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Chapter 1261: What Do You Think About Student-Teacher Relationships?

"What are you thinking?"

"You're not cautious of me at all," Gu Qingli said as he lifted Mo Ziyan in his arms. "But, I really want to eat you up tonight."

Mo Ziyan was shocked. She suddenly felt like a lamb being sent into the mouth of a wolf as she replied, "Brother Four, I have no experience!"

"Me neither," Gu Qingli replied naturally.

"In the past..."

"I've never been with a woman before," Gu Qingli replied honestly. "No one's been able to make my heart race and no one's been able to mess up my thoughts the way that you do. So, Mo Ziyan, you are certainly something..."

Mo Ziyan's face slowly turned red before she reminded Gu Qingli, "Why don't you have a bath first?"

"Let's have one together." After saying this, Gu Qingli carried Mo Ziyan back into the bathroom and placed her on the vanity.

He then hooked his slender fingers under her chin and placed a gentle kiss on her lips.

Mo Ziyan was nervous and scared as she wrapped her arms around Gu Qingli's neck, but she enjoyed this feeling and felt excited by it.

They had never experienced the intimacy between a man and woman, so their gentle movements quickly turned passionate and intense.

Mo Ziyan only had a bathrobe on, so all it took was a simple tug from Gu Qingli for her body to be exposed in front of him. This quickly made his mind wander...

Afterwards, Gu Qingli removed the suit on his body and revealed the firm muscles hidden underneath...

Mo Ziyan's face turned even redder than before.

"Ziyan, look at me."

Gu Qingli held onto Mo Ziyan's cheeks and looked into her dewy eyes, "I want you – right here, right now."

Mo Ziyan couldn't reject him as she responded with her body...

Their movements were a little awkward, but it was full of passion and it didn't take long before there was no gap left between the two...

As the shower sprayed down on them, their kisses became more intense and their bodies started to act instinctively. At that moment, Mo Ziyan's mind couldn't think straight. In fact, she didn't even consider moving to the comfort of a bed...

Gu Qingli was well-educated, so even though it was his first time, he still knew how to reduce the pain experienced by a woman. Therefore, he took good care of his dopey little woman...

The bathroom light glowed dimly into the bedroom, but the two people that were intertwined inside were creating quite an embarrassing outline against the glass.

A pleasurable moan followed a gentle cry of pain...

By the time that Mo Ziyan came to her senses, she was already lying on the bed. The discomfort in her body made her curl up into a ball, unable to move.

Gu Qingli smiled dotingly and pulled her into his arms, "Now, this is what you call living together..."

"Brother Four, you're a bad man."

"Only to you," Gu Qingli kissed Mo Ziyan on the forehead before he coaxed her to sleep.

After tasting the forbidden fruit, he was so tempted to taste it again. But, he knew that Mo Ziyan wasn't ready, so he did not force her.

The couple fell asleep in each other's arms until the next morning. When Mo Ziyan opened her eyes in the morning and saw Gu Qingli's chest, she immediately blushed, "Good morning, Brother Four."

"Silly," Gu Qingli stood up and revealed his perfect figure. Mo Ziyan quickly covered her eyes. Did this man have no restraint around her?

"You've already seen everything. Do I still need to hide?" Gu Qingli asked.

"I'm not used to it," Mo Ziyan turned around.

"Your class is in the third period, you can sleep for a little longer," Gu Qingli reminded. "I'll prepare breakfast for you. You can eat it when you're ready."

"OK. Hurry and get going."

Seeing that Mo Ziyan was hurrying him to leave, Gu Qingli walked around to face her and asked, "Are you feeling regretful?"

"No!" Mo Ziyan guickly shook her head. "I simply haven't grown accustomed to this yet."

"Even if you regret it, it's already too late, Silly," Gu Qingli said before he placed a kiss on Mo Ziyan's forehead. However, he couldn't stop with this one kiss...

