

Sidekick 1381

Chapter 1381: Is it Sweet Enough? (1)

Upon hearing this response, Jian Yunnao and Jian Yujie froze.

She went on her own accord?

What was going on here?

Did she forgive Qin Chuan?

Or did she want to rekindle her previous friendship with Qin Chuan?

The look in Zhai Yunsheng's eyes was obscure and unclear.

Meeting Qin Chuan was different from meeting any other guy because he knew Jian Yiling liked Qin Chuan in her previous life.

And thus, Zhai Yunsheng did not say anything.

As Jian Yiling did not receive a response from Zhai Yunsheng, she began to feel nervous.

He seemed rather upset...

When Jian Yunnao and Jian Yujie saw the situation in front of them, they also became extremely nervous.

Jian Yujie hurriedly asked Jian Yiling: "Yiling, is there a reason why you went to see Qin Chuan?"

"He's sick," Jian Yiling responded. Then, she added: "He was diagnosed with terminal lung cancer."

"What?" Jian Yujie exclaimed with surprise.

Qin Chuan had terminal lung cancer?

When did that happen?

Was he going to die soon then?

Zhai Yunsheng narrowed his eyes as he slightly tightened his fists.

"You want to save him?" Zhai Yunsheng asked.

"Yep," Jian Yiling answered as she nodded her head.

He guessed right. She indeed wanted to save Qin Chuan's life.

Upon hearing this response, Jian Yujie and Jian Yunnao went silent.

Jian Yiling carefully observed Zhai Yunsheng's expression before she asked: "Are you angry? Or are you jealous? Is there a sour taste in your mouth?"

As she said this, Jian Yiling tugged gently on Zhai Yunsheng's arm and gestured towards the desserts she made: "I made this dessert for you. It's very sweet."

Zhai Yunsheng did not look at the dessert. Instead, his gaze was focused on Jian Yiling as he said: "It's not sweet enough. It won't be able to neutralize the sour taste of jealousy."

"It's actually very sweet. You should try it," Jian Yiling said. She was confident in the sweetness of her dessert.

"I don't need to try it. I'm sure it's not sweet enough," Zhai Yunsheng replied.

Then, Zhai Yunsheng stood up to walk upstairs.

He quickly disappeared from Jian Yiling's view.

Jian Yiling looked at the dessert before she turned around to ask Jian Yunnao and Jian Yujie: "Is it really not sweet enough?"

Naturally, Jian Yunnao and Jian Yujie understood the meaning of Zhai Yunsheng's words.

The man was jealous. He was incredibly jealous. This jealousy could not be neutralized by eating sweet desserts.

Jian Yujie patiently explained to Jian Yiling: "Yiling, you have to neutralize his jealousy. These sweet desserts won't have an effect on him."

Upon hearing Jian Yujie's words, Jian Yiling pondered for a moment before she said: "I think I understand."

Then, she put down the dessert in her hand and went upstairs.

When Jian Yiling headed into the study room, Zhai Yunsheng appeared to be busy with something.

He didn't even look up when Jian Yiling entered the room.

In fact, even when she walked to his side, he didn't turn his head to look at her.

Normally, as soon as Jian Yiling approached him, he would be stare at her with a wicked smile on his face. The smile made it seem as though he wanted to gobble her up at any moment.

However, he acted like he wasn't aware of her presence today.

From this alone, Jian Yiling could confirm that he was indeed angry or jealous.

Jian Yiling silently stood by Zhai Yunsheng for a long time. Then, she made up her mind. She stepped forward and wrapped her arms around Zhai Yunsheng's neck and took the initiative to kiss Zhai Yunsheng's lips.

Never in a hundred years did Zhai Yunsheng expect that Jian Yiling would make such a move.

When her soft lips touched his, his brain suddenly shut down.

Anger? Jealousy? What was that? His brain was only fixated on the little rabbit in his arms.

As they kissed, Jian Yiling eventually ended up on Zhai Yunsheng's lap.

After a while, Jian Yiling was slightly out of breath and her fair face was flushed red.

However, her arms were still hooked around Zhai Yunsheng's neck.

Jian Yiling quickly realized that pregnancy made her even more sensitive than before.

Chapter 1382: Is it Sweet Enough? (2)

Her animal instincts were completely unleashed.

When Zhai Yunsheng looked at Jian Yiling, his mind became heated. He gently picked her up and placed her on the desk.

Jian Yiling looked at Zhai Yunsheng with confusion. What was happening?

Before she got a chance to think further, Zhai Yunsheng continued to kiss her.

Because of her pregnancy, the two of them hadn't gotten a chance to be intimate for a long time.

