mean, right?"

Shen Yu'an nodded. When he saw how seriously Su Meng was listening to him, he felt that this woman was actually rather adorable, and smiled without saying anything.

But his face was in the shadows, so Su Meng couldn't see his expression even if he smiled.

Su Meng could understand why Shen Yu'an was unwilling to tell anyone about this secret.

He had been placed on a pedestal from a young age after all. It was hard for a man to say that he was impotent.

But why did he suddenly tell her this secret?

Was he trying to gain her sympathy?

Su Meng couldn't help but shift her butt a little and increase the distance between the two of them.

It was sad that Shen Yu'an was impotent and would rather just stay single than to tell his parents the truth for the sake of his own pride.

But that would definitely never be a reason for her to allow the Shens to have custody of Yankai.

Su Meng couldn't help but say, "CEO Shen, what you've gone through is indeed sad, but I won't let you have custody of Yankai."

Shen Yu'an frowned and looked at Su Meng unhappily. "Did you think I told you this to gain your sympathy?"

Su Meng didn't say anything, but the unhappy expression on her face showed what she was thinking very clearly. She really did think that way.

Shen Yu'an felt that it was a really dumb idea to have a heart to heart talk with this woman.

How had he imagined that this woman would understand what he was really trying to say?

He tried hard not to explode, but he felt that he shouldn't allow her to misunderstand him like this. When

he started speaking again, his tone had become calm again.

"I don't mean anything else when I shared this with you. I just wanted to talk about it. Yankai is my son, and he's my only son. Regardless of who has custody of him, as his father, I will bear my rightful share of my responsibilities. Instead of hoping to keep him by my side, I would rather that Yankai grows up to be happy and healthy."

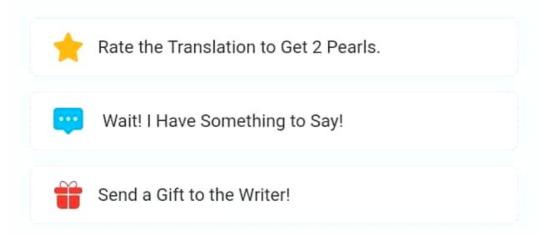
Su Meng still didn't say anything

Shen Yu'an had to say everything as clearly as possible.

"It wasn't easy for you to bring up Yankai all by yourself. You have a very deep bond with Yankai and I won't force both of you apart. I won't fight with you for custody of

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the child. As for my parents, I'll talk to them myself."



Su Meng couldn't believe her own ears. "Are you serious?"

Shen Yu'an was speechless and wheeled his wheelchair back to his own room. "You can guess."

Su Meng was overjoyed as she watched Shen Yu'an leave. If it wasn't in the middle of the night and everyone was asleep, she really wanted to shout a big thank you!

These words from Shen Yu'an helped to settle her heart down. After getting back to her room, she tossed and turned excitedly on the bed, and only fell asleep when the sky started getting bright.

Perhaps it was because she had chatted with Shen Yu'an in the middle of the night, but she woke up later than Su Yankai the next day.

She squinted and slowly opened her eyes and saw Su Yankai putting on his clothes while sitting on the blanket, and sat up with a yawn.

"Babe, you're so early today."

Su Yankai looked at how sleepy Su Meng was and burst out laughing. "Mama, the sun's so high in the sky already, it's time to wake up!"

After washing up, the two of them finished breakfast in the hospital. Since both of them were on leave from work and school, they sat in the ward and entertained themselves.

One was facing the laptop and making drawings, while the other was holding his laptop and testing out codes. Neither said anything, but the air in the ward was fairly heartwarming.

After 10AM or so, the first guest of the day arrived – Shen Yu'an's parents.

She had no idea what Shen Yu'an told his parents, but today neither of them mentioned the issue of custody.

Mrs Shen was still very cold towards Su Meng, but was extra passionate towards Su Yankai.

She was carrying several things, so Su

Meng went to help carry them. She only glanced at Su Meng, but didn't say anything.

Instead it was the reticent Mr Shen who asked about Su Meng, "Are you feeling better?"

This question from Mr Shen made Su Meng a little shocked. "Thanks for asking, Uncle Shen. I'm pretty ok. I just need to do a few more tests today and I can be discharged soon."

Mr Shen nodded. "It's good for young people to take care of themselves. After something like that happened, it's better to do a few more checks."

Mrs Shen sat next to Su Yankai with a kindly face. "Darling, what are you doing?"

Su Yankai didn't like to be disturbed when he was playing by himself. But Su Meng had taught him well, so when he saw that his grandmother had come, he shut the laptop cover.

"Hello Grandma."

