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Chapter 341: I Suddenly Don't Want A Second Child That Much Anymore

After dinner, Luo Chenxi and Fang Ziqian went shopping together before returning home in the evening.

As soon as they entered, the little dumpling ran over with her short legs before she hugged Luo Chenxi's thigh. "Big Sister, you're finally back!"

Luo Chenxi then hugged the little dumpling and kissed her. "Tang Tang's been such a good girl today, so I've bought you a strawberry cake from Hibiscus Bakery, which is your favorite."

As she said that, she took out a small box and the little dumpling's eyes instantly lit up. "Thank you, Big Sister!"

The little dumpling loved the strawberry cake from that shop the most, but for the sake of the child's health, Luo Chenxi would only buy it for her once in a while.

At that moment, Tan Yueru was sitting on the sofa watching TV. "Daughter-In-Law, you're back."

"Mom, didn't you say your shoulder hurt yesterday? I bought this ointment from the pharmacy because I heard it's very effective. Why don't you try applying it tonight?"

Tan Yueru burst into laughter when she heard that. "You're so filial, there's no way that brat of mine would be able to think of this!"

Coincidentally, Mu Yichen just so happened to walk down from upstairs, so he pursed his lips when he heard their conversation.

Then, he walked towards Luo Chenxi and asked, "Where's mine?"

Luo Chenxi was stunned. "What? Where's your what?"

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Mu Yichen's face darkened. "Where's my present? You bought something for Tang Tang and Mom, but you didn't buy anything for me?"

"Uh... Um..."

Luo Chenxi almost choked.

'Is he a primary school student? He's actually still expecting a present?'

"Ahem, I was just passing by the pharmacy when I suddenly remembered that Mom's shoulder was sore, so I went in to buy some medicine for her..."

"Then, why didn't you help me buy it?"

"Buy 2hat?" Luo Chenxi was surprised. "Does your shoulder hurt as well? Surely not..."

"Buy..."

Then, Mu Yichen leaned close to her ear and whispered, "Condoms, the largest size they have!"

Luo Chenxi's face instantly turned red when she heard this!

"You... What... What are you talking about? I didn't hear what you said! I'm going to get changed now!"

After she said that, she quickly shook him off and ran upstairs.

'This man is getting more and more shameless!

'He's actually dared to say such dirty words in front of his mom!'

On the other hand, Mu Yichen stared at the little woman's retreating figure and the corners of his mouth curled up into a smile.

'Fleeing? Do you think that's going to work?

'A woman who neglects her husband should be properly punished!'

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Young Master Mu could not stop thinking about how he would punish his wife, so he especially finished his work early and ran to the children's room to stop her.

However, the moment he entered the door, he saw the little woman lying on the bed motionlessly as the little dumpling was kneeling on the edge of the bed, pulling Luo Chenxi's clothes up.

In an instant, Mu Yichen's heartbeat almost stopped as he rushed over hurriedly.

"Stupid woman, what's wrong with you?!"

"Go away, Daddy! Don't disturb Big Sister's sleep!"

Hearing the little dumpling's voice, Mu Yichen was stunned.

Then, he realized that he was too nervous. 'The little woman's only fallen asleep...'

The scene in the fire had left a psychological scar on him, so much so that whenever he saw the little woman lying motionless, he would feel a wave of fear in his heart.

"Pretending to fall asleep again? Are you trying to escape punishment?"

Mu Yichen stared at her for a while and found that she was lying on the little dumpling's picture book. Moreover, there was already a pool of water stains on the pages of the book.

Obviously, she had been too tired these few days, so she ended up falling asleep halfway through telling the little dumpling a story.

Hence, he had a look of disdain on his face. "Stupid woman, you've ruined Tang Tang's picture book."

The little dumpling had also noticed it, hence her chubby little face collapsed.

"Uwuuu, Tang Tang still doesn't know the ending yet..."

Then, Mu Yichen bent down and carried Luo Chenxi to the bed. After that, he helped to take off Luo Chenxi's shoes and covered her with the blanket.

Then, he shoved the little dumpling into the blanket as well.

After all of that was done, he finally picked up the picture album that had fallen to the ground and took a look at it to realize that it was Snow White's story.

"Daddy knows the ending, but you've got to be a good girl and go to sleep after listening to it."

Hence, the little dumpling immediately grabbed her little quilt and covered it under her neck. Then, she closed her doll-like eyes and looked extremely well-behaved.

Thus, both the adult and the child on the bed had the same closed eyes as they both pouted their little mouths.

When he saw this, the corners of Mu Yichen's mouth curled up.

"... In the end, the prince brought the princess back to the castle and held a grand wedding. From then on, the prince and the princess, as well as the little princess they gave birth to, lived happily ever after."

After finishing the story, Mu Yichen stood up and slowly approached the little woman's pink lips..

"Daddy, why aren't you sleeping yet?"

Mu Yichen froze.

'What happened to you going to sleep after the story's finished?

'Suddenly, I don't feel like wanting a second child so much anymore. Just this troublemaker is enough to make me go mad.

'So, if I end up having two of them, would I have to go off and become a monk?'

Chapter 342: She's Going To Get Double The Punishment The Moment She Gets Into The Car!

