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Chapter 501: Threatening Me?

From Xia Qingwei's angle, she really thought that Lu Qiyuan hit Lu Man on the face.

Xia Qingwei's eyes burned red. Suddenly, she dashed to the kitchen nearby, took out a vegetable knife from the knife rack and rushed back furiously in Lu Qiyuan's direction.

"Lu Qiyuan, you are really too much of a bully!" Xia Qingwei's eyes were burning red in fury. She raised the knife up, wanting to chop Lu Qiyuan.

Shocked and a bit scared, Lu Qiyuan hurriedly stumbled backward. "Crazy b*tch!"

"Mom!" Lu Man quickly stopped Xia Qingwei. "Don't stain your own hands for this b*stard! He's not worth it!"

"Who are you calling a b*stard! I am your father, how dare you curse me! You unfilial thing!" Lu Qiyuan pointed a finger at Lu Qiyuan. "I still haven't settled the score with you yet! How dare you snatch Qi Qi's role!"

"Just because of this, you come here and started hitting her?" Xia Qingwei raised the kitchen knife near his throat. "Lu Qiyuan, if you dare to hit Lu Man again, I will really give up my life just so that I can chop you up!"

Lu Man was her precious, dearest daughter. How dare he hit her!

"You crazy b*tch!" Seeing the fury in Xia Qingwei's eyes as she tightly held onto the sharp knife, Lu Qiyuan was really a little frightened.

"Lu Qiyuan, you cowardly and useless thing. Other than hitting Lu Man, what else can you do? Lu Qi is just like you and your wife is stupid beyond compare. That's why she would never be able to win against Lu Man!" Xia Qingwei laughed sarcastically.

Lu Man held onto Xia Qingwei and coldly warned Lu Qiyuan. "I'm warning you, don't come to our house ever again, otherwise, I won't be polite to Lu Qi!"

"What can you do alone?" Lu Qiyuan laughed mockingly, looking down on her.

"Yes, just by myself." Lu Man said sharply, "You know how Yu Xingzhou and Bai Shuangshuang ended up in the past. If you don't, just go onto the internet and search it up. For every single time that you come looking for me, I will make Lu Qi face misfortune. I want to see how long she can persist."

Furious, Lu Man scoffed, "Other than the reason of Lu Qi's role ending up in my hands, you're here this time because of what happened online too, right? If you really find that Lu Qi is leaving the entertainment industry fast enough, feel free to come to our house to look for trouble. I will mess with her every single time you come!"

If other people were threatening him like that, Lu Qiyuan might really not take it to heart.

But it was different when it came to Lu Man.

Actual, legitimate examples were laid before him.

Even though Yu Xingzhou was out of jail now, his popularity was no longer like before. He didn't have any movie or television show offers anymore. All of his advertisements, activities, and ambassadorships were canceled.

It was even worse for Bai Shuangshuang. People could at least find out about Yu Xingzhou's current situation, however, there was completely no news when it came to Bai Shuangshuang. It was as if Bai Shuangshuang never existed.

Therefore, Lu Qiyuan really didn't dare to not take Lu Man's warnings to heart.

However, Lu Qiyuan still found it too embarrassing to swallow it down. Keeping a big distance between them, he threateningly asked Lu Man, "You are threatening me?"

"Yes, I am threatening you." Lu Man said coldly, she had a "hit me if you dare" look on her face, making Lu Qiyuan tremble in fury.

Their neighbor still hadn't gone back yet, he was still being a busybody and watching what was happening. "Pft!" He scoffed and then laughed, making Lu Qiyuan even more infuriated.

"If you're still not leaving, I will call the cops!"

"I am your father!" Lu Qiyuan roared angrily.

"But you already have nothing to do with my mother. The two of you have been divorced for more than ten years. You're harassing her right now. I totally have a reason to call the police!" Lu Man took her phone out. "Once again, I thank you for giving me yet another opportunity to ruin Lu Qi."

"Lu Man, you better be careful. You can show off your strength right now, but definitely don't accidentally fall into the palm of my hand, otherwise, I will definitely make you suffer all the damage that you've caused to Qi Qi." Lu Qiyuan threatened.

Chapter 502: He Really Was An Imbecile

But would Lu Man really be afraid of him?

"Sure, I will be waiting. You better make sure that before this happens, Lu Qi can still hold on." Lu Man laughed sarcastically. "It seems like you still haven't understood what's going on all along. As long as all of you stop looking for me for trouble, Lu Qi won't end up like how she is right now. Why can't you understand this even after so long?"

He really was stupid.

Why can't he just live his life simply? Was it that hard to just live carefully and mindful of his relationships?

Suddenly Lu Qiyuan was left frozen.

However, right after that, he self-righteously believed that he almost fell into Lu Man's trap .

"Stop finding excuses! This is all because you are unfilial!"

However, right now, Lu Man couldn't care less about wasting her talking with him. "Go and think it through properly. For each time that you come to stir up trouble for me, I will cause twice the amount of trouble for Lu Qi."