And thus, both of them longed for each other.

After a while, Zhai Yunsheng finally let go of Jian Yiling. Jian Yiling's shirt was crumpled and her shirt collar was loosened.

Similarly, Jian Yiling somehow managed to undo a few buttons on Zhai Yunsheng's shirt. There were also several red marks peppered along Zhai Yunsheng's collarbone.

Zhai Yunsheng looked at Jian Yiling and smiled: "This dessert is sweet enough."

Jian Yiling looked away in embarrassment as she asked: "Then... Are you still jealous?"

Zhai Yunsheng gently poked Jian Yiling's forehead as he questioned: "Why do you want to save his life?"

"I don't know," Jian Yiling answered truthfully. Of course, she wanted to help Qin Yufan and Qin Chuan's mother. However, they did not account for the entire reason.

Then, Jian Yiling added: "I'm not planning to save him because I like him."

Jian Yiling's emotional intelligence which was often worrying finally did something correct today.

She knew Zhai Yunsheng was probably upset because he thought she still had feelings for Qin Chuan.

"Mhmm," Zhai Yunsheng responded as he began to tidy up Jian Yiling's hair and clothes.

"So are you okay with me saving him?"

"Yeah," Zhai Yunsheng answered. "As long as you don't like him, I'm okay with you doing anything else."

Upon hearing this answer, a soft smile appeared on Jian Yiling's face.

Zhai Yunsheng kissed Jian Yiling's cheek and shamelessly said: "If you end up doing something that makes me jealous again, just feed me dessert the way you did today. I will stop being jealous immediately."

Outside the room. Jian Yunnao and Jian Yujie were anxiously pacing along the corridor.

They knew Jian Yiling was the only one who could make Zhai Yunsheng not jealous. However, what if Zhai Yunsheng ended up doing something to their sister because he was angry?

They had been waiting outside the study room for almost 20 minutes. However, their sister was still nowhere to be seen!

After discussing the matter, Jian Yunnao and Jian Yujie decided to barge into the room just in case Zhai Yunsheng lost his temper with their sister. If he did, they planned to act as a peacemaker.

And thus, Jian Yunnao and Jian Yujie did not knock on the door. Instead, they directly entered the study room.

When they entered, Jian Yiling was still sitting on the desk. She turned around to look at the door.

When Jian Yunnao and Jian Yujie saw the scene inside the room, both of them immediately froze.

Even though they knew Jian Yiling and Zhai Yunsheng were husband and wife, it was completely something else to see the scene in front of them with their own eyes!

Zhai Yunsheng was a beast! How could he do this to their sister?

In broad daylight as well! In the study room too!

Ahhh!!!!

Jian Yunnao and Jian Yujie did not know how to react.

If they could, they wanted to turn into wild beasts to rip Zhai Yunsheng apart.

Despite seeing the looks in Jian Yunnao and Jian Yujie's eyes, Zhai Yunsheng calmly buttoned up his shirt. However, he deliberately did not button up the last one.

After all, he had to make sure the Jian brothers could see Jian Yiling's masterpiece.

In their intimate interaction just now, he was not the only beast. Jian Yiling's animal instincts had also taken over.

However, the Jian brothers completely ignored this fact. In their minds, Zhai Yunsheng clearly influenced their sister or coerced their sister!

He was scum! He was worse than a beast!

Chapter 1383: The Zhang Family

Zhai Yunsheng could feel the deadly gazes from Jian Yunnao and Jian Yujie. If looks could kill, their gazes would have almost gutted him.

Zhai Yunsheng awkwardly brushed his fingers against his nose bridge.

The Jian brothers would probably encourage Jian Yiheng to come and fight him later today.

Jian Yujie stepped forward to pull Jian Yiling away: "Yiling, let's go! He can be angry or jealous by himself! Let's just ignore him!"

Why was he allowed to take advantage of their sister just because he was jealous?!

Even if they were legally married, under their watch, Yiling would not be bullied by him like this in broad daylight!

Yiling was so cute and loveable! How dare he teach her bad things?!

He was despicable!

Before leaving the room, the Jian brothers turned around to glare at Zhai Yunsheng again.

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The next day, Zhai Yunsheng accompanied Jian Yiling to the affiliated hospital of Beijing University.

Even though he agreed to let Jian Yiing treat Qin Chuan, Zhai Yunsheng refused to give Qin Chuan a chance to get along with Jian Yiling alone.

Even if Jian Yiling was not interested in Qin Chuan, it didn't mean the guy lying on the hospital bed was not interested in his wife.