The next day, Luo Chenxi woke up late, only to find herself lying on the little dumpling's princess bed.

However, she just couldn't remember how she ended up on the bed.'

"This is weird. Wasn't I telling Tang Tang a story?"

When she arrived downstairs, she learned from Sister Chen that Young Master Mu had gone to the company for some urgent matters, while the little dumpling was brought to a friend's house by Tan Yueru and Mu Yunfeng.

Therefore, since Luo Chenxi now had time to spare, she first went to the hospital to visit Lu Wenjun and had lunch with her.

Then, on the way home, she deliberately made a visit to the supermarket and bought two live fish, crabs, scallops and other seafood.

'Since I forgot to buy Young Master Mu a gift yesterday, I'll make him a sweet and sour fish dish to make up for it.'

Hence, Luo Chenxi was in a good mood and hummed a song as she walked back.

At that moment, her phone rang.

It took her a lot of effort before she finally managed to free her hand to answer the call.

On the other end, Sheng Yu's voice immediately sounded, "Xing Chen, what are you doing right now?"

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Luo Chenxi was stunned. "I'm resting at home! Is there something that I can help you with, Chief Sheng?"

Sheng Yu seemed a little impatient. "What exactly happened? Why is it that the clothes you designed aren't selling today despite having sold so many yesterday? Moreover, there are so many customers returning it to the flagship store!"

Luo Chenxi was surprised. "What? They're not selling, plus there are many customers who are returning the goods? How is this possible?"

"How is it not possible? Yesterday, you managed to sell more than 200 pieces of your designs, yet today, 80 pieces were returned!"

"What? The return rate is that high?!"

'If Sheng Yu didn't tell me this, I wouldn't have believed it!

'Yesterday, I witnessed the bustling buying scene in the flagship store with my own eyes.

'There were so many customers whom none of them I know of.

'Even if Wu Lingshan wanted to do something, she wouldn't have been able to track these people down one by one and ask them to return the goods to the store.

'Unless... There's a problem with the quality of the clothes themselves.

'However, the quality inspection of SL Group's production line is very strict. Plus, when they left the factory, I personally checked a few pieces and didn't find any problems.

'So, how is it possible that almost half of them are returning the goods?'

On the other hand, Sheng Yu snorted coldly. "Are you saying that I'm lying to you? This is definitely not a normal phenomenon, so what's going on? Hurry up and get to the bottom of the situation! Otherwise, you're going to lose this competition for sure!"

With that, he hung up the phone.

'This is literally out of the blue!

'How is such a mysterious thing happening right now?

'Is it possible that I'm actually in a game and Wu Lingshan has secretly turned on cheat codes?'

At that moment, there were two beeps as a car horn from a Maybach that had stopped beside Luo Chenxi sounded.

Then, the car door opened, revealing Mu Yichen's cold and handsome side profile.

"Stupid woman, why are you standing in the middle of the road in a daze? Aren't you afraid of being hit by a car? Hurry up and get in!"

Instantly, Luo Chenxi snapped out of her daze and quickly walked to the car door.

Mu Yichen was looking at her through the corner of his eyes.

'This little woman ended up falling asleep so early last night, so I didn't even manage to get a bite. She's going to receive double the punishment today!

'Plus, she's going to get punished the moment she gets in the car!'

However, Luo Chenxi merely walked to the door but didn't get in the car. Instead, she threw all the bags in her hands into the car.

"Mu Yichen, I have something urgent to attend to right now. Take these home for me!"

"What the hell?!"

At the thought of that, a huge bundle of silvery stuff flew towards Mu Yichen's direction.

Hence, Mu Yichen subconsciously reached out to catch it, but in the next second, he suddenly sucked in a breath of cold air and flung his hand!

Because of this, a crab crashed onto the roof of the car and fell onto the ground with a "Thud".

Mu Yichen's face had turned dark. "Idiot woman, stop right there! What are you..."

Before he could finish his sentence, there was another crisp "Flap" coming from a half-dead fish in the plastic bag that suddenly came back to life. With a flick of its tail, it landed right on Mu Yichen's handsome face.

Chapter 343: You Mustn't Buy This, Or You'll Be Laughed At When You Wear It!

"Pfft!"

When Zhuo Feng saw the fish scales on Young Master Mu's face through the rearview mirror, he couldn't stop himself from chuckling for a moment.

Then, when Mu Yichen's cold gaze swept over, Zhuo Feng immediately shivered and lowered his head, pretending to be a quail.

Mu Yichen glared at him in exasperation. "Why are you still in a daze over there? Hurry up and go after the Young Madam!"

Only then did Zhuo Feng react and fiercely turned the steering wheel.

However, Luo Chenxi was very fast and had already jumped into a taxi which she hailed.

On the other hand, Mu Yichen could no longer catch up to her because of the time wasted whilst fighting with the seafood.

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After a moment, Luo Chenxi rushed to the FADE flagship store in the city center.

As expected, the store was filled with people just like yesterday, especially in front of the cashier, where there was a long line. On top of that, almost everyone in line was holding the clothes designed by her.

The only difference was that yesterday, everyone was fighting to buy them, but today, they were fighting to return them.

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Luo Chenxi thought for a moment and walked to the side of a girl who looked like a student at the end of the line.

