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Chapter 41: Doesn't Want This Man Close to His Sister

He Yan observed the young man beside her. He had extraordinary looks. Her heart was going at a hundred miles an hour.

At this current moment, He Yan's mind was running through what she should say at this moment.

Jian Yujie was quite uncomfortable with the fact that the man was continuously looking at his sister with predatory eyes.

Especially because the man was a notorious playboy. Jian Yujie instinctively did not want this man to get too close to his sister.

Jian Yiling held her teacup with both hands. She drank the tea carefully. From the moment Zhai Yunsheng sat down, Jian Yiling was only thinking about a single thing. And that thing was, she had wasted her food that day.

At that time, she had heard his stomach rumble. Thus, she had thought that person needed food.

However, that person was Zhai Yunsheng. He definitely had no shortage of food.

Zhai Yunsheng's gaze didn't stay on Jian Yiling for too long. Once Grandpa Jian began to talk to him, he looked elsewhere.

As Grandpa Jian and Zhai Yunsheng were talking about business matters, no one else interrupted them.

Even Yu Xi sat there quietly and sipped his tea. When it came to business matters, he was far less experienced than Master Sheng and Grandpa Jian.

Zhai Yunsheng and Grandpa Jian continued to discuss their thoughts on certain matters. They appeared to have unique insights into many different topics.

This cause Grandpa Jian to be pleasantly surprised.

Everyone had said that Zhai Yunsheng was a playboy. However, from his actions and manner of speech, it appeared that the rumors were not true.

It appeared that no one from the Zhai family was simple.

"Recently, the internet service industry has been performing well. If you get the opportunity, consider investing in a few." Zhai Yunsheng suggested.

Hearing this, Jian Yiling raised her head slightly. Her eyes paused on Zhai Yunsheng for a while.

As Jian Yiling had read the initial novel, she knew that Zhai Yunsheng's prediction was correct.

In the next two to three years, the internet service industry would undergo tremendous growth.

The male lead, Qin Chuan, would become a key player in the process of this growth.

Jian Yiling was surprised that the villain of the original novel would have such an acute insight and understanding of the market.

There was not much description in the original novel regarding to what had happened to Qin Chuan before he became a key player in the industry. As a result, Jian Yiling lacked understanding of the Zhai Yunsheng who was in front of her right now. She only knew that in the future, Zhai Yunsheng would be a major obstacle for Qin Chuan.

Jian Yujie saw Jian Yiling looking at Zhai Yunsheng. His face became slightly pale.

Jian Yujie knew that some young girls were easily attracted to bad and wicked boys. However, he would definitely not allow his sister to be one of those girls!

When his sister started dating, her boyfriend must be mature and reliable. That person must not be a playboy!

Furthermore, Yiling is still young. Why would she be dating?

Maybe in three years... No, maybe in five years, she would consider getting a boyfriend!

Grandpa Jian nodded slightly. He replied, "Yes, the internet service industry is indeed an industry with a very promising future. However, the Jian family typically focuses on commercial enterprise. We can dabble into the internet service industry, however, it won't be our main focus."

"Oh? I heard that young master Yuncheng is doing quite well abroad. Doesn't he have an internet service company?"

As Zhai Yunsheng spoke these words, Yu Xi looked at him in confusion. Hadn't Master Sheng only recently arrived at Hengyuan City? How did he know that Jian Yuncheng had a company overseas? And how did he know whether or not that company was performing well or not?

"That's Yuncheng's own path. He relied on his own ability and not the family. As his elder, if he needs any help, I will support him to my best ability. If he can develop his business in that area, I'm also willing to get the entire family to support him."

When Grandpa Jian spoke about Jian Yuncheng, his tone could not conceal his pride.

Chapter 42: Invited to a Party

Jian Yuncheng was indeed the most gifted in terms of business and economics of the younger generation.

Grandpa Jian felt that Yuncheng was similar to how he was back in the days.

Seeing this happen in front of her made He Yan feel incredibly uncomfortable. Her heart was in a spectacular mess.

Apparently, Grandpa Jian never meant any of the things he said usually. He always said that it was more important for the children to do what they enjoy. However, in the end, he still favored Jian Yuncheng the most?

After Grandpa Jian and Master Sheng talked for some time, Yu Xi spoke, "Grandpa Jian, we're hosting a party at our house this Saturday. It's a welcoming party for Master Sheng. I want to invite Yujie and Yiling to come and attend. Is that okay with you?"

The Yu Residence was right next door. Saturday was also a day for rest and there were no classes either. How would it possibly be inconvenient?

