Mr Han 2411

Chapter 2411: This Bunch of People, They're Too Cunning!

"HAHAHAHA!" Grijec broke into a hearty laugh. "I didn't expect that you all have actually managed to invite them to help you with rehearsals. Indeed, one look and people can tell that this is the work of a skilled teacher. But your performance still feels a little amateurish, and you weren't able to keep up with Robert and Hayer's pace.

"I am also looking forward to your improvement, and I hope that you will be able to achieve the pace of an expert," Grijec said.

When the emcee saw that they mentioned Robert and Hayer, they naturally would not let go of such a good opportunity.

"From what I know, Robert and Hayer are also present here today," the emcee said.

The audience members all started looking out for those two people in surprise.

The two of them then decided to stand up magnanimously and openly.

"Their improvement has been exceptionally huge, it's very difficult for you all to imagine. When you watched them perform today, this is the standard you saw, but how their standard was like previously had been very different," Robert said. "I always felt that when it comes to performing, it's definitely good to have talent. But talent isn't the most important aspect. The most important part is hard work."

Robert's words could be said to have hit the right spot in Howell's heart.

Howell, who was seated below the stage, kept nodding at his words.

"As long as you work hard and show obvious improvement, you didn't learn for nothing and have a great potential," Robert said. "This is also the reason why I and Hayer agreed to direct and guide their performance. Because they are willing to learn and to work hard. Compared to talented people, who don't want to work hard just because they think they are talented, I prefer people like them who work really hard to explore and hone their craft."

Hayer said, "These kids, from the point when they started learning from us, they seized every second and every minute to practice. We could see them improving bit by bit from the previous day. When we noticed that they did not make the same mistakes we pointed out yesterday, we felt really, very happy, and very comforted. When you have students who are willing to listen, it's something which really makes people feel especially satisfied."

"It was precisely because of this that they could show such a huge improvement. This is all due to their own hard work and effort," Robert continued. "And, because they had a competition today, they almost did not sleep for a night. These kids, they really poured their heart and soul into performing. No matter what their final results are today, to the two of us, they've already scored full marks!

"They scored full marks not because of how well they acted, but because of their hard work, their improvement. Their improvement is so significant that it makes the two of us who guided them feel especially accomplished."

Lu Man and the others were still standing on stage.

The students in the top team were backstage and saw what was happening on stage through the live broadcast of the event on the TV screen.

Zac was stunned. "What? They're even helping them to get more points?"

With Robert and Hayer endorsing their efforts, it was hard to say that those four judges would not be swayed.

And, after their top team finished performing, no one helped them to put in a good word.

Yet after the exchange team finished performing, they had two big-shot figures like Robert and Hayer putting in good words for them!

This was unfair!

Hmph!

The exchange team people even claimed that they wanted a fair competition.

How was this fair!

Robert even said that he gave them full marks. Wasn't he trying to influence the judges' scoring decision?

The others could not contain their anger.

"This bunch of people, they're too cunning!"

"Hmph! They were saying that we were bad here and there, yet they ended up pulling such sinister tricks themselves.. They even asked Robert and Hayer to help them get more points. This in itself is unfair!"

Chapter 2412: Count a Few More Times, Lest I Count Wrongly

"This is too infuriating!" Ashley stood up.

The teaching staff from the school was also present, sent by the school to prevent Albertine and the others from disrupting the exchange team again.

At this moment, Ashley said, "Aren't you guys going to talk to them about this? If they do this, how is it fair?!"

"Robert and Hayer decided to do this on their own accord, we can't stop them," a teacher said.

"Anyway, this time, it's your home court to begin with. The audience members below the stage also came for you guys. You all had a natural advantage. The four judges know you all better as well.

Compared to the exchange team, they are more familiar with you guys."

It's just that the people in the top team had screwed up and ruined the advantages they had using their own hands.

What else could they do?

Were they supposed to rush out now and stop Robert and Hayer from saying those words?

Robert and Hayer's presence would increase the reputation of their exchange competition.

It might not be a good thing for the top team, but it was definitely beneficial for the exchange competition as a whole.

It was impossible for the school to ruin the interests of the bigger picture just to protect the top team.

And the thing that the top team did this time around was really distasteful, and it embarrassed the school greatly.

All the more the school would not do anything for the top team.