After getting a taste, Gu Qingli was completely addicted. In the end, Professor Gu took his first-ever sick day off from work...

As for Mo Ziyan, she did not attend any of her classes either.

When her roommates saw this, they immediately knew something was going on between the two.

"Don't tell me they were so intense in bed that they couldn't get up."

"It looks that way!"

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The couple ended up spending the entire day in bed. However, they didn't spend the entire time being intimate, instead, they were resting.

Mo Ziyan felt like she was being showered by luck, but she had no idea that, at that very moment, Mo Ting was lying sick in bed.

When Tangning called Mo Ziyan, she was in the middle of having dinner with Gu Qingli. The couple wore their wedding rings and enjoyed some wine, like a pair of newlyweds. But, as soon as Mo Ziyan heard that Mo Ting was sick, she immediately jumped out of her seat.

"Your father's had the flu for a few days. Shouldn't you come back and take on your role as CEO now?"

"Mom, I'll be back in a moment," Mo Ziyan replied with urgency.

"I'm glad that you know how to come back."

Seeing the anxious look on Mo Ziyan's face, Gu Qingli immediately helped her grab her clothes and pack her bags, "Do you need to return to Hyatt Regency?"

"My father's sick, I need to go back and check on things."

"Let me take you," Gu Qingli offered. "It will be quicker that way."

"OK," Mo Ziyan nodded.

Mo Ziyan never imagined that this would be the opportunity for Gu Qingli to meet her parents.

The couple drove into Hyatt Regency and were unexpectedly met by Tangning at the front of the villa. Mo Ziyan felt a little awkward, but she had no choice but to step out of the car with Gu Qingli and introduce him to her mother.

Gu Qingli remained as refined as ever. After stepping out of the car, he stretched out his hand politely, "Hello, Auntie."

"I've heard a lot about you," Tangning smiled. "Let's go in first."

"I already had plans to visit you soon, but because of the sudden incident today, I didn't get a chance to prepare properly. I feel a little bad because of it."

"It's fine," Tangning displayed the authority of someone with seniority. From the looks of it, she was planning to make things difficult for Gu Qingli. "Ziyan, go see your father first."

Mo Ziyan knew that Tangning was deliberately sending her away, but there was nothing she could do about it, "I'll get going then, Mom..."

"Don't worry, I won't bully your man," Tangning reassured helplessly. Everyone said that a married daughter was like spilled water. It seemed, they were right.

She then turned to look at Gu Qingli. But, he remained as refined and calm as ever.

It seemed, he wasn't an average man.

"Mr. Gu, please sit," Tangning welcomed as they headed into the living room. "I heard you're my daughter's professor."

"Yes, Auntie."

"In that case, what do you think about student-teacher relationships?" Tangning deliberately tested.

As soon as Gu Qingli heard this question, he smiled and did not get flustered, "A good teacher is like a good friend. When a teacher and student is of a similar age, it's hard not to develop some kind of a relationship. Restraint is expected, but if one comes across someone that they really can't restrain themselves against, then they would sacrifice anything to be with this precious person!"

After hearing this, Tangning's gaze softened.

He was certainly an open-minded and cultivated man.

Chapter 1262: You've Only Passed My Test Today

"In that case, does Professor Gu know about my husband?" Tangning continued to question Gu Qingli.

"Who in Beijing doesn't know him?" Gu Qingli replied naturally. "President Mo has been doing business for many years and he's practically invincible."

"In that case, do you think you have a similar vibe as my husband?" Tangning asked before she explained, "I'm sure you understand what I'm trying to say. I'm afraid that Ziyan may be trying to find her father's image in you and she doesn't actually love you."

After hearing this, Gu Qingli lowered his head and thought for a few seconds. He then looked up and replied, "To be honest, Auntie, I think President Mo and I are very different people. Besides, I'm sure that Ziyan can differentiate between us. Most importantly, love is something between two people. If I can't sense that she is truly in love with me, then I wouldn't waste my time on this relationship either."

