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Chapter 16: Disappointment

Li Chengqian had wanted to tell Teacher Tian Wenming that his mathematics wasn't lousy anymore! He could easily solve any question that was within the syllabus.

However, when he thought of how he only scored 40 out of 150 marks in the last mock exam, he kept his mouth shut.

Tian Wenming would definitely not believe it. "Next week is the second provincial joint mock exam. When the time comes, results will speak for itself."

"I only learned programming recently. I don't have hands-on experience, and I have not written my own program either... Also, Teacher Tian, what is the open source project you mentioned?" Li Chengqian answered Tian Wenming's questions honestly.

Then, he started asking all the things he didn't know.

This was the first time he had heard of the term open source project , both in his previous life and in this life.

When Tian Wenming heard Li Chengqian's reply, he looked at him in shock.

He had only learned programming recently? And he could get full marks? Tian Wenming had his doubts.

What was most disturbing was that Li Chengqian had never written a program and didn't know about open source projects.

"Open source projects are projects that use open source codes available on the Internet. Anyone can participate in the development of open source projects. The projects on the gitee website and github website are all open source projects."

Looking at Li Chengqian's confused expression, Tian Wenming explained the use of open source projects in daily life.

"The Linux and Android systems we're using are the results of the open source project!"

Actually, before Li Chengqian answered his question, Tian Wenming was very excited. But after hearing Li Chengqian's answer, his heart instantly sank, and he was greatly disappointed.

Li Chengqian's theory was indeed very good!

However, there was always a huge gap between theory and practice.

It was just like how most people knew that the formula for gunpowder was sulfur, nitrate, and charcoal.

However, apart from professionals, how many people have you seen successfully make gunpowder?

This was the difference between theory and practice!

"So that's how it is!" Li Chengqian suddenly understood, and then his eyes flashed brightly.

Li Chengqian had never heard of gitee and github websites, and the Linux system. He didn't know what they were, but he knew Android.

What was the Android system?

It dominated the mobile phone operating system worldwide.

Nine out of every ten phones in the world use Android.

"Li Chengqian, the Junior Informatics Programming Competition is divided into two parts: the written test and the machine test. The written test takes up 40%, and the machine test takes up 60%."

"According to the rules of the competition, the competition is divided into two stages..." Tian Wenming took out a Junior Informatics Programming Competition guide and told Li Chengqian the things to take note of in the competition.

The entire competition was divided into two stages.

The first stage was the preliminary round, also known as the screening round. During the screening round, students from the same province were ranked together. The top 20 students in the province would qualify for the finals.

The preliminary round was only 10 days away. The date was March 25th, the written test would be in the morning and the computer test would be in the afternoon.

The second stage was the finals which would be held on April 25th at Divine Dragon University located in the capital and the competition would run for a day. "As there are only 10 days until the preliminary round, I can't give you much help. These are the past year written and machine test questions, as well as the model answers. Go study them."

"If you encounter something you don't understand or can't understand, you can ask me anytime." Tian Wenming pulled out a USB flash drive from the computer and handed it to Li Chengqian.

If they had at least 30 days, Tian Wenming would put in a lot more effort to train Li Chengqian in programming.

At the same time, he would also propose giving Li Chengqian a teammate who was especially strong in mathematics.

He would do his best to help Li Chengqian emerge in the top 50 in the country.

However, there were only 10 days left until the official competition.

Li Chengqian didn't have any foundation at all. It was already too late for programming training. It wouldn't make much difference even if he trained hard.

As for the issue of giving Li Chengqian a teammate who was strong in mathematics, he didn't even mention it.

"Get more hands-on practice and familiarize yourself with the use of programming software."

"Read up on classic programs. Learn how other people solve problems when they're faced with them."

'Thank you teacher, I will work hard!" Li Chengqian replied earnestly.

"Mm, practice more during this period of time and master the basics! Go for it!"

After Li Chengqian left, Tian Wenming sighed in his heart, "What a pity. If only Li Chengqian's practical skills weren't so bad."

"Fortunately, we still have Bi Jialiang. There's still hope for Bi Jialiang..." Tian Wenming's mind raced as he thought of Bi Jialiang.

"However, Bi Jialiang didn't have fortitude. He turned and ran just because his exam results were worse than Li Chengqian's."

"I have to give him some advice so that he won't do anything stupid in the future." Tian Wenming shook his head. Not long after, Bi Jialiang appeared in the teacher's office dejectedly. His eyes were dim, as if he had lost his vitality.

Jian Qingli was Bi Jialiang's teammate, so she came with him. However, Jian Qingli's brows were tightly knitted, and she was expressionless.

"Bi Jialiang, these are the revision materials for the competition...!" Tian Wenming repeated for Bi Jialiang what he had said earlier to Li Chengqian, and handed him a USB flash drive containing the information.

Bi Jialiang remained silent.

"Kid, why are you so dejected?" Tian Wenming frowned.

"Teacher Tian, with someone as powerful as Li Chengqian around..." Bi Jialiang's mood was very low. He had always felt that Li Chengqian was trash, but the tables had turned completely. Turned out he was actually trash.

"Li Chengqian's theoretical foundation is very good, but in other aspects, he is still inferior to you." Tian Wenming comforted him. He had to boost Bi Jialiang's confidence.

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With Bi Jialiang's current state, he might not even make it through the preliminary round.

"Li Chengqian does not have any programming experience. In terms of practical operations, he's nothing!"

"Li Chengqian only scored 40 marks in the previous mathematics mock exam. In terms of mathematical modeling, he's not as good as you."

"So, Li Chengqian isn't stronger than you right now!"

"But if you stay dispirited like this, Li Chengqian will quickly surpass you."

"Since you care so much about winning and losing, why don't you pick up your spirits and openly defeat Li Chengqian in a real competition?"

After Tian Wenming told him what he knew, Bi Jialiang's eyes gradually lit up. His dispiritedness was swept away, and a new fighting spirit appeared on his face again.

After Jian Qingli heard this, her tensed face relaxed, and she felt a lot more relaxed.

Especially when Tian Wenming said, "Li Chengqian is not stronger than Bi Jialiang!" These words were like a booster shot in her arm. "My choice was not wrong! In fact, Bi Jialiang is still stronger than Li Chengqian!"

"In the actual competition, the written test only takes up 40%. Even if you get full marks, it won't be much. You won't be able to widen the gap between you and others."

"In the competition, the real deciding factor is the results of the computing test!" Jian Qingli's confidence was boosted.

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Looking at the two of them, an imperceptible smile appeared in Tian Wenming's eyes.

"Teacher, thank <u>you!"</u>

"If you really want to thank me, study hard and strive to enter the top 50 in the country. Take the interview and enter Divine Dragon University. With such results, I can be evaluated as an outstanding teacher this year and get a raise," Tian Wenming said with a faint smile.

"Teacher, I won't let you down!"

"I'll use my results to prove that my programming skills are the best in Tianyi High School!" Bi Jialiang became confident again.

"Teacher, we're going to revise." After regaining his confidence, Bi Jialiang walked out impatiently.

This time, he had lost face in front of Li Chengqian. He would regain his face ten times over in the actual competition.

"Good luck. Go for it." Tian Wenming waved.