The top team was definitely not on the side of favor where public opinion was concerned.

The principal knew that the incident backstage could not be kept under wraps and would definitely spread out.

If they still stood on the top team's side this time and helped them, the school would be scolded by people as well.

The school would naturally not do that.

They would not compromise the school's reputation just for the sake of the top team.

"You guys ruined the advantages you had. Even if you want to protest to us now, we can't do anything about it either," that teacher said.

These words left Ashley and the others speechless, dampening their anger in an instant.

And on stage, the marks that the four judges eventually gave for the exchange team actually totaled up to be the same as that of the top team.

The two teams were tied.

In the marks given to the exchange team, like what Robert had said, the marks for improvement took up much of the score points.

When the marks were shown, the people in the exchange team on stage did not react at first.

As the calmest person there, Lu Man calculated the marks first.

She informed everyone in a small voice, "We tied, we tied with the top team."

Wang Yanglin, who was standing beside Lu Man, could not react for a moment.

He paused for a while before he turned and asked, "What... what did you say?"

Lu Man smiled and said, "Count the marks. We tied with them!"

Although they did not win, drawing in a tie was also an unprecedented achievement!

Wang Yanglin widened his eyes. "It's a tie! It's a tie!"

The others also reacted one by one.

"We tied?" Han Leilei asked excitedly.

Zhang Xiaoying muttered under her breath, uttering numbers non-stop.

Sun Mengying still asked, "Xiaoying, what are you muttering about?"

"Don't disturb me for now. I'm counting," Zhang Xiaoying said.

"There are only a few numbers, it's very easy to count," Sun Mengying said with a smile.

"I'll count a few more times, lest I count wrongly." After Zhang Xiaoying said that, she started muttering as she counted.

They were scored using a ten-point system. There were a total of four judges, so this was a primary school-level math problem.

Zhang Xiaoying still needed to count it over and over again, which showed that she was really very excited.

Sun Mengying could fully understand how Zhang Xiaoying felt, because she felt as if she was floating on her feet as well, as if she was dreaming.

At this moment, Zhou Li, who was beside her, shook her a little.

Sun Mengying turned to look at her and heard Zhou Li say, "Mengying, pinch me. I'm not... I'm not dreaming, right?"

Chapter 2413: This Is Unfair

Sun Mengying patted her hand, not knowing whether to laugh or cry. "If I really pinched you until you cry out in pain, it will be embarrassing. We tied with the top team, after all. This is a historic moment. If you cry out now, you will regret it later on."

Zhou Li smiled and said, "I... I still think it feels like I'm dreaming. It feels difficult to breathe."

Below the stage, Principal Liu and the other three principals all stood up in excitement and agitation.

At first, they never hoped that the exchange team could win.

They only hoped that they would not embarrass themselves. Even if they lost, they should lose gracefully and not let the other side win so easily.

Yet who'd have thought? They actually achieved such an astounding result!

This was something they did not even dare to dream of before this!

"Good! Good! Good!"

Principal Zhang nodded incessantly, feeling so proud and agitated that his face even turned red. "Finally, this time, we can also report back with good news."

Principal Lu clapped 'til his hands almost became swollen. "If we can tie this time, we will surely be able to win in the future!"

Principal Min nodded. "Yes. Just like what Robert said, talent is one thing, but as long as they work hard, there will come a day when we can excel beyond pure talent!"

Although there were not many audience members who supported the exchange team at the venue, at this moment, their applicable reverberated across the entire venue.

Backstage, everyone in the top team stared at the screen in disbelief.

"What is this? What was their performance even? And they tied with us?" Jared said angrily.

"Their standard did improve much more than before, but they actually managed to tie with us? This is completely unfair! It's because of what happened backstage just then, that's why they especially increased their points, right?!"

Oren's words happened to be heard by the principal who had just walked in.

"I knew you guys would feel indignant and upset, so I specifically came over to see you." The principal's voice rang out, making the others jump.

When everyone saw him, they all did not dare to say a word. They even retracted the looks of outrage on their faces.

But the principal had long registered their earlier reaction, so even if they retracted their expressions now, it was too late.

"You think their performance isn't worthy of tying against yours, right?" the principal asked.

But at this moment, when they were asked to speak, no one said "yes."

For some reason, looking at the principal's stern and dark expression now, no one could bring themselves to say "yes."