Tangning looked at Gu Qingli in detail. She could tell how serious he was and she could tell that he was a calm person that didn't get easily flustered.

He was quite a capable person.

"In that case, what are your plans from now on? As you know, Ziyan is Hai Rui's successor, so she is going to be very busy in the future."

"You don't need to worry about that, Auntie. Apart from teaching, I also have many investments, so I'm confident that I can help her manage her time."

This guy's answers were flawless.

Tangning couldn't think of a reason to reject him, nor could she think of a way to make things difficult for him any longer. So, she surrendered.

"You need to understand. As a mother that knows her daughter has been in love with a man for 4 years without receiving any reciprocation, it's only natural for me to be worried and upset."

"I'm sorry, Auntie. It was my fault for not reading Ziyan's letter and discovering her feelings earlier. However, I will do my best to make up for it."

The two chatted in the living room for a long time. Finally, Mo Ziyan returned from her parents' bedroom and approached the two, "What bad things did you say behind my back?"

"You've only passed my test today, but you haven't passed her father's!" Tangning said as she stood up.

"I'm aware of that, Auntie."

"By the way, her father's going to be sick for a few days, so no one will be around to call the shots at Hai Rui. She can't act childishly, she'll need to report to the office."

"OK, I'll plan out her classes and working hours well," Gu Qingli quickly shouldered this responsibility.

"In that case, show yourself around, I'm going to go back inside to take care of her father." After saying this, Tangning headed for the bedroom. As for Mo Ziyan, she knew what to do. She simply had to attend Hai Rui the next day.

"What did my mother say to you?" Mo Ziyan immediately asked after Tangning left. "Did she make things difficult for you?"

"Isn't it normal for a mother-in-law to make things difficult for her son-in-law?" Gu Qingli asked. He then revealed a reassuring smile, "Auntie was actually very reasonable. You don't need to worry."

"Good," Mo Ziyan was satisfied with this answer as she turned to leave with Gu Qingli.

Meanwhile, Mo Ting lay inside his bedroom with a cold expression. He was still the same ruthless CEO, but his body wasn't as strong as before.

"Has Ziyan gone?"

"Ting...I already had a chat with Professor Gu. He seems like quite a capable young man; no wonder our daughter is interested in him. However, he still needs your approval, otherwise, I'm not completely at ease yet."

Mo Ting stretched out his hand and brushed some hair behind Tangning's ear. He then looked at her and said, "I like what you like. Since that's the case, let's get her married so we don't have to worry about her anymore."

"We can't do that so easily. It's a huge milestone in her life..."

Mo Ting hugged his wife lovingly. It seemed, no matter how much time passed, he could still dote endlessly on this precious woman of his.

"For me, you are the number one priority in my life."

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Even though Mo Ting had announced long ago that Mo Ziyan was taking over Hai Rui, she had not turned up at the office as the CEO yet. So, no one at the office had any respect for her.

But, now that Mo Ting was sick, he was determined to hand everything over to Mo Ziyan and not allow her to avoid it any longer.

Although Mo Ziyan was a little panicked, she did not brush off the responsibility to someone else. After all, her main purpose for staying at the university had already been fulfilled, so it no longer mattered whether she attended her classes anymore.

"Brother Four, I'll be going to Hai Rui tomorrow. You need to help me."

"Oh, you...President Mo has already handed the responsibility to you. That means you definitely have the capability. Besides, you already knew what to do with the business plan you showed me before, you were simply being lazy," Gu Qingli evaluated.

"It's a shame that I can't visit the university freely from now on."

"Your motive for attending university was me. Now that your motive has been achieved, what's the point of wasting more time?" Gu Qingli asked as he sat on the edge of the bed.

Mo Ziyan chuckled and nodded her head, "I guess you're right."

In the end, Mo Ziyan had no choice but to put on her white suit and turn up at Hai Rui the next day.

