Mr Han 2371

Chapter 2371: Not a Wimp

"It's alright," Lu Man said with a smile. "It isn't my limelight this time, it's for the team to improve."

She didn't speak of victory; even she felt it was nigh impossible.

That would also put more pressure on Hayer and Robert.

It's already a great help having them.

Thus, they decided on the meeting time for the next day.

Both went over in the afternoon.

Wang Yanglin was arriving in the early noon to replace Wu Zilin.

It was just perfect for Wang Yanglin to join them at that timing.

As for Wu Zilin.

He could just dream of getting any guidance.

Though Lu Man would not stoop to his level, given his previous brainless actions, Lu Man wouldn't let Wu Zilin enjoy any advantages.

How could Wu Zilin enjoy the fruits of her labor?

No way. Lu Man wasn't that generous.

The next afternoon, Wang Yanglin came.

Everyone anticipated his arrival.

Thus, they all eagerly waited for him at the reporting place when he was about to arrive.

Wu Zilin came too, but he was only forced to. He had to return his student pass and whatnot and cancel his status as an exchange student before handing it over to Wang Yanglin.

Wang Yanglin arrived soon after.

He kept a low profile, only bringing his assistant.

The assistant was only here to help him communicate and settle issues back in China.

The assistant wouldn't be staying at the school but in a hotel.

Wang Yanglin got a shock seeing everyone waiting for him.

He immediately put his hands together in apology. "Sorry for making you all wait here. My bad, I should've informed you when I was coming."

Seeing this, everyone thought about how much better he was compared to Wu Zilin, being so famous yet remaining polite and courteous.

Wu Zilin was polite in the beginning too, and he seemed to display team spirit.

But that was because there was no one to compare him to.

With Wang Yanglin as a contrast, Wu Zilin's pretensions from back then instantly became obvious.

As the one being replaced, Wu Zilin was lukewarm towards Wang Yanglin.

The latter could probably understand Wu Zilin's mindset, and so he didn't take it to heart.

Both went to settle their administration matters.

The one in charge was still Jose.

He looked down his nose at them.

When done, he even said, "This time's the exception, only because the exchange is nearing the end. You couldn't have kept switching out students at will. If you kept doing this, countless others can come and study. What then would have been the point of the exchange slots?"

Jose pursed his lips. How cunning of them to make use of this loophole.

Wang Yanglin raised his brow at him.

He instantly knew the exchange students' circumstances.

"It's because the exchange is ending soon and I won't benefit much from coming here now, that's why our school made this decision. That's why, you can't say we're benefitting from taking advantage of loopholes. The school won't have let me come here if it were so," Wang Yanglin replied unabashedly.

Everyone behind was delighted upon hearing this.

Good for you, Wang Yanglin! Speaking his mind because he's in the right, without batting an eyelid.

Had it been Wu Zilin, would he have said something about prioritizing harmony again?

Lu Man was glad too. Who'd have guessed that this Wang Yanglin would be to her liking? Not a wimp at all.

With this in their minds, everyone turned to look at Wu Zilin.

Chapter 2372: The Face-slapping Duo

Wu Zilin: "…"

What were they staring at him for!

He didn't even say anything!

Wang Yanglin came out and everyone saw he was without luggage.

Wang Yanglin explained, "I have to attend Mega's Charity Night as well, along with another brand activity. So I'm staying outside of school for convenience.

"But Mega's Charity Night is at night, and while the brand activity is in the day, it's after our competition. It won't hinder our rehearsal in the day."

Hearing this, Wu Zilin commented, "Yanglin, you're quite busy here. Lu Man seems rather free."

The others: "..."

Was there something wrong with Wu Zilin!

Lu Man raised her brow but remained silent.

Wang Yanglin had heard from Principal Lu about Wu Zilin's matter briefly.

Principal Lu didn't go into details with Wang Yanglin, and that's because of the Wu family and him wanting to save Wu Zilin's face.

But Wang Yanglin knew, at least, that Wu Zilin was on bad terms with the others.

And he got to witness Wu Zilin's ridiculousness on the day he just arrived.

Now, he finally knew why the others were insistant on driving Wu Zilin away.

His constant taunts and jeers were cancerous for the team, like a wave of negative energy flooding them.

