Chapter 71: But She, Lin Shanchu, Didn't Agree With Their Decision

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Friends were a luxury.

She never had one before.

Perhaps, no matter how hard Lin Shanchu tried, she would not be able to escape the fate of being the female lead of a sadistic novel. Even if she had received warmth for a short period of time, she would eventually be abandoned.

She would be forever alone without receiving help from others.

She would remain solitary for the rest of her life.

She should accept all of this.

Lin Shanchu ate slowly. Her gentle and calm appearance made Yun Wu feel frightened for no reason.

She felt that she should say something.

"Lin…"

"Lin Shanchu!"

Yu Weixin suddenly appeared with a plate. He ended up interrupting Yun Wu's words.

"Are you done with your urgent matter?"

Lin Shanchu swallowed her food and said unhurriedly, "I'm working on it."

Yu Weixin was speechless. So the urgent matter she was talking about was eating?

"Do you mind if I sit here?" Yu Weixin asked politely.

Lin Shanchu looked at Yun Wu opposite her without saying a word.

Yun Wu immediately understood and replied hurriedly, "I don't mind!"

Yu Weixin sat down next to Lin Shanchu.

"Thank you... for what happened before."

Lin Shanchu knew that Yu Weiwei was talking about how she had given him a way out during the live broadcast.

"You're welcome." Lin Shanchu did not even look up.

Since she was in a bad mood, her tone was lower than usual, and she seemed awfully cold.

Yu Weixin wanted to continue the conversation, but he stopped tactfully.

Lin Shanchu finished eating first.

She returned her plate and left the cafeteria.

When Yu Weixin saw Yun Wu staring at Lin Shanchu's back with a disappointed look on her face, he asked with a smile, "Did you and Lin Shanchu have a

fight?"

Every time he appeared on a show, he would do a lot of preparation work.

That was why he knew that Lin Shanchu had a good relationship with Yun Wu.

"Nope." After Yun Wu denied it expressionlessly, she lowered her head and started shoveling food into her mouth.

She ran back to the dormitory after she was done eating.

However, when she returned to the dormitory, she did not see Lin Shanchu.

Where did Lin Shanchu go?

Lin Shanchu went to find the director of the production crew.

The director was arranging work tasks for the background staff.

When he saw Lin Shanchu coming from afar, he turned around and wanted to escape.

However, Lin Shanchu was able to block him after taking a shortcut. Lin Shanchu crossed her arms and blocked his way without any expression on her face.

If You Have Diabetes, Always Keep This With You INSULUX "Have you finished eating?" The director laughed dryly, already feeling guilty.

"Did you set up the comment segment?" Lin Shanchu went straight to the point.

The director's face stiffened. "Yes...

"Are you satisfied with my answer?" Lin Shanchu asked again.

"Of course! It's gone on the trending list again..." The director nodded his head excitedly, but when he saw Lin Shanchu's cold eyes, he subconsciously kept quiet.

The director felt ridiculous upon realizing that he got suppressed by Lin Shanchu's gaze to the point that he didn't dare to speak.

She was just a young woman in her early 20s.

She was extremely gentle when she stood there quietly, but she had a very strong aura.

Once her emotionless eyes swept over the director's form, he could feel a strong sense of oppression coming from her.

"Is it on the trending list now?" Lin Shanchu's eyes fell on the phone in the director's hand.

"Y-Yeah... What are you doing?" The director looked at her with a guarded expression.

"Let me look at it," Lin Shanchu said honestly.

"The members aren't allowed to use their phones to surf the net during their time at the training camp," the director said righteously.

"Oh," Lin Shanchu replied.

The director thought that Lin Shanchu had given up.

He turned around and prepared to leave.

He had only taken two steps when his phone was snatched away.

"You..." When the director turned around, Lin Shanchu was in the midst of putting the phone in her pocket.

The director lowered his voice as he was worried that there were other staff members nearby. "Lin Shanchu, how could you snatch my phone?"

Lin Shanchu's eyes widened, her pure and flawless face filled with innocence. "I found it on the ground."

The director was astonished.

Today, he had finally experienced what it meant to lie through one's teeth.

There were cameras everywhere in the house.

With the exception of the toilet.

Lin Shanchu went to the public washroom of the training rooms.

She sat on the toilet bowl while sliding a fair and slender finger across the phone screen slowly.

The topic #1'm not his favorite sponsor was currently trending.

The netizens posted all kinds of comments in the comment section.

[Remove the word "sponsor" and this sentence is still valid.]

[Remove the word "sponsor"? I'm not his favorite? Hahaha! Isn't this clearly implying that Lu Shiyuan and Tang Qidai are involved?]

[This lady has never expressed her opinion about Lu Shiyuan and Tang Qidai before. I thought she was very tolerant...]

[Why is it Lin Shanchu again? I'm sick of her being on the trending list!]

[This woman is here to leech off Lu Shiyuan and Tang Qidai's popularity again. She's so dramatic.]

[Olne is her fiancé and the other is her good friend. Her leeching off their popularity has nothing to do with you, does it? I think you're the dramatic one.]

When Lin Shanchu saw this, she laughed silently.

The netizens this time were really amazing.

Many people were able to detect her intentions.

She was indeed trying to ride on Lu Shiyuan and Tang Qidai's popularity.

She had to be famous.

People would only notice her once she was famous.

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Only when she was noticed by others would people listen to her.

Once she had the right to speak, it would be easier for her to deal with Lu Shiyuan.

Lin Shanchu was using the director's phone, so Weibo was naturally the director's own account.

She returned to the main page and saw a Weibo notification from an entertainment marketing account.

[Tang Qidai's new drama is delayed...] There were only a few comments and shares.

It was obvious that they had been restricted.

Tang Qidai was an A-list celebrity, after al. The extension of her new drama could be a big deal. It was only right for her to be on the trending list.

But there was no news on the trending list at all.

The team was probably trying to suppress the popularity.

Lin Shanchu typed Tang Qidai's name in the search bar. A string of related words immediately appeared:

#Tang Qidai's cyberbullying scandal #Tang Qidai removed the trending topic

#Tang Qidai's text

#Tang Qidai and the disgusting killjoy

#Tang Qidai's interference

#Tang Qidai, Lin Shanchu, and mangoes

These related words all looked very negative.

She clicked on Tang Qidai's Weibo and scanned through the comments.

Soon, Lin Shanchu roughly knew what had happened to Tang Qidai recently.

Did she actually instigate her fans to cyberbully a regular person?

She was really arrogant and ignorant.

No wonder Tang Qidai's team didn't dare to buy her way into the trending list.

They wanted to wait for the incidents to be over before allowing Tang Qidai to show her face again.

There was no problem with the strategy.

Their train of thought was also correct.

But she, Lin Shanchu, didn't agree with their decision!

Lin Shanchu opened the account management and saw the director's main account which was already verified.

She clicked on the director's main account.

Then, she reposted the Weibo post that said [Tang Qidai's new drama will be delayed].

After that, she switched back to the director's smurf Weibo account.

Finally, she exited Weibo.

She finished all this in one go, put the phone back in her pocket, and got up to leave.

At the door, she happened to meet the director, who had come to the washroom.

As soon as the director saw Lin Shanchu, he quickly asked her for his phone.

"Where's my phone?"

Lin Shanchu pulled out the phone and returned it to him.

The director hesitated after seeing how upfront she was. "You didn't do anything with my phone, did you?"

"Director, do you think I'm that kind of person?" Lin Shanchu sighed and lowered her eyes slightly.

She looked very sad.

Who would bear to make a beautiful woman sad?

The director quickly comforted her. "I.... I mean, you're definitely not that kind of person!"

Chapter 72: They Were All Happy, She Had Nothing

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Lin Shanchu looked up. Her clear eyes were filled with smiles without the slightest trace of sadness.

"Thank you, Director. Next time you want to cause trouble, you can let me know in advance. I'll do my best to cooperate with you."

"Sure thing! I'll definitely tell you next time!"

The director was elated.

The production crew had such a polite and cooperative key element of popularity, so why would they worry about the ratings?

The two of them parted ways.

The director went into the washroom happily.

Meanwhile, Lin Shanchu returned to the dormitory in a good mood.

Her roommates were discussing the song selection for tomorrow.

"After the first public showdown is over, the elimination will begin." "I'm so worried. I'll definitely get kicked out in one round." "You don't know that. Let's wait for the rankings to be announced..."

Lin Shanchu walked straight in.

She subconsciously looked at Yun Wu's bed.

The bed was empty. No one was there. "Lin Shanchu, can you do me a favor?" Her roommate called out to her.

Lin Shanchu smiled and turned around.

"I heard that you were the one who put on her makeup for Yun Wu during her initial stage assessment," the girl said shyly. "Can you help me with my makeup too? "

"All right."

Most of the students in the dormitory were from Class F.

They were kind to her.

It was a small favor, so why wouldn't Lin Shanchu help the girl out?

The girl quickly arranged the cosmetics.

When Lin Shanchu helped her with her makeup, the girl kept looking up at her.

After a long while, she couldn't help but sigh. "You're really beautiful."

Lin Shanchu lowered her eyes and looked at her seriously. "You're also very beautiful."

She had always done things at a steady pace with a kind of calmness that did not match her age, which was inexplicably convincing.

She sounded quite sincere even when she was making polite talk.