"Master Sheng, are you sure you're alright?" Yu Xi asked. Along the way, Yu Xi was focused on Zhai Yunsheng's expression. He was worried that Zhai Yunsheng's generosity was feigned.

After knowing each other for so long, Yu Xi knew very well what Zhai Yunsheng was generous with and what he wasn't generous with.

He also knew that if Zhai Yunsheng got jealous, sometimes, he wouldn't express it explicitly.

"Why wouldn't I be alright?" Zhai Yunsheng replied.

"Umm... No real reason. It's just that God Ling is going to be Qin Chuan's doctor..."

"A doctor should care for his or her patients like a parent."

Upon hearing this, Yu Xi realized Qin Chuan was deliberately lowering Qin Chuan's seniority.

"Yep! God Ling treats all patients the same! Naturally, you're an exception to that!" Yu Xi hurriedly flattered.

When they reached the door of the VIP ward, Zhai Yunsheng and the others noticed a few people who were dressed strangely waiting outside.

The group was whispering to one another. It appeared as though they were discussing something.

Zhai Yunsheng and Yu Xi stopped walking.

They could vaguely hear the group talking about saving Qin Chuan as he was the future leader of their alliance.

It seemed that Qin Chuan and these people had some kind of deep relationship.

When the group eventually walked away, Yu Xi commented: "Why do they look familiar? I feel like I've seen them from somewhere."

"They're the Zhang family. They're one of the reclusive families in the world," Zhai Yunsheng explained.

"Oh true! It is them!" Yu Xi exclaimed.

Following this, new doubts appeared in Yu Xi's mind. "But why are people from the Zhang family visiting Qin Chuan? Are they asking someone to come and treat Qin Chuan? But even if that's the case, there's no need for so many people to come right?"

Zhai Yunsheng did not know the answers to Yu Xi's questions.

The Zhang family had many doctors, pharmacists, and other individuals who specialized in ancient medical arts. Apparently, it was said that their ancestor was the famous Chinese physician Zhang Zhongjing. Hence, ancient medical skills were passed down in the Zhang family from one generation to another.

And from hundreds of years ago, the Zhang family retreated from the public eye. They did not deal with outsiders from a day to day basis and refused to treat a lot of people.

Despite this, before the rise of Lahaisen Hospital, the Zhang family's existence was still extremely respected amongst the rich and powerful families. After all, back then, strange conditions and illnesses could only be treated by the Zhang family.

However, after the emergence of Lahaisen Hospital, the situation changed significantly.

As Lahaisen Hospital rose to fame, the people who originally turned to the Zhang family for help instead sought help from Lahaisen Hospital.

Chapter 1384: Challenge From the Zhang Family

This was especially the case because Lahaisen Hospital charged the patient based on a percentage of their total wealth. This meant some ordinary civilians had an opportunity to receive treatment from Lahaisen Hospital.

On the other hand, the Zhang family charged a fixed price for everyone. This meant ordinary civilians generally were unable to afford their treatment.

When the Zhang family left, Zhai Yunsheng and Yu Xi walked into Qin Chuan's ward.

Zhai Yunsheng and Yu Xi walked in on Qin Chuan's mother discussing with Qin Yufan whether to let Jian Yiling or the Zhang family look after Qin Chuan.

When they noticed Zhai Yunsheng and Yu Xi, the two of them immediately quietened down. They seemed rather embarrassed.

As she didn't want Zhai Yunsheng to be angry, Qin Chuan's mother hurriedly explained to Zhai Yunsheng: "Master Sheng, this only became a topic of conversation because my son knows the Zhang family personally. When they heard the news of my son's sickness, they came to visit and offered to look after him."

Qin Chuan's mother did not want Zhai Yunsheng to misunderstand that they contacted the Zhang family because they didn't trust Jian Yiling's medical expertise.

Zhai Yunsheng did not particularly care. If Qin Chuan's family did not want Jian Yiling to be his doctor, it would save Jian Yiling a lot of time and energy.

After all, being a doctor was very tiring. He was still somewhat reluctant to let his wife suffer for other males.

Zhai Yunsheng turned to look at Qin Chuan who was lying on the hospital bed. There was no hatred or mockery in his eyes. It was as if he was looking at someone who had no relationship or connection with him at all.

Qin Chuan's eyes were equally as calm.

There was no resentment or dissatisfaction even though the two of them were at odds with each other a while ago.

At this moment, Jian Yiling walked in with Qin Chuan's attending doctor.

Earlier on, they were discussing Qin Chuan's condition and treatment plan.

As soon as Jian Yiling walked in, the Zhang family also entered the ward.

