

## Real Boss 81

### Chapter 81 Porcupine

Tan Rou shook her head helplessly. Liang Lu was an interesting woman. She was someone who acted hastily but she was still listening to her advice. She thought that Liang Lu would be relentless and not give up on it.

Tan Rou's lips curled up silently. Now that Liang Lu was willing to give up, there would be some that may end up being disappointed.

The person Tan Rou thought of was now standing at the door, clenching her fists unwillingly.

Tan Jing couldn't believe it. This matter had ended so easily. Liang Lu, this good-for-nothing, actually listened to Tan Rou's words obediently. She didn't know what kind of spell Tan Rou had cast to make a little hooligan like Liang Lu submit to her!

No matter how unwilling Tan Jing was, there was nothing she could do now. She could only leave in disappointment. She still had to find an opportunity to deal with Tan Rou. She also had to think about finding a doctor for Lu Qing! The most important thing is to make Lu Qing fall in love with her as soon as possible!

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The crowd had almost dispersed. At this moment, Xu Yan entered the classroom and looked at Tan Rou worriedly. "Are you okay?"

Tan Rou looked up and was a little surprised to see Xu Yan panting and his hair a little messy. "I'm fine. Did you come back after hearing what happened just now?"

Xu Yan was slightly relieved. He frowned and looked around. "Did she leave already? I heard in the canteen that someone came to the class to make trouble, so I quickly ran back. Is it serious? I'll go report the situation to the teacher now." After saying that, he planned to go out and find the teacher.

Tan Rou quickly stopped him. "Wait! Come back! It's fine. It's already been resolved, so you don't have to tell the teacher. It's not good to make a big deal out of it."

Xu Yan didn't agree with it. "They're too bold. As the class monitor, I have the responsibility to protect my classmates from being bullied."

Tan Rou laughed. "I wasn't bullied. We just had a talk. Class monitor, I know you have a great sense of responsibility but let's put an end to this matter. There's just one thing ..."

Xu Yan saw that Tan Rou was hesitating and thought that there was something else. He quickly asked, "What's wrong? If there's anything you need, just tell me and we'll think of a way together."

Tan Rou looked at Xu Yan's serious expression and felt a little embarrassed. "There was a little accident that happened just now and the table fell. Your food ... It's all on the ground."

Tan Rou felt a little guilty. "This is my fault as well. I didn't control my strength and wasted your food. I'm sorry, I'll compensate you. Can I treat you to a meal at the cafeteria?"

Xu Yan didn't expect Tan Rou to say this. Looking at Tan Rou apologizing to him, Xu Yan smiled slightly. "It's okay. I just rushed back from the cafeteria. I didn't like the food which is why I was at the cafeteria. I don't blame you for it. You didn't do it on purpose, it's the troublemaker's fault."

Tan Rou shook her head. "It's your business whether you want to eat or not. Although she barged in, I should take some responsibility. How about this, I'll treat you to dinner at the cafeteria or whatever else you like to eat, I can treat you to it. I'll make up for it."

Xu Yan looked at Tan Rou, who was asking him seriously and trying to make up for her mistake had a different impression of her.

In fact, Xu Yan had already heard about it at the cafeteria. It was the famous female gangster in the school who went to find trouble with Tan Rou because of Lu Qing but Tan Rou had the upper hand.

The messenger described it so vividly that Xu Yan could already imagine Tan Rou's confident look. It was exactly like how she dealt with the girls in the morning.

However, Xu Yan was still worried. He jogged back, afraid that Tan Rou would get into a fight. As the class monitor, this was his responsibility.

Then, he saw Tan Rou, he found that not only was she fine but she was also pleading for mercy on behalf of someone. She didn't want to make a scene in front of the teacher and was even apologizing for a small mistake.

She wasn't at fault but Tan Rou did not feel indignant. Instead, she forgave Liang Lu and sincerely wanted to bear her own mistakes. However, when faced with unfair treatment, Tan Rou could face it with a strong heart and bravely fight against others. Xu Yan was somewhat impressed with Tan Rou because of this.

No matter what other people said about Tan Rou, in Xu Yan's eyes, she was just like a porcupine. She seemed to have raised sharp thorns but they would only be exposed to those who wanted to hurt her. In fact, she was warm and kind inside.

Tan Rou was definitely not as bad as the rumours said.

## Chapter 82 I Believe In You

Tan Rou saw that Xu Yan looked at her with certainty and was suspicious. "Class monitor? What are you thinking about?"

Xu Yan smiled. "It's okay. We can have dinner in the cafeteria. Tan Rou, I believe you're not that kind of person. I'll stand up for you if you have any more trouble in the future."

Tan Rou felt touched as well. She didn't do anything, but it looked like her image in Xu Yan's heart had been completely overturned.

Although Xu Yan was the class monitor, he had a cold personality and didn't like to meddle in other people's business. However, he had helped her out this morning, and now he was sincerely expressing his affirmation of her. This made Tan Rou feel overjoyed.

Tan Rou thought that as long as she was upright, many people were still willing to get to know her again. If she acted like how she was in her previous life, unreasonable without distinguishing right from wrong, then it was only a matter of time before she ended up being deserted by her friends and family.

In this life, Tan Jing had walked down this same path. Even if there were still many people, who were deceived by her illusion and tempted by her family background, in the long run, more and more of her bad habits would be exposed, and she would end up in a miserable state.

People's hearts were made of flesh, and no one would be a fool forever. Tan Rou only needed to watch how Tan Jing courted her own death quietly.