The girl smiled shyly. She was about to say something when she looked up and saw Yun Wu at the doorway.

"Yun Wu is back!"

Yun Wu replied coldly, "Yeah."

When she walked in, she kept glancing at Lin Shanchu from time to time.

However, Lin Shanchu did not look at her at all.

The corners of Yun Wu's tightly pursed lips continued to press downward.

She was no longer Lin Shanchu's most beloved little sister.

Lin Shanchu was putting on makeup for other little sisters now.

She didn't even look at her.

The more Yun Wu thought about it, the sadder she became. She kicked off her shoes, climbed onto her bed, and pulled the blanket over her head.

Diabetes Is Not From Sweets! Meet The Main Enemy Of Diabetes INSULUX The blanket couldn't block out the sounds in the room.

Yun Wu could clearly hear their conversation.

"I've actually wanted you to help me with my makeup for a long time, but I didn't dare to..."

"Why not? Do I look that scary to you?"

"Of course not. It's just that you're too pretty, so I didn't dare to talk to you..."

The girl smiled in embarrassment. Lin Shanchu's voice also had a hint of a smile. "So that's how it is."

Yun Wu was even more upset.

They were all happy.

Meanwhile, she had nothing...

The next day.

It was the day for the members to choose their songs for the first public showdown.

Only when there was a stage performance would the production crew arrange for makeup artists to help everyone with their appearances.

The members usually did their own makeup for the regular recording sessions.

As a result, the official livestream started at nine o'clock today, but many people were already up by six.

Lin Shanchu also got up at six o'clock.

But that was because it was her natural time to wake up.

She quickly changed her clothes and put on makeup.

It was probably because she had helped that girl put on makeup last night that she didn't seem so unapproachable. So, one after another, the girls asked her to help them draw their brows or put on their lipstick for them.

Yun Wu didn't know how to put on makeup. She sat in front of the mirror and looked at the pile of cosmetics, clearly at a loss.

Lin Shanchu had helped her with her makeup before.

Yun Wu looked at everything while feeling a little disappointed.

Finally, she got up and walked behind Lin Shanchu, who was helping others with their eye shadow.

She pulled on the corner of her clothes and pleaded in a small voice, "Can you help me with my makeup?"

Hearing the familiar voice, Lin Shanchu paused in applying the eye shadow.

After two seconds, she slowly replied, "Wait a moment."

"All right, I'll wait for you."

Yun Wu happily skipped back to her seat and sat down obediently, waiting for Lin Shanchu to come over and help her with her makeup.

From time to time, she would stretch her neck out and look at Lin Shanchu.

The camera in the dorm was already on.

There were relatively fewer people in the dorm.

However, Lin Shanchu's dorm had a relatively large audience.

The commenters talked about Yun Wu.

[What just happened? A night had just passed, and yet Boss Yun the badass already transformed into a sweet-looking girl!]

[Boss Yun is so cute when she's waiting for Lin Shanchu to do her makeup!]

[I feel that Boss Yun and Lin Shanchu are acting a little weird...]

[Did they get into an argument?]

Lin Shanchu often helped Yun Wu with her makeup.

She was more familiar with Yun Wu's face than she was with herself.

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In addition, Yun Wu was already pretty from the start, so it didn't take much time to put on makeup.

"It's done." Lin Shanchu put down the facial brush.

"Thank you," Yun Wu said.

Yun Wu placed her hands on her knees, looking like an obedient primary school student.

Lin Shanchu thought it was funny.

Was she really that scary?

She didn't say much to Yun Wu as she packed her things and went to the cafeteria to eat alone.

On the way to the cafeteria, she met the cameraman who had followed her.

"You're later than usual today," the cameraman said.

She usually had a fixed breakfast time, and the cameraman followed the rhythm.

Lin Shanchu explained, "I've been helping my roommates with their makeup since we'll be choosing our songs for the first public showdown today."

The cameraman looked behind Lin Shanchu while asking, "Why didn't you wait for Yun wu?"

Yun Wu?

Lin Shanchu turned around and realized that Yun Wu had unknowingly followed her.

The comments went wild.

[Hahaha! Why does Boss Yun look like an aggrieved wife?] [What happened last night? Yun Wu, why are you this weak?] [Lin Shanchu had successfully tamed Boss Yun into Sweetie Yun...]

[Hahahaha! I'm definitely dying in the comment section one of these days!]

After the cameraman finished speaking, he took his camera and went to record the others.

Lin Shanchu and Yun Wu were the only ones left in the corridor.

Seeing that she had been discovered, Yun Wu simply strode toward her in wide steps..

"Why are you following me?" Lin Shanchu tilted her head slightly, clearly confused.

There were a lot of people walking in the corridor, so she didn't think much about it when she sensed someone behind her. "Let's eat..." Yun Wu said in a low voice.

She looked a little pitiful.

Lin Shanchu just looked at her with a complicated expression, then turned and left.

Everyone in the training camp knew how enthusiastic Yun Wu was when it came to eating.

She must have been taking her time today because Lin Shanchu was in her way.

As she thought about this, Lin Shanchu quickened her pace.

They soon arrived at the cafeteria.

It was already eight o'clock, so the cafeteria was packed with people.

An Youyun raised her voice and greeted Lin Shanchu, "Good morning, Big

Sister."

"Morning," Lin Shanchu replied with a smile.

Xia Jinmeng was sitting opposite An Youyun.

Her gaze swept back and forth between Lin Shanchu and Yun Wu. Then, she asked An Youyun, 'What happened to Lin Shanchu and Yun Wu?"

"What?" An Youyun had just stuffed a cherry tomato into her mouth, so her voice was muffled. "I don't know. What happened to them?"

The girls at the next table came over to gossip.

"When I was in the cafeteria last night, I saw the two of them not returning to the dorm together after eating. This morning, I heard from their dormmates that after they returned to the dorm last night, neither of them bothered talking to each other...." Chapter 73: The Surprised Arranged By the Production Crew

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"Did they fight?" Xia Jinmeng asked, deep in thought.

An Youyun glanced at Xia Jinmeng and smiled, revealing her dimples. "I don't think so. Didn't they just have breakfast together?"

"But they didn't even say a word to each other," the girl added.

The girls followed her line of sight.

Lin Shanchu and Yun Wu each carried a plate and walked to the table one after another.

There was no communication throughout the entire process.

An Youyun pursed her lips.

The two of them really seemed to be quarreling.

She turned around and saw Xia Jinmeng staring at Lin Shanchu. She frowned slightly.

Xia Jinmeng had always been against Lin Shanchu, both openly and secretly. She did not know what the latter was up to this time.

It was true that Lin Shanchu, who had appeared out of nowhere, made people envious of her.

However, An Youyun hated people like Xia Jinmeng who constantly played dirty tricks in the dark even more.

When they entered the studio, Lin Shanchu saw the director.

"Good morning, Director."

Lin Shanchu took the initiative to greet him.

The director snorted and turned his head away in a huff.

When he turned his head, he saw that the other staff members were all looking at him in surprise.

Lin Shanchu alone had carried more than half of the show's viewership ratings, so the director had praised Lin Shanchu a lot in private.

Why did he not like Lin Shanchu today?

The director could only turn around and reply in an unpleasant tone,

"Morning!"

It seemed that she had been found out.

Not only did Lin Shanchu not feel guilty, but she even whispered to the director, "Is it on the trending list?"

The director was stunned for a moment and only reacted a moment later. Lin Shanchu was asking if the delay of Tang Qidai's new drama was on the trending list.

'You…"

He really wanted to let those people who said that Lin Shanchu was gentle and kind see what she had done!

But he couldn't.

Lin Shanchu was the key element of popularity, after all.

"Yes, it's on the trending list!" The director had no choice.

The director of "My Stage" reposted the news of the delay regarding Tang Qidai's new drama on Weibo.

There seemed to be no relationship between the two, but there were many netizens who loved to do reading comprehension.

Diabetes Is Not From Sweets! Meet The Main Enemy Of Diabetes INSULUX This naturally made it to the trending list.

"Thank you," Lin Shanchu said while showing a satisfied smile.

She looked as gentle and kind as she could be. The director was speechless. "You're welcome."

In fact, Lin Shanchu was still quite gentle and kind.

The mentors and the host entered the venue one after another.

Yu Weixin and Huo Xunzhou will be co-hosting "My Stage" from this episode onward.

The order of this episode's song selection was determined by the top 15 members.

After Yu Weixin finished reading the song selection rules, he smiled mysteriously. "The production crew has also arranged a surprise for the top 15 members. We'll find out more about that later."

He continued, "Next, I'll announce the members' rankings."

The ranking of the members was announced starting from the middle.

Those whose names were not called could be in the top 15, or they could be on the list of the last 18 eliminated members.

After that, Yu Weixin and Huo Xunzhou continued to announce the list.

The top 15 and the last 18 names were alternated.

The commenters started to get anxious. [The immersion is too strong! I'm already feeling nervous for them!]

[Oh? Wen Tongtong is on the elimination list.] [I pray that my An'an will be in the top five.] [I'm only curious about Lin Shanchu's ranking.]

[Won't you know if you look at the poll?]

[There are several voting portals, and the final count is the overall number of votes. The single-channel ranking is not accurate.]

The list soon reached the top six.