Grandpa Jian turned towards his two grandchildren and said, "Go attend if you want to. Studying every single day is not good for you. It is good to take a break and relax occasionally."

Grandma Jian agreed to this. "Yiling, go join them. Have a good time."

Grandma Jian knew that Jian Yiling was having a hard time recently. It would be good for her to have the chance to relax and have fun with her peers.

Even though Zhai Yunsheng appeared to be evil, it was fine.

This was because the Yu family was a long time friend of the Jian family. They were trustworthy and Yu Xi was a reliable child. As long as he was there, Grandma Jian could rest assured.

Jian Yujie didn't want to go. When he was thinking about what excuse to use, his mother answered for him.

"What a coincidence. Yujie doesn't have anything going on this Saturday. He can go over and accompany Yiling."

The words that were just about to leave Jian Yujie's mouth had to be swallowed back. He couldn't avoid going anymore.

Jian Yujie's expression appeared to look wounded. He couldn't do anything against his mother's dictatorship.

Grandma Jian sighed in her heart. On the weekends, Jian Yujie's day was typically packed. He Yan made sure that any free time that he had would be occupied by his classes. However, today she said that he was free. And she also said that Yujie would be accompanying Yiling.

Jian Yiling noticed that Jian Yujie's eyes appeared to look injured.

After pausing for a moment, Jian Yiling changed her mind. She initially didn't want to go. "I can go."

Her voice was tender and soft. However, her tone was firm and steady.

Sure enough, as soon as Jian Yiling agreed to go, Jian Yujie's mood became much better. His eyes brightened up once again.

If he could attend the party with Yiling, maybe it wouldn't be so bad after all.

When the others didn't notice, Zhai Yunsheng raised the corners of his lips.

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At the New Jian Residence.

Jian Yunnao was sitting at the dinner table. It was his first time eating with his family after he returned home.

To make Jian Yunnao feel better, the Jian family had asked Mo Shiyun to dine with them at the table.

Mo Shiyun was temporarily living at the Jian Residence with Aunt Mo. Usually, she wasn't meant to be eating with the masters. However, because of Jian Yunnao's situation, she was currently sitting in Jian Yiling's spot.

"Master, Madam, I don't think this is right? I... I should just go eat dinner with my mother." Mo Shiyun was a little embarrassed to eat with them.

"It's fine. Sit down. Today, you're here as Yunnao's friend, not as Aunt Mo's daughter. Don't be too cautious."

Mo Shiyun sat down carefully when Jian Shuxing spoke. He was the head of the house and hearing his words made her feel reassured.

Jian Shuxing didn't have much of an appetite today. He kept remembering fragments of when his daughter was packing her luggage.

He wondered if Yiling had finished dinner. Furthermore, as it was flu season, he wondered whether she brought enough warm clothes. And whether or not her studies were going smoothly.

As he thought about his daughter's small frame, Jian Shuzhen couldn't help but feel a bit of pain in his heart.

Chapter 43: Appointment at the Research Institution

Wen Nuan didn't even speak during the dinner. Although she was thinking about her daughter, she didn't want to make it too obvious. As a result, she had to be careful and hide her feelings.

When they had come back to tell Yiling about the arrangements, she had deliberately avoided coming back. She was afraid her decision would be swayed once she saw Yiling.

Her heart tightened when she thought about her daughter staying at the Old Residence for a while.

Everyone ate dinner in silence.

Mo Shiyun didn't dare to make any noise throughout dinner.

After finishing dinner, Mo Shiyun returned to her own room to do her homework. Aunt Mo hurried over to remind her about certain matters.

"Shiyun, it will be Yuncheng's birthday in a few days. You must remember to prepare a birthday gift for him."

"Mother, I'm not familiar with Yuncheng. I think it will be strange for me to prepare a gift for his birthday. It will appear to be a bit over-attentive and I don't think it's appropriate."

"Mother doesn't want you to be over-attentive. I only want you to take this opportunity to thank the Jian family for taking care of us during this period of time. You've lived here for a while and we've never had the chance to thank Master and Madam yet."

Mo Shiyun thought about the matter for a moment. She realized that what her mother was saying was quite reasonable.

"But, what gift can I get him?" Mo Shiyun asked. She felt slightly inadequate.

All the clothes that were worn by Yuncheng were of the finest quality. Any single article of clothing would cost around a month of their living expenses. Sometimes, the cost could even go up to a year of their expenses.

"The act of gifting is about the thought. It doesn't matter whether the gift is expensive or not. Yuncheng is not someone who would care about the price of a gift," Aunt Mo persuaded. "Why don't you make a scarf from scratch or perhaps, you could do some embroidery on a woolen scarf."