Mrs Shen was beaming from ear to ear when she saw this grandchild in front of her who looked just like her son when he was the same age. She held up the bags that she carried into the room to show Su Yankai. "Darling, look at what Grandma has brought you! Do you like Transformers? Remote controlled cars?"

She took out one toy after another, but none of them made Su Yankai happy or excited.

Su Yankia smiled obediently, "Thank you Grandma, I like them very much."

At first Mrs Shen took his words seriously, but after she had taken everything out and Su Yankai's answer had not changed, she asked cautiously, "Darling, do you not like these presents?"

Su Yankai glanced at Su Meng, then nodded. "I like them."

Mrs Shen figured Su Meng must have done something to the boy.

She was a little displeased as she packed

the presents away and left. Before leaving, she even promised Su Yankai, "Darling, don't worry. In the afternoon, Grandma will definitely bring a present you like."

When Mrs Shen left, Su Meng breathed a huge sigh of relief.

When Su Yankai saw her reaction, he asked, "Mama, are you very afraid of that Grandma?"

Su Meng didn't want her son to be involved in these adult matters, so she shook her head. "No such thing. You're a little boy, so don't keep trying to interfere with us adults."

After hearing this answer, Su Yankai was even more certain that his Grandma didn't like Su Meng.

But this Grandma seemed to like him very much, so he might possibly be able to help his Mama.

In the afternoon, Shen Yu'an's secretary brought them food.

When the secretary passed the food to Su Meng, he couldn't stop himself from saying, "Miss Su, why don't you persuade CEO Shen."

Su Meng was completely confused. "What happened?"

The secretary replied anxiously, "Someone put up photos of you and Boss from five years ago. Everyone out there is certain that he's been involved with a married woman and the share price has dipped 5% as a result. The investors are all calling him and there are some who even want him to resign. Because of this, he says he wants to be discharged and settle matters at the office. But in his current state, he can't leave the hospital at all, could you go persuade him?"



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What the secretary wanted wasn't for Su Meng to persuade his boss, but for her to help Shen Yu'an.

The company's share price had fallen because of the CEO's scandal and the shareholders wanted Shen Yu'an to resign, but this had very little effect on Su Meng.

But as one party in this extramarital affair, as long as she spoke up and produced relevant evidence, she could solve Shen Yu'an's current predicament.

Su Meng understood what the secretary was trying to say. After thinking through it, she waved at Su Yankai and told the secretary, "Let's eat together in Shen Yu'an's room then."

When they got to Shen Yu'an's room, he was having a video conference.

Shen Yu'an's expression was very grim as he spoke English very quickly, as if he was arguing with the person on screen.

Su Meng had spent five years abroad and her English wasn't poor. She could hear

clearly that Shen Yu'an was saying, "This is my private matter and won't affect the operation of the company, and will definitely not affect the future profit of the company. I don't think it's necessary for me to resign."

She didn't know what the person in the video call said, but Shen Yu'an's expression became nastier and nastier, and he replied in English, "If you insist on that, then I have nothing to say to that."

He was completely absorbed in his work and didn't notice that Su Meng and Su Yankai had come. He shouted loudly, "Li, have you completed the paperwork for my discharge? Also, arrange for a public notice..."

He spotted Su Meng and his son by the door the moment he shut his laptop cover.

When he saw them, his eyebrows immediately furrowed and he cast a fierce glare at his secretary.

Li felt very guilty when Shen Yu'an glared at him, and he wished he could disappear into the gap of the door.

Shen Yu'an noticed that Su Meng wanted to say something but stopped herself, so he knew that Li must have told her something.

He was still calm in front of Su Meng and he told her with a confident face, "Don't listen to Li spout nonsense, I can settle my own company matters. If those investors want to withdraw their investment, they can go ahead. I can even take back some management rights, so that's not a bad thing."

Su Meng didn't believe Shen Yu'an when he said this, but after glancing at Su Yankai, she didn't think it was a good time to talk. "Have you eaten? Even if you want to be discharged, you have to eat too, especially since you're injured."

The air was a little heavy as they ate.

Su Yankai looked at Su Meng eating with her head bent on his left, then looked at Shen Yu'an eating and replying emails on his right. Then he realized that something

big must have happened.

After his grandparents had picked him up from kindergarten and brought him to the hospital, he thought that they were quarreling over the issue of his custody again.

But it didn't seem to be the reason now.

He had some questions in his heart, but after he finished all his food, he approached Li and said, "Uncle, I want to go to the rooftop garden to play, can you bring me there?"

Su Meng was still wondering when would be a good time to speak to Shen Yu'an. When she heard what Su Yankai said, she nodded. "I'll have to trouble you, Li."

After Su Yankai and Li left, the room was left with only Su Meng and Shen Yu'an.