“Miss, may I ask, is everyone in this line here to... Return the goods? Is there something wrong with the quality? I just tried this dress a moment ago and thought it looked good, so I was going to buy one! But, seeing you guys like this now, I’m having second thoughts...” said Luo Chenxi as she portrayed a hesitant customer perfectly.

The female student was quite enthusiastic as she immediately said, “Miss, please don’t buy this dress! This current design is already outdated! In fact, only those women who stand on the streets in red-light districts will wear this dress over in foreign countries! You mustn’t buy it, otherwise, others will laugh at you!”

Luo Chenxi didn’t expect to hear such a sentence and was stunned. “... What?”

The female student saw that she was in a daze, hence she said, “Didn’t you pay attention to “Young Master Ying’s” public account? Yesterday, there was a new post on that account, listing the five most bizarre ways to wear clothes this summer. Among them, the one that was ranked at number one is this style of tennis skirt. FADE is such an expensive brand, yet it’s come up with such a style that’s worn by prostitutes. What a scam!

“Fortunately, I just bought it yesterday, so I didn’t have time to remove the label and am still able to return it!”

Luo Chenxi frowned slightly. “So, you came to return it after reading a post on the public account? Is everyone else returning for the same reason as well?”

The female student nodded. “I think so. My best friend also bought one and returned it this morning!”

Hence, Luo Chenxi vaguely understood what was happening.

However, she still had some doubts in her heart.

“I’m sorry, can I ask another question? Who is this “Young Master Ying”? Why is he so influential?”

The female student looked at her as if she was looking at a country bumpkin.

“You don’t even know who Young Master Ying is?! Young Master Ying is a celebrity in the fashion industry who’s born from a wealthy family and was even in an LV baby’s outfit! When she was six or seven years old, she went to the fashion show in Country F with her mother. Since she was young, she has never worn anything that isn’t from a luxury brand! She’s truly a very wealthy lady who has both riches and beauty. Plus, she’s got extremely good tastes!”

“Ahem, is... Is that so?” said Luo Chenxi as the corners of her mouth twitched.

‘Who is this person, she’s so pretentious.

‘My little dumpling’s the one who’s actually born in a wealthy family, yet isn’t she wearing the princess dress that I made myself?

‘In fact, our family’s clothes have all been bought at a discounted price from Moubao.’

At that thought, Luo Chenxi thanked the female student, took out her phone and searched for “Young Master Ying’s” public account.

Although this person’s ID was called Young Master Ying, the owner of the account was actually a woman who had the face of a typical person who’s undergone plastic surgery.

Chapter 344: Am I Supposed To Admit Defeat? Just Like That?

There were many people following Young Master Ying’s account, whose posts mostly consisted of her showing off her bags and clothes, as well as sharing her dressing styles and makeup skills.

Then, Luo Chenxi clicked on her latest post from yesterday.

Although Young Master Ying didn’t clearly state which brand it was, the picture was definitely of the dress that Luo Chenxi had designed.

In fact, Young Master Ying had even pretended to put on a few mosaics that didn’t cover anything.

‘People who would buy a trendy brand like FADE would be very concerned about their image in public, especially in the eyes of their friends.

‘So, if someone hints that they would be looking like prostitutes, it’s almost certain that they would return the goods.

‘I definitely refuse to believe that there isn’t a conspiracy behind all of this.’

“Wu Lingshan’s a complete genius for actually coming up with this plan! Who knows how much it would cost just to post an article on such a famous public account? She really is willing to pay this much money for a position which is only paying her a monthly salary of 20,000 yuan!”

After she said that, Luo Chenxi put away her phone and quickly left the flagship store.

After reading the public account, she knew that it would be impossible for her to directly persuade customers to give up returning the goods.

'These people aren't concerned with whether the clothes are going to look good on them or not, but how it's going to let others think of them.

'Am I supposed to admit defeat? Just like that?'

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At that thought, Luo Chenxi took a taxi home.

The moment she arrived, she dropped bag and rushed to the second floor to call Sheng Yu and discuss the matter.

However, as soon as she entered the door, someone grabbed her wrist and pulled her to the side.

"I see that you still know your way back home, stupid woman," said Mu Yichen through his gritted teeth.

He was extremely furious when he thought about how the little woman had dumped the bags of seafood at him and then ran away!

Then, when she's finally returned home, she's completely behaved as though he was invisible.

However, Luo Chenxi was still preoccupied with the public account and pushed Mu Yichen away.

"Mu Yichen, I've got something urgent to do, let me go first!"

"Urgent?" Mu Yichen snorted. "What's so urgent?"

"I have to call Chief Sheng and tell him... Mmm!!"

When he heard the word "Chief Sheng", Mu Yichen's eyes flashed with a deep coldness as his right hand that was holding her wrist suddenly tightened.

Then, he pressed her against the handrail of the stairs before lifting her chin with his other hand.

After that, he lowered his head and sealed her lips.

'How dare she mention another man's name in front of me!

'Does she really think that I wouldn't deal with her for it?!

On the other hand, Luo Chenxi was leaning back with her feet on the ground, as her back was leaning against the handrail of the stairs. 'My waist is about to break!

'F*ck, this is literally a high-level gymnastics move!

'If it wasn't for Young Master Mu's strong and powerful arms wrapped around my waist, I would have definitely fallen over.