Aunt Mo used to work as an embroiderer. Mo Shiyun learned a bit of the skill from her mother. Although she was not professional at this, her work was still quite neat.

"Okay, I understand. Once I finish doing my homework, I'll go make it." Mo Shiyun accepted her mother's idea.

She was currently in her last year of high school. Her studies were becoming burdensome and it was likely that she might not be able to squeeze out that much time to prepare his gift.

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The next day was Friday. As usual, Jian Yiling went to attend school.

During the break, Jian Yiling took out her phone to reply to her messages.

There was a notification on the screen. The notification originated from the person who had contacted her previously.

[Dr. F.S, we've seen the research report that you've posted on SCI. Your research is incredibly useful and relevant to what we are doing right now. We sincerely invite you to our research institution for a chat. Would you be free on the weekend?]

The review period of research papers often took a long time. However, the auditing period of reports that were short term was relatively faster. It only took a week for the report to be published.

The other party had been closely following Dr. F.S's movements. As a result, they had noticed this immediately.

After reading the research report, the other party wanted to meet Dr. F.S. as soon as possible.

Jian Yiling replied: [I'm busy on the weekends.]

On Saturday, she had to attend the party that the Yu family hosted. On Sunday, she had to attend the classes that her brother organized for her.

[Dr. F.S, we are incredibly sincere here. We have a competitive salary and we are open to any conditions that you may have. I hope you can think about this again.]

[Next Monday afternoon. Give me an address.]

Jian Yiling agreed to visit the research institution. Although she didn't have time on Monday afternoon, she could pretend that she felt sick. She could slip out of school during the time that she was meant to be in the infirmary.

The other party quickly sent Jian Yiling a QR code along with an address.

[This is the address of our research institution. The QR code is used to open the gate of the research institute. You can enter by scanning it.]

Jian Yiling saved the code to her phone.

Chapter 44: The Post has Been Deleted

Hu Jiaojiao took the initiative to speak to Jian Yiling. "Jian Yiling, I've noticed that Qiu Yizhen takes a detour when she has to walk by you. You're so smart! Although Qiu Yizhen would be in a worse situation if you posted the video, she would constantly cause you trouble. However, since you didn't post it, she isn't messing with you at all!"

After a few days of observing everything, this was the conclusion that Hu Jiaojiao came to.

Qiu Yizhen no longer caused Jian Yiling any trouble. Furthermore, all the videos that were online regarding Qiu Yizhen were also deleted by her father. He used his money to deal with this matter privately.

Jian Yiling nodded her head silently.

After they got along for a few days, Hu Jiaojiao was no longer that afraid of Jian Yiling anymore. She began to get used to Jian Yiling's silence.

Hu Jiaojiao continued to talk to Jian Yiling, "Oh, also, have you gone onto our school forum? All the posts regarding you in these two days have been deleted by someone!"

The posts have been deleted?

Jian Yiling navigated to the page of the school forum on her phone. Sure enough, all the posts that were previously popular had been deleted.

"Did you get someone to delete them?" Hu Jiaojiao asked.

Jian Yiling shook her head.

Jian Yiling never thought about deleting the posts. Almost everyone in the school had seen those posts. Deleting them couldn't change that fact.

"Are you not interested in who deleted them?" Hu Jiaojiao asked again.

Jian Yiling once again shook her head.

Hu Jiaojiao stroked the bottom of her chin. "According to my many years of watching Detective Conan, I think that this matter is not simple! It might be... It might be done by someone who is secretly in love with you!"

At this moment, a member of the student committee came over. Her name was Liu Wen.

Liu Wen was wearing a pair of glasses that had very thick lenses. Her expression was very serious and she was the top student of Class 8.

Liu Wen knocked on the desk of Jian Yiling. She reminded them that, "Next Tuesday will be the second monthly exam this semester. Please attempt to pass the exam. Don't drag our class back anymore."

Most of the students in Shenghua High School could be divided into two types. The ones who had good grades and the ones that had bad grades but had a strong family background.

Hu Jiaojiao and Jian Yiling belonged to the later.

They were the lowest-ranking students in Class 8.

This was one of the reasons why they were assigned to be sitting at the same desk.

Liu Wen turned around and spoke to Hu Jiaojiao individually. "If you don't get good marks in the exam, you can only be someone who collects rent for the rest of your life."

Hu Jiaojiao's family owned an entire building in the Hengyuan city. They also owned several shops and factories. Every year, just by collecting this rent, they could earn a lot of income. This income could be someone else's entire life savings.