Shen Yu'an knew that Su Meng was worried about him, and he was about to open his mouth to speak.

But Su Meng was faster than him. She

looked deeply at Shen Yu'an. "Let's get married."

These three words were like a bolt out of the blue, freezing Shen Yu'an's expression immediately.

"Don't spout nonsense. I can settle my own matters."

Su Meng straightened her back and continued to look straight at Shen Yu'an. "You know that the best way to deal with this current situation is to marry me and release an official statement together."

Shen Yu'an shook his head several time as he started to pack up the scattered documents on the table. "I can really settle the company problems. You don't have to do something against your own wishes just to show your gratitude."

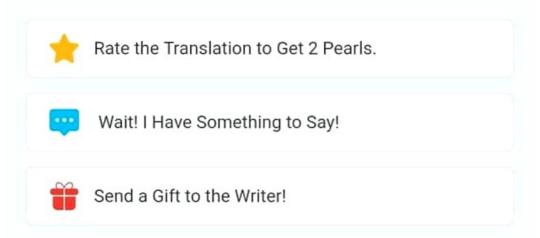
Su Meng grabbed Shen Yu'an's hand and stopped whatever he was doing.

Perhaps it was because he was injured. Shen Yu'an's hand wasn't as warm as it usually was, and was actually a little cold.

Su Meng's hands were always cold, so when the two cold hands touched each other, there seemed to be a spark between the area where their skin touched, and immediately became warm.

Shen Yu'an immediately pulled his hand back and looked away. "You know that I won't get married."

Su Meng took the rare initiative to reach her hand out and turn Shen Yu'an's face back to face her. "It's exactly because I know your secret, so I've chosen to marry you. You mentioned being in a contract marriage before, remember?"



Their eyes met, and while Su Meng's eyes were completely clear, Shen Yu'an took only one look before he struggled free from Su Meng's hands and looked at the table at the side, refusing to look at Su Meng.

As if that wasn't enough, he even shifted his butt a little but kept a calm voice. "Didn't you refuse this offer the last time? Why are you bringing it up again?"

His finger was twitching in a place where Su Meng couldn't see, and he wasn't sure if he was excited or frightened.

Su Meng didn't notice anything strange about Shen Yu'an and thought that he was in a hurry to go to the office and didn't have patience to listen to her.

But since she wasn't injured, she quickly walked around the sofa and sat on the other side of Shen Yu'an. "Listen to me, getting married is the best plan right now. As long as I can show them my certificate of divorce with Zhao Zhijun, then show them the time between my divorce and Kaikai's birth, those rumors about you being with a married woman won't stand anymore, and you could even

hire people to create some beautiful love story for us."

Shen Yu'an didn't say anything, so she continued.

"We'll agree to be married for two years, then divorce quietly after that. After getting a divorce, you can use me as an excuse to refuse to go on any matchmaking dates or get married. As for children, we already have Yankai, so if your parents insist on having another, we can say that Yankai is still young or something along those lines. Isn't this a perfect plan? It'll solve all your problems, and my mum will stop nagging at

me to get married."

Shen Yu'an still didn't say anything, so Su Meng used her shoulder to nudge him. "What do you think?"

That nudge snapped Shen
Yu'an out of his daze. His eyes
refocused and his reason
came back to him.

He thought of the time when he first mentioned going into a contract marriage and how Su Meng refused flatly back then. He frowned at Su Meng, "You don't have to suffer this because of me. I told you already, I saved you yesterday, but that was also saving

myself. You don't have to make such a big sacrifice to repay this favor."

Su Meng didn't expect Shen Yu'an to still consider her feelings even when faced with such a crisis.

She was a little moved, and became even more determined to get into this contract marriage with him.

"I'll be honest with you then.
Yes, I remember all these
things that you've done for
me, and I also remember how
you saved me yesterday, and
these are part of the reason
why I've decided on this. But

the other part is how I really hope that you'll get through this crisis, and I also hope that all those awful things that are being said about Kaikai will go away as soon as possible."

Shen Yu'an had to say that Su Meng's words actually made him feel touched.

But this feeling didn't last long. Su Meng's next words washed it all away.

"But of course, most importantly, I know that you're a good man. Whether I marry you or not, I will still definitely have custody of Yankai. I'm going to tell you right now that

I'm a greedy little woman, so before getting married, you'd better decide beforehand on how to split the assets, otherwise by law, I'll get half of your assets when we get divorced, don't cry when that happens."

Shen Yu'an had just been called a good man. He looked at the sly looking Su Meng and wanted to say something, but after he hesitated, he finally said, "Don't worry, I'll leave some money for you after the divorce."