'Plus, there's this strange smell on him.

'It smells a bit like... Fish?'

"Yichen, is my daughter-in-law back..." Tan Yueru's suddenly voice came from the door.

Hence, Mu Yichen let go of the little woman who was in his arms.

Immediately, Luo Chenxi's legs went weak and she directly knelt on the ground.

Fortunately, Mu Yichen reached out his arms in time to carry her up.

"My goodness, don't tell me that the both of you've just... In the living room... Look at how tired your wife is, she can't even stand! Do you have to be so impatient about it?" Tan Yueru had clearly misunderstood what had happened.

Right when Luo Chenxi was about to explain the situation, Mu Yichen beat her to it.

"It's a good sign if you aren't able to stand, I've already said that I'm physically and mentally healthy, so there's no need for Mom to worry at all!"

Luo Chenxi was so angry that she pinched him. "Can you stop spouting nonsense?!"

Now, since the two elders of the Mu Family and the little dumpling were already home. Young Master Mu couldn't do anything even if he wanted to anymore.

Hence, he could only announce that it was time to eat.

At the dining table, Luo Chenxi had a dubious look on her face because there was no sweet and sour fish to be seen, nor was there tomato fish.

Instead, the fresh and fat piece of fish has been sliced into pieces and made into a plate of shredded fish and a plate of pickled fish.

In addition, there was a large bowl of spicy crabs, each of which had been chopped into seven or eight pieces.

Chapter 345: She's Just A Fake

"Why didn't you make the sweet and sour fish today?" asked Luo Chenxi.

Then, with a puzzled expression. "I personally handpicked the crabs and fish today, which were all alive and kicking! Since they're so fresh, they should have been cooked in its entirety, but why have they all been chopped up?"

Beside her, the handsome and elegant Young Master suddenly paused and almost almost couldn't maintain his aloof expression.

'This woman has the audacity to say that!

'Sure, the fish she bought was indeed alive and kicking, so much that it almost attacked me!'

On the other hand, Sister Chen explained with a smile, "Young Madam, today's fish fillets and spicy crab were all personally cooked by the Young Master because he thought of how tired you must be with work these days."

Tan Yueru also said, "Even I, his biological mother, couldn't get him to cook, so it's all thanks to you today."

Luo Chenxi was stunned and subconsciously turned her head.

Mu Yichen's expression was cold as he stared straight ahead.

Then, at that moment, someone tugged at her sleeve.

"Big Sister, Tang Tang wants that red crab! It smells so good!"

The little dumpling was staring at the spicy crab without blinking her eyes.

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However, Luo Chenxi was a little hesitant.

'Is the little dumpling able to eat such a spicy food?'

Unable to withstand the little dumpling's expectant gaze, Luo Chenxi stretched out her chopsticks and picked at the plate for a long time, but she really couldn't find a piece that wasn't spicy.

'It's all this man's fault. Why did he chop the crab into pieces for no reason?'

Helpless, she could only pick out the crab pincer and pick out the meat within for the little dumpling.

"Tang Tang, try this. Spit it out if it's too spicy."

Fortunately, the little dumpling was not afraid of spicy food as she pouted and enjoyed the meat.

Hence, Luo Chenxi was relieved.

As she ate, she recalled what happened in the flagship store that afternoon.

'Young Master Ying has managed to build up her character as a wealthy lady very successfully. She has got a large number of students and white-collar workers following her as fans.

'On top of that, these people just so happen to be FADE's target customers.

'Now that they've been brainwashed by Young Master Ying, they're definitely going to believe her for the time being.

'Unless... Someone who's even more influential and would be even more trusted by these people would actually help me to explain things to them...

'However, there's only one day left until the competition ends, so where am I supposed to find such a person?'

"Daughter-In-Law... Daughter-In-Law!"

Luo Chenxi suddenly regained her thoughts. "Huh, were you calling for me, Mom?"

Mu Yichen glanced at her and lifted his thin lips. "You're even able to eat in a daze. Stupid woman, what's going on in that brain of yours everyday?"

Luo Chenxi was so angry that she gritted her teeth.

Then, Tan Yueru frowned. "Yichen, how could you say that?"

'How can he be so fierce to his wife? If she loses her temper and runs away, he's going to be the one hiding under his blanket and end up bawling his eyes out!'

After scolding her son, she turned to Luo Chenxi. "Daughter-In-Law, why do you seem unhappy? Has this brat been bullying you again?"

Luo Chenxi shook her head. "No, I just encountered some trouble at work..."

"What's the trouble? Tell me about it."

"Um..."

At that moment, Luo Chenxi suddenly had an idea.

'SL Group has once invited Madam Tan to be one of the judges of the Huafeng Competition!

'So, a wealthy woman like her must have a lot of friends within the fashion industry.

'She might just be able to help me.'

At that thought, Luo Chenxi immediately told Tan Yueru about what had happened that day.

However, before Luo Chenxi was able to finish, Mu Yichen sneered, "I've already told you that I'd send people to buy all your clothes! Your sales volume will reach its peak within moments."

However, Luo Chenxi glared at him, "Of course that won't work!"

After that, Mu Yichen pursed his lips.

Then, Luo Chenxi quickly added, "Anyway, you're not allowed to buy my clothes in private!"