Facing him daily was hard enough. Who would still be in the mood to focus on the competition?

Wang Yanglin replied, "Lu Man is attending Mega's Charity Night too."

Seeing Lu Man's surprise, Wang Yanglin said, "Oh? Your manager hasn't informed you? I'd even asked if anyone else from China was attending when I received the invitation. The organizer said Gao Zishan and Dong Qinrong will attend, as well as a few other artistes who are brand ambassadors. We're the only new actors joining. But I've only just received the notice too, so your manager likely will tell you in time."

Hu Zhonghui's call came immediately after Wang Yanglin finished speaking.

Indeed, it was regarding what Wang Yanglin had spoken about.

"How convenient, since you're already in the US," Hu Zhonghui said.

Lu Man spoke briefly to Hu Zhonghui before hanging up, then said to Wang Yanglin, "What a coincidence. My manager called me right after you finished talking."

Everyone then turned towards Wu Zilin once more.

Only to see his thunderous expression.

Were Wang Yanglin and Lu Man a face-slapping duo?

To welcome Wang Yanglin, everyone went out for lunch.

Wu Zilin brazenly joined in.

During the meal, Lu Man said, "I went to Broadway to meet Robert and Hayer yesterday."

Though the exchange students had already set off for the US and missed the competition going on at the National Film Academy, they'd seen the video afterward and knew of Robert and Hayer.

Moreover, if one came here to study without seeing a Broadway show once, it would be as if they'd never come to New York.

So they all bought tickets to see the show.

And they saw Robert and Hayer's performance with their own eyes.

They'd heard of them both at school, and it's far more direct and impressive than hearing of them back home.

After coming here, they knew very clearly how popular and good the two were.

All perked up upon hearing Lu Man's words, and their eyes were shining brightly.

They had the same thoughts as Lu Man yesterday, not daring to hope of successfully inviting Robert and Hayer.

It was exciting enough for Lu Man to be able to contact them.

They thought that if the two top-tier actors couldn't make it, having them introduce other experienced actors to help was something plausible.

Chapter 2373: Shocked by Their Actions

Unexpectedly, they heard Lu Man say, "They've agreed to come and coach us. They're coming to the school this afternoon."

What?

Did they hear correctly?

Guo Hai pushed his arm in front of Tan Mingxiao. "Quick, pinch me. I'm not hearing things, am I?"

Tan Mingxiao reciprocated the gesture. "Let's pinch each other."

And hence, they did.

Both yelped at the same time, the pain thoroughly felt.

Everybody was dumbfounded.

All were shocked by their actions.

And because of their humorous act, everyone recovered from their earlier shock.

And immediately, they felt excitement growing.

Though some were still in disbelief.

"It's Robert and Hayer? The judges who were at the National Film Academy?" Even Wang Yanglin wanted to confirm, feeling thrilled.

"That's right." Lu Man smiled and said, "I only wanted to ask if Robert could help find an experienced stage actor to guide us. After all, both of them are so busy and might not have the time.

"Unexpectedly, Robert and Hayer agreed the moment I suggested it, and they didn't even ask for the details. I'm really grateful."

"That's right." Sun Mengying nodded. "We know very well what our standard is and why the teachers all rejected us. But Robert and Hayer actually agreed under such circumstances."

"It's like... a dream," Zhang Xiaoying muttered.

"Don't forget to thank Lu Man too," Guo Hai reminded them, "Without Lu Man, which one of us could have approached Robert and Hayer? It's all thanks to Lu Man that both of them could come and coach us."

"That's right, Robert and Hayer must have agreed because of Lu Man," Tan Mingxiao said.

Wu Zilin watched as everyone praised Lu Man.

When he heard it was Robert and Hayer who were coming, he regretted it.

He should've stayed on the team.

He'd thought they wouldn't even be able to find a teacher to guide them, and the entire team was surely doomed to fail miserably.

He'd thought they were surely going to be mocked mercilessly.

That was how Wu Zilin had comforted himself, thinking it's better that he was getting out of this mess earlier.

He had learned what he could and achieved his aim of being here, so no losses there.

Far from there being no losses, there were gains.

Because he got himself out before they embarrassed themselves.

How great was that?

Wu Zilin felt Heaven must be helping him.

And hence, he comforted himself like this throughout the night until he was convinced.