The corners of the principal's lips twitched before he said, "When the video recording of the entire competition is edited and ready, I will send you all a copy. You guys can take a look. Through the screen, you can watch from a third-party perspective and see how your performance was like, and then compare it against the exchange team's performance."

"Principal, I think, actually, this is also because Robert and Hayer put in good words for the exchange team to get more points for them. This is unfair to us," Jared said.

"This isn't a public vote. Who can Robert and Hayer get more points from? The four judges?" the principal stared at them as if they were idiots.

Seeing that each of them really thought that way, the principal felt that they were really a bunch of idiots.

"Look at those four judges yourselves. Are they people who will change their minds easily? They came to judge your performances because they have their own set of judgment criteria and skills. What has this got to do with Robert and Hayer?"

The principal said, "The four judges were not only not being unfair, but they even gave you face because you guys are the official hosts for the competition and it wouldn't look good if you lost to other people. That's why they let you draw in a tie. If not, you guys won't even have the chance to draw in a tie."

Chapter 2414: There Will Certainly Be Naysayers

"You think it's because the exchange team has Robert and Hayer's help, so it's unfair. But in reality, you guys are the ones who were given unfair, biased treatment by people," the principal said.

Zac was suppressing himself until his face turned red. "So, Principal, you're saying that our performance is worse than the exchange team's?"

The principal stared at them deeply and said, "When you all finish watching the competition video, you can say whether you performed better than the exchange team or not."

The principal finished speaking and walked away.

But these words made the people in the top team not dare to complain out loud anymore.

Could it be that their performance was really so bad?

Lu Man and the others came back and prepared to remove their makeup and change out of their costumes so that they could go back on stage to give their thank-you speech.

The school had only prepared one victory trophy at first.

But because there was no victor this time and both sides were tied, the trophy prize was not needed.

Or else, they had to give both parties one each. They could not give a trophy just to one party.

As they were tied, if both parties had trophies, this would sound quite ridiculous too.

Hence, they could only leave aside the trophy they had originally prepared and not use it.

The teams from both sides changed into their own clothes and went up on stage.

The exchange competition this time was considered to have come to a good end.

After the exchange competition ended, the very next day was the official end of the exchange program.

Normally, besides the principals from both sides giving speeches, each side would send a student representative up on stage to give a speech.

On the exchange team's side, the representative was naturally Lu Man.

So after the exchange competition ended this time, Lu Man still had to go back and prepare a draft of the speech she would be giving on stage tomorrow.

And as for what happened during the exchange competition today, the reporters reacted very quickly.

When the exchange team was still performing on stage, the reporters had already asked around about the details of the incident and uploaded their reports about it.

The school wanted to stop them, but they were not able to.

If it was just one or two reporters, they could still have resolved this in private.

The most important issue was that there were so many reporters, so they were not able to liaise with all of them.

As long as they could discuss properly, they could have asked them to show leniency and not sensationalize the reports too much.

But even so, the moment the news came out, the netizens' reactions were still very strong.

Especially the netizens back home. They saw that their exchange team actually received such treatment over there.

And the other party had even deliberately pulled cheap tricks.

"Nice one, exchange team!"

"The other party purposely pulled tricks and wanted to disrupt the exchange team members from getting into character. Even if they were given time to prepare all over again afterward, their emotions would surely have been affected quite a bit and would not be as good as when they could prepare all the way right from the start."

"With that, the exchange team still managed to draw in a tie. As such, if the other party had not pulled tricks, the exchange team might really have won."

"Nice one, exchange team! In our hearts, you aren't in a tie, you are all winners!"

This time, Lu Man did not drum up the rhythm online.

The emotions came from the netizens themselves.

Of course, there would certainly be a fair share of naysayers, netizens who thought of themselves as emperors of reason coming out to go against the crowd, even thinking that they were different from others and they were the only clear-headed ones.

"You think they won just because they drew in a tie? Can you all chill for bit? Don't let your imagination run wild."

"Some random news comes out online and you believe it just like that? Previously, the hopes and cheers for the exchange team were too high, so they felt too much pressure and ended up releasing this news after they tied to show that they got disrupted during the competition, so no one will blame them and will even support them."

"This rhythm was really drummed up well. Now everyone is supporting the exchange team. This was definitely done by Lu Man. She just knows how to come up with such schemes."