The man leading the group was roughly twenty-eight years old. He was 1.8 meters in height and wore casual clothes. Even though his looks were not outstanding, he carried a special aura around him.

"Miss Jian, I've heard a lot about you. Allow me to introduce myself. My name is Zhang Xin and I'm the 128th descendant of the Zhang family."

As Zhang Xin said this, he smiled and reached out to shake Jian Yiling's hand.

On behalf of Jian Yiling, Zhai Yunsheng shook hands with Zhang Xin.

Zhang Xin smiled and commented: "And you're Mr. Zhai right? I've seen the two of you on television. I truly envy your marriage."

Then, Zhang Xin turned around and said to Jian Yiling: "As the Zhang family has previously been indebted to Mr. Qin, we wish to help him during his times of need. Therefore, I would like to work together with Dr. Jian. Would that be possible?"

"I'm a doctor trained in Western medicine whereas your family focuses on traditional Chinese medicine. Our research direction and views will not be unanimous," Jian Yiling replied calmly.

“It’s true that they’re rather different. However, that doesn’t prevent us from treating Mr. Qin together. In fact, by doing so, we might be able to know whether Lahaisen Hospital’s medical skills are better or the Zhang family’s medical skills are better,” Zhang Xin said with a bright and dazzling smile on his face.

This was what Zhang Xin wanted.

He wanted to use Qin Chuan’s condition to compete against Jian Yiling. By doing so, he could regain the Zhang family’s status and reputation in the medical industry. He wanted to prove that the Zhang family was better than Lahaisen Hospital.

When Jian Yiling understood what Zhang Xin wanted, she decisively refused: “I won’t stop you from looking after Qin Chuan. However, I won’t treat a patient’s wellbeing as a competition.”

Zhang Xin anticipated this answer from Jian Yiling. He said nonchalantly: “That’s alright as well. If Dr. Jian doesn’t want to compete, you just need to issue a public statement which admits Lahaisen Hospital’s medical skills are inferior to the Zhang family’s.”

Chapter 1385: Have a Terrible Reputation Already

Jian Yiling’s understanding of the Zhang family came from the second half of the original novel which she finished reading when she returned to her previous world.

In the second half of the novel, the Zhang family was a big help to Qin Chuan. They helped him accomplish many things.

After all, without the existence of the Lahaisen Hospital, the medical skills and expertise of the Zhang family were respected and acknowledged by everyone in the world. This meant that in the second half of the novel, they were able to help Qin Chuan save an important individual from a powerful family.

However, as Jian Yiling brought about several changes to this world, the original position of the Zhang family was replaced by Lahaisen Hospital.

Originally, Jian Yiling assumed that such a family would not care about their reputation as much. She didn’t expect Zhang Xin to be upset over the fact that his family’s position of power and influence in the medical industry had been taken away by the Lahaisen Hospital.

So much so that after learning that Jian Yiling was going to treat Qin Chuan’s condition, he decided to challenge her.

As Qin Chuan was a well-known individual in Beijing, any news about him would attract a lot of attention.

As Jian Yiling did not respond to his provocation, Zhang Xin sneered: “What? Dr. Jian, are you afraid of losing or something?”

Then, Zhang Xin added: “I’ve already invited several respected individuals to be the judges of our competition. If you don’t dare to take on this competition, I believe you understand the consequences right?”

Ahead of time, Zhang Xin already made enough preparations to ensure he could successfully compete against Jian Yiling.

If Jian Yiling did not want to compete against him, she was essentially admitting defeat.

If she admitted defeat, this meant the Zhang family's reputation and status in the medical industry would be redeemed.

Upon hearing this, Zhai Yunsheng mercilessly ridiculed Zhang Xin: "The Zhang family truly has an undeserved reputation. If not, why would they rely on such means to prove themselves?"

After being mocked by Zhai Yunsheng, the smile on Zhang Xin's face became chapped: "Men who rely on their wives should not comment here. I don't want to waste my breath speaking to trash."

As soon as he said those words, his arm was backhanded by Zhai Yunsheng.

The pain made his facial expression twist.

"What are you doing? It's a society governed by law! If you dare to hurt me, I will record my injuries and tell the police to arrest you!"

Zhang Xin did not believe that Zhai Yunsheng dared to make a move against him in public.

Upon hearing this, an evil smile appeared on Zhai Yunsheng's face. Then, there was a crack in Zhang Xin's arm as it became dislocated.

Zhang Xin cursed at Zhai Yunsheng: "Are you crazy? How dare you do that! I will make sure everyone hears about this!"