After she spoke, she slammed the door on his face and locked it.

Unhappy, Lu Qiyuan was just about to bang on the door again.

Before his hand touched the door, he suddenly recalled Lu Man's warning.

Thinking that Lu Man had single-handedly created such a storm and turned the tides on the internet, he struggled inwardly and in the end, pulled back his hand.

Lu Qiyuan gritted his teeth tightly. He was actually threatened by a pathetic little brat!

Yet, he honestly did feel threatened by her!

Finally, it quietened down outside of the door and Lu Man also couldn't be bothered to check if Lu Qiyuan left. As long as he wasn't disturbing the neighbors, even if he were to loiter around the door for an entire night, she wouldn't bother with him either.

"Mom." Lu Man then carefully took the vegetable knife from Xia Qingwei's hand and placed it back in the knife rack.

"I'm fine. Look, I'm completely alright. He didn't hurt me." Lu Man let Xia Qingwei take a look. Her face was completely fine.

It was not that Xia Qingwei finally realized it. Lu Qiyuan didn't hit Lu Man's face.

However, Xia Qingwei couldn't believe that Lu Man wasn't hurt at all. She grabbed onto Lu Man's wrist and rolled her sleeves up. Instantly, she saw that near Lu Man's elbow, it had already started to bruise.

"And you said that you were fine!" Xia Qingwei scolded harshly as she pulled Lu Man back to the living room. After finding some ointment from the medicine box, she started massaging Lu Man's elbow, rubbing the bruise away.

Lu Man also wished for the bruise to fade sooner. Otherwise, should Han Zhuoli see it, it sure would be troublesome.

"That b*stard!" Xia Qingwei got furious as she saw the bruise. She was afraid that Lu Man would feel terrible if she were to cry, so she held her tears back.

She hated herself for being useless. Even as a mother, she still needed her daughter to protect her.

"Mom, I'm fine. Look at me, I'm pretty good. Besides, after this time, Lu Qiyuan wouldn't dare to even try to mess with us again." As long as her talent was sufficiently shocking and terrifying, Lu Qiyuan wouldn't dare to mess with Lu Man for Lu Qi's sake. It was honestly rather ironic too. Lu Qiyuan came multiple times to hit her and scold her for Lu Qi's sake, but in the future, he won't dare to seek trouble for Lu Man again also because of Lu Qi.

Lu Man smiled mockingly in disbelief.

However, when Xia Qingwei looked over, she hurriedly hid her smile, afraid that Xia Qingwei would worry again.

"Originally I thought that I could talk to you more tonight." Xia Qingwei sighed. "Let's not chat anymore. You must be tired from all the filming too. Now that you're back, have a good rest."

"Sure, we still have a lot more time to talk about." Lu Man smiled and hugged onto Xia Qingwei. "I'm going back to school tomorrow for lessons."

"So soon? You're not going to rest at home for a couple more days?"

"No, I've missed quite a few classes, and finals are coming up pretty soon. I have to start preparing for it earlier too," Lu Man explained.

"When is your movie going to be released in theatres?"

"After filming, editing, and finally after going through all the checks and screening, if all's well, it would probably be released during the summer period. That would be the best time as we would get more audience since it's summer and the box office collection would be better too. I just hope that we can finish it in time and schedule in the summer."

"Since you still have to go to class tomorrow, rest earlier tonight."

After saying goodnight to Xia Qingwei, Lu Man cleaned herself up a little and went to bed.

Chapter 503: Continue Working Hard

The next day, when she reached school, she first looked for the counselor Professor Liang to report as she had come back from her break.

"You're back. Did the filming go smoothly?" Professor Liang asked.

"Everything went smoothly. Thank you, Professor Liang," Lu Man said, politely.

It sure was such a coincidence. Zhang Xiaoying had surprisingly come today to cancel her leave too.

Not long after Lu Man entered, Zhang Xiaoying came too.

Professor Liang asked Zhang Xiaoying the same question too and it was clear that she wasn't biased to any one of them.

"It went very smoothly. It's already confirmed to premiere on all the major channels this summer break." Zhang Xiaoying was smug.

Teacher Liang smiled and nodded. "I'll definitely watch it when that time comes, and also Lu Man's movie too, I'll go to the cinema to support it too."

Zhang Xiaoying side-eyed Lu Man. Acting as if she was very generous, she said, "I will support you too. No matter how the movie or box office turns out, it is ultimately still a movie in which one of our students from the Film Academy is starring. I have to show some support too."

As if she didn't hear Zhang Xiaoying's mocking tone, Lu Man said, "Thank you, I wish that *Great Desert* will have an amazing viewership too."

Professor Liang said, "Since both of you are back, there's still one more month until finals, please prepare for it properly. If you are intending to grab a spot in the school's exchange program at New York University for Performance major, then you have to treat this even more seriously. As the school only has six spots, we will assign them based on grades. Of course, both of you have notable works, so it will add extra points. Moreover, the show's rating and popularity would also add some points too."