Because of her bad grades, Hu Jiaojiao was on the verge of returning home and spending the rest of her life collecting rent.

After hearing this, Hu Jiaojiao sighed in despair before lying onto the desk. She wailed for a bit before saying, "Please don't mention it. Whenever you mention it, I become even more stressed."

Liu Wen continued to speak, "Then set yourself a small goal first. Don't fail any subjects."

Hu Jiaojiao continued to cry, "Sister, you say this is a small goal. However, it's incredibly difficult for me! You might as well ask me to earn a small amount of a hundred million dollars!"

"I can borrow you my notes. Do you want them?"

Liu Wen could only help them with so much.

Hu Jiaojiao immediately interwove her fingers and sincerely thanked Liu Wen. "Yes, yes of course! You're the best! I love you!"

After obtaining Liu Wen's notebook, Hu Jiaojiao hurried to the photocopying room.

As Shenghua High School was a private school, the teaching facilities were quite good. There were printers for the students to use that were free of charge.

Hu Jiaojiao printed two copies of the notes. One was for her and the other was for Jian Yiling.

Jian Yiling looked at the notes that appeared in her hands before she looked at Hu Jiaojiao again.

Hu Jiaojiao made a cheering gesture for Jian Yiling, "Jian Yiling, let's pass the exam this time! We need to have a goal! Maybe we will actually achieve it! Don't you think so?"

"Okay," Jian Yiling replied.

Chapter 45: Master Sheng's Gift (1)

On Saturday morning, Yu Xi came to the Old Jian Residence to pick Jian Yiling up.

Grandma Jian repeatedly told him that, "Yu Xi, I'm letting you take care of Yiling for now. She's my darling. You better look after her. Sometimes the parties that you youngsters hold are too wild."

"Grandma Jian, don't worry. That's a party that other people host. The one I'm hosting for Master Sheng can't be like that. I promise that it's going to be milder than an evening ball! It'll just be an opportunity for people to get together and play a few games. I promise that there won't be any trouble, nor will there be any alcohol."

Zhai Yunsheng didn't drink alcohol. This was a fact that everyone knew.

Yu Xi brought Jian Yiling over to the Yu Residence next door.

Similar to the Old Jian Residence, the Yu Residence was also European styled.

The courtyard was also in that style. There was a large number of roses that were planted there. Alos, Baby roses covered a wall within the garden.

At this moment, the Yu Residence was still relatively quiet.

When they passed the main lobby, there was not a single guest there. Other than the housekeeper and the servants of the Yu Residence, Jian Yiling didn't see anyone else.

Yu Xi smiled and explained, "Yiling, don't be scared. The party hasn't started yet. That's why no one else is here yet. I brought you over early because of some matters."

As Yu Xi spoke, he touched his nose lightly. This was a difficult job. It felt as though he was a bad person who was kidnapping a young girl.

Jian Yiling didn't feel like she was being kidnapped. From a logical and rational perspective, Yu Xi would not do such a thing.

Yu Xi took Jian Yiling to the lounge area of the recreation room.

Zhai Yunsheng was sitting on the leather sofa in the lounge area.

He took a look at Jian Yiling. She was wrapped up in a fluffy sweater. Her face was small and pale.

It felt as though Yu Xi had brought back a pet.

Zhai Yunsheng pointed at a few things that were on top of the coffee table. "Girl, this is what I'm giving you in return for the meal from before."

"You don't owe me anything," Jian Yiling replied.

Her expression was indifferent and her eyes looked clear.

She had given the meal on her own accord. He didn't owe her anything.

"But I'm giving you this. I don't ever take back what I give out."

Zhai Yunsheng's attitude was incredibly unyielding.

Yu Xi quickly picked up the things on the table and shoved it into Jian Yiling's hands. "Yiling, take a look at what Master Sheng is giving you."

Jian Yiling lowered her head and looked at the things in her hands.

There were two books. The cover of the first book read, "Tracking register of access to Heyunshan Resort Surveillance."

Jian Yiling's face appeared to be quite surprised.

Heyunshan was where the accident between Jian Yiling and Jian Yunnao had happened.

That weekend, the Jian family had taken Jian Yunnao and Jian Yiling to the resort. The accident happened on the stairs of the resort.

And Zhai Yunsheng actually gave her a copy of who accessed the surveillance of the resort?

Yu Xi was afraid that Jian Yiling didn't understand the meaning behind such action so he explained, "Heyunshan Resort has installed surveillance cameras in several public areas. This of course includes the stairway. The surveillance video can be viewed by outsiders. However, if you view the surveillance videos, you must write down your name. It's been a protocol within the hotel."