"They only drew in a tie, what's there to be proud of? Y'all need to chill, don't let people think we are a joke."

Chapter 2415: While They Can Still Laugh

But the moment voices like these came out, they instantly got scolded by other people.

"Get lost, naysayer! Why are you trying to make yourself feel important here?!"

"If you're so good, go and do it yourself! No matter what, this is the best result an exchange team has ever gotten so far. Their hard work and improvement were seen by everyone. Those people who only know how to shoot their mouths off should just get lost now!"

"To be honest, previously, everyone really had high hopes for the exchange team and wanted them to win. But what has them winning got to do with you? Did they win for your sake? They don't owe you guys. No matter whether they win or lose, naysayers like you have no right to comment on it."

But on the whole, the exchange team this time still managed to give answer to everyone favorably.

With a good ending, the students from the exchange team also relaxed.

Now that the competition had ended, they asked each other out for a celebratory dinner.

Of course, they would not leave out their two great benefactors, Robert and Hayer.

Robert even told Lu Man that before she went back, she should come to the theater to perform once.

Although it was for a minor role, she could give it a try.

Such a good opportunity would naturally not be rejected by Lu Man.

The others were also very envious of her.

But they were all contented.

They had achieved such an astounding result this time, and they had as good as added a very impressive record on their resumes.

The next day, as the student representative for the exchange team, Lu Man had to go up on stage to give a speech.

On Lu Man's side, her whole family naturally all came together.

Present were the four principals, as well as the school leaders from New York University.

The exchange students and the top team's students sat in the first two rows. Behind that was then the seats for the school's students, as well as the family and friends of the students in the competition.

The Han Family people sat along the center-front rows.

The auditorium was very big and especially crowded.

Besides the people sitting nearby, as for who else came exactly, it was hard to tell at all.

Looking from this end to that end of the auditorium, one could not even see the face of the person on the other side clearly.

Hence, no one noticed that, in a very inconspicuous corner in the last row, Wang Qianyun and Lin Jinshu were seated.

The two of them kept an especially low profile, wearing dark-colored clothes so that they would not stand out from the crowd.

And they did not put on makeup either. They just went bare-faced and put on very big-framed glasses.

The two of them were not students from this school to begin with, and with this deliberate low-profile getup, no one recognized them.

Wang Qianyun's gaze had been on Han Zhuoli all along, whereas Lin Jinshu was not staring at Wang Juhuai but at Xia Qingwei.

Xia Qingwei did not bring her baby. She left her baby to the care of the auntie they brought along with them, back in the hotel.

It would not be good if the baby suddenly started crying here.

The two of them watched as the Han Family members in front chatted happily among themselves.

Wang Qianyun stared at them with a mocking smile and said in a low voice, "Laugh, continue laughing. You all better laugh while you still can."

"Are you sure there's no problem?" Lin Jinshu asked in a low voice.

"There's no problem, I already made proper arrangements," Wang Qianyun said.

"The school didn't notice?" Lin Jinshu asked further.

"They had just let the workers check the whole place inside out thoroughly yesterday before the exchange competition," Wang Qianyun said in a small voice as she glanced at her sides cautiously, lest her words got overheard by other people.

"I sent people to do it after the school's workers completed their checks," Wang Qianyun said. "I found a few outsiders who only did what they're paid to do, so there's no problem."

Lin Jinshu nodded.

After ten-plus minutes, the event officially started.

The principals each went up on stage to give a speech.

Afterward, Oren, as the top team's student representative, went up on stage to give a speech.

Chapter 2416: Get Down, Cover Your Head

In the end, it was finally Lu Man's turn to go up on stage as the exchange student representative.

Lu Man stood behind the podium, adjusted the height of the mic, and then said, "Hello, everyone, I am Lu Man. It is my honor to be the representative for the exchange students this time and to come up on stage to give the final speech."

Bang!

As Lu Man was speaking, a loud, explosive bang suddenly sounded above her head.

When they heard this sound, everyone's first reaction, including Lu Man's, was to look up.

Han Zhuoli just felt that something was off. This sound came out of nowhere all of a sudden, and he felt that there was danger.

He was the first to stand up and charge ahead.

It was just that the middle row was not very near to the front and there were people in the way on both sides, so no matter how urgently he moved, he could not be fast enough.