The camera cut to Yun Wu. Yu Weixin slowly said, "Sixth place, Yun Wu." The comments went wild.

[Huh? Damn it! Did my Sweetie Yun get sacrificed by other people?] [Right, Boss Yun is super strong! Why isn't she part of the debut list?] [I haven't heard Xia Jinmeng's name. Does that mean she's in the top five?]

[Are they saying that Sweetie Yun can't compare to Xia Jinmeng? Clearly, those people didn't use their brains to vote!]

Lin Shanchu turned to look at Yun Wu.

Yun Wu stared ahead in a daze, her eyes unfocused.

Ran Zhimo thought that she was upset about her ranking, so she patted her on the shoulder to comfort her.

But based on Lin Shanchu's understanding of her...

Yun Wu... was probably thinking about food.

After all, it would be lunchtime in two hours.

In the next moment, she heard Yun Wu mutter, "I wonder if the cafeteria will cook braised prawns at noon..."

Ran Zhimo, who was about to say something to comfort Yun Wu, looked puzzled.

She poked Lin Shanchu's shoulder and whispered, "Aren't you going to talk to

The rankings were being announced, and yet Yun Wu's mind was still filled with thoughts of food.

Lin Shanchu replied, "The cafeteria's braised prawns are quite delicious."

Ran Zhimo was speechless. For a moment, she felt apologetic for disrupting Yun Wu's gluttonous daydreams.

The braised prawns in the cafeteria were really delicious.

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She was starting to crave them.

In a flash, the ranking had already been announced to third place.

Huo Xunzhou's voice drifted slowly. "Third place, An Youyun."

A member congratulated her in a low voice.

An Youyun smiled and responded to them one by one. Finally, her gaze fell on Lin Shanchu.

Only the top two were not announced.

Among the remaining people...

Only Lin Shanchu and Xia Jinmeng could possibly be in the top two.

Although Xia Jinmeng didn't perform well in the theme song assessment, she had a lot of fans. They were all die-hard fans who had followed her when she formed a group abroad. They were also very good at spending money.

Lin Shanchu was on the trending list the day she entered the show. Although her popularity was high, most of the netizens were here to watch the drama, so they might not vote for her.

Hence, the first place was very likely to go to Xia Jinmeng.

The commenters started to debate.

[No way... Lin Shanchu the untalented hack actually hacked her way into the top two?]

[I can already smell the rotten breath of jealousy from outer space.]

[Please watch the views of Lin Shanchu's personal performances before you speak, okay?]

[Don't you know that the number of views can be manipulated artificially?]

[You can just say whatever you want without any evidence!]

Xia Jinmeng was initially worried that she would not perform well in the theme song assessment and that it would affect her votes.

She didn't expect her fans to live up to her expectations.

Lin Shanchu was full of scandals, not to mention those netizens were just there to watch the drama. How could they really like her and vote for her?

The first place could only go to her, Xia Jinmeng.

Under everyone's expectant gazes, Yu Weixin suddenly changed the topic.

"At this tense moment, let us reveal... the surprise that the production crew has arranged for everyone!"

All the members were speechless.

Even the commenters were speechless.

The production crew had prepared blind boxes for the top 15 members to draw from.

Before the drawing began, Yu Weixin specifically reminded, "There's only one red blind box that contains the mystery prize. Let's see who will be the lucky one."

Some people got snacks, while others got plushies.

In any case, it was just little things that were quite common but became especially precious because the training camp didn't have them. Yun Wu drew a pack of spicy snacks and jumped up and down in joy.

The commenters were all laughing at her. [Sweetie Yun can no longer return to those days as the badass.] [I don't think the blind boxes are that simple.]

When it was Lin Shanchu's turn, she drew a red box out of the pile.

"Let's congratulate Lin Shanchu for winning the red blind box, "Yu Weixin said.

However, Lin Shanchu noticed that the director, who was standing behind the camera at the side, was grinning from ear to ear..

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Lin Shanchu instantly understood.

The red blind box was a trap.

How could the director arrange a mystery prize for her?

It was undoubtedly a mystery trap!

Yu Weixin saw that Lin Shanchu was still not moving, so he reminded, "Let's see what this mystery prize is."

Lin Shanchu opened the blind box.

She took out a piece of paper.

Yu Weiwei handed her the microphone.

Lin Shanchu looked at the words on the note and silently ground her teeth before she began to read.

"Congratulations on winning 'Death of the Universe' as the song of your performance."

The moment her voice fell...

The atmosphere at the scene became subtle.

Yu Weixin glanced in the direction of the director.

Even Huo Xunzhou was looking at the director coldly.

The director shuddered at the look in Huo Xunzhou's eyes.

He turned to his assistant and said, "Why is Mr. Huo looking at me like that? Does he think that I designed this part very well?"

The assistant looked troubled before replying tentatively, "Could it be possible that he looked at you like that because he wanted to stab you?"

The director was speechless.

The assistant continued, "The song 'Death of the Universe' has a fast rhythm, constant movements, and requires a huge amount of stamina. It's a test of Lin Shanchu's foundation in dance. If she can perform it well, her performance will be the most explosive out of all 15 performances, but if she screws up..."

Lin Shanchu was indeed not the strongest among the members.

The director replied, "It depends on Lin Shanchu if she can perform the dance well or not. I'm only responsible for creating difficulties for her and raising the audience's expectations."

If the audience was looking forward to it, wouldn't the viewership ratings be

stable?

The assistant was speechless.

Meanwhile, Yu Weixin tried to ease the atmosphere.

"Lin Shanchu is really lucky to have drawn the song, "Death of the Universe", that everyone wants!"

"Death of the Universe" was the first out-of-the-comfort-zone performance that ROF, a boy group that was popular across Asia, had performed.

They had hired a professional dance instructor to choreograph a dance for the boy group.

It was a classic.

When the performance was being played earlier, many members wanted to challenge "Death of the Universe".

After all, many of them were professionals.

With Lin Shanchu's broken and battered body, she might be able to perform it if she were to put her life on the line.

But she didn't want to risk her life.

She could only die after Lu Shiyuan was gone.

Lin Shanchu took a deep breath. There was no way she could smile.

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She might as well give up on maintaining her gentle persona.

"Can I not accept this grand prize?" she asked, already giving up.

Yu Weixin was speechless.

Lin Shanchu would be hated even more after this.

However, he was a person who knew how to repay one's kindness.

Lin Shanchu had helped him before, so he could not just watch Lin Shanchu get scolded.

Yu Weixin gave Lin Shanchu a look before he started to work on saving her pride. "Why? Are you trying to compete fairly with everyone?" Lin Shanchu replied, "No. That's because I don't think I can perform this dance."

The haters in the live broadcast room finally found a way to criticize Lin Shanchu.

The comments were filled with negativity.

[Trash will always be trash!]

[I'm laughing so hard right now! The production crew gave away the best song to Lin Shanchu, but it turns out that she's the type who'll betray all of your expectations!]

[Many members dream of dancing to "Death of the Universe"! Why must Lin Shanchu be the one having it?]

[I'm calling it right now – the worst performance during the first public showdown will go to Lin Shanchu!]

Yu Weixin was speechless. Was his hint not obvious enough?

It was over. Lin Shanchu would get scolded even more this time.

Sigh!

Yu Weixin sighed in his heart, but he still had to go through the process.

"The rules of the production crew can't be changed. There will be a blind box selection segment for every episode in the future."

Can't be changed?

Lin Shanchu smiled and looked at the director not far away. "Thank you for the production crew's arrangement. I'll do my best." The director hugged himself tightly in silence.

Why did young people nowadays look so scary?

Mr. Huo was a man. It was fine for him to have a strong aura since he had experienced a lot in his lifetime.

Lin Shanchu was just a young woman, but to think that she was this scary as well...

Yu Weixin continued with the process.

"Next, Mr. Huo will announce the rankings of the last two members." Huo Xunzhou did not look at the script. Instead, he picked up the microphone.

All the members held their breaths in anticipation.

The camera kept alternating between Lin Shanchu and Xia Jinmeng.

Xia Jinmeng raised her chin slightly while looking quite proud of herself.

Lin Shanchu played with the blind box without any expression.

The comments flooded the screen.

[Look at Lin Shanchu's miserable expression. She looks so funny.]

[The pretty lady is sad. I can't help but pity her.]

[The real sadness will come in the future. This is just the beginning. What a useless trash!] "Congratulations, Xia Jinmeng..." Huo Xunzhou paused.

He glanced at Lin Shanchu.

The dramatic director gave Lin Shanchu a close-up shot.

That shot made Huo Xunzhou's eyes seem like they were filled with regret.

The commenters started speculating.

[What's going on? Isn't Lin Shanchu number one?]

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[Xia Jinmeng and Lin Shanchu are just the pot calling the kettle black. Neither of them is worthy of first place!]

[Although I don't like Xia Jinmeng either, she's at least capable.] [Are you talking about her capability during the theme song assessment?]

Huo Xunzhou cooperated with the production crew by leaving everyone hanging for a long time before continuing, "On getting number two this episode."

Xia Jinmeng's smile froze on her face.

The members who were ready to clap and congratulate her didn't dare to say anything. They clapped their hands to congratulate Xia Jinmeng for a bit before going silent.

Huo Xunzhou's eyes fell on Lin Shanchu's face again.