Yu Xi continued, "If you look at who has accessed the surveillance, you will be find something unexpected."

Jian Yiling opened the registration and searched for the records of who had inquired on the day of the incident.

There were no inquiries on that day. However, there was one on the second day. On the registration, there was the name of someone familiar.

It was He Yan.

Chapter 46: Master Sheng's Gift (2)

He Yan's name appeared on the registration form. The date was a day after the incident had occurred.

In the third column of the registration, there was the ID number of the person who inquired.

According to the birth date on the ID number, Jian Yiling could confirm that it was indeed He Yan and not someone else with the same name.

The last column of the registration was a reason for watching the surveillance:

[Earrings lost. Suspect that a thief got into my room.]

Yu Xi continued to speak, "The second book records everyone who has checked in at the hotel this year. I looked into it and it seems as though He Yan hasn't stayed in this hotel this year at all."

As Yu Xi spoke about these things, he examined Jian Yiling's expression.

He was unsure of whether he explained everything in enough detail. He wondered if Jian Yiling could understand what he was saying.

If she didn't understand, he would explain it further. He needed to make sure that she understood what he was getting at.

However, of course, Jian Yiling understood what these records meant.

She had also previously tried to query about the surveillance of Heyunshan Resort. However, the surveillance on the day of the incident had mysteriously disappeared.

And now she had evidence on her hands that suggested that He Yan went to the hotel on the day following the incident. He Yan would have had the opportunity to either delete or take away the surveillance whilst the rest of the Jian family was busy with Jian Yunnao's injury.

"Why would you check this?" Jian Yiling asked as she looked up at Yu Xi.

Yu Xi spread out his hands and quickly emphasized that he had nothing to do with the situation. "I didn't do this. Master Sheng did this. I only showed him the posts on the campus forum of Shenghua High School."

Yu Xi had also graduated from Shenghua High School. As a result, he had an account for the Shenghua campus forum.

The graduates from Shenghua High School kept their accounts. This allowed them to visit the campus forum any time they wanted.

Yu Xi had seen the post regarding Jian Yiling on the forum and thus, he showed it to Zhai Yunsheng.

He didn't take part in anything that happened after.

From the time that he had shown Master Sheng the post from the forum, only two to three hours had passed before the two records had appeared before him.

These two books were also delivered personally by the manager of Heyunshan Resort.

Thus, Jian Yiling turned around and looked at Zhai Yunsheng who was leaning on the sofa and asked, "Why did you investigate these things?"

Although her voice sounded soft, her tone was firm and serious.

Zhai Yunsheng's hand kept tapping on the armrest of the sofa. Slowly, he answered Jian Yiling's question, "Compared to the rumors, I like using my own eyes to view things. It was not difficult to find out the time and place. And for the rest, I just asked for the surveillance from the other party."

Based on the time that Jian Yunnao got injured, he could easily find out what the Jian family was doing at that time. From that, Zhai Yunsheng could also find the time and place where the incident occurred.

After that, Zhai Yunsheng had asked the hotel to provide a copy of the surveillance. However, the manager of the hotel had told him that that part of the surveillance was missing.

It was strange for the surveillance to disappear in less than half a month from the incident.

Thus, Zhai Yunsheng asked for two other records of the hotel. Those records were currently in Jian Yiling's hands.

It was not a simple task to get the records of who had checked into the hotel and who had seen the surveillance. It was especially difficult to obtain them from a hotel that had a strong background such as Heyunshan.

However, this wasn't a problem for Zhai Yunsheng.

Jian Yiling went silent. Zhai Yunsheng's gift was indeed quite different from what she had expected and it was what she currently needed.

After thinking about it for a moment, Jian Yiling raised her head and said, "I can't take it for free. I can do anything that you need."

Jian Yiling's eyes were sincere and her tone was firm.

Chapter 47: It's a Deal Then

Yu Xi smiled and said, "Yiling, it's fine. It's good that you have such a thought. However, Master Sheng doesn't lack anything."

In all honesty, Master Sheng had everything that he wanted. The Zhai family and the Tianxing Group got everything that Master Sheng needed. There was nothing that this little girl could help him with.

"I can do a lot of things," Jian Yiling emphasized.

Of course, Yu Xi didn't take Jian Yiling's words seriously.

It was a good thing that Jian Yiling wanted to return the favor. However, there was nothing that she could do that would help Master Sheng.

Zhai Yunsheng got up suddenly and walked in front of Jian Yiling.