"Nevertheless, your final semester grades are also rather important. After all, the majority of the students in the school don't have such opportunities like you two. So the school also has to take the other students into consideration and give them opportunities, therefore results will have a very big importance."

Moreover, Lu Man and Zhang Xiaoying had been filming outside of school. It was could be considered as an internship, and so they could get credits for internship work.

Zhang Xiaoying knew about this long ago, but since Lu Man had transferred mid-way, no one had told her about it.

Today, it was her first time hearing this and so she was rather surprised.

In the past, when she was in the Drama Academy, Principal Zhang from the Drama Academy had mentioned this before.

Right now, Lu Man was still rather interested in improving her performance.

Therefore, she wanted to get good grades for this finals and fight for one of the six spots.

From the looks of this, she transferred at a rather good time.

For transfer students, their grades are based on finals from every semester and Lu Man made it just in time for this round.

If she really waited to join university only in Year Two, she would really lose a lot compared to others.

Lu Man and Zhang Xiaoying left the office together and on the way, Zhang Xiaoying once again mocked her. "Lu Man, even though there aren't any famous people in that movie you acted in, and also since it's only a low-budget film with a B-list actor as the director, don't get disheartened if the box office collection is not poor."

Lu Man raised her eyebrows, scolding her a lunatic in her mind Then, she said calmly, "Thank you for your encouragement. I believe that your television show's ratings will definitely be very high. After all, you have the popularity and that television show is a big IP show too, it will bring you a lot of fans naturally."

Feeling proud and smug, Zhang Xiaoying said haughtily, "Of course. After all, because of my popularity, when the investor of that film decided to start shooting, the first person they thought of was me."

Lu Man sighed with regret. She said regretfully, "If I could, I really want to compete with you, to see which of our work will have better results, but it's really such a pity. Mine is a movie, so it would be based on box office. I don't even know when you would be able to act in a movie too."

Zhang Xiaoying's smile froze and Lu Man continued saying, "But don't worry, as long as you keep working hard, you will definitely be able to break out of the small screen and into the silver screen someday. I'll always be waiting for you then. But by then, I'll probably be acting in a big production. Even if you were to act in a movie, you would still be a newbie in the movie world, and probably would not act in any big production, haha."

Chapter 504: Slapped In The Face

Zhang Xiaoying's smug smile was about to break apart, hehe... the f*ck are you laughing for!

Clearly, Lu Man was mocking her that she did not have enough rights to film a movie!

So furious, Zhang Xiaoying felt pain in her chest and she seethed in rage when heard Lu Man say again, "If you have the chance to film a movie next time, and if there's anything you don't know, you can ask me."

If you have the chance...

That meant that she might not be able to film a movie her whole life.

The meaning of Lu Man's words, Zhang Xiaoying heard very clearly.

"Lu Man, don't be too happy!" Zhang Xiaoying's face was green with envy. "Even if you're filming a movie, there are different standards. There are also X-rated movies, but they are no good. I want to see, how good is the movie you are filming!"

After saying that, Zhang Xiaoying stomped off angrily.

When Lu Man returned to the classroom and took her seat, she was welcomed warmly by Zheng Yuanshi and the other two.

Zhang Yuanshi narrated everything that had happened while she was away, informing Lu Man that all their classmates now knew that she had gone to film a movie because of Lu Qi's Weibo drama. "It's a pity you were not here at that time, you should have seen Zhang Xiaoying's face."

"Right, Lu Man, did you know? I heard that He Zhengbai was originally selected to direct a show, but in the end, the producers replaced," Pan Xue said.

"En?" Lu Man was not very concerned with He Zhengbai.

"It's that idol drama, *Love Strategy*, although He Zhengbai had shot some small web dramas before, they were produced by his family, and it was the first time that a legitimate producer hired him as a

director, but in the end when *Love Strategy* started to film and had his promotions online, the director was no longer He Zhengbai."

Lu Man remembered that something like this did happen in her past life. He Zhengbai had used an idol drama to become famous, and started directing movies, he even had self-directed one and acted in it as well. Moreover, the box office collection for every show was not bad, and he managed to make a name for himself.

Based on the timing, it should be this *Love Strategy*, He Zhengbai's career had just started, this way his first step to becoming famous.

But now he had lost this chance and it became very different from her past life.

She did not know if He Zhengbai could still manage to get the results he got in the past life.

"When did he get fired?" Lu Man asked.

"I went to find out more," Zheng Yuanshi said, finding happiness in his misfortune. "It's so coincidental, it's not long after you hit him, he was fired from his position as a director. And after you hit him, I remembered that his face was not that badly injured, but when he came to class, his face had a very bad bruise."

This left Lu Man stunned for a while. She did not know who had hit him, but she did not want to ponder too much about it.