Only to hear that Robert and Hayer were coming to guide them today.

Could Wu Zilin not regret his decision?

Of course not! He regretted it so hard, his chest hurt.

The things previously learned did improve his acting, but he was studying with so many other students, and he had even been jeered at.

Also, the teachers did not even care about them.

How could such a learning environment compare to getting personalized guidance from two actors?

Their team had 10 members, yet they could get Robert's and Hayer's guidance. How rare of a chance was that?

Wu Zilin thought about it and decided to stay on shamelessly.

Because of Lu Man's news, everyone was enthusiastic and eager.

Even Wang Yanglin felt he couldn't wait.

Chapter 2374: Warming Up Throats as an Excuse

Hence, the welcoming lunch for Wang Yanglin ended soon after.

They all returned to school immediately, even though Lu Man had said Robert and Hayer wouldn't be arriving until around two in the afternoon.

Han Leilei rubbed her hands, saying, "It's fine, we can go back and practice. Even warming up our throats will be good."

"... " Lu Man was speechless.

Bless Han Leilei, even thinking of warming up their vocal cords as an excuse.

Since everyone agreed, the meal ended and they all returned to the campus.

Because Wang Yanglin wouldn't be staying at the school, no one rushed Wu Zilin even though his room wasn't vacated yet.

But seeing Wu Zilin's delaying tactics, Lu Man knew what he was thinking.

Thus, she said directly, "Wu Zilin, since you're no longer an exchange student, you don't need to continue staying here, do you?"

Wu Zilin replied coldly, "Can't I stay here and chat with my friends? Are you a dictator here? I can't stay here just because you won't allow me to? How domineering!"

Lu Man raised her brow, and Han Leilei said, "Then chat all you want. Until Robert and Hayer come, we have to go rehearse and won't have time to chit-chat at all."

One sentence was all it took to upend all of Wu Zilin's plans.

By this time, everybody knew what he was thinking.

Wu Zilin's likely planning to go for free lessons shamelessly.

Haha!

The teachers were invited by Lu Man.

He was trying to ruin Lu Man and their relationship, and now he wanted free lessons?

How thick-skinned was he!

At that moment, Lu Man's phone rang.

Lu Man took a glance and said, "It's from Robert."

And instantly, she picked up the call.

"Lu Man, Hayer and I have reached the school entrance. Where should we go?"

Lu Man told them the rehearsal venue.

Han Leilei had booked a small rehearsal room from the school a week prior to allow them to practice.

When they hung up, Lu Man said, "Robert and Hayer are here. Let's go to the practice room building entrance and wait for them there."

"Oh my god." Zhang Xiaoying covered her heart. "We're going to have close interactions with Robert and Hayer and even be guided by them. My heart's beating so fast."

"Me too, me too," Sun Mengying agreed agitatedly.

The rest were all the same.

The few guys couldn't calm themselves down either.

Lu Man remembered Wu Zilin and said, "You'll be staying here, then. No hurry if you don't wish to go yet. We'll be going."

"I'll follow you," Wu Zilin blurted out.

Xu Chuansheng sneered, "Follow us for what? You've got no role to play."

Wu Zilin remained silent before saying, "I just want to watch and listen by the side. Isn't that acceptable? We're all students who came here together. Surely such a simple thing can be allowed?

"I'll just listen by the side and won't interrupt you. This won't delay you and affect your stuff." Both sides' interests were guaranteed this way.

Surely, Wu Zilin thought, they wouldn't stop him from listening in, ruining everyone's interest.

Xu Chuansheng was a straightforward person who wouldn't coddle Wu Zilin. "I say, how thick-skinned can you be? Robert and Hayer were invited by Lu Man. Despite your attitude to her before, you're now trying to take advantage?"

"Don't make things sound so bad.." Wu Zilin frowned.

Chapter 2375: I'm Just That Petty

"Moreover, you said it yourself. They were invited by Lu Man, so it has nothing to do with you. Since they're not invited by you, what do you have to be so smug about? As if it's all thanks to you." Wu Zilin scoffed.

Xu Chuansheng sneered in return.

See, that's how Wu Zilin was.

Ignoring Xu Chuansheng, Wu Zilin turned to Lu Man imploringly, "Lu Man, I really wish to improve my acting skills. Can I listen in while Robert and Hayer are coaching you?