"Women... So troublesome!"

"Tsk, what do you understand about this, you brat? Daughter-In-Law is a true designer with her own principles! If you buy your own clothes just to increase the sales, you'll be laughed at by all your peers!" said Tan Yueru as she rolled her eyes at her son.

Luo Chenxi nodded repeatedly, "Mom is absolutely right!"

'As expected, Madam Tan knows what she's doing.'

On the other hand, the little dumpling also nodded her head, "Yes, that's right. Big Sister is absolutely right! Daddy is stupid!"

Mu Yichen took a deep breath and looked sullen as he was slowly losing his status at home.

Then, Tan Yueru thought for a moment and smiled, "Daughter-in-law, I understand what's happening now. Don't worry, I will take care of this! You just sit back and get prepared to go work in your new company!"

Luo Chenxi asked in surprise, "Mom, do you really have an idea? But, Young Master Ying has got a huge influential power with her millions of fans!"

However, Tan Yueru didn't think much of it, "She's just a fake, as if I don't know how many families within the country have the surname Ying."

Chapter 346: The Moment Xing Chen Appeared, People Started Fawning Over Her!

"A fake?" Luo Chenxi was stunned.

'Actually, I thought Young Master Ying seemed a little suspicious as well.

'If she really is rich, why would she write such an unscrupulous article?'

Tan Yueru snorted coldly, "I've seen too many of these kinds of people. All they're doing is fooling those ignorant little girls."

"Then... Do you have a plan, Mom? Do I have to cooperate with you with something?"

"You don't have to cooperate with me. Just go to SL Group and wait for me tomorrow!" said Tan Yueru, who was not explicit, but reassuring.

Hence, although Luo Chenxi was full of doubts, she was too embarrassed to ask any further.

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The next day, Tan Yueru had left the house mysteriously early in the morning.

In fact, she even took Mu Weiwei with her.

Hence, Luo Chenxi sent the little dumpling to the kindergarten and then went to the FADE flagship store.

Since it was a weekday, there were obviously fewer people in the store.

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However, there were still two or three customers who had arrived to return the goods.

When Luo Chenxi saw this situation, she was even more puzzled.

'What is Madam Tan planning to do?'

Then, at 3pm, Luo Chenxi arrived at SL Group right on time.

During every Monday at this time, the designing department would have their regular meetings where all the designers of the company's brands would attend.

Although there had yet been a winner decided between Luo Chenxi and Wu Lingshan, according to Sheng Yu's promise at the beginning, even the person who loses the competition would be able to stay in the company as an assistant designer.

Therefore, they were both already qualified to attend the meeting.

Moreover, a part of the meeting that day was related to them.

In the meeting room, Luo Chenxi saw many familiar faces as soon as she entered.

Amongst them, the guy with the mustache and the blonde who had interviewed her during the preliminary round of the Huafeng Competition were both present.

In fact, when they saw her, their eyes lit up as they walked over.

“Xing Chen, do you still remember me? Let me introduce myself. My name is Andy, we’re going to be colleagues from now on.”

“My name’s Huang Zhe. During the Huafeng competition, I could tell that you are a genius, but I wasn’t expecting you to work with us so soon.”

Luo Chenxi was overwhelmed by their compliments. “Thank you, seniors!”

The designers within SL Group were mostly true elites who admired Luo Chenxi’s designs very much.

In addition, she was a beautiful woman, only to be seen once over decades.

After that, many people started to crowd around her to greet her and add her on WeChat, which caused her to feel overwhelmed.

“What are you all doing here? The meeting’s about to start, so get back to your seats!” said Sheng Yu as he walked in with a thick folder, glancing at everyone with a frown on his face.

Hence, the designers dispersed, finally allowing Luo Chenxi to heave a sigh of relief as she turned around.

Then, Wu Lingshan’s indifferent voice came from behind.

“Tsk, do you think that you’d be able to stay in SL Group by hooking up with designers left and right? Dream on! I heard that the refund rate for the dress you designed has already exceeded 50% . If I were you, I would be so ashamed that I wouldn’t even attend today’s meeting!”

As she said that, Wu Lingshan was so angry that her teeth were itching!

‘I’m clearly the one who’s the daughter of a major shareholder here. Yet, no one even spared me a second glance the moment I came in.

‘Then, as soon as Xin Chen appeared, people started fawning over her!

‘She’s literally a vixen, all she has is a slightly better looking face than mine!’

On the other hand, Luo Chenxi frowned. “Wu Lingshan, I’m guessing you’ve spent quite a lot of money to have Young Master Ying send that post, haven’t you? To think that you’d even resort to such an underhanded method to defame others, do you even have the dignity to call yourself a designer? You’re a disgrace to St. George’s University!”

“Young Master Ying? Who’s that? Clearly, customers are returning your clothes because there’s something wrong with your design! What’s the matter? Are you accusing me of slander just because you can’t accept your defeat? What proof do you have?” said Wu Lingshan as she pretended to act dumb.

After all, she was not the one who sent that post.

‘As long as I insist that I don’t know who Young Master Ying is, what’s Xing Chen going to do about it?’

Chapter 347: Wu Lingshan Has Won!

At that moment, Sheng Yu coughed heavily as he stood on the podium.

