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Chapter 316: Quick Change of Face

Su Cha did not pursue the topic and sighed instead. “Your brother is a police officer, but you came to participate in this talent show. The difference between you two is quite big.”

“Yes. Being a police officer suits him, but I’ve liked to sing since I was young. It’s nice to have a platform like this show. My family doesn’t expect me to accomplish anything big. I just need to do what I want.”

It was rare for Jin Mou to speak so much. If someone else were being like this, it would be hard not to hate her.

Jin Mou looked like a blessed child. She had been raised with love and was carefree, and she could do whatever she wanted without any difficulty.

Most people participating in the talent show would not be able to relate to Jin Mou.

Some of them had goals while the others just wanted to become famous.

Su Cha could sense Jin Mou’s casual attitude. She could not help but laugh when she recalled what Jin Mou had said to Mona. “I don’t think you have such a strong obsession with the championship. You’re just happy to participate in the competition. Why did you say that to Mona?”

“Because I don’t like her.”

Jin Mou frowned and said directly, “I think she’s very pretentious.”

For a girl like her, liking and disliking someone was a straightforward matter. She was raised in a wealthy family, but she was not an ignorant person. She could tell that Mona had a conflict with her. It’s clear what kind of person Mona was, so she did not like her.

Su Cha was silent for a while. “I guess it’ll be fine as long as you don’t interact with people you don’t like.”

Jin Mou had said that it did not matter, but there were too many people in the villa.

Unexpectedly, Jin Mou smiled. “Even if we don’t interact with each other, there might still be trouble later on. You know about Fu Bin, right? I think the person who cut her strings has advanced too. With such a person around, the dormitory will not be peaceful.”

“...”

Su Cha did not expect Jin Mou to see everything clearly. She thought for a while and asked, “Do you have a guess about who it is?”

She did not know the contestants, so she did not know who the most likely culprit was. Besides, given the place where it happened, it was impossible to only speculate about the contestants.

“If we compare the contestants carefully, we can still find traces. It’s just that there is no evidence.”

Jin Mou curled her lips and said, “My brother is a police officer. I’ve been influenced by him since I was young. I know how to deduce these things and find the truth through the evidence. But I’m not familiar with them, so I don’t feel the need to interfere with the others’ matters.”

Su Cha chuckled softly. “Aren’t you afraid that I will tell others?”

If she just casually said that Jin Mou had guessed that the person who’d cut the strings had already advanced to the next round, Jin Mou could instantly become the target of everyone.

Jin Mou tilted her head, looking rather cute. “You definitely won’t. You’re not that kind of person.”

She was sure.

Su Cha was stunned.

In just a short time, could Jin Mou determine what kind of person she was?

At the same time, this was also a form of trust.

As she thought this, Su Cha's heart skipped a beat and her smile became brighter.

"Hey, hey, hey, can you guys shoot a video with me?"

A contestant suddenly rushed over from the corridor and entered Su Cha and Jin Mou's room with her phone in hand. The smiling Jin Mou's expression instantly turned cold, and she regained her usual coldness.

Su Cha admired her for how quickly her attitude could change.

Chapter 317: Backdoor

After Su Cha nodded, the other contestant raised her phone and took a round of pictures of their room. "I'm filming a video. Can I also take a picture of you? When I am done editing, I will upload it to LovMusik. It should be fine, right?" she asked directly.

Su Cha noticed that a few pieces of clothing had just been taken out. She blocked them completely from view and said, "You haven't taken pictures yet, right? Please do it later. Our room is not presentable yet."

She did not say anything directly, but the contestant also nodded knowingly. "It's okay, I haven't filmed yet."

Then she went out with her phone in hand.

After she left, Jin Mou told Su Cha that she should go to the production crew to collect some toiletries and basins. She went with Jin Mou.

When she passed by one of the rooms, she saw a contestant's parents standing there and saying to another contestant, "My daughter will be troubling you, little miss. She is young and a little willful. She doesn't wash her clothes at home. Sometimes, you'll have to help her wash them out of kindness..."

Su Cha and Jin Mou were surprised by those words.

The contestant who was being spoken to also looked puzzled and impatient.

Who doesn't have parents? Is your child that spoiled?

From the contestant's expression, it was as if she wanted to blurt out these words. On the other side, a girl wearing a school uniform top and a pleated skirt sat by the bed, smiling as she opened a bag of chips and ate it.

Su Cha: "..."

There were all sorts of talents in the world.

They went to collect their things. Because the production crew had to make arrangements, their parents were urged to leave, and most of them had left.

The director of the production crew raised a loudspeaker and asked the contestants to gather. Then, he roughly talked about food, cooking, and travel.

They were not allowed to go out. It was unrealistic to order takeouts every day, so the production crew provided all kinds of kitchen tools. The contestants who could cook could do it themselves or gather together to do it. If it was not convenient, they were free to order takeout.

There was a common area where they could eat every day. It was equivalent to the small canteen in the villa, and the food would be the same as what the staff ate. If one did not want to eat that, there were those two options already mentioned.

The rest of the details were trivial.