"As you wish. I have a terrible reputation already. I'm not afraid of having a few more crimes next to my name," Zhai Yunsheng commented casually.

Then, Zhai Yunsheng kicked Zhang Xin from behind his knees and made him kneel down.

Naturally, Zhang Xin attempted to get up. However, with the force Zhai Yunsheng exerted on him, it was difficult to even move the slightest.

Previously, Zhang Xin was not convinced that Zhai Yunsheng won against Chen Lin. However, he could now believe in this.

"You..." Zhang Xin growled. Even though he also did and said whatever he wanted, Zhai Yunsheng was a force to be reckoned with.

Jian Yiling said to Zhang Xin: "I'm willing to compete against you. However, the content of the competition should not be a patient's wellbeing."

Upon hearing this, Zhang Xin smiled: "I can see Dr. Jian cares about Mr. Qin quite a lot. You must have gotten along very well in the past right?"

Then, he looked back at Zhai Yunsheng intentionally: "You must not be worried about your head being cold in the winter¹."

Chapter 1386: Content of the Competition

Upon hearing this comment, Zhai Yunsheng increased the force exerted by his hands: "Oh? Is it your turn to worry about my matters?"

Zhang Xin's expression quickly became even more distorted with pain.

Where did Zhai Yunsheng learn his martial arts from?! And why did he have no opportunity whatsoever to fight back?

Despite gnashing his teeth with hatred, Zhang Xin could not do anything else but bear the pain.

Even if he wanted to contact the police, he had to wait until he got out of the ward.

Zhang Xin said to Jian Yiling: "You can only improve if there's competition. If I compete against you to save Qin Chuan, it won't bring him any harm. Instead, it gives him an additional opportunity to get better."

However, as he was being held down by Zhai Yunsheng, he struggled to say these words.

Zhang Xin added with great difficulty: "And if we compete on something else, that means we have to spend time and energy on other things. I believe that instead of distracting ourselves with those things, we should focus all our attention on Mr. Qin's condition. As for your comment about the stakes not being the patient, how about we change the concept to who develops a better treatment plan or who develops a drug that's more effective in controlling lung cancer? What do you think about this suggestion?"

"Okay," Jian Yiling replied. This time, she agreed to his suggestion.

"Then could you tell your man to let go of me..?" Zhang Xin pleaded. His face was red with pain and his expression was hideous.

"He makes the decisions in our family. I can't order him around," Jian Yiling replied in a serious tone. She did not seem like she was joking.

Fortunately, the Jian brothers were not around. If they were present, they would probably be clapping in happiness. Their sister finally learned how to lie!

Zhang Xin gritted his teeth: "Zhai Yunsheng, enough is enough! I want to leave. Let go of me!"

After saying the words "get lost," Zhai Yunsheng let go of Zhang Xin.

Zhang Xin hurriedly picked himself up and scurried out of the ward. He wanted to be as far away from Zhai Yunsheng as possible.

After Zhang Xin left, Qin Chuan's mother apologized to Jian Yiling and Zhai Yunsheng: "I'm sorry for what happened. Qin Chuan, who made friends without careful consideration, has caused you trouble."

Qin Chuan's mother almost knelt down to Jian Yiling and Zhai Yunsheng as she apologized.

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A week later, the competition between Jian Yiling and Zhang Xin officially began.

Zhang Xin invited a bunch of well-known individuals in the medical industry to be judges. He wanted them to supervise the research conducted by him and Jian Yiling.

After all, he wanted people in their area of work to believe that the Zhang family medical skills were still a force to be reckoned with. Therefore, he had to win this competition convincingly.

Many of the people who were called to be judges were Jian Yiling's acquaintances. They were all seniors in the medical field.

Amongst them was Yun Song.

Before the competition even started, Yun Song pulled Jian Yiling to the side and asked her: "What's happening between you and the Zhang family? Why are you guys competing against each other?"

Over his lifetime, Yun Song had several encounters with the Zhang family. Yun Song genuinely respected the previous head of the Zhang family who gave him a lot of guidance throughout his career.

"He challenged me."

"He..." Yun Song started. As he somewhat knew about Zhang Xin's temper, Yun Song sighed helplessly: "Ahh, Zhang Xin is still young and impetuous..."

Despite saying that, Jian Yiling was still younger than Zhang Xin. Yet, she didn't have any of Zhang Xin's faults.

Yun Song reminded Jian Yiling: "Although Zhang Xin's personality is not very good, he truly managed to inherit the medical skills of the Zhang family. In fact, he also innovated and pioneered several things from traditional Chinese medicine. You should be careful when competing against him."