"I know I'm not in the competition and got no roles to play, so I can't get any direct pointers from Robert and Hayer. So I'll just be at the sidelines watching. Learning from their coaching of you guys is good too."

Wu Zilin felt he was very sincere when he spoke to Lu Man.

"And I'll just be watching from the side. I won't be interrupting anything, and you all won't be suffering any losses because of this. If it'll affect you negatively, I won't do it for sure," Wu Zilin said.

Since Lu Man and the others won't suffer losses and they were all classmates, what's not to be allowed?

It's only a matter of allowance, and they need not do anything for him.

If Lu Man wouldn't agree, then she's just petty, bad.

Hence, Wu Zilin believed that after he'd said those words in front of so many others, Lu Man wouldn't reject him to protect her face.

Otherwise, how small-minded would she appear?

Just because she was so spiteful, she would reject such a simple request.

Then what authority would Lu Man have left in this team?

How could she lead others, then?

Wu Zilin was confident, feeling all clever for outsmarting Lu Man and forcing her hand.

"No way." Lu Man's voice rang out.

Wu Zilin thought he'd misheard. How could Lu Man reject him?

Fearing he'd indeed heard wrongly, Wu Zilin asked, "Wh-what did you say?"

"I said no." Lu Man's voice was clear and strong, with no trace of hesitation. "I refuse to let you listen in. We won't bring you along."

"Why!" Wu Zilin looked disbelievingly at Lu Man. "I'll not be affecting anything, and you won't be losing anything. Why can't I join?!"

"Simply because I'd invited Robert and Hayer," Lu Man replied. "You were picking on me, and now you want to attend lessons from teachers invited by me? What reason is there for you to enjoy advantages brought by me?"

"You..." Wu Zilin couldn't even choke out a reply.

He never thought Lu Man would really reject him!

Wasn't she afraid of others feeling she was someone petty who held grudges?

"Robert and Hayer might not have come because of your name," Wu Zilin said, insistent.

"Oh?" Lu Man replied blandly. "Then invite someone if you're capable."

"That's right, when we couldn't get anyone yesterday, why didn't you say anything about inviting Robert and Hayer?" Han Leilei couldn't hold herself back.

"Lu Man, perhaps in your eyes, our previous interactions might not have been pleasant, but in my view, that wasn't unpleasant. I wasn't picking on you. I was thinking about the team, and there were some problems with how I communicated it. Do you really have to bear grudges?" Wu Zilin pressed.

"That's right, I hold grudges," Lu Man said blandly.. "I'm just that petty. If I didn't hold grudges, would Yu Xingzhou and Bai Shuangshuang's matters then even occur?"

Chapter 2376: Unable To Refute

Wu Zilin: "..."

She sounded so reasonable, he was unable to refute.

Most crucially, Lu Man actually admitted outright that she was petty and held grudges.

What else could he do?

Say that she was small-minded?

But she'd already admitted it!

She wasn't afraid of him accusing her.

Wu Zilin was beyond frustrated.

What could he do?

Whatever he said was useless against her thick skin.

Wu Zilin turned to the others. "What about you guys? Are you not letting me go either?"

Han Leilei expressed her view first. "I'm with Lu Man."

Zhang Xiaoying followed. "Robert and Hayer were invited by Lu Man. She has the authority to decide who can listen in or not."

"Ha, you're all students from the same school. Obviously, you will back each other up," Wu Zilin said, eyes landing scornfully on Zhou Li.

Look how united the other school's students were!

Even if Lu Man and Zhang Xiaoying had their conflicts with the other, once over here, Zhang Xiaoying completely supported Lu Man in every way.

Zhou Li, on the other hand, was his schoolmate, and she never once supported him.

They were representing Donghua Academy of Drama, yet Zhou Li didn't even know how to stand with him.

Instead, she sided with Lu Man and the others in ousting him.

Thinking about it made Wu Zilin sick to his core.

"Based on what you're saying, since Robert and Hayer were invited by Lu Man, will it also be okay if she doesn't let one of you join? You won't have any opinion about that?" Wu Zilin sneered.