Tan Jing had put on an act and lured Liang Lu to deal with him. It was a good move to watch the fire from the other side, but she did not think about who Liang Lu would burn after she realized the truth. Tan Jing was afraid that even if she didn't burn to death, she would lose a layer of skin.

The school was indeed a battlefield, but Tan Jing would never be the one to benefit in the end.

Tan Rou secretly vowed that not only would she make it so that the Tan family would not be able to survive in the circle of celebrities, but she would also make Tan Jing feel despair in school.

In her previous life, Tan Rou had suffered countless bullying. She was trapped in. Being pulled into a dark room for no reason, a bucket of water suddenly poured on her when she went to the toilet, a desk full of curses and torn paper ... Wasn't this all arranged by Tan Jing to happen to Tan Rou?

If the roles were switched one day, he wondered if Tan Jing could take it in such a hell.

Tan Rou revealed a smile of anticipation. Those who commit injustice are doomed to destruction.

Tan Jing, you better be careful!

Xu Yan saw how Tan Rou suddenly laughed, which looked a little evil. He was a little surprised. "Tan Rou, what are you thinking? Did I say something wrong?"

Tan Rou returned to her senses and realized that she had been too engrossed in her thoughts and had forgotten that Xu Yan was still in front of her. She was a little embarrassed. "No, I suddenly thought of something else. Class monitor, I'm thrilled that you would trust me. Thank you."

Xu Yan waved his hand. "Don't be afraid. Although gossip is a fearful thing, evidence is still important. You don't have to worry about these rumors."

Tan Rou nodded in agreement. "I'm not afraid of those rumors. Those who are willing to, believe me, will naturally understand. There's no need to force anything."

At this moment, Li Li's timid voice came from the side. "Ummm ... I'm willing to believe you as well!"

Tan Rou turned around and saw that it was the girl who had tried to smooth things over for her. Tan Rou smiled in a friendly manner. "Thank you for what you did earlier. You were a little scared, but you still stood up to help me."

Li Li blushed and waved her hands. "You don't know me, do you? My name is Li Li. I'm sorry I was too timid to help you. I was just afraid that you would really get into a fight, but I didn't expect you to be so powerful. It was so brave of you!" As she said this, she looked at Tan Rou with adoration.

Tan Rou laughed. This girl was adorable. Why did she worship her so much over such a small matter?

Li Li felt a little embarrassed when she saw Tan Rou laughing at her. "Ever since I was young, I didn't dare to get into a conflict with others. I avoided them whenever I could, and I often felt aggrieved. I felt so good seeing you dealing with them so handsomely today! It should have been like this! Say no to the evil forces!"

Tan Rou looked at Li Li, who was talking and dancing. She also started feeling relaxed, "Aren't you Tan Jing's deskmate? You've heard a lot of bad things about me. Aren't you afraid that I'm really such a person?"

Li Li quickly shook her head. "I don't know Tan Jing well! Really!!! I'm not a spy. I really like you and want to be friends with you. A handsome woman like you wouldn't be how they described you in those rumors!"

As soon as they heard Li Li's explanation, Tan Rou and Xu Yan laughed. They didn't expect Li Li to directly say she wasn't a spy. She was really frank and cute.

Li Li also felt she was being a little too direct, so she chuckled in embarrassment.

Chapter 83 We're friends from now on

Tan Rou was also influenced by Li Li's character. Most of the people around her used to be evil friends who wanted to hide their true intentions. They came for benefits and left when they ran out. There was no sincerity indeed.

But now, this was the first person who didn't care about the outside world's comments or Tan Rou's family background and took the initiative to be friends with Tan Rou.

Of course, Zhuang Liu was the same, but strangely, Tan Rou subconsciously refused to classify Zhuang Liu as a friend like Li Li.

Zhuang Liu and Tan Rou seemed to be attracted to each other and were each other's saviour. He was different from the rest of them inside Tan Rou's heart.

Tan Rou looked at the lively girl in front of her, who was waiting for her reply nervously, and quickly said, "Of course. It's a pleasure to meet you, Li Li." After saying that, she winked playfully.

Li Li grinned happily and held Tan Rou's hand excitedly. "Then, we'll be good friends from now on. I'll be on your side. We'll beat those bad guys away together. They're so annoying!"

Xu Yan watched the interaction between the two girls quietly and was also infected by Li Li's liveliness. "Count me in. I also believe in Tan Rou."

Tan Rou smiled happily. It was a good start to be able to gain two sincere friends on the first day of school.

Li Li exclaimed exaggeratedly, "Wow, even the class monitor is willing to be friends with me. You don't know this but your image is that of a perfect student. You're meticulous. I don't even dare to speak to you!"

After that, Li Li pulled Xu Yan to talk excitedly, "Class monitor, did you see Tan Rou's handsome performance just now? Let me tell you again. Tan Rou was super calm and fearless in the face of danger. She ..." Li Li was particularly familiar with the situation and began to talk to herself. From time to time, she would add in her movements and describe Tan Rou's actions from a while ago with her hands and feet.

Xu Yan and Tan Rou helplessly exchanged looks and shook their heads with a smile. Li Li was a lively girl.

Tan Rou saw that Xu Yan was entangled by Li Li and was forced to cooperate with Li Li's vivid narration. Tan Rou gloated. Li Li had a good personality and she was even a little noisy. Tan Rou was definitely going to have a lively future ahead in school.

Just like that, the three of them spent their lunch break talking and laughing.

When it was time for class in the afternoon, Lu Qing walked into the classroom when the bell rang.