"That's good, he's not living well, it makes me feel more at ease." Lu Man smiled and did not think much about it.

There was absolutely no need to even think, she knew it was Han Zhuoli's actions.

Otherwise, how could such a misfortune befall on He Zhengbai?

It seemed that Han Zhouli had got to know that He Zhengbai had disgusted her.

Her boyfriend had caused trouble for her ex-boyfriend without even informing her about anything, why did this feel so good?

Lu Man could not help but break out into a smile. "I'll go out for a while."

"Aiya, you're smiling so happily, it can't be that you're going to give your boyfriend a call right?" Han Leilei teased.

Lu Man generously admitted, "Yep."

"F*ck, I shouldn't have asked, I was totally hit in the face by this show of affection." Han Leilei held her head.

Lu Man had a big grin on her face as she walked to an isolated corner and happily called Han Zhuoli.

Her phone made a 'beep' sound and only rang twice before it was picked up by Han Zhuoli.

"Do you miss me so much?" Han Zhuoli asked when he picked up.

Chapter 505: His Words Moved Her Too Much

Lu Man: "..."

They had just met yesterday, why would she miss him so much?

Even though... she did miss him a bit.

"I came to school for lessons today," Lu Man said, "As soon as I came, I heard that He Zhengbai was originally going to be a director for a drama, but he was fired in the end."

"Who asked him to bother you, duh!"

Hearing that, Lu Man confirmed her guess to be right. "I was right, it's your doing."

Han Zhuoli put down his fountain pen in the office. "What is it? Your heart doesn't ache, right?"

"Why will my heart ache and for whom!" Lu Man grumbled, displeased, "I was thinking of praising you for doing something good just now, but now I don't want to praise you anymore."

Following after that, as the phone was pressed to her earth, she could hear Han Zhuoli guffaw, it was a bit hoarse, and was extremely sexy.

"My bad, I was just a bit jealous," Han Zhuoli said in a soft voice, and his sexy voice tickled her ear. "Who asked him to be your ex-boyfriend and take up your time when you were young."

He clearly remembered and was displeased with the fact that He Zhengbai was Lu Man's childhood sweetheart.

During Lu Man's teenage years, she was accompanied by He Zhengbai.

This made him very jealous.

He wished that he could turn the clock back, and get to know Lu Man before she met He Zhengbai.

So that when she would Lu Man meet He Zhengbai for the first time, he would kick He Zhengbai away.

Lu Man's heartbeat quickened upon hearing what he said, her face was flushed red.

His words touched her heart.

Although she and He Zhengbai might have some memories from when they were young, with Han Zhuoli, she had a big future and they would accompany each other to the grave.

Thinking about how they would hold hands at old age, Lu Man's heart felt warm.

It was as if Han Zhuoli was at her side now, and was embracing her.

"By the way, why didn't you tell me that He Zhengbai came looking for you to cause trouble?" Lu Man heard Han Zhuoli ask.

"It's not that I didn't tell you, I just forgot." She was also very innocent. "I have so many things to do, I needed to film at that time, and I left for so long, I was occupied with the thought of how I would not

see you and Mom and wanted to spend quality time with you both. So where would I find the time to even remember such insignificant people."

What Lu Man said was the truth, of course, she especially said it in a coy, sly way to make Han Zhuoli happier.

Anyway, Han Zhuoli was definitely pleased. "That's right."

"But how did you know about this?" Lu Man also found it weird.

"It was that young brat, Han Zhuofeng, he saw you beating He Zhengbai up, but did not know to go and help, he even hid behind to film and show it to Grandma," Han Zhuoli grumbled with a black face.

"..." Lu Man felt that her image was ruined. "How did Grandma react?"

"Grandma really liked it, she even praised for doing the right thing."

Lu Man: "..."

"I heard that He Zhengbai's injuries on his face are a lot more serious than when I punched him, it can't be done by Han Zhuofeng, right?"

"He finally did something useful," Han Zhuoli finally praised.

Lu Man could not help but laugh.

Han Zhuofeng was really quite cute sometimes.

About half a month before the end of term exams, *Red Tiger* officially announced the release date for the movie, it was set to release during the summer holidays on 19 July.

Red Tiger's official Weibo tagged the main cast, and Lu Man's name was right behind Ji Cheng's name, it was very obvious that she was the female lead.

In the end, another movie with 1 billion investment, a magical epic blockbuster, *Fighting Hero* was also set to premiere on 19 July, and it was obvious that it was going to clash with *Red Tiger*.

Fighting Hero had cast Qiao Luna, Ou Jingzong, and a lot of other celebrities who were famous in the country right now.

Chapter 506: They Are Just Being Bitter

Even if she considered the popularity of just a single actor, it would still be an instant kill for Red Tiger.