"You can't put it that way." Guo Hai pursed his lips. "You're no longer part of the team. If Lu Man agrees to let you go, it's because of our relationship as students here and not because it's her obligation to do so; you should be thankful. If she doesn't let you go, she's not wrong either, you don't have the right to fault her."

"And we're a whole team. Lu Man invited the teachers for us all, so your hypothetical situation doesn't apply," Tan Mingxiao added.

Sun Hezhou said, "Wu Zilin, no one is obligated to you nor owe you anything. You're not part of the team, you don't have the right to listen in. It's not wrong to not let you go."

"You picked on Lu Man in the past, and now that there's something to be gained, you want to make up. Yet you didn't even apologize and even used words to coerce her, implying that she should agree and that refusing you would be her wrong." Xu Chuansheng really looked down on Wu Zilin's character. "Ha, just based on this, I wouldn't have agreed if I was Lu Man."

"Let's go," Lu Man told everyone. "Stop wasting time here. Otherwise, Robert and Hayer would have to wait for us instead."

"Right, right, right." Guo Hai nodded. "Let's go."

Hence, no one spared Wu Zilin another look and all left in a flash.

In just a few seconds, the dormitory emptied, leaving Wu Zilin alone.

Wu Zilin could only stare at the door in stunned silence.

What did Lu Man just say?

Speaking to him was a waste of time?

Needless to say, Wu Zilin was splitting hairs right now.

As Lu Man and the others walked away, none of them felt guilty towards Wu Zilin.

"Wu Zilin is probably regretting it so hard right now.. If it wasn't for his own actions, he'd be getting Robert and Hayer's guidance too.

Chapter 2377: Gaping in Shock

"Who knows if he's really regretting his actions?" Zhou Li sighed.

"Likely not," Sun Mengying said. "You heard what he said just now. He didn't even see his mistakes! He's probably feeling like we're picking on him and sucking up to Lu Man."

Sun Mengying actually got it right.

That's Wu Zilin's mentality right now.

Everyone rushed to the practice room's building entrance.

They originally wanted to receive Robert and Hayer at the school entrance, but the idea got rejected by the two.

A bunch of people waiting by the school entrance was too eye-catching.

The two wanted to come quietly.

Hence, they did not want too much fanfare.

Though they wanted to keep a low profile, Robert and Hayer were far too famous.

At least, for the normal audience, the names of Hollywood stars were better known than the Broadway folks.

But this was a school for acting, and so the two were renowned.

Over here, they were almost god-like.

Everyone knew them, especially students majoring in acting.

Both merely stepped into the school and they were recognized instantly.

"Oh gosh! It's Robert and Hayer!"

"What are they doing here?"

"Were they invited by the school to teach?"

"Goodness! What class? How come I didn't know? I wanna sign up!"

"Perhaps they're giving a public lecture once and it isn't a permanent thing."

"They won't be permanent lecturers for sure, but a public lecture is good too! But why didn't I hear the school inform us? I'm checking my email and see if I missed anything."

"I've just checked, the school didn't send notification. Perhaps they're here for an interview?"

"Stop fooling around. When do guest lecturers have to be interviewed? Even if they got invited, they're the ones with packed schedules. Why do they even need interviews?"

Everyone made blind guesses, none hitting the mark.

"Mr. Brady, Mr. Hardison," some students called out.

Brady was Robert's surname, and Hardison naturally referred to Hayer.

"Are you here to be lecturers?" someone asked.

"In a sense." Robert didn't plan on hiding anything since word would get out anyway. "We're here to guide the exchange students' performance."

What?

Everyone was stunned.

"The team of exchange students from the four schools?" someone asked.

"That's right." Hayer nodded. "We're helping them rehearse."

News of Robert and Hayer appearing at the school spread like wildfire within the whole campus.

Many students came upon hearing their names.

Even the first team from their performing class facing the exchange students heard about it.

They had wanted to see Lu Man and the others humiliate themselves.

With no one to guide them and with their low standards, their play on stage would certainly be a joke and a horrible mess.

And now somebody's telling them that Robert and Hayer were here to help them?

"Surely you must've heard wrong!" Albertine gaped in shock.

"Maybe the message got passed wrongly? The words got messed up as the news spread," Julia said.

Chapter 2378: Why so Thick-skinned

"Possible," Alfron, who relayed the message, said.

They were gathered at the practice room and about to rehearse, but hearing Alfron's news made them agitated.