Chapter 1387: Competition Begins

Jian Yiling nodded her head.

When Yun Song saw this, he shook his head helplessly: "I know you're not afraid of Zhang Xin. In addition, I'm not saying this because I don't believe in your medical skills and expertise. I just want you to be careful of Zhang Xin. He's different from ordinary doctors. He inherited medical skills which were passed down in his family over hundreds of years. The Zhang family truly deserves their reputation and status in the medical field."

"I will be careful," Jian Yiling calmly replied.

Jian Yiling also knew that although Zhang Xin's personality was slightly arrogant, his medical skills and expertise were the real deal.

Yun Song added: "And you don't need to feel stressed and burdened even if you end up losing to him. Their family has a history of hundreds of years. You shouldn't be ashamed of yourself."

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"I'm not scared," Jian Yiling replied.

Jian Yiling was never scared of failure.

Failure just meant she still had room for improvement.

Furthermore, Jian Yiling never felt that she was the best in a certain area or subject matter.

She was just doing what she thought was right.

“That’s good,” Yun Song said in relief.

Back in the conference room, Yun Song was elected as the main judge of this competition.

He announced the rules of this competition:

“Starting today, Mr. Zhang Xin and Ms. Jian Yiling will stay in two separate laboratories and engage in research. All materials, samples, and experimental bodies needed for research will be provided by our medical institution.”

“In principle, there is no time limit for this competition. The end of the competition will be marked by the results of one of the parties’ research. The competition allows you to recruit your own research team members but requires each member’s information to be reported to our medical institution in advance. Even though there’s no maximum number implemented, if possible, please keep the number of people in your respective research teams below twenty.”

After Yun Song finished speaking, he asked Zhang Xin and Jian Yiling whether they had any questions or comments.

Zhang Xin replied: “I have no questions or comments.”

Jian Yiling also gave the same answer.

“In that case, the competition has officially begun.”

Before Zhang Xin left, he raised his eyebrows at Jian Yiling. The look on his face was full of provocation.

However, Jian Yiling did not respond. Instead, she turned around and walked toward her research room.

Zhang Xin sneered when he saw this. The Zhang family’s hundreds of years of foundation would not be defeated by the Lahaisen Hospital which was founded only five years ago by this little girl.

There were only a few members in Jian Yiling’s research team. It was herself, Liu Ting who was summoned from Lahaisen Hospital, and her old colleagues from the Huiling Medical Research Institution, Cheng Yi and Luo Xiuen.

Originally, Jian Yiling did not plan to ask Luo Xiuen to join her team. However, Luo Xiuen insisted on participating.

After all, staying home because of pregnancy bored her to death.

Luo Xiuen stated that even though she was pregnant, her body was still strong as always. If she wanted to, she could climb mountains and even fight tigers without a problem.

And thus, if she stayed at home, she would be bored out of her mind.

Furthermore, Jian Yiling who was also pregnant was participating in this competition. There was no reason for Jian Yumin to not let her participate. After all, her body was obviously stronger than Jian Yiling's.

In the end, Jian Yumin had no choice but to agree. Of course, this was on the condition that she did not overwork herself.

Jian Yumin knew that if Luo Xiuen immersed herself in work, she would forget to eat and sleep.

For this reason, Jian Yumin would drop Luo Xiuen off and pick her up from the research laboratory every single day. In addition, he would accompany Luo Xiuen during lunch times to make sure she ate.

At the same time, he could spend more time with Jian Yiling as well.

Naturally, Zhai Yunsheng also did the same thing.

Chapter 1388: Liu Ting's Treasures

When Liu Ting saw this, he couldn't help but comment: "Our Dean clearly under-reported two people. At the rate the two of you visit, you guys should obviously be counted as members of our research team."

Then, Liu Ting jokingly said to Jian Yiling: "Why don't you go and register the two of them to our team? I'm worried that the Zhang family will report us for recruiting more people and not telling the organizer about it. They'd probably accuse us of violating the rules."

Instead of continuing the topic of conversation, Jian Yumin said to Liu Ting: "Dr. Liu, would it be possible for you to not bring those bottles and jars of strange organs into the laboratory?"

Liu Ting liked to collect all kinds of animal specimens and human organs. He would soak them in preservatives and store them in glass bottles or jars.

Even though everyone knew that these things were for Liu Ting's research, a normal person would feel slightly creeped out when looking at them.

"Why? These are all my treasures!" Naturally, Liu Ting did not approve of Jian Yumin's words.

His job was to study human anatomy and human tissue.

Without this, what was he meant to do?!