After the contestants heard the director's words, they started to discuss cooking arrangements. After all, in their minds, the rice here was surely not going to be delicious.

Jin Mou was stunned. "I don't want to eat there..."

Su Cha glanced at her and agreed.

She thought for a while. “I think someone will send me food every day. Let’s eat together.”

Bo Mui had thought of this before she came here, so he’d arranged for the secret guards to deliver fresh and delicious food to Su Cha every day. The amount was definitely sufficient. The contestants like Jin Mou would subconsciously maintain their figures and eat less. It was fine for them to eat together.

Jin Mou glanced at Su Cha and accepted it happily. “Okay.”

That noon will be their first meal in the villa. Many contestants went to try eating the workplace meal for now. After all, if they tried the taste and ended up liking it, they could save on food going forward.

But in the end, even though the taste was not bad, it was still not good enough for these picky girls.

Hence, many people ordered takeout after eating.

However, while Su Cha and Jin Mou were at their dormitory, as expected, a tall staff wearing a mask came over at noon. His aura was obviously different from the others. After handing Su Cha an exquisite and high-end lunchbox, he left.

Chapter 318: Lackey

“Here’s our food.”

Su Cha smiled as she gestured for Jin Mou to eat. Jin Mou was puzzled after she saw the staff member. “That one looked different from the other staff members. Su Cha, are we allowed to ask them to buy food?”

Naturally, Jin Mou assumed that Su Cha had paid for the meal.

“No.”

Su Cha shook her head with a smile. “We just have a family connection.”

Back door dealings, then.

Jin Mou: "..."

When the food container was opened, the fragrance of the food wafted out. Even Jin Mou, who was not intending to eat much, was tempted. There were four dishes and one soup in the food container. It was enough for three people to eat. Between the two of them, there seemed to be too much.

Su Cha scooped food for Jin Mou and the two of them ate happily.

The food was too fragrant. Bo Muye's arrangement was definitely the best. The door to their room was not closed in the middle of the afternoon. The fragrance rushed out and soon attracted the attention of other contestants. "What is so fragrant?"

When one contestant entered the room, she saw Su Cha and Jin Mou eating. Her eyes widened. "Hey, did you order takeout? It smells so good. Which one did you order?"

Su Cha was surprised to see her.

This person was the girl whose parents asked another contestant to take care of when they went to collect things in the afternoon.

Her tone was normal, as if it was natural for her to ask this question. She also seemed comfortable with suddenly breaking into their dormitory.

Su Cha put down the bowl and said slowly, "It's not takeout. The staff brought it to us."

The girl blurted out, "Can I also ask him to bring me some?"

Probably because she was used to doing it, she added after three seconds, "I can pay."

Su Cha said with a faint smile, "Can you tell the staff yourself?"

The girl felt a sense of guilt when she saw Su Cha's appearance. She did not dare to say anything overboard and just swallowed her saliva as she smelled the food. "Are you done eating?"

Jin Mou: "I'm done eating!"

Jin Mou's tone was much colder than Su Cha's. Her usual appearance was already not friendly. When she spoke just now, there was an obvious rejection in her tone.

Seeing the way Jin Mou spoke, the girl had no choice but to leave the dormitory. Before she left, she mumbled something that was hard to hear.

After she left, Jin Mou closed the door. "How can there be such an entitled person?"

Su Cha smiled and did not say anything.

That night, another staff member dressed as a secret guard delivered food to Su Cha. This time, not only did the girl know about it, but she also dragged a few contestants to block the secret guard at Su Cha's door. She asked him if he could bring food for them, but the secret guard ignored them and strode away.

The attitude of this "worker" angered the group of girls. They went to question the production crew about the different treatment Su Cha and Jin Mou were enjoying. The production crew gave an irrefutable reply, "I think they are relatives. We can't be bothered with the help between relatives."

Such an answer made the girls unable to calm down. They were all contestants, so how could only some enjoy special treatment?

However, the production crew could not criticize them. Naturally, Jin Mou and Su Cha were remembered by the others on the very first day they entered the dormitory.

Forming cliques was a serious matter among girls. Soon, everyone was divided into several groups. Su Cha and Jin Mou were directly excluded by all of them. Moreover, due to Jin Mou's rich appearance, they believed that it was Jin Mou's doing that they were able to eat such fresh dishes. Su Cha was just Jin Mou's lackey.

That made some contestants jealous of Su Cha.

Chapter 319: Live Broadcast

Other people's opinions could not influence Su Cha.

But no matter how the contestants truly felt, they still appeared friendly. After all, they were in front of a camera, and this was going to be a live broadcast.

Those who were not stupid would at least pretend.

Because if anyone showed any dislike, the audience would think that she had no emotional intelligence.

The production crew began the live broadcast on the morning of the second day. No one was ignorant of it, nor were they required to present their natural state in front of the camera. The production crew would give them hints about whatever they could or could not show.

Some contestants would even be given a script and a character setup.

For example, the production crew might ask one of them to put on an innocent look. During the live broadcast, she'd have to do her best to appear as simple as possible so that the audience would think that that's really the way she was. If her acting was not good, the crew would give the contestant a script and make her follow it.