He had both his hands in his pockets and looked down at Jian Yiling.

"Relative to me, how tall are you?"

"Around where your liver is."

As Jian Yiling answered the question, she took raised her eyes and took a brief look at Zhai Yunsheng's chest to carefully estimate the position.

Afterward, she quickly looked away.

It wasn't that she hadn't looked at a man's chest before. Previously, she typically examined people when they were lying down or even unconscious.

Yu Xi asked, "Wouldn't people usually say the chest?"

Jian Yiling explained, "The chest area is relatively large. The range would be around 10 centimeters. Saying the liver area will reduce that down to five centimeters."

That was fine. However, it wasn't the main point.

The main point was she appeared to look like a child to Zhai Yunsheng. Zhai Yunsheng was 1.83 meters tall.

Zhai Yunsheng spoke again, "As a child, you shouldn't think about equivalent exchange. If I give something to you, just accept it obediently. I'm not seeking anything from you."

Jian Yiling disagreed with Master Sheng's statement. "You're not much older than me."

Jian Yiling raised her head and looked at Zhai Yunsheng in the eye.

Her eyes were clear and bright. There was a sense of firmness in them that didn't match with the rest of her face.

It appeared as though she wasn't going to be brushed off so easily.

Zhai Yunsheng laughed.

Jian Yiling raised her head when she heard him laugh.

He was already an incredibly attractive person. When he laughed, his attractiveness went up even more.

However, she didn't know what he was laughing about.

After he finished laughing, Zhai Yunsheng began to consider Jian Yiling's problem seriously.

What should he ask her to do?

She could cook. The food that day was quite nice. There was the craftsmanship of a restaurant chef but also the warm feeling of home-cooked food. He still fondly remembered the taste and feel of the food between his lips.

However, Zhai Yunsheng glanced at Jian Yiling's petite and slim figure. He imagined her being busy in the kitchen. The kitchen knife would be probably larger than her small hands.

Once he imagined that, he gave up the thought.

He didn't want to cause her small physique any pain.

If he were to do that, it would seem like he liked to abuse little girls. He definitely did not have such a hobby!

What about asking her to give him a shoulder massage?

After giving it a bit more thought, he realized that he probably wouldn't even feel the force of her hands before her hands turned red.

It was not much better than asking her to cook.

After pondering about it deeply, Zhai Yunsheng replied, "Then you owe me something. Make a short note. In the future, I'll ask you to do something."

Zhai Yunsheng had said that quite casually. He didn't want to think about the matter any further. He also didn't need her to keep insisting to return the favor.

"Okay, that's a deal then." Jian Yiling replied. She took what he said quite seriously.

She didn't have a habit of owing other people.

In Jian Yiling's experience, everything that she got must be proportional to her efforts.

It was only through paying a certain price that you got the corresponding return.

Chapter 48: She Needs to Rest

Yu Xi asked Jian Yiling, "Do you know how to use those two books you're holding?"

Jian Yiling's appearance made Yu Xi quite worried.

He was worried that she would carry the books in her hand to argue with He Yan. With He Yan's shrewdness, there was no way for Jian Yiling to nail He Yan's crime just with these two books.

If Jian Yiling were to do this, it might cause her even more trouble.

"I know how to."

Jian Yiling's tone was calm and confident.

However, her appearance still gave off a soft and cute impression.

Yu Xi still felt that she was unreliable in these aspects. "Why don't you keep these two books with me? If you need them, come back and see me."

"There is no need." Jian Yiling replied. She refused his suggestion without hesitation.

"Then... Then be careful." Yu Xi warned. He was incredibly worried that Jian Yiling would do something silly and end up being the one who got into trouble.

Zhai Yunsheng glanced at Jian Yiling before saying, "Do you want Yu Xi to find a room for you to rest in?"

Once again, Jian Yiling looked at him with a puzzled expression.

"What's wrong? Do you want to join the fun at the party instead?"

"I don't want to."

Zhai Yunsheng's tone wasn't gentle. However, he was quite patient. "Then go and rest. Your eyes are bloodshot. Do you really think that you're a rabbit?"

Only rabbit eyes were red.

Zhai Yunsheng was the second person besides Grandma Jian who had noticed that she was lacking sleep.

"Bloodshot eyes? Is that so?" Yu Xi moved forward to take a look at her eyes.

Yu Xi had brought Jian Yiling from the Jian Residence to the Yu Residence. Along the way, he hadn't noticed that Jian Yiling's eyes were red.

When Yu Xi inched forwards, Jian Yiling backed off instinctively.

Jian Yiling felt uncomfortable when anyone got too close to her.