Oren was here too. Yes, he had told Lu Man that he could help them find a teacher.

And if Lu Man had really requested it, he would have helped.

Of course, with conditions attached.

He had to gain something back from Lu Man, shouldn't he?

Like getting a kiss from her, or securing a date with her, something like that.

Of course, even if Lu Man agreed, he wouldn't find any good teacher for her. Wouldn't that be equivalent to helping the exchange team?

Oren merely wanted to find an average teacher as a superficial solution.

Even if he was confident about winning, he never intended for the others to improve.

But Lu Man's rejection yesterday was also within his expectation.

If she fell for his tricks so easily, it'd be uninteresting.

And she had managed to get Han Zhuoli's attention, so there must be something unique about her.

At the very least, she knew how to leave a man in suspense, knowing she couldn't agree to his terms easily.

They'd only spoken of this yesterday, and Lu Man did say she would think of something else.

Unexpectedly, two teachers actually came today.

And they're Robert and Hayer!

He wouldn't have believed it if they said they weren't invited by Lu Man.

Oren couldn't sit still anymore and said, "Come, let's go see."

"Go, go, go."

"Right, let's go!"

All filed out of the practice room.

When they got downstairs, they saw Lu Man and the others waiting by the entrance.

A simple count showed all 10 of them were there.

If they weren't waiting for a team member, were they really waiting for Robert and Hayer?

Helena walked over, asking, "Lu Man, we heard Robert and Hayer are here. They say they're here as your rehearsal teachers?"

Lu Man nodded, admitting, "That's right, we're waiting for them."

Helena was surprised. "You really managed to invite them as your teachers?"

Helena was a straightforward person, never mincing her words.

This made her resemble Pan Xue a little, though she's not as obtuse as Pan Xue.

Helena was pretty and was heavily supported by her company. She's one of the new generation idols.

She might be slightly prideful as a result, but like Shana, she wasn't a bad person.

When you got to know her, you'd discover her cute side.

For instance, Helena might have said she liked Oren, but she never gave up the entire forest for this lone tree.

She knew Oren was interested in Lu Man, but she didn't pick on Lu Man like all the other brainless girls did.

"That's right." Lu Man was thus friendly towards Helena too. "Because Robert and Hayer had been to our school as judges before."

Lu Man added, "That's when we won against your second-string team."

Helena: "..."

She still remembered that clearly, no need to explain.

"Robert felt I had potential then, and he said that if I ever came to the US, I should look for him," Lu Man continued.

Helena: "..."

This woman, how could she be so thick-skinned?

The fact that Robert was gay wasn't hidden. He'd been very open about it, so everyone knew and wouldn't think negatively about Lu Man.

Shana came up smiling and pulled on Helena's arm. "Now, now, she's only kidding!"

Chapter 2379: Disgusting

"..." Helena stomped her feet. "What are you joking around for?"

She asked again, "So what you just said is a bluff?"

"Nope, I didn't lie at all." Lu Man smiled and said, "We did beat your second team."

Helena: "..."

This matter is here to stay, is it!

All because the disappointing second-string team lost, now she couldn't even rebuke Lu Man every time she mentioned it!

"Okay, okay." Shana laughed until her stomach ached. "Stop teasing her!"

Helena recovered. "I'm not asking you this. I'm asking, is it true that Robert and Hayer are coming to help you?"

"Why would I lie to you about this? If it's a lie, it'd be seen through in a matter of time. Why would we do such an embarrassing thing?" Lu Man answered.

Helena thought that what she said made sense.

"Why don't you wait here with us?" Lu Man continued. "You'll know when Robert and Hayer arrive."

Helena nodded. "Alright, I'll wait here, then."

Julia frowned as she came over to tug Helena. "You really believe her?"

"Why not?" Helena directed the question back at her.

"What if she's lying to make you wait here for nothing?" Julia questioned.

Helena pointed at Lu Man and the other nine. "To bluff me, all 10 of them are gathered here for nothing and not rehearsing? How free are they?"

Julia: "..."

"Moreover, if she really lied to me and I waited for nothing, wouldn't that mean she's bluffing just now? Why did we come out in the first place? To see for ourselves if Robert and Hayer are here to coach them."