As soon as they entered the room, the students all looked at Lu Qing with interest. This was the male lead of the big fight in the afternoon. People say that beauty is a disaster but a handsome man like Lu Qing could also cause conflict between girls. The influence of the school hunk was unquestionable.

Lu Qing felt the strange gazes from the people around him. He frowned and returned to his seat in confusion.

A boy who was close to Lu Qing ran over quickly and winked at him. "Not bad, Handsome Lu. Being handsome is definitely a good thing!"

Lu Qing thought that everyone was gossiping about how he answered the phone in class and skipped class. He felt a little impatient. "Are you crazy? I left in a hurry because something happened at home. I have already explained it to the teacher."

"Hey! Who said anything about that?!" The boy smiled vaguely.

Lu Qing became even more impatient. He was already frustrated about how Master Lu was sick. The doctor said that although it was a close call this time, old Master Lu's condition was getting worse. He could only slowly recuperate. There was no other way for him to recover.

When old Master Lu woke up, he ignored Lu Qing's insistence and rushed Lu Qing back to school to attend classes. If not for the fear that his grandfather would be worried, Lu Qing would not even be in the mood to come to school. He would not have cared about what the other students thought of him.

Lu Qing closed his eyes and rubbed his temples. His voice was low and deep. "If you have something to say, say it quickly. Otherwise, stop talking nonsense. You're making my head hurt."

The guy saw that Lu Qing was really not interested and so he didn't keep him in suspense. "You weren't here this afternoon and missed a good show. Liang Lu brought her group here to challenge Tan Rou. She directly asked Tan Rou if she seduced you. The two girls almost fought because of you! You're not even interested in that?"

Lu Qing opened his eyes and looked at the boy, "What did you say? Tan Rou tried to seduce me?"

The boy nodded. "That's right. She even said that Tan Rou can't compare to Tan Jing and that she's not qualified to be with you. The two of them talked for a long time in the classroom and even pushed the tables over! I don't know what happened in the end but Tan Rou said a few words and Liang Lu stopped being mad. She even cleaned the classroom before leaving."

#### Chapter 84 Clarification

"F\*ck!" Lu Qing cursed in a low voice. He didn't expect such a thing to happen after he left.

He had always known that the girls in the school liked him, but he was not interested in this aspect now. He felt they were quarreling, and he had never taken it seriously. How did it develop to this stage? It was ridiculous.

Moreover, how did the rumor of Tan Rou seducing a retard as he spread?

In the morning, he only found out from Tan Rou that he and Tan Jing were known as a couple, and he had left abruptly in the afternoon. How did things change so quickly? Do they really think he didn't have enough trouble and was causing more for him?

The boy was still a little unsatisfied. "When did you hook up with Tan Rou? I used to think that Tan Jing was good, but from what I saw today, Tan Rou is better! You're simply a rose with thorns. You're the man!"

Lu Qing's brows were tightly locked together. He couldn't help but give the boy a light kick. "Why are you going along with it? This matter has nothing to do with Tan Rou. I'm not interested in Tan Jing at all. Who is the idiot who has been making things up about me like this? Do you think I'm an idiot just because I don't say anything?"

The boy dodged and was a little surprised. "Huh? You don't like tan Jing? I thought you'd acquiesced to it. I didn't see you interacting with her usually and thought that you two were having an underground relationship. Then Tan Rou has really been wronged, hasn't she?"

Lu Qing sighed. He didn't expect that his indulgence would make the matter worse. There were all kinds of versions, and it even brought Tan Rou quite a bit of trouble. No matter how strong she was, such remarks were not good for a girl like her.

Lu Qing chased the boy away. "Stop talking nonsense. I'm already annoyed enough!"

The boy shrugged and left.

Lu Qing's expression was gloomy. Usually, he was not interested in anything the girls said. Moreover, it was just their own self-entertainment and did not affect Lu Qing much. Lu Qing was a man, and he was too lazy to take the initiative to say anything, but now, the nature of this matter had changed.

Lu Qing recalled the conversation between Tan Rou and tan Jing in the warehouse. He was keenly aware that after this matter was blown up, Tan Rou's reputation would be tarnished, and the one who would benefit would be Tan Jing, who everyone thought was the 'most suitable girlfriend' for him.

Lu Qing didn't want to be too narcissistic and think that he was worth a girl's effort. He also didn't want to use evil thoughts to speculate about others. However, when he combined Tan Jing's attitude at that time with the development of the whole incident, Lu Qing couldn't help but think that all of this might have been deliberately planned by one person.

But no matter what, Lu Qing didn't want this misunderstanding to continue. Today, it was stopped by Tan Rou. What if the female lead of the scandal changed one day, and it really turned into a fight?

Lu Qing felt his head throb just thinking about it. He might as well clear things up from his end earlier and cut off their imagination. It would also clear Tan Rou's name. She had warned him, but he didn't pay attention and even implicated Tan Rou.

Lu Qing looked at Tan Rou, who was focused on her work and didn't notice him. He didn't disturb her and walked away without saying anything. He went directly to the school's broadcasting room and turned on the microphone. "Hello? Hey, it's Lu Qing."

As soon as the announcement was made, all the students stopped what they were doing and were stunned. Lu Qing? Why did he go to the broadcast room? What did he want to say?

The teacher in the office slammed the table in frustration. "Lu Qing is way out of line! How can he use the broadcast room so casually?" With that said, he got up and went to the broadcasting room to arrest Lu Qing.

Lu Qing adjusted the microphone and even locked the door. Then, he continued, "I want to clarify the rumors in the school. First of all, Tan Rou and I are just classmates. We should be united and friendly to create a better future for our class. Please don't use dirty and vulgar words to insult our noble classmates."