"I mean, it's alright normally. But there are currently two pregnant women in the laboratory. Is it really appropriate for them to look at these things every day? What if it affects the baby in their belly?"

The jars and bottles were horrifying to look at.

His daughter should be looking at cute and pink things instead of this.

Jian Yumin's words also reminded Zhai Yunsheng.

Although Zhai Yunsheng didn't really care about the child's gender, if Jian Yiling's baby was going to be a girl, he wanted her to be cute and docile.

"Move these things out of the room," Zhai Yunsheng ordered. Instead of communicating with Liu Ting, he instead immediately requested people to move these jars and bottles outside.

This made Liu Ting incredibly anxious.

"Hey, hey! These are my treasures! You're not allowed to move them!" Liu Ting cried out as he rushed forward to stop Zhai Yunsheng's bodyguards.

"Dean, can you speak to your husband about this?! Why is he moving my treasures? What did they do to him? They're just organs and tissues. And most of them are quite normal. Only a small part of them is deformed. Why would looking at these things affect a baby's growth and development? A normal baby grows up with these things in their body as well!!!"

Jian Yiling agreed with Liu Ting: "What he said is not wrong."

Similar to Liu Ting, Jian Yiling did not believe looking at organs and tissues would affect her child. Those things were not scary at all.

Zhai Yunsheng sullenly said: "It's not alright."

"But this will affect his work," Jian Yiling replied.

"Mhmm! It will affect my work!" Liu Ting desperately nodded.

"Then we will prepare a room in the corner of this research room for him. Let him stay in there and study these things," Zhai Yunsheng conceded.

It was fine as long as Jian Yiling did not look at those strange organs and tissues.

Liu Ting was awfully relieved that he did not need to part with his treasures.

However, he still sighed and said: "Why do you guys even need to do this? Even if I store my treasures in that corner, if you stay inside the laboratory, you will still see all kinds of fresh and not-so-fresh tissues and organs."

Immediately after he said this, he was met with two knife-like glares.

Was he intentionally trying to piss off Zhai Yunsheng and Jian Yumin?

"Oi, do you have nothing better to do? If you have nothing better to do, I will go and break all of your treasures right now!" Luo Xiuen exclaimed as she glared at Liu Ting viciously.

Chapter 1389: What if the Baby is a Boy?

With great difficulty, Luo Xiuen managed to convince Jian Yumin to let her come here to help Jian Yiling.

If Liu Ting said those things, Jian Yumin definitely would not let her stay here!

"Wife, let's go home instead! You shouldn't stay here!"

Of course, Luo Xiuen refused. It took her so much convincing to get this opportunity. If she didn't have something to do, she would definitely die of boredom.

"Honey, don't listen to Liu Ting's nonsense. My work doesn't involve those strange things. I only do research on drugs. My experimental subjects are cute little mice and rabbits."

Luo Xiuen hurriedly gestured to Jian Yiling to prove her words: "Yiling, am I right?"

Jian Yiling nodded and responded: "Yep. Tissue and organ work are Liu Ting's responsibility."

As Jian Yiling would not lie, Jian Yumin decided to believe in her words.

"Alright then. In the future, stay away from Liu Ting. Don't let him affect our baby girl," Jian Yumin said. He still felt somewhat uneasy.

If not for his company's busy schedule recently, he would want to stay in the research room 24 hours a day to keep an eye on his wife and sister.

Liu Ting shook his head and said: "Brother Yumin, why are you confident Sister En's baby is a girl? Based on the powerful genes of your Jian family, don't you think the chances of having a boy are much higher than that of a girl?"

"If you don't speak, no one will think you're mute!" Jian Yumin huffed angrily.

Liu Ting smiled brightly when he saw Jian Yumin angry. Then, he continued: "Brother Yumin, there's no use being angry about this. It just so happens that Sister En's baby should be old enough for the doctor to determine the gender. Hence, if you want to know, just go and have an ultrasound."

When Jian Yumin heard this, he hurriedly asked Jian Yiling: "Yiling, is this true? Can we know the baby's gender right now?"

Jian Yiling nodded her head.

Upon receiving this response, Jian Yumin said: "Oh, then let's go and see now!"

Jian Yumin did not want to wait another moment.

"Brother Yumin, are you sure you want to do the ultrasound right now? If the results come out as a boy, aren't you going to be sad and disappointed a few months in advance?" Liu Ting continued

"Shut up! Our baby is definitely going to be a girl!" Jian Yumin declared. He didn't want another monster like Jian Dan.

Jian Yiling turned around and asked Zhai Yunsheng: "Are we going to do an ultrasound?"