Helena shrugged. "If we waited for nothing, doesn't that mean Robert and Hayer aren't here to teach them?"

Julia: "..."

How sound Helena's logic was!

Helena's not moving, and Shana remained.

Seeing Lu Man, Oren also stayed.

Thus, the others all stood there waiting.

Minutes passed, and neither Robert nor Hayer appeared.

Impatient, Helena got fed up with waiting.

Julia also craned her neck, saying, "Why aren't they here yet? Were you lying?"

Han Leilei said coldly, "The school's so big, so it would take time for them to walk over. If you don't believe us, then just walk there and see. You're bound to bump into them halfway."

Hearing this, Julia quickly rebutted, "What if you're lying to us on purpose and sending us on a detour for nothing? Then when we come back, you're already long gone?"

Han Leilei tightened her lips, not bothering to answer.

"We'll still be here waiting. If you're afraid we'll be gone, then stay here and wait. If you're not afraid of a little walking, then go find them yourselves," Lu Man said.

Oren smiled. "I believe Lu Man wouldn't kid about this. She isn't a mean person."

Oren's words attracted everyone's attention.

His teammates all knew about his intentions towards Lu Man.

Especially Albertine and the other guys, who all looked at Lu Man slyly.

Shana frowned in disgust. Joking about a girl, how distasteful.

Helena, on the other hand, looked curiously at Lu Man's reaction.

Meanwhile, though Lu Man's teammates did not see Oren walking Lu Man out of the school yesterday, judging from his actions in class yesterday and his words just now, coupled with his suggestive glances at her...

Chapter 2380: Not Even Competing for Oscars

Guo Hai and the other guys knew very well what the other boys were thinking.

Furthermore, Lu Man had just arrived yesterday.

And Oren already acted as if he knew Lu Man inside out.

Guo Hai tugged on Tan Mingxiao, who didn't understand his intention and turned to look at him.

With a dark expression, Guo Hai gestured with his chin towards Oren.

Tan Mingxiao then understood.

Both shifted until they stood slightly in front of Lu Man, separating Oren from her.

Lu Man's face darkened too. Recalling knowing Oren's intention yesterday, she felt disgusted.

And hearing Oren's words just now made her nauseated.

Everyone waited for another five minutes.

"Lu Man, look, is that them?" Sun Mengying asked upon spotting silhouettes in the distance.

As the figures got nearer, Lu Man got a shock too.

Why were there so many people!

It was a dark mass.

Robert and Hayer walked at the front, flanked at the sides and at the back by students.

They were acting like fans chasing after their idols.

Robert and Hayer did not act high and mighty. They didn't walk too fast with so many students following them.

They chatted amicably with the students as they walked.

Even answering questions regarding acting.

Sometimes, they even demonstrated while they walked.

They didn't stop, but they did express stuff through facial expressions and hand gestures.

As they came nearer, Lu Man ascertained that it was Robert and Hayer and walked up to them.

Robert quickly said, "So sorry for the wait Lu Man, I didn't expect to be recognized upon reaching the school. We came slower because there are too many people."

"It's alright." Lu Man smiled.

A portion of the students who followed Robert and Hayer had heard them admitting they were here for the exchange team.

Many came upon hearing their names.

Though many had heard others talking about it, since they did not hear Robert say it himself, they still had hopes, like Helena did, that perhaps the message just got passed wrongly.

In the end, they saw Robert and Hayer meeting Lu Man.

Any doubts left were cleared.

None of the students behind Robert and Hayer could keep calm.

"They're really coaching them?"

"Who's the one who managed to get Robert and Hayer?"

"Did the schools for the exchange team spend money to invite them? Didn't Robert and Hayer go to their school as judges before? Wasn't that also because they were paid too?"

"Do you know how much it cost for them to be invited as judges?"

"No idea."

"No need to wonder, their asking price isn't a secret. Every single detail is listed out clearly as the media had exposed it before." The person gestured a number. "This much."

The others who heard all inhaled sharply.

"Must be really expensive to get them as coaches. Are their schools crazy? No matter how rich they are, it's not worth spending so much just for an exchange competition. They're not even competing for the Oscars."

Helena and the others now really believed Robert and Hayer were here for them.

Oren and the others grew serious.

Yes, they believed the exchange team was no match for them no matter how good their coaches were.