"Lu Man, do you remember when we were going to the set of Red Tiger, we met Qiao Luna in the First Class lounge at the airport? Turns out that day she was going to the set of Fighting Hero." Just now, Hu Zhonghui called Lu Man. On the other hand, Ji Cheng was also extremely anxious. These past few days, he had been so anxious, tattering his teeth all the time. "They must be doing this on purpose! They are considering us as push-overs and bullying us!"

"Director Ji, right now the movie has yet to premiere, so it's hard to tell how it would turn out. Please don't start losing your footing and getting so anxious. No matter what, we must still keep our morale up. Otherwise, if Fighting Hero sees us right now, we would have lost even before competing, and won't this just only help to build their morale and confidence?" Lu Man could only encourage him like this.

"I understand everything that you're saying, but I..." Ji Cheng sighed in frustration. "Ok, I get it, I will hold it in. No matter what I also won't show my fear in front of others."

"Director Ji, I know that you've put in a lot for this movie, you even put in all of your own money into this film, but you must remain confident and have faith in your movie. No matter how strong *Fighting Hero* is, you still have the 2 billion yuan guaranteed investment. No matter who your opponent is, you already have 2 billion yuan box office investment the box office on hand, you won't really lose out to anyone. What you need to worry about is how much we can win them by, how beautiful our win would be," Lu Man said 1.

Ji Cheng smiled bitterly. "It's precisely because of the 2 billion yuan guaranteed investment that I am in so much stress. What if the movie's box office doesn't earn that much, and won't Master Han lose out then, how can I still face Master Han?"

"Director Ji, other than being the CEO of Han Corporation and one of the investors in *Red Tiger*, he's more so my boyfriend. Please believe in me, I won't let my boyfriend make any losses. To put it more bluntly, he only invested so much because of me, and not for you, so I'm even under more pressure than you are."

Ji Cheng: "..."

She couldn't be any more straightforward.

But of course, it did make him feel a lot more comfortable and at ease.

"Alright." Ji Cheng gritted his teeth and nodded. "Your final exams are just around the corner too, so I won't disturb you any longer. We'll talk again after your exams."

Therefore, Lu Man placed all of her efforts and focus on her finals.

Her finals were split into two parts, Cultural Studies, and Professional Performance. So, Lu Man used all of her free time to revise her work.

"Haha, what's the point of her cramming so much at the last minute now?"

"That's right, at the start, when Xiaoying entered this university she had first place in Cultural Studies and Professional Performance. Not only Lu Man had taken a break from school for two years, but she also took another two months of leave. She only attended a few days of lessons and she's aspiring to get good grades? If she can get good grades so easily, what would that make people who usually focus on our studies and take them seriously?" "Originally, she could rely on *Red Tiger's* results to add some points for her and leave a pretty record on her resume, but now Red Tiger might flop too, it's going to clash with *Fighting Hero*, it's going to be a blast!"

A bunch of people in the class were eagerly waiting for ill fate to befall on Lu Man.

Even those students who usually didn't have any conflict with Lu Man were also waiting for a chance to laugh at her and ridicule her.

"Lu Man, don't care about what they say," Zheng Yuanshi said solemnly, "They are just being bitter!"

"In our class, other than Zhang Xiaoying, it's only you who got to go out and film shows in Year One. They don't dare to talk about Zhang Xiaoying but they have the guts bully you." Han Leilei couldn't take it either. "What's up with them! If they really have what it takes, why don't they take on a show on their own too! If there really is a good opportunity, the school won't hold them back either!"

"I'm fine." Lu Man shook her head. "Right now, I don't even care about them."

Chapter 507: Shameless

Honestly, a lot of was going on right now. Once she finished her finals, she had to worry about the movie too.

"Hmph! A bunch of bumbling clowns won't amount to anything!" Pan Xue scoffed coldly. They were all busy being bitter about it and trying to drag Lu Man down, but they didn't even know that Lu Man was completely ignoring them.

Zheng Yuanshi smiled and said, "Your kungfu at pissing people off sure is formidable."

"Huh?" Lu Man blinked in surprise, confused by what Zheng Yuanshi meant. "I'm not trying to infuriate anybody. I'm really not able to care about them."

Zheng Yuanshi: " ... "

It was precisely how serious Lu Man was about ignoring them and that was the most infuriating, alright?

Those students who were rather close to them and happened to overhear Lu Man's words were furious beyond compare.

For so long, they had been dissing her but Lu Man didn't even pay heed to them!

"Why are you pretending!"

"What's there to be so proud of!"

Han Leilei couldn't hold back any longer and said, "They are being too overboard!"

Finally annoyed, Lu Man placed her book down. She stood up and turned to look at those people who couldn't stop talking about her.

"There's nothing for me to pretend, and there's nothing for me to be proud of. I'm just revising my studies. As for how I'm studying, and how my grades will turn out, we'll see once the exam results are out. Right now, all of you are just here busy trying to be cool, looking down on me, I hope that when the results are out, you guys won't do worse than me. By then I really do want you to see how I'm when I'm proud," Lu Man riposted.