"Lin Shanchu, congratulations."

He lowered his voice at the end, his magnetic and pleasant voice showing a gentleness that was different from his aloof expression.

The camera panned across Huo Xunzhou's face.

Everyone's focus was on Lin Shanchu getting first place.

Therefore, no one noticed anything amiss with Huo Xunzhou.

Ran Zimo patted Lin Shanchu's shoulder while saying, "You're so awesome!"

Yun Wu did not say anything. She just clapped her hands with all his might.

In the midst of the applause, Lin Shanchu finally reacted.

Did she obtain first place?

Were there really so many people who liked her and were willing to vote for her?

Or could it be like the student meet-and-greet, where Tang Qidai had secretly hired someone to do her a favor and deliberately set her up?

Who didn't want to be liked and recognized?

She was happy to get first place.

However, she felt that it was not real at all.

She had been living in the abyss all these years.

Day after day, she did all she could to survive in the ruins.

Nothing nice would ever happen to her.

Therefore, her initial reaction to getting first place was not joy, but self-doubt.

The rankings were announced.

Next was the song selection and team formation.

Lin Shanchu didn't need to choose anymore, so she held the "Death of the Universe" sign and waited at the side.

After everyone had chosen their songs, it was time to group up.

Yun Wu and An Youyun's groups were the most popular.

An Youyun had a good temper and was popular, so it would definitely be very harmonious to form a team with her.

Yun Wu was powerful, not to mention she taught people free of charge.

Their groups were soon filled up.

Even Xia Jinmeng's group had three people.

Only Lin Shanchu was still alone.

No one was willing to form a group with her.

"Death of the Universe" was too difficult.

Everyone felt that she had a weak foundation and wouldn't be able to dance well. Therefore, she would end up dragging her group down..

Chapter 75: Is He More Handsome and More Difficult to Handle Than Huo Xunzhou?

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The rules for forming groups were still based on rankings.

The groups that had performances that were easier and looked better were already filled at the start of the formation.

By the time the members on the eliminated list had to choose their groups, there weren't many slots left.

A few vocal groups still had a few slots left.

Xia Jinmeng's group still had a slot.

The last group was Lin Shanchu's group, which still had five empty slots.

It was Wen Tongtong's turn.

A member who didn't know what was going on shouted at Wen Tongtong, "Jinmeng's group still has one more slot!" The commenters started discussing.

[Wen Tongtong will definitely choose Xia Jinmeng.]

[I guess only the last five people will be forced to choose Lin Shanchu's group.]

[I can't wait to see members of rank one and the last five ranks screwing up the performance very badly!]

Just when everyone thought that Wen Tongtong would choose Xia Jinmeng's group...

She stopped in front of Lin Shanchu.

Lin Shanchu, who was formerly lazy, suddenly stood up straight and looked at Wen Tongtong with raised eyebrows. "Are you joining?

"Yes," Wen Tongtong replied.

Lin Shanchu waved at her eagerly. "Hurry up."

She was also a prideful person at the end of the day.

It was quite awkward when no one wanted to support her.

If Tang Qidai were there right now, Lin Shanchu would still accept her as a group member, let alone Wen Tongtong.

The other members were speechless.

The commenters were also speechless.

The members and the netizens all witnessed how much Wen Tongtong targeted Lin Shanchu.

When did the two of them turn hostility into friendship?

Once Lin Shanchu had her first groupmate, the situation became better for her.

Soon, the second member joined their group.

"Big Sister!" Ning Yunxi jogged over with a smile.

Lin Shanchu also beckoned for her to come over and stand with them.

The last three groupmates had nowhere else to go, so they were forced to join Lin Shanchu's group.

If You Have Papillomas On Your Chest, Neck Or Armpits, Read This! METABON The commenters started discussing excitedly.

[Um... Did the weakest members choose the failing performance?]

[They'll most likely fail in this showdown. This group is formed of people who'll be dissuaded of participating this show.]

[I understand now. The production crew never wanted to promote Lin Shanchu in the first place. Instead, theyre trying to dissuade her.]

[She relied on other people's help and luck during the initial stage and theme song assessments. Let's see how Lin Shanchu will fare this time.] [I'm waiting for Lin Shanchu to be eliminated in the first round.]

Not only were the netizens criticizing Lin Shanchu's group, but even the director, who was the initiator, began to panic.

As soon as the recording ended in the morning, the director went to Nan Mu worriedly.

Seeing that Huo Xunzhou was also there, the director hesitated and didn't dare to speak his mind.

"If you have something to say, just say it." Nan Mu had already heard that Lin Shanchu had chosen "Death of the Universe", so he could guess the director's purpose of visiting him.

The director scratched his head awkwardly. "President Nan," he said. "Did I go too far this time?"

Nan Mu crossed his arms and looked at the director calmly. "If you didn't believe that Lin Shanchu could perform "Death of the Universe", why did you arrange this segment in the first place?"

"It's not that I don't believe her. It's just...

"Lin Shanchu's performance in the previous two episodes was too surprising, so I think she'll definitely be able to do it this time! But I don't think she has much confidence in herself this time, so I'm not sure as well..."

When Lin Shanchu had drawn "Death of the Universe", she had asked if she could turn down the grand prize.

Obviously, she wasn't confident at all.

After hearing this, Nan Mu glanced at Huo Xunzhou before replying to the director, "I'll have a chat with Lin Shanchu later."

As soon as the director left, the calm expression on Nan Mu's face disappeared. He paced back and forth in front of Huo Xunzhou with a face full of anxiety.

"Xunzhou, do you think Lin Shanchu will be able to do it this time?

"Fans nowadays are becoming more and more rational. If you have the ability, they will like you. If you don't have the ability, they will leave you and like someone else.

"If Lin Shanchu fails her performance during the first public showdown, she might get eliminated for real.

"Of course, with our friendship in consideration, I can always open a back door for her..."

"There's no need for that." Huo Xunzhou frowned, seemingly dizzy from watching Nan Mu pacing around.

"Don't we need to open the back door for her?" Nan Mu stopped. "But I haven't received the resources yet. She might have to stay idle for a long time after getting eliminated..."

Huo Xunzhou's brows furrowed even more before interrupting Nan Mu, "She knows what she's doing."

Nan Mu was puzzled. "Huh? Are you talking about Lin Shanchu? Wait, don't leave! I'm not done talking yet..

Bam!

The door was closed.

Lin Shanchu was influenced by Yun Wu.

It turned out that she got more and more enthusiastic about eating.

She ran to the cafeteria as soon as the recording ended.

In fact, she was the first to arrive at the cafeteria to order food.

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Lin Shanchu had just sat down at the dining table when she saw Yun Wu following her from the corner of her eye.

She couldn't figure out what Yun Wu was thinking.

If she were to say that Yun Wu was afraid of her, the latter still ate with her every meal.

However, if she were to say that Yun Wu wasn't afraid of her, the latter still looked like she didn't dare to talk to her at all.

While Lin Shanchu spaced out, Yun Wu picked two of the largest braised prawns from her plate and put them on the former's plate.

"The song "Death of the Universe" is a really tough one. You need to eat more."

Lin Shanchu stared at the two big prawns for a moment before slowly asking, "Are you not afraid of me?"

"Why should I be afraid of you?" Yun Wu shook her head while looking puzzled. Lin Shanchu was stunned. "Then why didn't you dare to talk to me?"

Yun Wu shook her head hurriedly again. "It's not what you think. I don't know how to comfort people. I was afraid that you'd be unhappier if I were to say the wrong things to you."

"How am I unhappy?" Lin Shanchu tilted her head in confusion.

"I can't describe it clearly. All I know is that you're unhappy." Yun Wu had this feeling when she first saw Lin Shanchu.

After that, even though Lin Shanchu was always smiling, she could feel that Lin Shanchu wasn't happy at all.

It was only when she found out about the blade that she couldn't help but mention it to Lin Shanchu.

"Let's eat." Lin Shanchu looked down.

It didn't matter to her whether she was happy or not.

She just wanted to get rid of Lu Shiyuan as soon as possible and then kill him.

Yun Wu, however, started to become talkative again. She asked in a soft voice, "Did Lu Shiyuan treat you badly?"

Lin Shanchu did not respond, so Yun Wu continued, "I knew it. A man who already has a fiancée but is still having an affair with another woman can't be a good person!

"You can call off the engagement with him. I have plenty of older brothers at home, all of whom are handsome and rich. You can choose any one of them!"

Yun Wu's generous and indifferent tone made it seem as if she was just selling cabbages.

Lin Shanchu laughed and teased, "Then I must pick the most handsome one."

"You have a good eye!" Yun Wu gave her a thumbs up. "However, my most handsome brother is the most difficult to deal with. Then again, you'll definitely be fine."

Lin Shanchu was speechless.

Although she didn't know where Yun Wu's inexplicable confidence in her came from, she started to develop an interest in Yun Wu's most handsome and most troublesome brother.

Was he more handsome and more difficult to handle than Huo Xunzhou?

After the meal, the two of them returned to their training room.

In the middle of the training, Yun Wu went to the washroom.

When she came out of the stall, she was stopped by Xia Jinmeng, who was guarding the door.

"Let's talk."

Yun Wu didn't even look at her as she walked straight out.

Xia Jinmeng caught up with her and grabbed her.. "Hey! Didn't you hear me talking to you?"