And thus, Yu Xi didn't have a chance to look at her eyes before Zhai Yunsheng pulled him back.

"Why aren't you arranging for a room yet?" Zhai Yunsheng asked. He narrowed his eyes and his expression became displeased.

"I'll go ask the housekeeper." Yu Xi replied hastily. Immediately after, Yu Xi called for the housekeeper and asked him to take Jian Yiling to rest in a guest room.

Yu Xi stayed behind and sat down beside Zhai Yunsheng. Out of curiosity, he asked:

"Master Sheng, I'm quite puzzled. Why are you helping the little girl so much? You even cared about whether or not she was tired."

"She looks like a pet I raised."

Master Sheng had a pet?

Yu Xi took a while time to recollect his memories before asking, "You mean that white rabbit?"

Yiling indeed looked like a little rabbit. Her face was small and her hair was silky like rabbit fur. It made people want to pat her on the head.

Yu Xi had seen the rabbit that Master Sheng had raised. However, he distinctly remembered that Master Sheng didn't care much for the rabbit.

It wasn't just that he didn't care. It was that...

Yu Xi suddenly remembered, "Wait, Master Sheng. Why do I remember that you fed sweet potato leaves to the rabbit? The rabbit was incredibly strong and sturdy. And in the end, didn't you eat him?!"

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Jian Yujie had rushed to get to the Old Jian Residence early.

After the car stopped, Jian Yujie immediately began to move his belongings out of the car.

When Grandma Jian came out of the house, she saw Jian Yujie carrying numerous bags.

"Yujie, did your mother say that you could live here for a long time?"

Grandma Jian didn't think that He Yan would allow for such a thing to happen.

Although He Yan hoped that Jian Yujie would be adored by the elders of the family, she wouldn't let Jian Yujie be brought up by them.

She knew that once she let Jian Yujie live there, she could no longer stop him from becoming a magician.

Chapter 49: Can't Rest Assured Unless I See Yiling

"Nope, these are for Yiling." Jian Yujie panted as he replied to Grandma Jian. He continued to move the parcels with the driver and the servants.

"For Yiling? What did you buy her?" Grandma Jian asked. She wondered why Yujie had bought so many things.

"There are quite a few plushies. Yiling most likely had them at home but didn't bring them along when she moved here. I bought a few that she can leave in her room. There's also a few bags and stationary."

Yesterday, Jian Yujie went to the mall after school. He spent a lot of his money and emptied his wallet to buy these things.

Every year, the children of the Jian family got quite a lot of money from their elders in their red pockets. However, Jian Yujie's savings were quite limited.

This was because his mother didn't agree to let him become a magician. As a result, he could only buy things that were related to magic in secret.

And after his mother found out that he had been spending money on these things, she had decided to not give him any living expenses. Anything that he needed, she would buy for him instead.

"So you only think about buying things for Yiling? What about for Grandma?" Grandma Jian teased.

"Grandma..." Jian Yujie replied in an embarrassed tone.

"It's fine. Grandma is just teasing you. It's good that you can spend more time with Yiling. She hasn't been sleeping well recently."

Jian Yiling had been sleeping for quite a short time recently. Grandma Jian assumed that she wasn't sleeping well.

"Yiling hasn't been sleeping well? I can go buy her some aromatherapy that will assist her in sleeping. I've also heard that some scented tea can help and also..."

Jian Yujie began to mentally search for things that would help someone sleep. He was ready to make a list of things to buy.

"Okay, okay, look at you thinking so much. It makes it seem like I'm abusing Yiling or something! I've bought everything you have thought of already! Yiling is already using them!"

Grandma Jian couldn't stand watching him anymore. Did he think that she wouldn't care for her darling?

Jian Yujie scratched his head in embarrassment. As long as Grandma Jian was here, no one would mistreat Yiling.

"Oh, by the way, where is Yiling? Has she gotten out of bed yet?" Jian Yujie asked. He had been at the door for a while and he hadn't yet seen Jian Yiling.

"Nope. She already went to the Yu Residence for a while!"

"Huh? So early? Isn't the party in the evening?"

"Yu Xi came early. He said that he would take Yiling over first. I didn't stop him."

All the things Jian Yujie had heard from rumors popped into his head. He immediately thought about Zhai Yunsheng's evil face.

"Grandma, I'm going to go next door first! Please ask someone to move those things into Yiling's room!"

After shouting that, Jian Yujie took off and ran.

Grandma Jian couldn't help but laugh. As soon as this child heard that Yiling went to the Yu Residence, he took off and ran. He couldn't wait a moment longer.