Hence, the two of them quickly returned to their seats and the meeting began.

Then, Sheng Yu gave a brief account of the company's recent developments, then gave a chance to each of the managers of each brand to make their announcements.

SL Group now had 34 design brands, covering different markets from clothing to accessories, from high-end to low-end.

Furthermore, the person-in-charge of each brand was a senior designer, who all had their unique insights in marketing.

As Luo Chenxi listened from below, she benefited from it a lot. In fact, she even took out her notebook and quickly took down some notes.

On the other hand, Wu Lingshan sat beside her and sneered.

'Country bumpkin!

'These meetings are held every week regularly, so what's there to record?'

Hence, the meeting went on for more than three hours, but Luo Chenxi did not feel that that amount of time had passed at all.

'I've learned so much today!

'As expected, working in a big company is the most helpful thing to me!'

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Then, Sheng Yu took back the microphone after all the people in charge had finished speaking.

After clearing his throat, he said, "Alright, there's one last thing today. I'm sure everyone's heard that the first prize winner of the Huafeng Competition, Xing Chen, and Director Wu's daughter, Wu Lingshan, are competing to become FADE's senior designer."

Hearing this, Wu Lingshan, who was originally sleepy, suddenly became energetic.

"The deadline for this competition is at 6pm. Before the meeting, I've spoken to Xiao Chen from the sales department to send me the sales data as soon as he gets it. However, it's already past the deadline now, yet he's still not here."

As soon as he finished speaking, a designer could not help but speak up.

"Actually, the winner of this competition has already been decided, hasn't it? I've already looked at the statistics before this morning. Over the past two and a half days, the clothes designed by Wu Lingshan have sold 450 pieces, while the ones designed by Xing Chen... Hasn't even exceeded 100 pieces, I think? Oh, sorry, she did manage to sell 205 pieces, but 110 of it ended up being returned."

Obviously, this designer was in good relations with Wu Yingdi.

Therefore, he was praising Wu Lingshan incessantly.

“Despite being a rookie designer, she’s been able to sell so many clothes in such a short time! She’s definitely a genius!”

Although Wu Lingshan felt proud in her heart, she pretended to remain humble on the surface.

“Senior, you’re overpraising me. I’m not that good actually. The only thing is that commercial fashion design is different from runway design. I’ve run my own brand previously, so I’ve got a slightly better understanding of the market compared to Xing Chen.”

Actually, most of the designers present were not aware of the details of the competition, so they were all shocked when they heard this.

“Are you serious? The difference between their sales is actually that great?! This is such a surprise!”

“Exactly! I don’t think this is possible either. I’ve seen both of their designs, so no matter how I look at it, Xing Chen’s design should be the one that would sell better. Are you telling me that my fashion sense has become outdated already?”

“Did Xing Chen forget to check the quality of her designs when they left the factory? There’s literally no way to explain the amount of clothes that had been returned.”

Thus, there was an uproar in the meeting room where most people found this result hard to accept.

Moreover, everyone had watched the Huafeng Competition, so it was in hindsight who was a better designer, Xing Chen, or Wu Lingshan.

Furthermore, this was definitely not something that could be justified with “commercial design” as its criteria.

Hence, everyone looked at Sheng Yu in unison, who was also nodding his head. “Based on the sales data I’ve received at 12pm today, that’s indeed the case. However, I haven’t received the latest updated data yet.”

“Assistant Chen must have been delayed because of some matters. It’s already 6:30pm, so I think there’s no need to wait any longer since it’d be a waste of everyone’s time,” said the designer who had spoken earlier.

“After all, the difference in their sales is almost fourfolds! So, there’s no way there could’ve been a reversal in just half a day’s time. Wu Lingshan has won!”

Chapter 348: Something Huge Has Happened!

His words were met with quite a few supporters since it was already past their working hours for the day. Hence, many people were in a hurry to go home.

However, despite being faced with so many objections, Sheng Yu still shook his head resolutely.

“This is a competition and the criteria of this competition is based on the sales volume over three days, so we must adhere to it. I will not allow it even if it’s the sales data for two and a half days. Go chase after the sales department for the data, Secretary Luo.”

Just as Secretary Luo responded, a young man in his 20s' rushed into the meeting room with a "bang" as the doors opened.

"Chief... Chief Sheng..." said the young man as he fought hard to regain his breath. It seemed that he had rushed to the meeting room.

Sheng Yu frowned slightly. "Assistant Chen, why are you so late? Where are today's sales figures for the store? Have you brought them?"

However, Assistant Chen did not answer him and merely supported himself with one hand on the table as he continued to gasp for air.

Then, he said loudly, "Chief Sheng! Something huge has happened! Madam Tan Yueru and her daughter, Mu Weiwei, have personally come to the FADE flagship store this afternoon! They've just left, but the store is still full of people even now!"

Sheng Yu was shocked. "What did you say? Madam Tan... Why would she go to the FADE flagship store?"

Suddenly, the meeting room became chaotic.

'Before Madam Tan got married, she was already a socialite famous for her elegance and fashion sense.

'Then, after she married Mu Yunfeng, she gained the halo of the Mu Family and became the target of the paparazzis, which remained so until Mu Yichen took over the Mu Group and Tan Yueru went on to travel around the world with her husband.