Meanwhile, Gu Qingli turned up at the university as usual.

However, it had been a good few days since Mo Ziyan's roommates saw her, so they started to wonder what was going on. Was Gu Qingli taking advantage of her every night and making it impossible for her to get out of bed?

In the end, they could no longer resist. So, they went to question Gu Qingli after their class finished, "Professor Gu, what's going on with Ziyan? Why hasn't she been attending class?"

"I'm afraid she won't be attending class anymore. She returned to work..."

"But, she never told us that she found a job."

Gu Qingli revealed a meaningful smile. It seemed, Mo Ziyan had kept an extremely low profile and not told anyone about her identity as the new CEO of Hai Rui.

"I'll let her tell you about it later."

"So mysterious..." Mo Ziyan's roommates looked at each other, but Gu Qingli wouldn't divulge any more information to them.

All they could do was wait for Mo Ziyan to return to the university so they could properly question her.

Meanwhile, how was the new CEO of Hai Rui doing?

Mo Ziyan was nowhere near as cold and intimidating as Mo Ting. In fact, she looked too young to be heading the board meeting at Hai Rui.

But, she listened intently as the staff briefed her on everything that was happening with the business, even though she looked more like an intern than the new CEO.

After everyone finished their briefings, Mo Ziyan finally spoke, "The public relations department, this may be a short briefing, but I didn't want to hear lies. The two PR events you were in charge of last month didn't go too well, could you please explain what happened in detail?"

Chapter 1263: Who Would Dare To Bully Professor Gu? Unless, They Want To Fail!

The atmosphere in the meeting room suddenly turned tense. Everyone assumed that Mo Ziyan was young and could be easily fooled so they only told her the good things and avoided the bad.

But, they never expected her to see through their lies.

"Our singer Qin Jian was recently caught cheating, but you guys didn't grab onto the right timing to clear the scandal. As a result, the media blew up the incident and Qin Jian was forced to hide overseas. This could have been avoided."

"And what about our actor, Lai Jia? He was exposed for working in a nightclub before he debuted. But, not only did the PR department fail to suppress the matter, the media ended up latching onto this scandal. This is the most embarrassing period in Hai Rui's PR history."

"What are you guys thinking? My father may be sick, but I'm clear-headed. So, the Head of the PR department will be dismissed from his position and the Vice President will take over temporarily."

"Everyone else, continue as usual."

No one expected that this harmless-looking young woman would be so deadly when she opened her mouth.

Everyone had been fooled by her appearance.

Actually, if they had thought about it carefully, they would have remembered that she was Mo Ting's daughter; the person that he personally selected to take his place as CEO. Did they really think that she was as naive as she looked? They were the ones that were naive.

Afterwards, the meeting became much more serious.

As Fang Yu peeked in through a gap in the door, he couldn't help but smile. This brat had been kind for too long; these people had no idea how powerful she was. Mo Ziyan seemed oblivious, but she had actually been keeping an eye on Hai Rui and she knew exactly what was going on. On top of that, Mo Ting and Tangning had taught her well.

Would the child taught by these two be simple?

This was how a meeting should be like!

Mo Ziyan drew the line as soon as she arrived and made an example of the PR department, establishing her power in the office. This allowed everyone to know that she couldn't be fooled even though she looked young.

Afterwards, the planning department began to make a whole heap of suggestions and briefed Mo Ziyan on everything that was scheduled for the following 6 months, including where they would be putting most of their focus and which artists they were planning to promote.

At that moment, Mo Ziyan remembered the business plans she discussed with Gu Qingli a few days ago. She felt that two of the proposed collaborations had a lot of potential, so she placed the plans on the table and said to the planning department, "Put everything you suggested aside and continue with all current collaborations. As for new collaborations, I have a couple of decent ones here."

The planning department staff looked at each other.

Luckily, Mo Ziyan only dismissed people from the PR department. If she had researched further into the other departments, everyone would be shaking in their boots.