"We won't do as well as you in the exams?" Someone sniggered, "Haha, I do want to see what kind of grades you'll get. Don't blow your trumpet right now and make such big promises, and in the end, have them slap you in the face!"

"I never make empty promises." Lu Man looked at her coldly. "Fan Xiyue, right? If I get better grades than you, I won't ask you to apologize for what you said today. However, if you see me in the future, please lower your head, and don't let me see your face."

"Why?" Zheng Yuanshi asked subconsciously.

"Because by then she would feel so shameless and would have lost her face," Lu Man replied lightly and casually 1 .

Pfft!

Lu Man sure had a wicked mouth!

"You!" Fan Xiyue was extremely livid, and shot daggers at Lu Man. "Fine, just you wait! I really want to see your grades!"

"Hmph! Don't make such empty promises and be boastful right now. When you really can't beat us with your grades, you will end up slapping yourself in the face with your words."

"That's right, don't think that just because you acted in a movie, you are very talented. When you film a movie, you can have many takes, but it's different from a live performance. During the examination, there will be a live performance and the teacher won't give you a chance if you NG."

"Haha," Lu Man laughed coldly. She didn't continue to bother with them and went back to revising her work instead.

"Xiaoying, I really can't stand how obnoxious she is," Yu Jingxian proclaimed loudly, "You definitely can beat her in the exams. Let her know how ridiculous and what a joke she is."

"That's right!" Zhuang Tingting supported her and spoke loudly too, "Otherwise, some people would forever remain so conceited."

Zhang Xiaoying pursed her lips. She was gloating inwardly and very happy, but instead she said, "Try to be quiet and keep a low profile. We aren't so full of ourselves like some people."

"Xiaoying, you are too humble." Somebody else said, "When you keep a low-profile, other people will think that they are oh so amazing."

"Xiaoying, you don't have to keep a low profile. We all know your grades. Back then you got into the university after securing first place in Cultural Studies and Professional Performance. Yet, someone here has the cheek to be so boastful in front of you, it sure is ridiculous!"

"Enough!" Pan Xue roared angrily. "Did Lu Man offend you? Why is every single one of you being so bitter and dragging her down? She's just quietly and peacefully studying at the corner, and has never said anything. Yet one after another, all of you just keep talking and talking non-stop. She just rebutted you guys a little, and you're even unhappy about it? Oh, so is it that only you guys are allowed to deride Lu Man, but Lu Man is not allowed to retort? Who do you think you are! The king of the world?"

Chapter 508: Not Allowed to Perform Any Romantic Scenes with Male Classmates

"So then what's wrong with us talking about Lu Man? Why do you bother about that when Lu Man herself doesn't care about us mocking her?"

Lu Man tugged onto Pan Xue. "Just leave them alone. Paying heed to them is a waste of your time. It's their business if they are so happy to waste their own time, we don't have to join them."

Han Leilei also continued, "Lu Man is right. Pan Xue, just let them talk."

Han Leilei took out a small MP3 player from her bag, plugged her earphones in and stuffed them into her ears. "Let them talk about whatever they want, we just won't listen to it. When the results of the exams are finally out, we won't even know who would actually have to eat their own words."

"Wow, you are too sneaky, you even brought an MP3 player!" Amongst them, Pan Xue had the most straightforward personality, and also the most explosive temper. When she saw that Han Leilei had actually been so well-prepared, she was completely thrown-off.

Han Leilei smiled. "Did you not learn your lesson from the time back in midterms? Back then they just kept making so much noise and causing such a ruckus, we completely couldn't even revise at all. In the end, all of them had terrible grades, anyway."

Pan Xue nodded. "Right, right."

"Don't worry, we have our handphones." Zheng Yuanshi took out her cell phone, plugged in her earphones and blocked her ears.

"Lu Man, do you want something to block your ears?" Pan Xue asked.

All this while, Lu Man kept her lowered and didn't respond at all.

"Lu Man?" Worried, Pan Xue carefully shook Lu Man's shoulder.

It couldn't be that Lu Man was not as strong as she appeared and was in fact hurt by their words, right?

Yet who knew that Lu Man raised her head, in looked confused and was in a daze. Then, she took out the earplugs from her ear. "What's up?"

Pan Xue: "..."

"You win." Pan Xue was about to cough up blood.

Lu Man was even more infuriating than Han Leilei.

"Do you want any?" Lu Man took out a box of earplugs from her bag. "I brought a box."

Pan Xue: "..."

"Do you want them or not?"

"Give me two," Pan Xue said, her face darkened and wrinkled.

Lu Man quickly took out a pair and handed them to her.

Copying Lu Man, Pan Xue also stuffed them into her ears.

Instantly, the entire world was so peaceful and quiet.

All the students: " ... "

Lu Man must have done it on purpose!

It was so infuriating!

To accommodate for Lu Man's finals' revision, Han Zhuoli changed the venue of their romantic date to their home.