After hearing Lu Qing's voice, Tan Rou also stopped writing. Like everyone else, she was curious about what Lu Qing would say. She didn't expect him to clarify those rumors for her. She was surprised at how direct Lu Qing was in dealing with things. At the same time, she was also laughed at by the words coming out of his mouth. Only a ghost would work with him to create a better future for the class.

Lu Qing continued, "Secondly, I may be a little handsome, but I have a childish mindset. I am still a child, and I have no plans to date. I will strictly follow the school rules and be a good young man who focuses on his study and work on himself every day. I also ask those students who have been spreading rumors about me to stop. I am single, and I don't have anyone in mind. Please don't make up any more stories about me. Thank you."

Chapter 85 Feeling too ashamed to show his face

Lu Qing was almost done. He turned off the microphone and returned to his carefree state. He walked to the door and unlocked it.

Outside the door, the teacher was panting and staring at Lu Qing with an angry look. "Lu Qing, what should I say about you? Is there anything you don't dare to do? This time, we're both going to the principal's office to get scolded!"

Lu Qing pouted and admitted his mistake, "I accept my punishment but I really can't stand their nonsense anymore. This is the fastest and most effective way. Besides, teacher, I didn't say anything

else. I'm just actively expressing my stance and being a good student who doesn't get into a relationship at such a young age. Isn't that enough?"

The teacher was speechless. Lu Qing's actions of using the radio for his own intentions was indeed infuriating but the words he said had a positive meaning to it. Thinking about it carefully, there was nothing wrong with them.

Recently, rumors about Lu Qing had been spreading like wildfire in the school. The teachers had also heard about it. However, there was no concrete evidence. They could only knock some sense into those who were discussing it in private. There was nothing that they could do and it was in fact a good thing that Lu Qing had taken the initiative to come forward and express his stance.

The teacher felt that he had been tricked by Lu Qing. The words that he wanted to scream towards Lu Qing were on the tip of his tongue but he couldn't say anything. The teacher rolled her eyes at Lu Qing. "Come over here, don't think of getting away with it. Come with me to the principal's office and admit your mistakes! Don't think that just because you put it nicely, you can make up for your unauthorized use of the radio!"

Lu Qing nodded perfunctorily. "Yes, yes. I have done something wrong!"

The teacher looked at Lu Qing, who was much taller than him. He lowered his eyes and stood there lazily. Although Lu Qing apologized, there may still be endless thoughts running in his mind. The teacher sighed helplessly.

Lu Qing was indeed good-looking. He must have eaten something at such a young age to have grown into such a tall man. Although he was usually lazy, it could be seen that old Master Lu had taught him carefully. Under the influence of the military spirit, Lu Qing was a very loyal and friendly child.

The anger in the teacher's heart gradually dissipated. Lu Qing's appearance was outstanding and the teachers usually praised him. Moreover, those girls only fell for him since they were still kids. This was also something normal. As long as they were guided in the right direction, everything would be fine. As for the broadcast, Lu Qing was young and vigorous. In order to clarify for his classmates, it was understandable that he acted a little irrationally.

The teacher thought for a while about what to say to the principal and his expression softened a little but when he saw Lu Qing's nonchalant expression, he still held his breath. He put on a serious face and dragged Lu Qing to the principal's office.

While Lu Qing was being lectured by his teacher, the school was in an uproar.

The students were discussing Lu Qing's words with excitement.

Now that the school was a strict environment, everyone would at most discuss some of the little innocuous and flirtatious things privately but Lu Qing actually dared to make this topic public on the radio. He even announced to the entire school that he would not fall in love at such a young age. This was indeed explosive news.

The boys shouted excitedly and some even whistled. They all praised Lu Qing. "You're indeed an influential figure in our school. Handsome Lu, well done! What a man!!!"



On the other hand, the girls felt the complete opposite. Lu Qing announced in public that there was no one that he liked and would not be in a relationship at such a young age. This broke the hearts of countless girls. Most girls who had a crush on Lu Qing lay on the table and wiped their tears in disappointment.

However, there were also some girls who only admired Lu Qing. Lu Qing's actions made him look even more unruly. These girls were so excited that they stomped their feet and their eyes were full of admiration for Lu Qing.

However, there were two girls who were not as relaxed as the others.

One of them was Liang Lu. She knew that Lu Qing must have heard about what happened during the lunch break when he returned to school. He must have been angry and so he went to the broadcast room to clarify. She felt a wave of guilt and shame.

If she didn't cause trouble, Lu Qing wouldn't have been dragged into this. He would definitely be criticized by the teacher. Moreover, at this moment, Lu Qing must hate me very much. Would he think that I'm a shameless, violent girl?

At that moment, Liang Lu really knew that she was in the wrong. She lowered her head dejectedly. When she thought about how Lu Qing would hate her, she couldn't help but feel like crying. Inside her heart, she was even more angry with Tan Jing for acting and deceiving her, causing her to do something so stupid.

The other person who was on the verge of collapse was naturally Tan Jing. Tan Jing had always considered herself to be Lu Qing's girlfriend-to-be. She had spread many rumours about her and Lu Qing liking each other and being a match made in heaven. What Lu Qing said on the radio was undoubtedly a hard slap to Tan Jing's face. At this moment, Tan Jing felt as if she had been slapped dozens of times.

Chapter 86 Smashing one's own foot

Tan Jing could already imagine how the people in the school would laugh at her behind her back. They would definitely say that she was delusional, daydreaming, and a liar!