Su Meng exclaimed exaggeratedly, "Wow! Then I definitely have to get married.

This reward is too great – after getting divorced I'm going to be so rich."

This contract marriage was agreed upon as the two laughed.

But since it was a contract marriage, they needed to draw up a contract.

Being in a contract marriage was a serious matter, so it was best that only the two of them knew about. As a result, this simple contract was drawn up by Shen Yu'an himself, the man who earned thousands of dollars every second.

The contents were very simple.

Party A: Su Meng

Party B: Shen Yu'an

Both parties agree to a contractual marriage from 14 June 2018 to 14 June 2020. During this time, both parties agree to maintain the image of a loving husband and wife, including but not limited to registering and collecting a marriage license, holding a wedding ceremony and any other actions that will prove to the public that both are in a happy marriage. Both parties also promise to keep this

agreement secret and not to allow any other party to know about it.

If one party should wish to end the marriage before the contract is complete, one month's notice is required.

Shen Yu'an thought about it, then added one more line at the end:

At the end of the contract, Party B agrees to pay a lump sum of fifty million dollars to Party A as compensation for these two years of her youth.

Su Meng's feelings were a little conflicted when she saw what Shen Yu'an had added at the end. "You don't have to be so generous. If fifty million can buy two years of my youth, then my youth must be worth billions."

Shen Yu'an was in a rare mood to joke with Su Meng, so he laughed and said, "Don't worry about money. I'll get it all back in less than three months, so I'm using three months of my pay in exchange for two years of your youth. No matter how you look at it, it's a profit to me."

Su Meng calmed down completely after Shen Yu'an said this. "Alright then, the rich guy doesn't feel the pain, so I won't feel the pain for you either. After this contract is done, I'm going to be a millionaire."

He made two copies of the same contract, and they took back one copy each after they had signed it.

Su Meng smiled and held a hand out to Shen Yu'an. "Mr Shen, I'm Mrs Shen, please take care of me."

Shen Yu'an shook Su Meng's hand and also smiled back, "Mrs Shen, I'm Mr Shen. Please take care of me too."

Su Yankai had gone upstairs to the rooftop garden with Li, and still didn't know what huge surprise awaited him downstairs.

The private hospital had done a good job of the landscaping. The rooftop garden was filled with plenty of plants, some were evergreens and some were flowering plants.

The moment they entered the garden, Su Yankai disappeared in a blink of an eye like a horse that had broken free.

Li turned around to find Su Yankai missing, and he broke into a cold sweat. He started looking for Su Yankai in the garden, "Little boy, where are you?"

Su Yankai was hiding in a corner as he shouted, "I'm over here."

In the corner, Su Yankai quickly moved his fingers on the screen of his phone. The moment he logged into Weibo, he could

see that the trending topics were all about Shen Yu'an's scandal and he knew something big must have happened.

He scanned through the platform and saw that there were people saying that his mother was like a used pair of shoes, and that she was a vixen.

Even though he was young and didn't really know what a used pair of shoes or a vixen really meant, he could tell that these weren't nice words.

He was so angry that he registered an account while squatting in a corner and replied all these netizens: You don't even know Su Meng, how can you say such things about her?

One replied: I'm that pair of used shoes' father, so I can scold her whatever I want. Who do you think you are?

Su Yankai's face was all red from anger.

He had never met his maternal grandfather before, but according to the way his mother described him, he knew that his

grandfather was a good man. But here this person was claiming to be his maternal grandfather.

He was so angry!

He immediately replied: My maternal grandfather died a long time ago, you liar!

The person replied very quickly: Oh my, I can't believe you admitted to being that woman's illegitimate son. HAHA my dear grandson, call me Grandpa!

By the time Li found Su Yankai, he found that Su Yankai was on the verge of tears from the things these netizens said.

Su Yankai felt stupid for the first time. He didn't know how to scold others. He was trying to protect his mother, but got scolded in return instead.

The more he thought about it, the angrier he became. The angrier he became, the more he wanted to scold those netizens.

Li breathed a sigh of relief when he saw Su Yankai hiding in the corner and playing

with his phone. "Young man, I finally found you."

But when he saw what was on Su Yankai's phone and how he was so upset that he was about to cry, Li nearly fell to his knees.

This young boy was definitely the CEO's son. He was only five, but he already knew how to try fighting back for his mother on Weibo.

But if the CEO found out that he had allowed his boss' five year old son to raise an online war and had been scolded so badly that the little boy was about to cry, then he could forget about his bonus for the year.

Li took the initiative and told Su Yankai, "Young man, these people are hired with money. They're in groups of a few hundred or even a few thousand. It's way too troublesome to fight them one by one, so why don't we hit back the same way?"

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