Of course, it wasn't Lu Man's home, but his home instead.

Currently, Han Zhuoli was working in the study room and Auntie He had already cleaned up Han Zhuoli's gym room for Lu Man.

The gym room was spacious. Along 3 of the walls laid all sorts of exercise equipment, and the fourth wall was completely covered by mirrors.

This was perfectly suitable for Lu Man to practice in front of the mirror.

She practiced according to the content in her Performance Studies textbook. Then she tried performing the characters that she had analyzed before.

She played the video of the characters in the show and tried to figure it out on her own in front of the mirror. She practiced over and over again, working on all different sorts of performance methods.

Just when she was midway through her practice, there was a knocking on her door and Han Zhuoli walked in.

"You're done with your work?" Lu Man stopped practicing. She was still holding onto her script.

"Yeah." Han Zhuoli looked at the script in her hands. "Is there anything you need help with?"

Lu Man thought for a moment. "Why not... you help act together with me?"

"Sure." Han Zhuoli took the script over.

He flipped through it. It was a rather holistic book. Inside it, there were so many classic scenes from various shows.

"How about this?" Han Zhuoli pointed at one of the paragraphs inside.

Lu Man looked at it. It was a romance scene.

Suddenly, having realized something, Han Zhuoli asked anxiously, "During your performance test, will you be performing alone or will you be grouped together with other classmates?"

"Both. First, it's an individual performance. Then, we are grouped up to have another performance examination," Lu Man said.

Han Zhuoli said solemnly and seriously, "You're not allowed to perform any romantic scenes with any male classmates."

Chapter 509: Times Have Changed

"..." Lu Man peeked at the script in Han Zhuoli's hand. "If that's the case, then we don't have to practice any romantic scenes anymore."

Han Zhuoli: "..."

"Why don't we act this part then." Lu Man took the script over. She flipped a couple of pages and found a specific scene. It was about a mother and son.

Han Zhuoli: "..."

"Say that again?" Han Zhuoli raised his eyebrows and squinted his eyes dangerously at her. "Times have changed."

She dared to ask him to act as her son?

"..." Lu Man ducked her head slightly in fear. "Just... kidding..."

Stretching his arm out, Han Zhuoli pulled her into his arms. He tugged the script out of her hand, threw it casually aside and lifted her up.

"Are you still thinking of acting as mother-and-son with me?" Han Zhuoli asked deeply and softly.

This little girl sure was daring!

"I'm not, I'm not!" Lu Man hurriedly shook her head.

Han Zhuoli chuckled lightly. "Leave it to someone else to act as mother and son with you. With me, it's only a couple or a husband-wife scene."

After he spoke, he placed his hand on Lu Man's head and dipped her head downwards and then kissed her on the lips.

"Mmph!" Lu Man could only grab onto his neck tightly, letting Han Zhuoli carry her out of the gym.

Lu Man was also extremely nervous, afraid that Butler Xiao Wang and Auntie He would see them.

Thankfully, along the way, they didn't meet them.

"Hurry up!" Lu Man urged him nervously.

Han Zhuoli bit back his laughter. "You're so eager?"

Lu Man: "..."

What the heck!

"I'm afraid that Butler Xiao Wang and Auntie He would see us," Lu Man grumbled unhappily.

It was still daylight. This man sure was bold!

"They aren't around." They had long since cooperated and hidden away.

While Han Zhuoli spoke, he carried Lu Man into the room.

Usually, Lu Man insisted on going home to spend time with Xia Qingwei and thus, Han Zhouli didn't have much opportunity to be intimate with her.

During the weekend, he finally had the chance to be alone with her. How could Han Zhuoli bear to waste any time?

Who cared if it was daytime or nighttime, he directly just threw Lu Man onto the bed.

Lu Man was left stunned upon being thrown onto the bed. Before she could even react, Han Zhuoli pressed down on her again.

Lu Man complained to herself. Didn't this man want to help act with her?

As expected, you can't easily trust a man's words!

Meanwhile, Han Zhuoli's hand had already unbuttoned her shirt buttons one by one.

Lu Man's shirt was rather loose and he only had to unbutton a couple of buttons to reveal her s*xy collarbone.

Her slender, fair shoulder was smooth, her bones clear and defined. There was even a small dip in her collarbone. Han Zhuoli thought, " *If he poured some red wine in it, it would definitely be able to hold in there.*"

His mouth started feeling dry, and he started kissing her on her collarbone...

After Lu Man was released by Han Zhuoli, it was already dark outside. Lu Man's elbows and legs were so sore and painful. Feeling lazy, she just laid there, unwilling to move.

Just as she was about to dig around for her phone to look at the time, Han Zhuoli's hand sneakily made its way over again.

Lu Man smacked his hand away, accusing him. "Beast."

"..." Han Zhuoli whined, "How am I a beast?"

"You did it from day to night, how's that not like a beast?" Lu Man pointed out of the window. "Look at how dark it is out there now."