However, the production crew refrained from giving a contestant an entirely different persona from who they were because that would be too difficult.

Even a singing program could do this. Su Cha recalled some reality shows she had watched and instantly understood. In the industry, many people had a character profile.

Outside of these labels, one might not even know what kind of person she truly was.

Su Cha and Jin Mou had many merits and did not need a character profile created for them. For example, Su Cha could directly be labeled as a "high-intelligence girl" without any scripts.

She would not even have to do anything to prove it. Since she held the title of the provincial champion of the college entrance examination, no one could doubt her.

As for Jin Mou, the production crew decided not to let her appear like a cold and aloof girl. Since she was from a wealthy family, the production crew asked her to lean towards the “rich and beautiful” type. Anyway, it would be enough to let others know that she was an exquisite rich lady.

Of course, not every contestant knew about the production crew’s private script. But while Su Cha and Jin Mou did not have one, they could not avoid noticing the staff handing the script to other contestants that night. Even if the door was closed, Su Cha could hear what was going on clearly when she passed by.

Su Cha did not mean to overhear.

However, she did not say anything. She just found it amusing.

As expected, they were going to create a girl group this year, so some people had started to label contestants.

The live broadcast was about to begin the next day. The staff reminded them that they had to wake up early because they wanted to show their vitality. The live broadcast on the first day would start at 6 am. They had to get up early and put on makeup before lying back on the bed. This would make them look like they had just woken up.

How many real girls could take facing the camera without makeup on?

Of course they had to get up early to put some on.

Su Cha also woke up quite early. Due to the change in environment, even with Jin Mou around, she did not sleep very soundly.

However, it was not so she would not look out of sorts when she woke up.

When it was about five o’clock, Su Cha rose from her bed. She did not start getting herself ready. Instead, she washed up and applied some simple makeup before going out of the villa to jog.

There were other roads in the villa district. Su Cha ran along the track for half an hour before entering the gym in the villa to exercise.

She was the first contestant to leave the room, and she went to exercise directly, which surprised the staff.

Chapter 320: Too Much

Su Cha was not the only one who was in the habit of exercising.

At around 5:30 pm, basically all the contestants had gotten up one after another, and the rooms bustled with activity. Before the cameras were switched on, the contestants put on their pajamas and pretended to be sleepy. Then, they deliberately covered the camera with their clothes to upgrade their makeup.

Their makeup must not be obvious. They just needed to cover up the flaws on their skin so that most contestants would look flawless.

When the camera was turned on, Su Cha had not returned to her room.

What managed to capture her was the camera in the hall, which was not as good as the others.

While some girls were now also going out for a jog after changing their clothes, Su Cha was already sitting in the main hall and eating her breakfast slowly.

The production crew had specially provided breakfast. Su Cha ordered a cup of milk and two sandwiches.

She did not eat much, just the right amount for a normal adult.

The martial arts she practiced would automatically trim the excesses from her body. Even if she didn't practice these skills, she had a body that did not get fat.

But since she would not be able to practice in the villa for the next few days, she could only exercise out of boredom and eat as much as was proper.

However, it could not be helped that the villa was filled with girls who had to restrain themselves to their limits.

Compared to them, Su Cha was simply too outstanding.

No one was born to be fat, but there were only a few who were blessed with the ability to not gain weight.

Most young girls who complained that they were famished could devour food for two immediately. Last night, Su Cha saw several contestants eat a piece of meat and a leaf and say that they were full. It was an eye-opener for her.

Jin Mou was not as extreme as these girls, but she had a small appetite. When she ate with Su Cha, she ate half of an adult's fist before saying she was full.

She did not eat much meat.

Su Cha asked her if she wanted to maintain her figure, but Jin Mou said that she was simply used to it and that she was really not hungry.

Su Cha did not insist.

In fact, as long as one persevered in exercising and had strong self-control, it would be fine to eat everyday food. Even if one ate greasy or fatty food, if one was willing to spend time exercising every day after eating, they would basically not become fat.

But in modern society, few people could persevere like this.

So starvation was the most direct way for girls to maintain their figures.

Among the group of girls who did not go out for a run, a few took two sips of milk and finished a small bite of a sandwich.

Their plate was left on their table, the contents destined to go to waste.

In contrast, Su Cha slowly finished her two egg sandwiches and a glass of milk...

The production crew: "..."

They felt that they had given her the wrong character profile.

It would not have mattered to her as long as she could eat more for breakfast. It was made by the classic cake shop of the Peigen Sandwich Group, so it tasted good. After Su Cha finished eating, she licked her lips and felt that she still had room for more. However, it was not advisable to eat a third one. After thinking for a while, she went to get half a cup of milk and leisurely carried it back to her room to look for Jin Mou.

She did not come out even after a long time.

The production crew was worried that Su Cha would throw up after eating so much. After all, many people had deliberately eaten a lot in front of the camera before, only to turn around and puke in the bathroom.

While she could definitely use such a character setup, it would hurt her body.