Chapter 76: Yes! Hurry Up! Quickly! Go!

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Yun Wu frowned and slapped her hand away.

"What are you doing?"

That arrogant look was exactly the same as Lin Shanchu's.

Xia Jinmeng suppressed her anger.

Then, she tried her best to put on a friendly look.

"You obviously have the strength, but you're being suppressed by that trash Lin Shanchu. You must feel very uncomfortable, right?"

Yun Wu blinked.

"It's very uncomfortable."

During the theme song assessment, Xia Jinmeng had danced so badly, and yet she still managed to get second place. She was indeed a little unconvinced.

Xia Jinmeng couldn't help but laugh when she heard this.

Yun Wu and Lin Shanchu had quarreled yesterday. Today, the ranking list was announced, revealing that Yun Wu wasn't a part of the debut group. She must be jealous of Lin Shanchu.

Xia Jinmeng continued to instigate her. "If it wasn't for Lin Shanchu, you would definitely be able to snag a debut slot. She's the one who's blocking your way." "Yes," Yun Wu agreed.

She had her eyes on Xia Jinmeng's slot and was prepared to snatch it from her during the first public showdown.

Xia Jinmeng noticed that Yun Wu was starting to get excited, so she finally revealed her true purpose.

"One of the balconies located next to the corridor of the dorm building happens to be a blind spot for the surveillance cameras. No matter what you do there, you won't be caught on camera."

"What do you want to do?" Yun Wu asked with narrowed eyes.

"It's not just me. We're the ones doing it." Xia Jinmeng leaned closer to her. "Just bring Lin Shanchu over," she said softly. "We can do whatever we want when the time comes."

"Oh. Okay." Yun Wu agreed without hesitation.

Xia Jinmeng didn't expect Yun Wu to be so easily convinced.

But she quickly convinced herself.

There was no sisterly love in front of benefits.

They couldn't wait for the other party to die so that they could make room for themselves.

At this moment, Wen Tongtong walked in from the outside.

She saw the two of them chatting and couldn't help but stop in her tracks.

Yun Wu was the first to leave.

Xia Jinmeng stopped in front of Wen Tongtong and sneered. "Do you think you can stand out by sucking up to Lin Shanchu? Stop dreaming. She can't even protect herself!"

"What do you want now?" Wen Tongtong had been Xia Jinmeng's sidekick for so many years, so she knew the latter's persona the best.

How could Xia Jinmeng tolerate her first place being taken away by Lin Shanchu?

She must have been plotting with Yun Wu to harm Lin Shanchu.

"Being a busybody won't do you any good," Xia Jinmeng warned coldly.

In the training room.

Lin Shanchu and her teammates were discussing the dance moves.

Then, she performed the complete dance.

After the dance, she collapsed to the ground in exhaustion.

Noticing Lin Shanchu's terrifyingly pale face, Ning Yunxi approached her worriedly. "Big Sister, are you okay?"

"No. I'm dying." Lin Shanchu closed her eyes while drawling weakly.

The commenters were discouraged.

[It seems that Lin Shanchu is really done for this time. She's so tired after only one dance.]

[To think that she's not even as strong as Ning Yunxi...] [I thought there would be a twist, but it turns out that she's still so useless.]

[Let's leave. There's nothing to see here. Just trash.]

Ning Yunxi thought that Lin Shanchu was just being dejected.

"There's still half a month before the official release! You're super awesome, so you can definitely do it! Good luck, Big Sister!"

People were always fearless when they were young.

They believed that everything was possible.

That made them confident, optimistic, and positive.

Lin Shanchu really envied Ning Yunxi.

She sat up and patted Ning Yunxi's head. "You go practice first. I'll rest for a while."

"Okay." Ning Yunxi was a little worried. "If you're not feeling well, let me know.

I'll go to the doctor with you."

"Okay."

After Ning Yunxi left, Lin Shanchu went to the corner and sat down.

She curled her legs and buried her face in her knees.

"Come out, you idiot."

The handy system reacted quite slowly most likely due to the fact that it hadn't been active for a very long time.

The system replied, [Coming...]

Lin Shanchu stated, "I want to finish performing 'Death of the Universe'."

The system immediately became nervous. [No! This dance is too intense for you! With your current physical condition, you'll lose your life before the first public showdown!]

Lin Shanchu sneered. "Why else do you think I summoned you?"

The system felt that it was being looked down on.

But it didn't dare to say it.

This host was way too wild for it to handle. She'd always threaten it with her life whenever she wanted to.

The weak and helpless system swallowed its anger before saying, [I have health additional cards in the warehouse...]

Lin Shanchu, who had already figured out the rules, interrupted it directly. "What's the mission?"

The system was very happy when it found out that Lin Shanchu was very eager to do missions. [There has to be gossip about you and another person being in a relationship!]

"Who's the target?" Lin Shanchu became excited immediately when she heard about the mission.

It was not a mission related to Lu Shiyuan.

Her resistance was indeed effective.

But soon, her good mood was shattered.

The system replied, [Ji Yuan.]

Lin Shanchu was silent for two seconds. "Well, [beep] you and [beep]...!" Let's just say she said a bunch of very nice things about the system. However, her choice of words got censored by the system because the

"niceties".

[Female leads can't curse,] the system stated.

Lin Shanchu retorted, "Shut up, you useless system! You don't have the right to say that!"

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The system was speechless.

Lin Shanchu began to wonder if she had killed the system's entire family in her previous life.

That was why the system always gave her an endless stream of death-seeking missions.

Ji Yuan was the new top celebrity who had stepped on Fu Jue to get to the top.

The number of fans who were in love with him could easily drown Lin Shanchu with their saliva.

Moreover, she hadn't broken off her engagement with Lu Shiyuan yet.

If there was really a scandal between her and Ji Yuan, she would have to get out of the entertainment industry and die to appease the anger of Ji Yuan's lovestruck fans.

However, she had to hold on until the end of the first public showdown.

The fans whom she had never met voted for her and helped her get first place...

She couldn't let them down.

Lin Shanchu asked, "Are there any other missions?" The system said tactfully, [Follow the plot.]

It didn't even dare to mention Lu Shiyuan's name.

Lin Shanchu held on to the last trace of hope. "Apart from that?"

The system fiddled with its response for a while. [Why don't you try dating someone?]

Lin Shanchu was even more convinced that she and the system had a blood feud.

Who was she going to date in the training camp filled with girls only?

Lin Shanchu was so angry that she blocked the system again.

The system noticed Lin Shanchu's thoughts and quickly added, [You can date Huo Xunzhou!]

"Mr. Huo!"

Ning Yunxi's voice came.

Lin Shanchu looked up and saw Li MO pushing Huo Xunzhou in from the door.

Speak of the devil, and the devil will come. The system urged, [What are you waiting for? Go!]

"Are you sure?" Lin Shanchu asked.

Had she finally driven the system mad?

Now, it was brazenly asking her to date a male supporting character.

The system replied, [Yes! Hurry up! Quickly! Go!]

Lin Shanchu was speechless.

In order to complete her performance...

She was sorry to him!

Huo Xunzhou!

Lin Shanchu strode toward where Huo Xunzhou was.

"Big Brother, Ms. Lin is here," Li MO said in a low voice as he leaned over.

Huo Xunzhou saw her as soon as he entered the room. When he got closer, he realized that she looked pale.

"Mr. Huo."

Lin Shanchu smiled and walked closer.

In the next second, her left foot stepped on her right foot, causing her to collapse into Huo Xunzhou's arms immediately..

Chapter 77: Get Out!

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Huo Xunzhou sat in his wheelchair, so he had nowhere to hide.

He steadily caught the girl who fell into his arms.

The girl in his arms leaned on his shoulder gently while emitting a cold fragrance.

He subconsciously reached out to hold her waist.

Her soft waist seemed like it would break if he were to tighten his grip. He didn't dare to use too much force, but he still held her firmly. The others were so shocked that they forgot to react for a moment.

The comment section also exploded.

[What's going on?]

[Lin Shanchu can't dance, so she wants to blackmail Mr. Huo! Is that it?]

[I've really opened my eyes. This is the first time I've seen such a trashy woman.]

Lin Shanchu pretended to fall into Huo Xunzhou's arms to try the effect of making intimate contact with him.

Hence, she wanted to get up immediately. She even prepared an excuse in advance.

However...

Her waist was firmly held by Huo Xunzhou, so she couldn't get up at the moment.

Huo Xunzhou turned his head slightly and whispered into her ear, "Are you feeling uncomfortable anywhere?"

Lin Shanchu's physical condition had always been bad.

He had seen her suffering from her illness and faint before.

Therefore, it was natural for him to think that Lin Shanchu was sick again.

He didn't think that Lin Shanchu was faking it.

Huo Xunzhou's tone was upright and honest with a hint of concern.

However, his deliberately lowered voice was very pleasant to listen to.

It was like a demon's whisper, confusing people without them knowing.

Lin Shanchu's eardrums went numb.

Her body, which was originally trying to support itself, instantly lost all its strength. In the end, she fell back onto Huo Xunzhou.

She muttered weakly, "It hurts..."

All of this happened in the blink of an eye.

After a brief moment of shock, the others finally reacted.

"Lin Shanchu?"

"Lin Shanchu, what's wrong with you?"