In the beginning, she had created a lot of rumors but now that Lu Qing had clarified it, Tan Jing seemed even more ridiculous.

In the morning, Tan Jing had even faked tears because of the interaction between Lu Qing and Tan Rou. Many people around them were still jeering at her. Now, she looked embarrassing and ridiculous.

Tan Jing's face turned red. Listening to the excited discussion of her classmates, she felt that they must be talking about her and watching her make a fool of herself. At this time, she could no longer hold it in. She lay on the table and cried from the bottom of her heart.

However, this was like the boy who cried wolf. The more Tan Jing cried, the more annoyed the others were; especially in such an awkward situation, none of them knew what to say. For a moment, no one came forward to comfort Tan Jing.

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Tan Jing felt that she had ruined her reputation in one day. Originally, her secret love for Lu Qing was just a little girl's intention. In the end, she was only a teenager. When such things got exposed, it was enough for Tan Jing to break down.

Tan Jing even started to complain about Lu Qing in her heart. This stinky man actually humiliated her in public. She had already spread those rumours. She would even use her identity as Lu Qing's prospective girlfriend to secretly mock those girls who had a crush on him. There were others around her who had also used this as an excuse to teach many girls a lesson on her behalf.

Tan Jing was so angry that she almost couldn't breathe. This Lu Qing! He had actually said on the radio that he didn't like her at all. He clearly didn't care about her and tore her apart publicly!

Tan Jing couldn't understand it at all. Everything had been fine all along. Lu Qing had never cared about these scandals and always acted as if it didn't concern him. Tan Jing took this as Lu Qing's silent consent. Perhaps he was also looking forward to being together with her. After all, he didn't deny it, right?

Therefore, although Tan Jing was not very confident in her heart, she was still proud of herself when she faced the others. She deliberately let the other girls think that Lu Qing was just shy. However, the two of them were in love with each other and were a match made in heaven. They had eliminated many competitors in an invisible way.

But now, why did Lu Qing suddenly use such a ruthless method to clear things up? Tan Jing gritted her teeth in hatred. It must be because of Tan Rou! Earlier in the afternoon, Liang Lu and Tan Rou had just quarrelled and Lu Qing had gone to the broadcast room to clarify that he must have been seduced by that b\*tch Tan Rou!

Tan Jing was so regretful. Lu Qing would actually do this for Tan Rou. She was the one who deliberately led Liang Lu to Tan Rou. It could be said that it indirectly led to Lu Qing's announcement. She really shot herself in the foot. She lost everything!!!!

Tan Rou could see how regretful Tan Jing was feeling.

Tan Rou snickered, gloating at her misfortune. She didn't expect Lu Qing to actually do this. Tan Jing's intestines were definitely turning green with regret. After working for an entire afternoon, not only did Tan Rou not suffer but Tan Jing also lost the image of a prospective girlfriend that she had kept all these years.

Tan Jing wanted to make use of the girls' blind pursuit of Lu Qing to go against Tan Rou. However, Lu Qing himself said that he didn't have a girlfriend and didn't like anyone, what Tan Jing had said before was just a lie to deceive herself. What would those girls who were once bewitched by Tan Jing think now? Would those girls who had been ridiculed by the people around Tan Jing want to take revenge?

Tan Rou's lips curled up evilly and her heart was filled with anticipation.

What tickled Tan Rou the most was that Tan Jing was the one who caused all these. If she didn't mislead Liang Lu to find trouble with her, perhaps Lu Qing would really continue to pretend to be muddleheaded until Tan Jing found a doctor to cure old Master Lu. Then, she would have won Lu Qing's favor. By then, people would only praise that lovers would finally get married. No one would have known of her tricks.

However, fate sometimes played tricks on others. Tan Jing was too anxious and couldn't wait to destroy Tan Rou immediately, which ruined the bigger plan.

Tan Rou happily tapped the table and smiled at Li Li, who turned around and winked at her. This feeling of not needing her to do anything and watching Tan Jing court her own destruction was really great.

All of this was thanks to Lu Qing. He was a strange man but he had a clear mind. He was very direct and used the most violent way to solve this difficult to explain matter.

Soon, the teacher brought Lu Qing out of the principal's office.

Lu Qing was not flushing in embarrassment nor was he feeling worried. He was very calm. The principal did not punish Lu Qing at all. Instead, the principal laughed and teased Lu Qing for having the impetuous nature of his grandfather and being very bold.

## Chapter 87 Humiliation

There was no other reason for this. The principal and Lu Qing's grandfather were old comrades. However, the principal later switched to politics and was transferred to the education Bureau. Now, he was assigned to be the principal of this school. He was very open-minded and his attitude in school was not dogmatic.

Lu Qing obediently admitted his mistake. He listened to the principal's advice on how to study hard and not be too impulsive. Finally, after showing some concern for old Master Lu's health, he let Lu Qing out.

Of course, Lu Qing knew that this would be the result. He was not stupid. He would be a fool if he was punished for the sake of clarifying a rumour. However, this matter would definitely be reported. The principal would tease him for a while and at most, he would be scolded by his grandfather and told to stand by the corner as a punishment.

The teacher's face darkened as he looked at Lu Qing helplessly. This child was talented and came from an extraordinary family. He did have the right to be willful. Since the principal did not say anything, he could not make things difficult for him. He only said, "Don't mess around next time. Go back and write a self-reflection!"

Lu Qing agreed obediently and smiled at the teacher with his eyes narrowed.

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The teacher's anger turned into a smile. He rolled his eyes at Lu Qing and chided, "Why are you still standing there? Go back to the classroom!"