"But aren't you only two months pregnant? You can't tell the gender of the baby at two months right?" Zhai Yunsheng replied. It was obvious he did his research beforehand.

"Okay. Let's check after two months then."

"As long as the baby is healthy, I don't mind if our child is a boy or girl," Zhai Yunsheng softly answered.

He only cared if the process of giving birth would be safe or not for Jian Yiling.

Even though there were very few tragedies in this day and age due to advanced medical technology, problems could still occur.

Furthermore, Zhai Yunsheng's mother died while giving birth to him. This made him especially worried about Jian Yiling.

"Well, let's just do a health check then. We won't get them to tell us the gender of our baby," Jian Yiling said. She didn't care whether her baby was a boy or a girl. Either way, this baby would be their child.

Despite Liu Ting's words, Jian Yumin still insisted on taking Luo Xiuen to have an ultrasound.

If it was a girl, he'd set off firecrackers to celebrate.

Chapter 1390: Some Things Become More Precious Once Lost

Inside the ultrasound room of Lahaisen Hospital's Beijing branch, Jian Yumin was accompanying Luo Xiuen. He nervously looked at the screen.

Even though Jian Yumin could see the screen, he could not read nor interpret its contents.

And thus, he asked Jian Yiling who was examining Luo Xiuen: "Yiling, is your sister-in-law carrying a boy or a girl?"

Jian Yiling did not answer his question immediately. Instead, she used the instrument in her hand to repeatedly scan Luo Xiuen's belly before she replied: "A boy."

"Boy?" Jian Yumin exclaimed in dismay. "Are you... Sure?"

Luo Xiuen was also visibly disappointed.

However, Jian Yiling was almost never wrong. Her second child was definitely another boy.

Luo Xiuen looked down at her belly and exclaimed: "Why is it so hard for me to have a baby girl?"

Jian Yumin also added sullenly: "Brats like Jian Dan are annoying to deal with."

Both Luo Xiuen and Jian Yumin were a little disappointed. It wasn't that they didn't want a son. Rather, they desperately preferred having a baby girl.

After a while, Jian Yumin perked up again, "Xiuen, if this one doesn't work out, we can have another child! We will definitely have a daughter!"

"Yes! That's what I was thinking as well!" Luo Xiuen replied happily.

Naturally, if Jian Yumin and Luo Xiuen planned to have another child, the happiest people would be Grandpa Jian and Grandma Jian.

After all, the rest of their grandsons were all single and it was not an easy task to get them to become married. Hence, for now, they had to rely on Jian Yumin and Luo Xiuen to prolong the legacy of the Jian family. And if they were willing, Grandma Jian and Grandpa Jian definitely wanted them to complete everyone else's share as well.

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Qin Chuan, who was suffering from terminal lung cancer, was Jian Yiling and Zhang Xin's research topic.

And thus, from time to time, Jian Yiling would come to Qin Chuan's hospital room to do various tests on him.

When Qin Chuan looked at the busy figure in front of him, his mood was inexplicably calm.

When Jian Yiling appeared in his ward for the third time, Qin Chuan asked Jian Yiling: "How long do I have to live?"

For some strange and unexplainable reason, Qin Chuan believed that Jian Yiling would ultimately win the competition she had against Zhang Xin.

However, he also believed that he might not be alive to witness her win.

After all, it was impossible for the research to be fruitful in such a short period of time.

"I don't know," Jian Yiling answered. She did not lie nor did she say words to comfort Qin Chuan.

She indeed did not know how much longer he could live.

Upon hearing this response, Qin Chuan smiled a little. This smile added a little warmth to his exhausted face.

"Then can you give me a rough estimate?"

"I can't. I'm unable to estimate your remaining life expectancy without exact data to support it."

"Okay," Qin Chuan softly replied. He knew that what Jian Yiling said was true. She would not deceive him with this kind of thing.

"I want to ask you a question," Jian Yiling said as she looked at Qin Chuan seriously.

When he saw her eyes, Qin Chuan's smile became gentler: "Go ahead and ask."

"Did your decision to do those things, despite knowing that you have a terminal illness, have anything to do with me?"

Jian Yiling did not understand what Qin Chuan was doing. However, she knew that the Qin Chuan in front of her was different from the Qin Chuan in the original novel.

And thus, she could no longer judge him the same way.

"Yep, it does," Qin Chuan. "However, it's difficult to explain whether it's because of love or hate. My feelings towards you are rather complicated. Maybe it's because I came to the realization that some things in life become more precious once lost. You loved me so much in our previous lives. And now, the person you love has become Zhai Yunsheng."