"Big Sister, are you okay?"

Ning Yunxi squeezed to the front anxiously and tried to check on Lin Shanchu's condition.

Li MO saw Huo Xunzhou's serious expression and whispered, "Big Brother, should I take Ms. Lin to the doctor?"

It was a pity that Big Brother still had to sit in a wheelchair and pretend to be disabled.

Otherwise, he could play the role of a hero and bridal-carry Lin Shanchu to safety.

Huo Xunzhou ignored Li Mo. Instead, he turned to look at Ning Yunxi. "Take her to the infirmary."

The dancers tended to be stronger. Ning Yunxi and another girl worked together to carry Lin Shanchu to the infirmary easily.

The comments started filling the screen.

Diabetes Is Not From Sweets! Meet The Main Enemy Of Diabetes INSULUX [Some people should be kinder to others. Lin Shanchu only fainted because she wasn't feeling well.]

[That's right. Most of the people watching the show are girls. Why do you have to be so malicious?]

[Tch! Who knows if she's faking it or not?]

[Why would she fake her illness in front of Mr. Huo, the greatest actor ever, and during the livestream? Are you dumb?]

[Or maybe she's pretending to be sick just to avoid practicing "Death of the

Universe".]

[Lin Shanchu is too thin. She's so pale that she doesn't look healthy at all...] There were doctors on duty 24 hours a day in the infirmary.

As soon as Lin Shanchu was sent to the infirmary, Huo Xunzhou asked the doctor to do a check-up on her.

Check-up?

There were only simple equipment in the infirmary, but the doctor was still very professional. He would definitely be able to detect the abnormality in her body.

The fact that she was terminally ill must not be spread.

If this news were to be spread to Lu Shiyuan, he would have a reason to make her withdraw from the show.

The moment she thought of this, Lin Shanchu slowly opened her eyes.

"...Yunxi."

"Big Sister, you're awake!" Ning Yunxi turned around immediately.

"Did you guys bring me here?" Ning Yunxi helped Lin Shanchu up.

Ning Yunxi explained, "You suddenly fainted, so Mr. Huo asked us to bring you to the infirmary. How are you feeling now? "

Lin Shanchu smiled slightly. "Thank you. I'm feeling much better now. You guys should go back and practice."

Ning Yun wasn't reassured at all. She kept looking back at Lin Shanchu once every few steps, but she still left in the end.

The doctor briefly asked about Lin Shanchu's condition. Then, he prescribed her some medicine and left.

Huo Xunzhou did not say a word throughout the entire process.

Li MO was very perceptive.

Once the doctor left, he closed the door.

"Ms. Lin, although your performance is very important, you still have to take care of your health. After all...

"Someone will be worried," Li MO said as he stole a glance at Huo Xunzhou.

Lin Shanchu followed his gaze and looked at Huo Xunzhou.

Huo Xunzhou sat quietly in his wheelchair. His eyes were like the distant mountains under the night sky, deep and hard to read.

"I'm very sorry... for what happened just now." Lin Shanchu almost did not dare to look him in the eye.

She was ashamed.

Huo Xunzhou was such a smart person.

If he had paid more attention, he would have realized that she had actually faked her fall.

Yet, his first reaction was to show concern for her health.

He actually trusted her so much.

However, she...

She actually listened to the system and tried to date him in exchange for health points.

She used the feelings of someone who trusted her to achieve her goal.

She was indeed despicable.

Li MO felt that the atmosphere was off.

He looked at Lin Shanchu, then at Huo Xunzhou.

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Why was Big Brother not saying anything?

There wasn't any need for him to be that petty, right?

Ms. Lin didn't fall onto him on purpose, after all.

As a considerate little brother, Li MO decided to take the initiative to help his big brother.

"Ms. Lin, don't take this petty matter to heart. You didn't do it on purpose..."

"Get out!"

Huo Xunzhou suddenly spoke, sounding unusually sharp. It was filled with a burst of anger that was about to erupt.

Li MO was so scared that he quivered.

He could not remember the last time Huo Xunzhou got that angry.

However, he always remembered that he could not afford to offend an angry Huo Xunzhou.

"All right," he relented.

Li MO quickly fled the scene.

However, he didn't go far. Instead, he stood guard at the door.

In the room.

Lin Shanchu looked at the tightly shut door as she cried regretful tears on the inside.

She should have escaped with Li MO just now.

Huo Xunzhou's expression was terrifying.

He must have found out that she had faked the fall to lie to him.

As a perfect character in the spotlight, he probably wouldn't hit a woman unlike Lu Shiyuan the jerk, right?

"Lin Shanchu, don't you have anything to say to me?" Huo Xunzhou's words pulled her back to reality.

His tone was cold and indifferent.

Compared to Huo Xunzhou, Lin Shanchu felt that she was a coward.

She was not afraid of Lu Shiyuan, but when she was facing Huo Xunzhou, she could not do anything.

NO!

As the female lead, she couldn't admit defeat!

"That's right! I did fake that fall! I fell on you on purpose!"

In order to show off her aura, Lin Shanchu deliberately raised her chin and raised her voice.

However, the sudden increase in her countenance still revealed her guilty conscience.

Huo Xunzhou looked at her. He was stunned for three whole seconds before he lowered his head.

He had one hand pressed on his lips. His expression couldn't be seen at all. Lin Shanchu was able to see his chest that was slightly quivering.

She was perplexed.

Shouldn't he fling the door and leave out of anger after scolding her for being a scheming, evil woman?

What was Huo Xunzhou doing?

Lin Shanchu carefully probed, "Are... Are you all right?"

"I'm fine... Ahem!" Huo Xunzhou had yet to look up. He even started coughing.

Lin Shanchu felt more and more puzzled.

She got out of bed before approaching Huo Xunzhou.

Then, she crouched down and raised her head.

The first thing she saw was the man's handsome face, which had gone red from trying to hold back his laughter to the point that he started coughing..

Chapter 78: What If I Were to Do Something Even More Outrageous?

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The two of them looked at each other for a moment.

"What are you laughing at?" Lin Shanchu asked, stunned.

She did not understand.

Also, she was greatly shocked.

Did she just tell the biggest joke of the century?

Why was Huo Xunzhou laughing like that?

Huo Xunzhou, who was caught trying to hold back his laughter, cleared his throat uncomfortably and denied it with a cold face. "I wasn't laughing."

Lin Shanchu was even more confused. It was rare to see such a stubborn person.

Huo Xunzhou's eyes held a mischievous smile. "I really didn't expect that you admire me to the extent that you'd want to make contact with me intimately by faking your fall."

Lin Shanchu choked in response.

Did the topic from last time not end yet?

The last time they talked about this topic, it ended with her slipping away.

She couldn't let this man get the upper hand every time!

Lin Shanchu sneered back in response. "What if I'm just using you to gain popularity?

"Oh?" Huo Xunzhou raised an eyebrow with a half-smile. Not only was he not angry, but he even looked a little interested.

"Do you not mind that, Mr. Huo?" Lin Shanchu asked thoughtfully.

"I've said it before. Men are always more tolerant towards their admirers."

He was sitting in the wheelchair, and she was squatting in front of him. From her angle, she could see her own shadow in his alluring eyes.

That gaze, that tone.

It could make anyone believe him.

Lin Shanchu seemed to have been bewitched as she asked softly, "What if I were to do something even more outrageous?"

"What?" Her voice was so soft that Huo Xunzhou couldn't hear her clearly even though he was so close.

Lin Shanchu did not repeat herself.

Her gaze fell on the man's big hand that was resting lazily on the armrest of the wheelchair.

The joints were well-proportioned, and the shape of the hand was beautiful, like a fine piece of art.

Lin Shanchu raised her hand and boldly held the big hand.

She could feel the man's hand stiffen the moment she held it, but he did not break free.

Lin Shanchu pulled his hand toward her.

Then, she lowered her head.

She left a light kiss on the back of his hand.

The soft and cold touch on the back of his hand instantly turned into a strong burning sensation.

The burning sensation seeped through his skin, flesh, bones, and blood. It spread all the way to Huo Xunzhou's heart.

The scorching heat was too real.

Diabetes Is Not From Sweets! Meet The Main Enemy Of Diabetes INSULUX Huo Xunzhou trembled and quickly pulled his hand back.

Lin Shanchu, who had been staring at him, noticed a flash of panic on his face.

The man, who had always been cold and self-restrained, looked even more charming than usual with such an expression on his face.

"Do you not like it, Mr. Huo?"

As Lin Shanchu spoke, her eyes fell on his hand again.

Huo Xunzhou subconsciously clenched his fists before stating coldly, "Mind your manners."

"Oh," Lin Shanchu replied.

Did he just ask her to mind her manners?

"You don't seem to mind me kissing you, Mr. Huo..." Lin Shanchu deliberately slowed down her countenance.

However, before she could finish her sentence, Huo Xunzhou stood up and walked out of the room.

His footsteps were very fast. In fact, he was no longer calm and collected as before.

Did he forget that he was still pretending to be disabled?

Lin Shanchu decided to remind him when he reached the door.

Just then, the door was pushed open from the outside.

When Nan Mu saw Huo Xunzhou walking toward him, he quickly closed the door.

"Xunzhou, where's your wheelchair?"

"Over there!" Lin Shanchu spoke up while gesturing at Nan Mu to look at the wheelchair.