But, Mo Ziyan's actions were clear. The fate of the PR department already set the best example for everyone else!

This meeting left the staff at Hai Rui very unsettled.

But, it made them realize that they had to change their view towards Hai Rui's new CEO.

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After a full day at Hai Rui, Mo Ziyan returned home feeling as though she was returning from battle. The CEO of Hai Rui was indeed a difficult position to hold.

Mo Ziyan had actually prepared herself for everything she said in the meeting that day and Gu Qingli had given her a lot of useful advice as well. That was how she avoided being disregarded by the old fools at Hai Rui.

Now that she thought about it, it was true that people underestimated the young.

Gu Qingli watched as Mo Ziyan returned home and randomly left her shoes around the house. So, he quickly helped her pick them up, "How many days have you been there? You already can't handle it?"

"Brother Four, that's because you have no idea how difficult those people are."

"President Mo was in that position for a good few decades; you've only been there a few days. If you really don't like this job, then your role is just tying you down."

"I know. You talk too much," Mo Ziyan said as she lay on top of Gu Qingli. "How could I not like the entertainment empire that my father built? Hai Rui's sci-fi films, Hai Rui's artists and everything related to Hai Rui is the best in the industry. As a part of the Mo Family, it is my responsibility to protect our family's honor."

"I'm glad that you know," Gu Qingli carried Mo Ziyan into the bedroom. "Have a bath and come out for dinner after."

Mo Ziyan nodded her head and headed into the bathroom with her pajamas. However, she did not come back out after she went in.

In the end, Gu Qingli went into the bathroom to check on her and froze when he saw her.

That's when he found Mo Ziyan leaning against the edge of the bathtub, fast asleep.

It seemed, she was really tired.

It wasn't easy to escape the heavy responsibilities of Hai Rui.

With this thought, Gu Qingli scooped Mo Ziyan out of the bathtub and carried her to the bed. This was his woman, so it was his job to dote on her.

But, Mo Ziyan was so tired that they didn't seem to have an opportunity to be affectionate except for after work.

Mo Ziyan couldn't accept this.

That's when she remembered that she hadn't given her roommates an explanation yet. So, she took the opportunity to visit the university and see her roommates.

When the roommates saw Mo Ziyan, they immediately fought to hug her, "Where did you go? We haven't seen you for ages."

"I've been working. As you know, work is tiring."

"What work have you been doing?"

"Oh...just a simple employee in the clerical field." In other words, she was just a simple employee for her father.

Mo Ziyan wasn't lying.

"Does that mean you won't be attending classes anymore? It seems, you only care about your lover!"

The girls chatted happily in the cafeteria until Gu Qingli arrived in front of them. When Mo Ziyan saw Gu Qingli, she immediately made space for him to sit down. The two leaned in close to each other and appeared very affectionate.

"Hey...I saw your rings. Did he propose?" one of the roommates asked nosily.

Mo Ziyan looked at the ring on her finger and shook her head, "I don't know what this is all about either. I somehow ended up with this on my finger."

"I thought you had good news. But, instead, it seems as though you don't care what people think about you."

"I won't be visiting the university often anymore," Mo Ziyan humphed. "You girls better not bully my Brother Four in class."

"Please, who would dare to bully Professor Gu? Unless, they want to fail!"

The group continued to chat amongst themselves, completely unaware that someone spotted the rings on the couples' fingers. Gu Qingli had previously told everyone that he was already married, but the person wearing the other ring turned out to be one of his female students...

So...

Was Professor Gu involved in a student-teacher relationship? But, the university didn't allow it. Did this mean that his reputation was about to be destroyed?

Mo Ziyan never expected the effect that her visit would have on Gu Qingli.

However, Gu Qingli noticed the strange looks he began to receive from the students and professors at the university!

"That's the fraud, Professor Gu. He looks decent on the surface, but he's nothing like he appears!"