Lu Qing strolled into the classroom and the classroom turned wild. The boy shouted, "Our Prince Charming is back! Handsome Lu is so cool!"

Lu Qing chuckled and raised his chin at the boys who were jeering. He turned his head and looked deeply at Tan Rou.

Tan Rou smiled and looked back at Lu Qing. She gently nodded and mouthed, 'Thank you.'

Lu Qing smiled and shook his head. He walked directly to Tan Rou and said in front of his classmates without hiding anything, "I'm sorry. I've caused you trouble because of a personal issue."

He then turned to the other students and said, "I've already made it clear on the broadcast. Others might not understand the situation but I still hope that some of our classmates can be kind and not lie with their eyes open."

Lu Qing glanced at Tan Jing and continued, "Don't spread false rumors, alright? Don't you feel ashamed?"

Tan Jing's hands, which were hidden under the table, clenched tightly. Her nails dug deep into her flesh. Her face was pale and she couldn't even raise her head. 'Please don't say another word! Hasn't he humiliated her enough? I like you so much, why are you doing this to me?!'

When the other students heard Lu Qing's words, they flushed with embarrassment as well. Lu Qing was right. The students from the other classes didn't know the inside story, but in class, they had never seen Lu Qing and Tan Jing being close. They didn't know when the scandal broke out but everyone started to kick up a fuss and acquiesce to such a thing.

Moreover, Lu Qing and Tan Rou were innocent. They didn't say a word the entire morning. They just looked at each other and suddenly, there was news of Tan Rou seducing Lu Qing. It was really too strange. They saw it with their own eyes. They shouldn't have joined in the commotion.

Li Li turned her head to look at Tan Rou and kept winking at her. She raised her thumb and mouthed exaggeratedly, "Lu Qing is so handsome!"

Many girls had the same feeling as Li Li. Lu Qing had said it so straightforwardly, which made them feel very happy! In the hearts of these girls, Lu Qing was handsome. Everyone had the right to admire and pursue him. Why did those people say that Lu Qing was Tan Jing's private property? Usually, they didn't even dare to talk too much about Lu Qing. Otherwise, they would be accused of lusting after Lu Qing and snatching Tan Jing's boyfriend.

Most of the girls were indeed affected by Tan Jing's delicate image and would not say anything in the past. They were willing to give their blessings but this time, Lu Qing's actions aroused their true feelings. Lu Qing said that he didn't have a girlfriend anymore. Then, what right did Tan Jing have to monopolise Lu Qing? Why don't we even have the right to worship and love him?

Everything is fair in love and war! No one had yet conquered the handsome man's heart so they should all be honest and compete equally. Tan Jing had actually considered herself as his girlfriend-to-be for so long and the other girls felt that it was unfair.

At this moment, the good impression that the girls in the school had of Tan Jing began to completely disintegrate.

Tan Jing held back his tears and pretended to be indifferent. She forced a smile and said, "Lu Qing is right. Let's not spread those rumours in the future. In the past, I was too shy and didn't even dare to clarify. Lu Qing is the brave one. It's all good now that we've talked it out."

Li Li wrinkled her nose and turned her head away in disgust. Too shy to clarify? Only a ghost would believe it. When others were gossiping about it, you were delighted to hear it.

## Chapter 88 Sending you home

After Lu Qing heard Tan Jing's words, his lips curved into a smile. He didn't say anything and returned to his seat.

Tan Jing's explanation naturally couldn't convince anyone. The other girls didn't say anything, but in their hearts, they still felt that Tan Jing was just pretending to be good after taking advantage of Lu Qing. She had taken advantage of Lu Qing's identity as his prospective girlfriend for so long that no one dared to speak to him. Now, she was going to let it go just by saying that she was shy?

However, most people were still afraid of Tan Jing's status as the eldest daughter of the Tan family, so they did not dare to quarrel with her. Moreover, it was usually the people around Tan Jing who made things difficult for the rest of them. Tan Jing herself did not go too far. These girls would just let it go after ranting it.

However, the faces of Tan Jing's lackeys did not look good. Usually, Tan Jing would tell them how much she and Lu Qing liked each other. Lu Qing would send her some small notes in private and invite the Tan family over to his house. It felt like the wedding was near.

Now that Lu Qing had taken the initiative to clarify, Tan Jing said that it was always like this and that she was too shy to explain herself. In the end, Tan Jing was the one who got the best in everything. These people helped Tan Jing to argue and establish her authority. In the end, they became the guns in Tan Jing's hands, offending people everywhere and ending up receiving hatred from everyone else.

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These people felt embarrassed when they thought about it. In the past, they used to laugh at other girls' wishful thinking. Now, they felt embarrassed. They also began to blame Tan Jing in their hearts.

No one was a fool. They weren't born to do this kind of thing. If it wasn't for Tan Jing's sincere and pitiful words, would they have offended the others?

Now, Tan Jing was still pretending to be pitiful and trying to get herself out of it but Tan Jing did not care about the lives of these people.

Tan Rou took in everyone's expressions. Tan Jing's words just now could be said to be a desperate attempt to survive. In the face of Lu Qing's clarification and how he had targeted her, Tan Jing had no other choice but to come up with such an excuse.

It didn't matter if this explanation was useful or not. At least, Lu Qing didn't hold on to it anymore. This matter was considered over. After all, the Tan family was still a prestigious one and none of them could openly be on bad terms with Tan Jing.

However, Tan Jing had lost the public's heart.