"You..." Nan Mu turned back to Huo Xunzhou.

Huo Xunzhou ignored him. He turned around, got into his wheelchair, and wheeled himself out of the room.

"What's wrong?" Nan Mu had always been sharp, so he could sense that Huo Xunzhou was acting strangely.

Huo Xunzhou continued to ignore him.

He could only turn to Lin Shanchu.

"Mr. Huo, can I tell him?" Lin Shanchu asked.

Huo Xunzhou opened the door.

Lin Shanchu deliberately raised her voice. "Well, it wasn't anything big. I just..."

"Lin Shanchu!"

Huo Xunzhou's tone was quick and anxious. At the same time, he looked flustered and exasperated.

Nan Mu was perplexed. He had a feeling that something exciting had just happened.

Lin Shanchu smiled gently. "I mean, I just personally told Mr. Huo something important."

"Oh..." Nan Mu still looked suspicious.

Li MO was standing guard at the door. When he saw Huo Xunzhou coming out in a flustered state, his eyes widened in shock.

When Li MO had left earlier, didn't his big brother emit an aura that threatened to kill those who provoked him?

It had only been ten minutes.

How did Huo Xunzhou become this pathetic all of a sudden?

Li MO looked into the room and saw Lin Shanchu. who was smiling.

He secretly gave Lin Shanchu a thumbs up.

Ads by Pubfuture Then, he mouthed two words to her. "You're awesome!"

Lin Shanchu tilted her head and smiled while looking extremely harmless.

When Nan Mu heard that Lin Shanchu had fainted in the training room, he rushed over immediately. "Is your body okay?"

"I'm fine."

Lin Shanchu climbed back onto the bed.

Since she was already here, she naturally had to pretend to be a patient.

"Are you able to perform 'Death of the Universe'?" Nan Mu wanted to talk to her about this matter earlier.

"It doesn't matter if I can do that or not. I still need to perform it."

Lin Shanchu leaned against the headboard. Her skin was fair, and her tone was lazy, but her eyes were unusually firm.

Nan Mu dragged a chair over to the bed and sat down.

"Can you tell me the truth? If you can't do it, I can help you think of a way."

Nan Mu previously thought that Lin Shanchu looked weak, but now that she was lying on the hospital bed, she really looked like a patient.

He was really afraid that she would not be able to withstand the high-intensity training.

If anything were to happen to Lin Shanchu, Nan Mu wouldn't be able to face

Xunzhou.

"It's fine." Lin Shanchu shook her head.

"Okay, then. Good luck!"

Although Nan Mu wasn't confident, he had nothing to say since Huo Xunzhou already stated that Lin Shanchu knew what she was doing.

As soon as Nan Mu left, the system's voice sounded in Lin Shanchu's mind.

The system exclaimed, [It's moving! It's moving!]

Lin Shanchu asked, "What's moving?"

The system explained, [The relationship is progressing! Huo Xunzhou's relationship is really moving forward!]

Lin Shanchu muttered, "It's really effective..."

The system was so excited that it was on the verge of tears. [Your health points have increased as well. Dating an extremely popular character and making intimate contact with him really is effective!]

Lin Shanchu asked, "Then, can this effect last till I'm done with the first public showdown?

The system replied, [That won't do! Your body is like a battery that's about to run out. You can only rely on charging to keep you alive, so it's best to kiss Huo

Xunzhou every day.]

Lin Shanchu frowned. [Can't I just hug him?]

The system explained, [The most emotional moment was triggered when you kissed his hand. When you fell into his arms, there wasn't any progress in his relationship bar. Then again, your acting skills are really good! Even when you were faking your fall, you didn't show any traces of acting!]

"Heh!" Lin Shanchu sneered in response. "Thanks."

The system replied, [You're welcome! Now that you've kissed his hand, next time you can kiss his mouth! If you were to perform actions that are even more intimate, the effect would definitely be better.]

Lin Shanchu asked, "Are... you even a legitimate system?"

The system replied, [I'm a legitimate system with an authentic serial number! You can check it out yourself!]

Lin Shanchu decided to appease the system. "Fine. One last question.. Why did you hide whenever Huo Xunzhou appeared?"

Chapter 79: You Should Beg Properly

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The system was silent for a moment before answering very seriously, [Would you believe me if I said that the spotlight was too bright and affected my performance?]

"I believe you," Lin Shanchu replied.

The system was touched. [So, you still trust me!]

Lin Shanchu ruthlessly broke its fantasy. "You couldn't do much even if Huo Xunzhou weren't here."

The system was speechless.

It also felt insulted.

It began to carefully recall what it had done for Lin Shanchu during this period of time.

After thinking for a long time, it realized that it did not help Lin Shanchu at all.

So, it stopped talking.

It completely shut down on its own. There was a knock on the door.

"Come in."

The door was pushed open, and the director came in.

He brought a few staff members with him. Wen Tongtong followed the group from behind.

"Are you all right?" The director walked over and asked anxiously.

The key element of popularity was still fine when she was recording the program in the morning. Why did she suddenly faint and end up in the infirmary...

It was quite worrying.

"I won't die for the time being." Lin Shanchu's mouth twitched.

She leaned lazily on the bed while looking very lifeless.

The director's expression changed. "You're the key element of popularity in this show! You can't die!"

Lin Shanchu was speechless.

She Imew that it was impossible for the director, who only had eyes for viewership ratings, to care about her.

"I'm fine. I can hold on till the first public showdown. You should leave." Lin Shanchu found him annoying and waved him away.

"I'm relieved to hear that." The director also felt weirded out. He would subconsciously believe whatever Lin Shanchu said to him.

The staff members asked about Lin Shanchu's health for a bit before leaving with the director.

In the end, only Wen Tongtong was left.

"Are you really all right?" she asked as she walked to the bed.

Lin Shanchu said without much emotion, "Don't worry, I won't let our performance crumble."

Wen Tongtong was worried that Lin Shanchu's poor health would affect the rehearsal.

When Wen Tongtong turned to leave, she stopped after taking two steps.

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"I went to the washroom just now and saw Xia Jinmeng and Yun Wu talking and laughing together," she said with a complicated expression.

"Oh," Lin Shanchu replied.

Wen Tongtong frowned. "Aren't you..."

"Is there anything else?" Lin Shanchu asked.

"Xia Jinmeng has always found you an eyesore. She must have sought Yun Wu out to continue messing with you. Aren't you worried at all?" Lin Shanchu's calm reaction made Wen Tongtong a little angry.

Lin Shanchu seemed to have always been like this.

No matter what happened, she could deal with it calmly.

To put it bluntly, she didn't care about anything or anyone.

She seemed gentle and polite to everyone, but in reality, she was extremely arrogant and arrogant. It made people jealous of her.

Lin Shanchu moved around so that she could change her posture. "Xia Jinmeng hates you more than she hates me now that we're in the same group. You should worry about yourself."

"I'm your groupmate. If something happens to me, can our group still rehearse for the show?" Seeing as her thoughts were exposed, Wen Tongtong threatened Lin Shanchu immediately.

Lin Shanchu did not buy it.

"It's easier to make group formations with five people."

"You…"

"You should beg properly."

The reason why Wen Tongtong joined Lin Shanchu's team was not that she had a change of heart and decided to side with justice.

Instead, it was because she had fallen out with Xia Jinmeng, who had connections with many students. Wen Tongtong would definitely be isolated and targeted if she went to another group.

Although she had been frightened by Lin Shanchu before, when she thought about how Lin Shanchu was willing to help a total newbie like Ning Yunxi, she felt that Lin Shanchu and Xia Jinmeng were different.

Therefore, she came to Lin Shanchu to seek protection.

She thought that she had hidden it well, but she did not expect Lin Shanchu to see through it all.

Wen Tongtong lowered her head in embarrassment. "I won't cause you any trouble. I just want to carry out my performance properly."

She lowered her stance. Her tone was much more sincere.

"Make good use of your time to practice." Lin Shanchu originally just wanted Wen Tongtong to show her attitude.

Compared to Lu Shiyuan, Wen Tongtong's little tricks were nothing. When Wen Tongtong went out, she bumped into Yun Wu.

"Lin Shanchu!"

Yun Wu didn't look at Wen Tongtong as she rushed to the bedside.

"I just heard that you fainted in the training room!" She and Lin Shanchu were not in the same training room, so her news was a little outdated.

"I'm probably a little tired from practicing too rigorously, but I'm fine now." Lin Shanchu glanced at the clock on the wall. It was time to return to the training room.

Yun Wu helped her off the bed.

She was relieved to see Lin Shanchu doing fine.

"I saw Wen Tongtong just now. She's actually starting to care about you. Has she turned over a new leaf?"

"Do you think Wen Tongtong is a bad person?" Lin Shanchu asked with a smile.

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"Isn't that the case?" Yun Wu was puzzled.

Lin Shanchu's gaze deepened. "People will always do something shady for their own interests. There are no absolute good or bad people in this world."

"Let's not talk about her." Yun Wu did not understand a single word. "Anyway, I know you won't do anything to hurt others."

Lin Shanchu stopped in her tracks. Then, she asked in a serious tone, 'What if

I've done that?"

"Is there a possibility that you feel that you've hurt the other party, but the other party doesn't feel that you've hurt them?" Yun Wu thought about it seriously.