"Exactly! He said he's already married, but he still seduced a student! What a sanctimonious pr*ck!"

Gu Qingli overheard conversations here and there, but he didn't care. However, the gossip continued to grow.

Chapter 1264: Are You Saying That You're Quitting?

Rumors spread back and forth and eventually landed in the ears of Gu Qingli. Of course, he did not refute these claims because he knew that denial would only make things worse. Besides, what they were saying was true anyway.

Eventually, the University Chancellor called Gu Qingli into his office to speak to him. The rumors were getting out of hand and it was affecting the image of the university's professors.

"Oh, Qingli, modern society may be open-minded and relationships between a student and teacher may not be a big deal, especially between two people of a similar age, but...as you know, you have always attracted a lot of attention on campus. So, naturally, your every move is under the scrutiny of our students."

"The entire university is currently talking about your relationship with a student. Is it about time that you step forward and clear your name?"

"Chancellor, there's nothing to clear. What they are saying, is the truth," Gu Qingli replied calmly.

"But...you still need to think of a solution. You don't want the students to continue gossiping, do you? Qingli, you need to take your future into consideration!"

After hearing this, Gu Qingli began to laugh, "Chancellor, everyone has the right to freedom of speech. I think we should respect that."

"That may sound good, but it doesn't look good. Look at how people are pointing at you and calling you the professor who's messing around with his student. Doesn't it make you feel bad?"

"No, it doesn't," Gu Qingli replied straightforwardly. "Chancellor, I've been at this university for a while now. I'm sure you know the kind of person I am. If the university has no place for me, then I'll have to end my services here."

"What do you mean by this?" the chancellor could tell there was an extra layer of meaning to Gu Qingli's words, "Are you saying that you're quitting?"

"If you guys can't accept my private life...then I have no other choice."

Gu Qingli had already come to this decision: if the university reacted too seriously, then his career as a professor had reached its end.

The chancellor sighed helplessly as he waved his hands at Gu Qingli, "Step out for a second. Let me think this over."

Gu Qingli nodded and stepped out of the office. Although people were gossiping about him, Gu Qingli did not feel embarrassed. After all, this was his private life and he had a clear conscience.

However, Mo Ziyan's roommates quickly called her to notify her of the drama.

"Ziyan, when you visited the campus the other day, someone saw you and everyone's gossiping about Professor Gu as a result. They're all saying that he has a messed up private life. If we think about it, you should be taking responsibility for this."

"But, Brother Four never mentioned this to me."

"Professor Gu is a thoughtful person. He would never complain in front of you," Mo Ziyan's roommate reminded her. "You need to be more thoughtful too. Stop focusing on yourself. Do you know how tough it's been for Professor Gu to face the university all on his own?"

"Yes, thank you for telling me about this. I know what to do," Mo Ziyan said thankfully as she hung up the phone. She then fell into deep thought.

Of course, she did not act straight away because she still needed to find out what the students were actually saying.

So, she sent her secretary into action and quickly discovered the effect that the rumors had on Gu Qingli.

The first rumors weren't so bad. But, after circulating for a while, people were now saying that he had slept with multiple students!

And, even though Gu Qingli had the ability to clarify everything, he didn't want to waste his time on it...

So, when he returned home that night, Mo Ziyan looked at him unhappily and asked, "Brother Four, are you hiding something from me?"

Gu Qingli went downstairs to check on his grandfather before he returned and wrapped his arms around Mo Ziyan. But, he changed the subject, "Aren't you tired from a full day at work?"

"No..."

As soon as Mo Ziyan replied, Gu Qingli immediately lifted her in his arms, "Since you're not tired, let's do something together."

Mo Ziyan was stunned. By the time she realized what was happening, Gu Qingli had already carried her into the bathroom.

One piece of clothing fell onto the floor after another until the couple faced each other in their bare state. Mo Ziyan was suddenly reminded of their 'first time'. That night, they were also in the bathroom when they completed a very important 'ritual'.