When Lu Man looked up, she saw a huge row of lights above her head crackling loudly and flashing around, as if they were about to explode anytime.

"Man Man!" Han Zhuoli had just rushed out from a row of seats when he saw the lights flashing ominously. Along with the crackling sounds, there were even sparks falling down from above, dissipating in midair.

Lu Man saw that things were not right and instantly rushed down the stage.

Han Zhuoli also sprinted as fast as he could towards the stage.

But be it Lu Man or Han Zhuoli, both of whom reacted very fast, they still could not outrun the speed at which the lights fell.

Atop the high ceiling, the rows of lights were all linked together.

Along with the crackling explosion sounds, the wires connecting them all together had actually long been cut until everything was only hanging by a thread and could drop any moment.

The wires finally snapped, and that long, huge row of lights fell rapidly from the high ceiling of the auditorium.

"Man Man!" Han Zhuoli's eyes almost cracked from the intensity of his wide-eyed glare.

The people sitting at the frontmost seats also rushed up to save Lu Man.

Guo Hai and Lu Man's other teammates sat in the second row. At this moment, they could not care less about manners and just stepped over the first row seats to rush over.

Wang Yanglin was the fastest, but he just missed by a little bit and was not able to catch Lu Man.

"Get down!" Wang Yanglin warned.

If she could not run, then she could only protect herself as much as possible.

"Get down, cover your head!" Han Zhuoli shouted.

Lu Man's mind had really blanked out for a brief moment.

When she heard these two voices, she did not even have time to think and just did what she was told reflexively.

At the same time as she covered her head, a row of lights dropped, crashing heavily against the back of her head.

Right after that, Han Zhuoli and Wang Yanglin almost rushed up on stage at the same time, the two of them lifting the row of lights away.

Luckily, the two of them had been fast enough, such that the row of lights did not stay on top of Lu Man for much time.

It was like the moment it dropped, it had been lifted up by the two of them.

"Man Man!" Han Zhuoli was not sure where Lu Man got hurt.

After all, such a huge row of lights came crashing down.

So, Han Zhuoli did not dare to move her around recklessly.

"Man Man!" Han Zhuoli called.

But Lu Man did not have any reaction at all.

She had already fainted.

"Call the ambulance!" Han Zhuoli immediately said.

Wang Yanglin quickly made the call.

Aside from the two elders who were old and slower on their feet, the Han Family people had all rushed over.

Xia Qingwei's face was as pale as a sheet of paper. She clutched Wang Juhuai's elbow tightly, trembling all over.

Han Zhuoli was looking after Lu Man while Han Zhuoling made a call and asked people to come over immediately to investigate the cause of this incident properly.

The principal did not expect that such a huge incident would happen on the last day.

The exchange team had not had a smooth time here the entire time.

And now, they even let Lu Man get hurt, so they got even more pent up with anger.

Each of them glared fiercely, as if the school did this on purpose.

The principal felt really troubled too. He said to Han Zhuoling and Principal Liu, "I will definitely investigate this thoroughly."

Chapter 2417: You Don't Trust Us?

"I will send someone to investigate this together with you," Han Zhuoling said coldly.

The principal's expression changed. "You don't trust us?"

"This concerns my Younger Sister-in-law. As her family, we have the right to be involved," Han Zhuoling said coldly. "And why would this row of lights drop for no reason? Your school is responsible for this. I naturally wouldn't trust you."

Very soon, the ambulance arrived and the paramedics hurried over.

They first did emergency inspection and treatment for Lu Man.

They found out that she had internal bleeding at the back of her head, but luckily, the wound was not big.

Han Zhuoli went with Lu Man to the hospital in the ambulance.

The others drove over on their own.

Han Zhuoling stayed behind.

Lu Man had just been brought away when the men that Han Zhuoling had called over arrived.

The principal was about to send someone to investigate, but he was stopped by Han Zhuoling. "Wait."

The principal stared at Han Zhuoling, feeling perplexed, and only heard Han Zhuoling say, "Before the cause of the accident has been investigated, we need to seal off this area."

The principal frowned and said with displeasure, "Mr. Han, because the person who is injured is Lu Man, I don't mind your getting involved in the investigation. But firstly, this is our school, not your territory. Secondly, whether it's about sealing off the area or what exactly to do during the investigation, you are not the police, so you don't have the right to seal off this area."