Ordinary people were quite critical of her and had some scruples in their hearts but they didn't dare to make trouble for the time being. Her followers around her were resentful of her and held grudges in their hearts.

If they became more and more sullen and suffered more and more losses because they were with Tan Jing, who would be left to continue flattering her?

Tan Rou raised her eyebrows and laughed.

Tan Jing's era was about to pass. She had relied on confusing people to get her to this position but now her grounds were riddled with holes. No one would charge into the enemy lines for her. The day when the building collapsed was getting closer.

Tan Rou laughed for a little before lowering her head. She shouldn't be too happy now.

Tan Jing's situation had become more and more difficult and Lu Qing's impression of her was getting worse and worse. However, if she were to find a doctor who could help old Master Lu like she did in her previous life, then Lu Qing and the people around her would have a rebound in their attitude towards her. Then, Tan Jing would recover to her usual stance.

Presumably, Tan Jing also regarded this as her trump card. As long as this matter was resolved, it would be easy to regain the favourable impression of Lu Qing and the other girls.

Tan Rou told herself that she couldn't let her guard down and should keep this matter in mind.

Just as he was thinking about it, the bell rang. School finally came to an end.

Tan Rou packed up her bag. In fact, she had already learned all of these and there was no need for a revision back at home. She was only doing it for show.

Seeing that Tan Rou was about to leave with her bag on her back, Lu Qing quickly caught up with her. "Tan Rou, let me walk you home."

Tan Rou looked back at Lu Qing suspiciously and joked, "Handsome Lu, please don't harm me. If you send me home, I'll be eaten alive by your little fans again tomorrow."

Lu Qing scratched his head in embarrassment. "I'm sorry. I really didn't expect it to be like this. I didn't mean it."

Tan Rou rolled her eyes at Lu Qing jokingly. "It's alright. I'm just joking. You can't be blamed for this."

The two of them chatted as they walked towards the school gate.

Tan Rou saw that although Lu Qing said that he wanted to send her home, he had been considerate and kept a distance from her. He only followed behind her on her right; at a safe distance that wasn't too close nor too far.

Tan Rou was a little puzzled. What was this Lu Qing trying to do? Was he deliberately trying to attract hatred for her? It didn't seem like it. He couldn't have liked her, right? Tan Rou wasn't that narcissistic.

Chapter 89 Zhuang Liu delivering medicine

A light bulb went off in Tan Rou's head. She suddenly thought of something and stopped in her tracks. After Lu Qing caught up to her, she asked, "Are you afraid that I'll get beaten up on my way home after hearing Liang Lu's harsh words?"

Lu Qing turned his head away unnaturally. He lowered his head and used the tips of his toes to rub against the ground. After some time, he said, "I just use the same path as you... I don't know Liang Lu

and I don't know if she changed her mind after hearing the broadcast. If she still comes to find trouble with you, leave her to me!"

Tan Rou looked at Lu Qing in surprise. She didn't expect this strange guy to be so meticulous.

This matter had nothing to do with Lu Qing in the first place. It was Tan Jing who colluded with those girls and did all those things by using his name.

After Lu Qing clarified, he could have left it alone but because of Liang Lu's words, he awkwardly offered to send her home to protect her.

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Tan Rou smiled brightly. Lu Qing was swayed by Tan Rou's smile and the tips of his ears began to turn red.

Tan Rou motioned for Lu Qing to walk side by side with her and said, "Liang Lu was just deceived. She did it out of impulse and she has already figured out the reason. Besides, you said it so clearly on the radio. She won't come and look for trouble."

Lu Qing frowned slightly, "This is not something that can be covered up by using impulse as an excuse. I don't know if they usually scare people in this manner. I can't just ignore it."

Tan Rou nodded her head. Lu Qing was indeed taught by old Master Lu. He was very righteous and responsible.

Tan Rou suggested, "Why don't we make a bet? If Liang Lu really stops me at the gate, then we don't have to be polite anymore. We can then get rid of all the grudges that we've had with her and help the other girls get justice but if she doesn't and has learnt from her mistake, we'll give her a chance to apologize to the girl she bullied in private."

Of course, Lu Qing would agree to this. If Liang Lu could understand and stop, that would be for the best. He didn't want to make things difficult for any other girls.

Tan Rou and Lu Qing walked to the school gate and looked around. Liang Lu naturally didn't cause any more trouble. After hearing Lu Qing's broadcast, she was so embarrassed that she knew she was in the wrong. She didn't dare to cause any more trouble.

Seeing that Liang Lu wasn't there, Tan Rou and Lu Qing both had a relaxed smile on their faces.

Tan Rou thought with relief that Liang Lu didn't let her down. If Liang Lu didn't live up to her expectations, she wouldn't have been merciful this time.

Suddenly, Tan Rou caught a glimpse of Xiao Mo in the crowd. Zhuang Liu was right next to her, looking at her through the crowd.

Tan Rou's lips curled into a smile. Why was Zhuang Liu here?

The two hadn't seen each other for a few days and so Tan Rou was very happy to see them again.

Tan Rou couldn't wait to say hello to Zhuang Liu, so she hurriedly bided Lu Qing farewell. "Liang Lu won't be coming. You should go home quickly. Bye!"

Lu Qing didn't notice Tan Rou's gaze. He was relieved that he didn't see Liang Lu. He said goodbye to Tan Rou and left.

Tan Rou jogged over to Zhuang Liu in high spirits. Her energetic and youthful appearance made Zhuang Liu smile.

When Tan Rou stood in front of him, Zhuang Liu greeted her gently, "Are you happy in school? Don't run so fast, be careful not to fall. I'm right here."