Jian Yujie hurried over to the Yu Residence. At this time, none of the people invited by Yu Xi had arrived at the party.

"Young Master Yujie, why are you here?"

The housekeeper of the Yu Residence recognized Jian Yujie.

"Where is my sister?" Jian Yujie asked anxiously.

"Miss Yiling is resting right now. Young Master said to let Miss Yiling sleep for a while and not to disturb her."

To improve the quality of Jian Yiling's sleep, they had organized her to sleep in an attic that was the furthest away from the main lobby.

"Where is that? Let me see."

Jian Yujie was skeptical of the housekeeper's words.

Who knew if what they were saying was true or not?

He would only believe them if he saw Yiling.

Although Yu Xi was a person of good character, Zhai Yunsheng did not appear to be. Master Sheng seemed like the type that could do anything.

"Young Master Yujie. This..." The housekeeper is put in an awkward situation by Jian Yujie.

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At this moment, Yu Xi appeared. "You leave first. I'll speak to Yujie."

"Yes," the housekeeper replied before he quickly stepped back.

Jian Yujie turned and looked at Yu Xi in the eye. "Where is Yiling?"

"Your sister was too tired from studying recently. When she came here in the morning, her eyes were bloodshot. I took her to a guest room to sleep."

"Don't lie to me, Yu Xi."

"Don't you believe my words Yujie?"

Yu Xi was curious. He didn't think that his creditability was that low.

"It's not you that I don't believe."

He just didn't believe in the other person who was living in the house.

Although he didn't speak the next half of the sentence, Yu Xi understood what he meant.

Yu Xi patted Jian Yujie on the shoulder and whispered to him, "Don't worry. He doesn't harm women. Let alone Yiling."

If Master Sheng did do such things to women, the Zhai family wouldn't have asked Yu Xi such a favor.

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As time passed, many people began to arrive at the Yu Residence.

Everyone who arrived were individuals of a certain social status in Hengyuan City.

It was a social gathering for young people. The oldest there was not over 25 years old.

Everyone arrived at a punctual time.

Although the party was organized by Yu Xi, everyone knew who lived in the Yu Residence at this moment.

The Yu family prepared enough food for everyone. They also arranged for party games and various performances.

However, no one saw Master Sheng.

There was time to have fun at any party. But it wasn't any day of the year where you could have the opportunity to meet Master Sheng.

Qiu Yizhen and Mo Shiyun also appeared at the party.

Based on the relationship between Yu Simiao and Qiu Liyao, a party that Yu Xi hosted would definitely have Qiu Yizhen invited to it.

Qiu Yizhen didn't come by herself. She also brought along Mo Shiyun. Mo Shiyun had a good relationship with Qiu Yizhen.

Mo Shiyun spoke in a low voice, "Sister Qiu, I don't think I should be here..."

"What's wrong? It's normal to bring someone along for a party. Plus, it's not a formal banquet or something. It doesn't matter if I bring a friend. There are no technicalities involved."

Qiu Yizhen reassured Mo Shiyun. Seeing that Mo Shiyun still appeared in uncomfortable in the situation, she couldn't help but say:

"Don't be so afraid of causing people trouble. I've told you before. We are basically sisters. Don't act like a stranger."

"It's not that I'm afraid to cause you trouble. I'm just scared that I'll embarrass you." Mo Shiyun said softly.

"No way. You're much better than these dudes here who only know how to drink and have fun all day! You're hardworking, talented, and also have a good personality."

"I'm not as good as you say I am."

"Okay okay, I'll take you to find something to eat. On the left is the dessert section. On the right is the fruit. There's also an area for barbecue and seafood. There's Australian lobster and also the highest quality sashimi here. Take whatever you want to eat."

Qiu Yizhen knew that it was the first time for Mo Shiyun to attend an event like this. She was afraid that she was not used to the environment and thus, she took her to eat.

"Qiu Yizhen, who is this girl next to you? I've never seen her before."

A man walked over. He was a bit taller than 170 centimeters and appeared slightly chubby.

The man's face was full of smiles. He appeared to be quite familiar with Qiu Yizhen.

Qiu Yizhen knew a lot of people. However, it was the first time for Mo Shiyun to appear in such a setting. Several people didn't know who she was.

"This is my friend. Her name is Mo Shiyun. She's one of the top students in our school. An incredibly talented girl." Qiu Yizhen introduced.

Following Qiu Yizhen's introduction, the man spoke about himself, "I am Ji Ming from the number one secondary school of Hengyuan City. Qiu Yizhen's a good mate of mine."