At this moment, Han Zhuoling's men had roughly checked the place once and then came over to say, "The wires connecting that row of lights and the ropes all had traces of being cut before."

One even took out a part of the rope and said, "This part, it's obvious that it's been cut with a knife."

"Then let's call the police," Han Zhuoling said with a stern, cold face to the principal. "Someone has deliberately caused harm in this case. We can just call the police to handle this. Before the police comes, seal off the stage. No one is to go up."

Before the principal could say anything, Han Zhuoling's men had already stood up on stage, not letting anyone else go up.

Another had already called the police to make a report.

But all these, the principal could not stop either.

In the hospital, Lu Man had been sent to the emergency ward, and a thorough check was done on her as well.

"The patient had received a heavy blow to the head. The injuries on her body did not reach her bones, they are all superficial wounds. We did an MRI scan of her brain just now. Everything is normal, there's no problem," the doctor said. "We just need to wait for her to come to now."

Han Zhuoli had just heaved a sigh of relief when he heard the doctor say, "But injuries to the head can be both minor and severe and should not be taken lightly. It doesn't mean there's no problem at all just because there's nothing wrong according to the scan. There are many times when the symptoms left behind by injuries to the head cannot be detected through any kind of scans. We can only be sure after she comes to."

Han Zhuoli felt his heart drop. Nothing had better happen to Lu Man.

After the doctor left, Han Zhuoli stayed by the bedside.

The others did not come as quickly as the ambulance and only just rushed over.

Xia Qingwei came over to the bedside and asked, "How is Man Man?"

Han Zhuoli repeated what the doctor had told him and said, "I only hope that Lu Man comes to and that nothing is wrong with her."

At this moment, Han Zhuoling's call came as well.

He told Han Zhuoli about the situation on the school's side and said, "The situation is left to the police to handle, but we will also follow them throughout the case and won't rely on the local police completely. What we can confirm now is, this was done by someone. It's not an accident. As for who did it, we still need to investigate.

"If you trust me for this, leave it to me. You can focus on accompanying Lu Man," Han Zhuoling said over the phone.

"Okay." Han Zhuoli naturally trusted Han Zhuoling.

Han Zhuoli did not know when Lu Man would wake up and what her condition would be like after she did, so he really could not attend to both matters.

After hanging up the call, Han Zhuoli then told everyone what Han Zhuoling had found out on his end.

Chapter 2418: Snatched Away by Someone

"Who could it be? Man Man doesn't know a lot of people here." Shen Nuo was shocked and angry.

No matter who it was, the person had been after Lu Man's life!

How deep was their hatred that the person went to the extent of going after her life!

While Lu Man was here, she fell out with a few people in the top team because of the exchange competition.

But the students in the top team had quite a bit of fame in Hollywood as well. They probably would not do such an extreme thing just because of this matter.

They might bear a grudge against Lu Man, but not to the extent of going after her life!

But aside from this, Lu Man also did not know other people.

After she came, besides attending lessons in school and rehearsing, she just stayed with Han Zhuoli.

"We will find out sooner or later," Han Zhuoli said.

Lu Man was lying very peacefully. They just did not know when she would come to.

Looking at her now, it was as if she was sleeping.

It's just that there was a bandage wrapped around her head, which really made everyone feel worried.

Yet nobody expected that after Lu Man fell unconscious, she would not wake even until the third day.

Xia Qingwei stayed by Lu Man's side in the day and only returned to the hotel with Wang Juhuai at night.

In this way, she would not really have time to take care of little Yijun.

Luckily, when she came here, Wang Juhuai had been worried that Xia Qingwei would not be able to manage, so he had brought Auntie Liang along as well.

Although Auntie Liang did not know how to speak English, there was no problem since she was normally just in charge of looking after little Yijun.

On the third day that Lu Man was unconscious, the Han Family people and Xia Qingwei were both around.

Han Zhuofeng went with Han Zhuoling to settle the matter of finding the culprit.

Through the surveillance cameras, they had confirmed the identities of a few hooligans and were still looking for those hooligans.

At first, everyone had not been very worried. Although she hurt her head, the injury was not serious, so they felt that if there were no accidents, she would be able to wake up that very night.

Even the doctor thought so too. Alas, Lu Man did not wake up at all.