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'In fact, it's the dream of many designers to be able to have Tan Yueru wear the clothes they've designed on their own.'

"Really? Is that really true?"

"Stop kidding with us! FADE is a sports brand, so why would she go to the FADE flagship store?"

Assistant Chen hurriedly explained, "It's true, everything I've said is true! Madam Tan and Miss Mu were participating in the shooting of the variety show, "A Goddess's Transformation". The theme today was to pick out a set of equipment for Miss Mu to participate in a tennis competition. Apparently, it took them a whole afternoon before they found what they wanted in our store!"

"Now, our flagship store is becoming really popular! The store is filled with people right now. Everyone's buying at least seven or eight pieces, even the clothes racks are almost empty!" said Assistant Chen, who was so excited that he couldn't control himself.

"What? The programme team for "A Goddess's Transformation" is amazing! They've actually managed to invite both Madam Mu and Miss Mu!"

"A Goddess's Transformation" was a variety show which had gained its popularity recently.

In every episode, they would invite a goddess-level female celebrity or a socialite from a wealthy family to take them out shopping and pick out clothes.

During this process, they would teach the audience some unique dress-matching techniques.

As the female guests in each episode were real goddesses, the show quickly became popular and was now renowned throughout the country.

However, not even all of the guests from all of their episodes combined together were as important as Madam Tan and Miss Mu.

After hearing the news, all the designers present jumped off from their chairs.

“Hurry up, let’s go to the store and have a look!”

“This is such a huge matter, why didn’t you come and tell us earlier!”

Apparently, they had forgotten about the match between Luo Chenxi and Wu Lingshan.

Assistant Chen hurriedly stopped them, “Everyone, don’t be anxious. Madam Tan and the others have already left. So, even if we go now, we won’t be able to see them. However, the entire episode of “A Goddess’s Transformation” visiting our store will be broadcasted live on the Internet. I’m sure the video is already out by now, so we can revisit the situation at the time.”

As soon as he finished speaking, everyone turned to look at Sheng Yu, whose laptop was connected to the projector in the meeting room. Therefore, if he played the video, everyone would be able to watch it.

Hence, Sheng Yu frowned because this sudden incident had interrupted their normal meeting agenda.

After some hesitation, he took a step back. “Come here and search up that video, Xiao Chen.”

Chapter 349: Would A Country Bumpkin Like You Know What It Means To Be Wealthy?

Assistant Chen fiddled with the computer for a moment...

Soon, the pre-recorded live broadcast video was projected onto the big screen through the projector.

As soon as the broadcast started, Luo Chenxi’s jaw almost fell to the ground because Madam Tan, who was usually amiable and dressed like a housewife, had changed her appearance.

From her movements, she had the bearing of a wealthy family, looking both graceful and luxurious.

In fact, she looked like she was in her early thirties and Luo Chenxi was completely unable to tell that Madam Tan had a son as old as Mu Yichen.

On the other hand, Mu Weiwei, who was usually dressed like a little delinquent, was actually dressed especially like a lady that day.

She held onto her Mommy’s arm and the corners of her mouth curled up slightly, smiling elegantly and magnanimously.

Behind the two of them, there were not only the cameramen of the program team, but also a large number of paparazzis.

Aside from that, a large number of fans were also holding their phones and following behind them.

“I didn’t expect Madam Tan to have such an imposing aura!” said Luo Chenxi as she silently sighed to herself.

When Wu Lingshan heard this, she laughed out loud, “Nonsense, the Mu Family is truly a top-tier wealthy family! Would a country bumpkin like you know what being wealthy looks like? Do you see that limited edition Cadillac by the entrance? You won’t be able to buy that even if you have the money for it! In fact, I reckon you won’t have the chance to touch it in your entire life!”

There was a large part of the video showing Tan Yueru and Mu Weiwei strolling along the pedestrian street.

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Hence, Assistant Chen pulled the progress bar and directly jumped to the scene where the both of them entered the FADE flagship store.

It could be seen that everyone in the store was extremely excited at that time, even Manager Song had personally welcomed them. “Mrs. Mu, welcome to our flagship store. I heard that you’re here to buy a set of sportswear for Miss Mu, aren’t you?”

Tan Yueru responded with a “mm”, which was neither cold nor warm.

Hence, Manager Song nodded and bowed obsequiously. “Welcome, please come in! FADE is one of the most popular sports brands among the young people in China with its novel and unique designs. Please, take your time to browse through our selections. Do let me know if there’s anything you like.”

Tan Yueru and Mu Weiwei slowly walked into the store.

At first glance, they saw the mannequins in the middle which were wearing the set of clothes designed by Wu Lingshan.

Tan Yueru stopped in her tracks. “This dress...”

Manager Song immediately said, “This is the work of a new designer in our company! She is a top student at St. George’s University and is one of the best young designers out there! This style is selling especially well in our store!”

As he spoke, he personally found a piece and held it in front of Tan Yueru with both hands.

Tan Yueru held the clothes and looked at it for a while, but she didn’t say anything.

Seeing this, Wu Lingshan was so excited that she almost fainted.

‘Tan Yueru actually saw my design at first glance and even looked at it carefully for so long!

‘She must have especially admired my work!