The other party didn't feel hurt...?

Lin Shanchu had pretended to fall into Huo Xunzhou's arms, so she felt guilty for lying to him.

Huo Xunzhou did look very angry at that time.

However, after she confessed, he wasn't angry anymore. He even laughed.

The things that he said afterward seemed to be acquiescing to her "riding off the popularity" actions.

Her thoughts were all over the place.

She couldn't help but think of the "good thing" that she had done out of infatuation in the end.

"What are you thinking about?" Yun Wu stretched out her hand and waved in front of Lin Shanchu.

"It's nothing." Lin Shanchu hurriedly shook her head.

"But you're blushing." Yun Wu poked Lin Shanchu's face.

"It's hot," Lin Shanchu replied expressionlessly.

Yun Wu glanced at the air conditioner. "It's 18 degrees..."

"You'll be my favorite little sister if you don't speak up." Lin Shanchu used her ultimate move.

Yun Wu shut up immediately and even made a zipping gesture near her lips. She widened her eyes cutely while trying to show Lin Shanchu just how obedient she was.

When the two of them went to their respective training rooms and separated, Yun Wu pointed to her lips once again.

Lin Shanchu laughed. "Go ahead."

Yun Wu was a stickler for ritualistic gestures, so she made another zipping gesture near her lips. "Xia Jinmeng sought me out earlier..."

She told Lin Shanchu about Xia Jinmeng's plan in detail.

After Lin Shanchu listened to everything, she was silent for two seconds.

"When the time comes, just follow her plan and take me there."

"Okay."

"I won't be eating with you for the next few days."

Yun Wu pouted, clearly unhappy with that. "Okay," she said.

Lin Shanchu smiled and patted her head. "Good girl. I'll cook for you when I have the chance. My cooking is very delicious.."

Chapter 80: Counterattack

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The intimate contact with Huo Xunzhou was really effective.

For the next two days, Lin Shanchu's physical condition was very good.

As soon as she opened her eyes, the system reported her physical condition to her.

[Your health points are about to run out. Please complete missions as soon as possible to exchange for health points.]

Then, an alarm sounded.

Lin Shanchu carried her clothes while walking to the bathroom. 'Will Huo

Xunzhou be here today?"

The system replied, [I can't monitor the movements of the perfect character.] Lin Shanchu laughed at it. "Just say it if you don't know where he is. There's no need to beat around the bush and find excuses for yourself."

The system was speechless. There was no way to refute Lin Shanchu.

If it were to collapse one day, Lin Shanchu would be the greatest contributor to its collapse.

As a professional system, it reminded Lin Shanchu, [Ji Yuan will be coming to the festival group today.]

"I see." No wonder the system wanted her to have a romantic scandal with Ji Yuan.

When Lin Shanchu went to the cafeteria for breakfast, she heard someone mention that Ji Yuan had been invited to be a temporary assistant instructor.

She hadn't eaten with Yun Wu for the past two days.

She was on her own during that period of time.

After a quick meal, she went to the training room.

When she pushed the door open, she realized that there was no one inside.

Lin Shanchu stood by the door and did not go in directly.

She felt that something was off.

After looking around, she finally realized what was wrong.

The position of the camera was not right.

There was an additional camera positioned directly opposite the door.

There must be a reason behind the production crew's arrangement.

There was most likely someone behind the door.

Lin Shanchu clutched her stomach in response. She pretended to be unwell and was ready to head toward the washroom.

She did not forget to close the door behind her when she left.

Ji Yuan, who was hiding behind the door, was extremely puzzled. He asked the camera in a breathy whisper, "Why did she leave?"

The fans, who came to the live broadcast room to see Ji Yuan, were howling with laughter.

[Hahahaha! Poor Yuanyuan wasted his time hiding there!]

[I've never watched this show before, but I heard that Lin Shanchu is on the wild side.]

[Really? But she looks so gentle.]

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"Forget it. Since no one is coming, I'll go out and take a look," Ji Yuan said as he opened the door.

Then, he mumbled to himself, "There's no one here."

At this moment, Lin Shanchu suddenly stuck out her head from the side. "Hey, Ji Yuan!"

Bam!

Ji Yuan, who was over 1.8 meters tall, was so frightened that he slammed into the door.

However, he only hit the brim of his cap, so his cap was knocked askew.

"Didn't you leave already?" Ji Yuan was dumbfounded.

Lin Shanchu pointed to the extra camera position. "I thought there might be someone behind the door."

Speechless, Ji Yuan felt that he was reduced to an idiot.

The commenters were laughing at Ji Yuan.

[Hahaha! Ji Yuan is so silly!]

[He hid for half an hour, but he ended up getting scared by the girl!]

[Guys, hurry up and edit the clip so that you can upload it on the net to embarrass Yuanyuan!]

[As expected of valedictorians. Not only is she smart, but she also reacts quickly.]

[How can you guys still laugh at this? Yuanyuan was so scared that he slammed his head on the door! My heart hurts for him!]

[I hate fake fans like you who feel bad for idols! Yuanyuan isn't that weak! Wasn't he just about to scare Lin Shanchu? Besides, he only hit the brim of the hat, not his head!]

"Hello, Mr. Ji Yuan, I'm Lin Shanchu."

Lin Shanchu nodded slightly while greeting Ji Yuan.

"I know you!" Ji Yuan's facial features were exquisite. His eyes were very bright when he smiled.

Nan Mu always had an eye for talent.

Ji Yuan's appearance was naturally top-notch in the entertainment industry.

At this time, the other members had also returned to the training room one after another.

The system did not forget its previous task. [I don't think Huo Xunzhou is coming today. Why don't you try starting a romantic scandal with Ji Yuan?] Lin Shanchu ignored it.

[It's simple like how you pretended to fall into Huo Xunzhou's arms last time.] The system continued to persuade her.

"Heh."

Lin Shanchu sneered and blocked the system.

As a new top celebrity, romantic scandals involving Ji Yuan would lower his business value.

At that time, he would lose a portion of his resources. Lu Shiyuan would definitely seize this opportunity to promote his celebrities and snatch Ji Yuan's resources.

This was much more serious than being harassed by Ji Yuan's fans.

If it wasn't for the fact that the system had been particularly useless from the beginning, she would have suspected that it was a spy sent by Lu Shiyuan.

Ji Yuan was in charge of guiding the singing and dancing groups.

"Perform the dance for me."

He stood in front of the group with a serious look on his face, which was completely different from the dumbfounded look he had when he was scared by Lin Shanchu and got his cap knocked off.

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As he watched, his brows gradually furrowed.

Ji Yuan only spoke after everyone had finished dancing. "Have you guys been practicing hard these past two days?"

One of the groupmates looked in Lin Shanchu's direction. "We did practice. It's just that someone's been in poor health recently and ended up delaying our progress..."

This groupmate was different from Wen Tongtong and Ning Yunxi. She joined Lin Shanchu's group in the end because she had no choice.

She had always felt that Lin Shanchu was unprofessional. Hence, she was unconvinced that Lin Shanchu was deserving of first place. "Who are you referring to?" Ji Yuan asked despite knowing the answer.

"Everyone knows that," the groupmate replied.

Wen Tong let out a sneer. "When did Lin Shanchu delay our progress other than the first day due to her health issues? You're the worst dancer among us. No one pointed it out in front of you because they wanted to protect your pride. Did you seriously think you're this good at dancing?"

The comments went wild.

[Did I miss something? Wen Tongtong is actually speaking up for Lin

Shanchu!]

[Um... Why am I shipping them already?]

[They're all fighting amongst each other instead of working together. It's impossible for them to perform well...]

Wen Tongtong's teammate's face turned beet red before draining to stark white. She refuted stubbornly, "Well, all of you defend Lin Shanchu!" As a straight man, Ji Yuan hated girl fights the most.

"Shut up and let your actions do the talking for you! You two can have a dance-off!"

Ji Yuan gestured for everyone to back off and make room for Lin Shanchu and the groupmate to have a dance-off.

Lin Shanchu had been in good health for the past two days, so she had been practicing seriously.

When she returned to the dormitory at night, Yun Wu would also secretly give her special treatment by mentoring her dance moves.

Her weak female lead aura was not worth mentioning in front of absolute strength.

Sometimes, Lin Shanchu felt that Yun Wu was the one who had the script for the female lead.

Therefore, when she and the groupmate battled it out, it was clear who was stronger.

The commenters were surprised.

[Lin Shanchu is awesome! She can perform the whole dance perfectly, not to mention her moves are on point!]

[I'm starting to look forward to the performance of "Death of the Universe" during the first public showdown.

[Don't get too cocky. This isn't just Lin Shanchu's performance; it's a group performance.]

[That's true. This teammate's performance is quite bad...]

Ji Yuan immediately took out his phone and showed everyone the comments.

"Are you convinced?" he asked.

The groupmate nodded darkly.

"This is teamwork. Everyone has to work together."

Ji Yuan put away his phone and started correcting the group's movements.

After two rounds, Lin Shanchu could feel the obvious lack of physical strength,

Since there was a guest taking on the role of an assistant instructor, Huo Xunzhou the stage witness should make his appearance on the set.

However, it was already lunchtime, so why was he still nowhere to be seen? At this moment, Lin Shanchu caught a glimpse of Nan Mu standing at the door..