Han Zhuoli just sat by the bedside the entire time, his eyes becoming more and more bloodshot.

Even when he slept here at night, he did not dare to fall into a deep sleep.

He was afraid that he would not know when Lu Man woke up.

So he would often wake up in alarm at night, checking on Lu Man's condition from time to time.

With each day passing like this, Han Zhuoli's spirits were depleting.

Xia Qingwei was not able to persuade him. Anyway, she too could not get a good sleep from worry, so she could understand how Han Zhuoli felt.

Just as she was watching Lu Man, Wang Juhuai received a call from Auntie Liang.

Xia Qingwei turned to look and saw Wang Juhuai's expression paling instantly, the kind that was ghastly pale.

She had never seen Wang Juhuai like this before.

Xia Qingwei's heart rate spike when she heard Wang Juhuai ask, "Have you called the police?"

"Okay, I got it!" Wang Juhuai ended the call hurriedly.

When Xia Qingwei heard the words "called the police," her heart instantly jumped to her throat. "Juhuai, what's wrong?"

Wang Juhuai's teeth trembled. He clutched Xia Qingwei's shoulders and said, "Listen to me, but you must stay calm. No matter what, don't panic and hold it in."

"What is it?" Xia Qingwei clutched his elbow.

"Yijun got snatched away by some people," Wang Juhuai said. "Auntie Liang just brought him to the playground near the hotel to play, yet suddenly, three men rushed out. Two of them blocked Auntie Liang off while the other carried the child and ran away. There were other aunties who also brought children out to play there who happened to be our countrymen, so they helped Auntie Liang to call the police."

How could Xia Qingwei not panic?

Her face turned as pale as ice, her lips trembling uncontrollably.

"Let's go to the police station now," Wang Juhuai said.

Xia Qingwei's tears fell instantly. Her hands and feet turned cold, her body trembling all over.

Chapter 2419: Split into Three Groups

Han Zhuoli immediately stood up. "Dad, you both head to the police station first. You can tell me in detail about the matter on the way there. I will send someone to investigate together with you."

Wang Juhuai nodded and brought Xia Qingwei to leave.

At this moment, even if Xia Qingwei was left behind here, she would not feel assured either.

He might as well bring her along so that she would be able to know the situation first hand.

Was Wang Juhuai not anxious then?

He was very anxious too.

But he had to stay calm. He could not look weak or helpless at all.

Or else Xia Qingwei would have no one to lean on for support.

Xia Qingwei sobbed silently all the way.

She did not want to cry. She knew that at this moment, crying would not solve anything, but knowing was one thing, and doing was a different thing altogether.

How could she not be worried?

Little Yijun had been snatched away by someone. Who knows what those people want to do, what their background was, and why they snatched their child for!

They did not know anything, so they were looking around like a headless fly.

Could they really find him?

She was worried too!

She was worried she would not be able to find him.

That was her child!

She was afraid that the time when she saw him this morning would become the last time she would see him.

She would then have lost her child from that point on!

What was going on for the past two days?

Lu Man hurt her head and had not even woken up even now.

Even the doctor could not find anything wrong, but she just would not wake up.

Now, even little Yijun had been snatched away for no reason.

Her eldest daughter, her young son, they were both in danger now and the fate of their lives was unknown.

Why!

Oh why!

Wang Juhuai supported Xia Qingwei to get into the car and they headed to the police station.

On the way there, Wang Juhuai put on his earphones and called Han Zhuoli. He told him in detail about the information he'd received from Auntie Liang.

It was really because the situation was too urgent, so Auntie Liang did not have the chance to say much.

She just informed Wang Juhuai of the overall situation before rushing to the police station.

So now, what Wang Juhuai could say to Han Zhuoli was not much either.

"When I reach the police station and know more details about the situation, I will let you know," Wang Juhuai said.

As Han Zhuoli had to watch over Lu Man and could not leave, he could only communicate with him over the phone.

They were really so busy.

Han Zhuoling and Han Zhuofeng were still checking how Lu Man got hurt, and now, something had happened to little Yijun as well.

So they split nicely into three groups, with none of them idling around.

Xia Qingwei clutched both hands tightly at the side, her palms breaking out in a cold sweat.

She could not help but imagine bad things happening in her mind.

She was afraid that little Yijun would be harmed.