Feeling proud, Han Zhuoli curled his lips upward. "It was only two rounds. Looks like I can go for pretty long."

Lu Man: "..."

Did he even mean that?

"Are you hungry?" Han Zhuoli asked.

Relieved, Lu Man was glad that this man finally had some conscience. She instantly nodded. "I am."

However, Han Zhuoli suddenly flipped her around and pushed her down. "There there, let me fill you up."

After he spoke, he had already sneaked his way in.

Infuriated, Lu Man kicked his leg. "I said I'm hungry!"

And he still said that he wasn't a beast!fv

Chapter 510: As You Wish

"I'll fill up your other stomach first," Han Zhuoli said coyly.

Lu Man whimpered a little. Very quickly, she couldn't even protest and soon she didn't even have the strength to kick him either.

Finally, after a long while, Lu Man felt like she would almost die now, her body was completely exhausted and so, Lu Man sprawled on the bed. Right now, she was so furious that she really wanted to kick Han Zhuoli off the bed.

Han Zhuoli didn't want her to be furious at him and hurriedly tried to explain. "I didn't mean it on purpose. I really just missed you too much."

Seeing that Lu Man didn't say anything, Han Zhuoli pondered for a while and said again, "Look, you've been gone for filming for two months and you finally came back after so long, but then you became busy preparing for your exam, I didn't even..."

"I'm hungry," Lu Man grumbled unhappily. Remembering about recent Han Zhuoli's trap, she hurriedly added, "My stomach is hungry."

Then she rubbed her tummy. "Here, this stomach."

"Ok ok ok," Han Zhuoli hurriedly said. "I'll go look for Auntie He."

Lu Man: "..."

Didn't he say that Auntie He and Butler Xiao Wang weren't at home?

"When it comes to mealtime, they will definitely come back," Han Zhuoli quickly explained.

Lu Man: "..."

Then won't Auntie He and Butler Xiao Wang know that they have been in bed this whole time?

Either way, Lu Man didn't plan on going out to meet anyone anymore.

And so, Han Zhuoli hurriedly went downstairs to look for Auntie He.

After a while, he returned with rice and a couple of dishes.

After laying them down, Han Zhuoli went out again and came back carrying a bowl of soup.

"This is a tonic soup that Auntie He has specially cooked for you."

Lu Man: "..."

Unexpectedly, while they were eating, Lu Man received a phone call from Xia Qingwei.

She said that since it was already so late, Lu Man didn't have to rush back home either. She should just stay at Han Zhuoli's for a night and come back home tomorrow.

Lu Man: "..."

Was she really her biological mother, huh?

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In a blink of an eye, it was time for finals.

In the National Film Academy, the Cultural class exam was not difficult, it was just mainly for procedures' sake.

The focus was still the grades of the performance.

It was split into individual performance and group performance.

The group performances required them to be in pairs. Zheng Yuanshi and the other two wanted to perform with Lu Man and so they decided to draw lots. Eventually, Pan Xue was picked and she even jumped up in joy.

Lu Man found it amusing and thought that they were exaggerating her skills.

After the final performance examination, Lu Man came out and to her surprise, she realized that Zhang Xiaoying and the others who had finished their exam before her had yet to leave. They were just waiting outside of the examination hall.

"Lu Man, how did it go?" Zhuang Tingting asked with ill-intentions.

Lu Man gave a diplomatic answer. "The results aren't out so I can't talk about it."

However, Lu Man was rather satisfied with her own performance. From the teacher's reaction, it should be pretty good. It was hard to say if she could get first place, but at least, her grades wouldn't be bad.

"Haha, didn't you say you will beat all of us?" Zhuang Tingting laughed sarcastically.

Lu Man scoffed lightly. "Since when did I say I will beat all of you? The one I want to beat is Fan Xiyue."

"Lu Man, are you trying to go against your words?" Yu Jingxian let out a harsh, derisive laugh. "Could it be that you realized that you didn't do well in the exam and so you refuse to admit your own words?"

"Why won't I admit what I've said before? Before this, I've never said that I'll beat all of you," Lu Man answered nonchalantly.

However, before Yu Jingxian and Zhuang Tingting could even be smug about it, Lu Man proclaimed, "But now, I can say that."

Zhang Xiaoying and Yu Jingxian and Zhuang Tingting's faces instantly changed color. Zhang Xiaoying even asked seriously, "Lu Man, what you mean is, you'll do even better than me?"

"I was talking about Zhuang Tingting and Yu Jingxian," Lu Man said.

Hearing that, Zhang Xiaoying felt better and no more had that frown on her face, but Lu Man continued, "But I can count you in too."

"You!" Zhang Xiaoying was infuriated and sneered, "Why are you so obnoxious!"

"I originally wanted to leave peacefully and quietly after my exam, but you guys just had to wait here for me to ask me about it, so as you wish," Lu Man said coldly. She didn't bother with them any longer and left directly.