Tan Rou's eyes curved and she happily replied, "It's pretty good. Although a little accident happened, everything else was fine."

Seeing that Tan Rou didn't want to say anything else, Zhuang Liu didn't ask further.

Tan Rou was smart and had her own plans. She was not a weakling who needed to be carefully protected.

The confident and cheerful Tan Rou at this moment was the light in Zhuang Liu's heart. This was how she should be. Lively and happy at all times.

Tan Rou calmed her breathing and blinked her big eyes. "Why are you guys at school? What business do you have here?"

Xiao Mo quickly opened the trunk and showed it to Tan Rou. "Miss Tan Rou, third master is here to deliver these herbs to you."

Tan Rou looked at the herbs in surprise and asked in confusion, "I've asked Uncle Bai to find someone to send it over and he actually came to you? This ..." Tan Rou felt that this was a waste of talent. There was no need to kill a chicken with a butcher's knife.

Zhuang Liu's company had business fluctuating thousands of millions every minute, why was he sent here to run errands for him? Uncle Bai was truly making a scene.

#### Chapter 90 An expert at making money

Xiao mo shook his head helplessly, indicating to Tan Rou that he had no choice.

Third young master was in a meeting when Bai Jing called him, saying that Miss Tan needed something. He asked the third young master if he would be willing to go. Third young master agreed without any hesitation. After that, Bai Jing mumbled something about the grandson of the Lu family and the third young master rushed over without stopping.

However, they were here just in time. Xiao Mo was still feeling a little nervous.

Just now, he had been waiting with the third young master at the school gate. When he saw Miss Tan Rou and another boy walking out, talking and laughing, he clearly felt the atmosphere around him become gloomy. Third young master's face was as black as the bottom of a pot and it only brightened up when he saw Miss Tan Rou running over.



Xiao Mo shivered the goosebumps on his arms and prayed silently in his heart. Miss Tan Rou, you have to hang in there. If you fall for someone else, the third master will go berserk and I won't have a good life in the future!

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He was completely oblivious to Xiao Mo's thoughts. At that moment, he only had Tan Rou in his eyes.

"Nothing else is as important. I've agreed to this on my own accord. We haven't seen each other for a few days and I wanted to come and see you."

Tan Rou was a little embarrassed and looked at Zhuang Liu uneasily.

Zhuang Liu was not a person who did good deeds without leaving a name. He was eager for Tan Rou to see more of his good side so that he could earn brownie points. He was like a big dog asking for credit, looking at Tan Rou with bright eyes.

"I got Xiao Mo to buy some for you. It's at the medicinal herb market we passed by. Head home and see if we've missed anything. I'll go and buy some for you."

Tan Rou thought of the first time they met and a smile appeared in her eyes.

At that time, Zhuang Liu was lonely and helpless but he was also independent and exuded an extraordinary temperament. However, through their recent interactions, she found that Zhuang Liu's state was becoming more and more human.

Tan Rou went to the trunk to check and then turned back to Zhuang Liu. "There's more than enough. You bought the right things. This should be enough for me for a while. You bought so much the last time and there should be enough. I don't have to make it for you this time."

Zhuang Liu smiled shyly. "Please make me some more."

Tan Rou was stunned. "You've used up all those nerve-soothing incense?" Even if he had money, he shouldn't burn it like this. If he used up all the nerve-soothing incense in such a short time, wouldn't Zhuang Liu's house be like a Fairyland filled with smoke?

Zhuang Liu gestured to Xiao Mo, who then took out a bank card and handed it to Tan Rou.

Tan Rou looked back and forth and thought that Zhuang Liu wanted to buy a large amount of nerve-soothing incense again. She was about to persuade Zhuang Liu that it wasn't that she did not want to make it but these were just supplementary. There was no need for him to use so much of it.

However, Zhuang Liu continued to claim credit gently, "Some of my friends heard that I had cured the illness that I suffered for years and could sleep well. They were all amazed and insisted on coming to see the effects of the nerve-soothing incense. In the end, all of them found it useful and begged me to buy more of it. Since I have a lot of them left, I decided to sell them some. There's a total of eight million yuan here."

Tan Rou's eyes widened. She looked at the bank card and then at Zhuang Liu. She was so surprised that she didn't know what to say.

Zhuang Liu was indeed a genius in the business world. Why would the nerve-soothing incense cost so much money? Zhuang Liu was obviously the one that made it happen.

Tan Rou didn't say it out loud but her eyes clearly revealed her thoughts. Zhuang Liu chuckled. "Just take it. Those unruly people are stupid and rich. They usually spend money like dirt and they like wasting money anyways. If they can use this money to buy your nerve-soothing incense, it's their honour to be laid off. That money has never been so valuable before."

Hearing Zhuang Liu's joke, Tan Rou also laughed happily. "You are indeed the young master of the Zhuang family. You really are a money-making expert."

When Zhuang Liu heard Tan Rou's compliment, he, who had always looked down on others and only regarded money as a symbol, blushed because of the words "money-making expert".

"I know you're trying to earn money as well and you're an expert at making money too since you can make such good incense. You can always hand them over to me and I'll sell them for a good price."

Tan Rou looked at Zhuang Liu's shy expression and laughed secretly.

Zhuang Liu was so easy to tease. What should she do if she gets into the habit of teasing him?

However, Tan Rou suppressed her evil interest and agreed. "I would be happy if there are people who need this incense. Uncle Bai also said that many patients are waiting for it. I'll do more this time and share it with you guys. I'll take this money first. You don't have to pay me for your next treatment fee, just put it in this account."