When the two of them reached the police station and saw Auntie Liang, Auntie Liang was crying with a ghastly pale face.

"Sir, Madam!" When Auntie Liang saw them, she only felt guilty and apologetic towards them and just covered her face and cried.

"It's all my fault, it's all my fault. I didn't protect Yijun well," Auntie Liang said as she cried.

Wang Juhuai's eyes reddened. He held back his tears and said, "What exactly happened?"

Auntie Liang quickly sniffed and held back her tears as she sobbed and said, "I brought Yijun to the playground beside the hotel to bask in the sun as usual. Yijun really liked going there to play.

"After letting him play for a while, I prepared to bring Yijun back to the hotel. But as we had been walking for a short while, suddenly, three masked men wearing caps rushed out of nowhere. Two men grabbed me while the other man carried Yijun and ran away.

"I just screamed for help." Auntie Liang had been here for a while. Although she did not know how to say much, she still knew how to scream "help."

"Those two men then covered my mouth.

"When the other man carrying Yijun had run away far enough, they then let go of me and ran away.

"I quickly chased after them with all my might, screaming 'help' as I ran after them."

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"But I couldn't keep up. They were running too fast and soon disappeared," Auntie Liang said. "When I was chasing after them, some foreigners saw that I kept screaming 'help,' so they came and asked me what happened, wanting to help me.

"But I didn't understand what they were saying and don't know how to use English to tell them. Afterward, an elder sister who also had a kid with her, our countrymen, finally understood what I was saying and helped me call the police.

"That elder sister accompanied me here and helped to be my translator," Auntie Liang said.

Wang Juhuai then saw a lady who was around the same age as Auntie Liang. She had just finished recording her statement.

Wang Juhuai and Xia Qingwei quickly went to find the police and identified themselves.

The police searched for the surveillance camera footage at that park as well as its surrounding areas, and they saw the three masked men wearing caps whom Auntie Liang had mentioned.

From the footage, they indeed saw that two of them were holding on to Auntie Liang and even covering her mouth.

"I think this isn't a spontaneous snatching incident. It looks premeditated, as if they were targeting you both," that police officer said.

The police officer saw their passports and saw that they had just arrived not long ago. "During the time you've been here, did you offend anyone?"

Wang Juhuai shook his head. "I don't have any enemies here. I might have some competitors, but they are all positive competitors ranked on international competitions. No one would do such a thing. This is also my wife's first time here. During this time, she had been with me all along and didn't go out on her own before, much less offend anyone."

How great was their animosity to have to resort to snatching away someone's child?

Xia Qingwei trembled. If it was really out of hatred and vengeance, then Yijun would be in an even more precarious situaiton.

Now that Yijun had been taken away, even if his life was not in danger, the other party could still do anything.

The person could just casually throw him away so they could never find him again.

He was originally the Wang Family's Young Master, but now, he would have his fate wrongly upturned.

At the mention of hatred, Xia Qingwei instantly thought of Lu Man's matter.

"Juhuai, do you think... it might be done by the same person?" Xia Qingwei asked. "Man Man met with an accident and is still unconscious now. It has only been three days, and Yijun got snatched away."

When the police officer heard that, he immediately asked, "What do you mean? You both previously met with an accident as well?"

Wang Juhuai nodded and told him about Lu Man's accident.

They had made a police report previously, but the police that was handling Lu Man's case was not from the police station in this district.

That police officer immediately said, "I got it. Whether or not it's done by the same person, we won't rule out this possibility. I will immediately communicate with the police station on that end."

"Thank you so much," Wang Juhuai said.

The police officer said, "As for the three people who snatched away the child today, we are matching them against our criminal record database."

Those three people were wearing masks and caps, covering their faces.

This increased the difficulty of matching their faces.

But as long as there were areas of their faces exposed, be it their eyes or ears, there would still be a way to make the comparison.

"But we can only match them against our criminal record database. If those three people didn't commit any crimes before, then..." The police officer said this to let Wang Juhuai and Xia Qingwei be mentally prepared as well.

This case was no small matter, especially when the accident involved a baby.

One more minute of delay meant even more danger for Yijun.

So the police officers did not dare to delay at all and seized every minute to try their best to think of ways to search for him.

Wang Juhuai also told Han Zhuoli about the latest situation in detail.