‘After today’s broadcast, I’m definitely going to become famous overnight and this sportswear is also going to become an extremely popular item!

‘I never thought my luck would be so good.

‘If I’d known earlier, I would not have wasted money to have Young Master Ying send that post.’

In the meeting room, the designers were also casting envious glances at Wu Lingshan.

“Miss Wu, you really are an exceptional young woman indeed!”

“This is amazing. As expected of a top student from St. George’s University!”

Wu Lingshan pretended to be modest. “Seniors, your compliments flatter me. I was really just lucky today...”

However, before she could even finish her sentence, Tan Yueru’s voice suddenly came from the video.

“This design is a very blatant copy of the design of foreign renowned brands. To put it bluntly, this is plagiarism! How could FADE actually promote such a design? It’s simply a disgrace to everyone within the country! If this is all there is to the standards here, there’s no need for me to continue browsing. Let’s go, Weiwei!”

After she said that, Tan Yueru threw Wu Lingshan’s clothes on the ground, pulled Mu Weiwei and turned to leave.

Behind them, the group of paparazzis quickly followed.

Amidst the ordeal, Wu Lingshan’s clothes were trampled under their feet. Hence, in the blink of an eye, the clothes turned into a dirty piece of rag.

At that moment, Wu Lingshan’s smile froze.

Chapter 350: How’re You Still Arguing At This Point?!

‘What the f*ck, how could this happen! FADE’s my favourite brand, yet it’s actually involved in plagiarism!’

‘What a disgrace! I heard that FADE is a brand owned by SL Group!’

‘Is a big company like SL Group actually doing such a thing?’

Sheng Yu’s face darkened as he looked at the bullet comments.

When she saw this, Wu Lingshan quivered and hurriedly stood up to explain.

“Chief Sheng, that... That isn’t true! I didn’t plagiarize, I merely used it as a reference, which is completely within reasonable range! Madam Tan isn’t a designer, so she doesn’t know the difference between referencing and plagiarism...”

“Shut up! How’re you still arguing at this point?!” said Sheng Yu as he slammed the table hard to interrupt her.

‘Wu Lingshan’s behaviour is exactly what those inferior minor brands would do.’

‘It would be a long shot to claim that it’s plagiarism, but just looking at it and anyone would realize how familiar it is.’

‘This is absolutely unacceptable within the SL Group!’

'Moreover, Wu Lingshan has been caught red-handed by Tan Yueru this time, plus she's been directly exposed in such a popular variety show.

'Soon, the whole country is going to know about this and SL Group is going to be implicated.'

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Wu Lingshan was so scared that her face turned pale.

On the other hand, Assistant Chen interrupted and said, "Chief Sheng, Let... Let's not get anxious and finish the show first. Madam Tan will be full of praises towards our company just a short while later!"

"How is that possible?" Sheng Yu frowned.

In fact, the other designers also felt that it was impossible as they stared at the screen without blinking.

At that moment, Manager Song was rushing to the door to try and stop Tan Yueru.

However, when he was about to leave the store, he tripped on Wu Lingshan's clothes and fell to the ground with a "Thud".

Hence, his nose was sore and tears flowed out of his eyes as two strings of blood dripped down from his nose, making him look extremely miserable.

When Tan Yueru and Mu Weiwei heard everyone's shocked gasps, they turned around in surprise.

However, Manager Song couldn't care less about the pain in his body as he stood up immediately and said, "Madam Tan, Miss Mu, please don't go yet! We have many good designs in FADE. That one just now was just an example, an example!"

Tan Yueru frowned. "Just look at how badly you've fallen... Fine, let's go in and take another look."

Immediately, the bullet comments were all praising Madam Tan's kind heart.

Luo Chenxi couldn't help but snicker.

'Madam Tan... You didn't think that that slap to his face was enough!

'To think that the store manager is even able to smile after that.'

Hence, Tan Yueru took Mu Weiwei around the shop.

Shaking her head, she said, "I can't find anything, let's go."

"Okay..."

Mu Weiwei was in the middle of her sentence when her eyes suddenly lit up. Hence, she let go of Tan Yueru's arm and ran to a clothes rack in the corner before she picked out a tennis skirt from there.

"Mommy! Look at this skirt. It's so unique! Isn't it beautiful?"

Tan Yueru looked at it for a while and said in surprise, "Not bad. That skirt looks really beautiful. Go and try it on!"

Then, Mu Weiwei took the dress and went into the fitting room.

Not long after, she walked out with light steps.

Luo Chenxi's design had perfectly outlined her slender and exquisite figure. At the same time, it highlighted her youthful and sweet temperament as well.

As soon as Mu Weiwei appeared, the cameras lit up and the paparazzis rushed to click on their shutter.

On the screen, the bullet comments were constantly flying past.

'Wow, I really couldn't tell before, but Miss Mu is actually very beautiful!'

'The main reason for that is because that dress suits her too well. It feels like her temperament has changed in an instant! As expected of Miss Mu and Madam Tan, they had their eyes on that together!'

'Isn't that dress too good-looking? Who's the designer who made this? She's literally my idol!'

'I'm going to buy it as well, nobody's going to stop me!!'

'I'm going to go out right now, I hope that it's still going to be in stock by the time I rush to the flagship store!'