Initially, she was still chasing up the matter at the university, but Gu Qingli's kisses began to light up a trail of fiery passion across her body.

This man was an expert. After just one time, he had already evolved and knew exactly how to take control of her body.

It didn't take long before Mo Ziyan gave herself up to his tenderness. Her cheeks were red and her eyes were dewy; a mesmerizing look that Gu Qingli couldn't resist.

Afterwards, the two bodies combined, causing them both to let out moans of pleasure.

Meanwhile, the outline of their perfect figures once again showed up on the glass behind them...

This time, the couple lasted 2 hours. By the time Mo Ziyan returned to the bed, she had already run out of energy to question Gu Qingli about the incident at the university. She simply fell asleep – all the way until the next day.

When she woke up, Gu Qingli had already left.

Gu Qingli's message was clear. He was telling her not to worry about what others thought; it was a complete waste of time.

But, how could Mo Ziyan let others judge and criticize Gu Qingli?

As a result, Mo Ziyan turned up at work as usual, but she instructed her secretary to arrange a meeting with the university's chancellor; Hai Rui was going to use the university as a backdrop for one of their projects.

When Mo Ziyan's secretary heard her reasoning, she couldn't help but find it amusing and shocking at the same time. This was a massive example of husband-doting...

But, the secretary did as she was told. After all, Mo Ziyan was the new CEO.

Soon, news started spreading around the university that Hai Rui was planning to film on campus. This wasn't something that the students should have known about, but Mo Ziyan deliberately leaked the information out.

"Apparently, the CEO of Hai Rui is coming here to discuss the usage of our campus as a backdrop for one of their projects."

"Is the CEO coming here in person for something like that?"

"Supposedly, the CEO is a part of the university's alumni and has already donated a few million to the campus."

"Phwoar...so rich!"

On that day, to emphasize her identity, Mo Ziyan deliberately drove to the university in her family's limited edition Rolls Royce accompanied by a few bodyguards. She was there to tell everyone that Gu Qingli belonged to her!

Soon, she arrived on campus and stepped out of the car in front of everyone. Her every move demonstrated her power and influence.

This was the presence of a CEO...

Chapter 1265: I Heard Your Wife Is The CEO Of Hai Rui! That's Amazing!

While the students and professors looked at Hai Rui's CEO in amazement, they were also surprised that she looked very familiar.

In the end, someone responded, "Isn't that the student that Professor Gu is involved with?"

"Now that you mention it, she does look similar, but she's dressed very differently."

"No way! Is Professor Gu's girlfriend from Hai Rui? Does that mean he gets to see a lot of celebrities?"

Mo Ziyan strutted proudly over to the chancellor's office. Of course, the chancellor was shocked to see her, especially when he discovered her identity. When he thought about the way he made things difficult for Gu Qingli in the past, he immediately broke out in a cold sweat.

"I never expected that Miss Mo is actually the daughter of the infamous Mo Family! I'm sorry if I offended you in the past!"

"Chancellor, my family wanted to keep a low profile in the past, so I never used my real identity in front of everyone. But now that I've officially taken over the role of CEO, it doesn't matter anymore. When I realized that Hai Rui needed to use a university campus as a backdrop, I went ahead and recommended the university I attended. I hope you can understand my intention."

Being spotted by Hai Rui was the best form of promotion.

"Of course, this is a wish come true for us. Our dream is for our alumni to contribute to their university more."

"Great," Mo Ziyan stood up to leave after her brief chat in the office. She then headed to her usual classroom and watched as everyone attended the class inside.

Soon, someone spotted Mo Ziyan and was a little curious by the way she was dressed.

As soon as the bell rang for the end of class, Mo Ziyan's roommates ran out towards her.

"Why are you suddenly visiting us?"

"I'm here to discuss something..."

"Are you here for Professor Gu? All you care about is your lover!" After the roommates ridiculed her, they added, "Go to his office. You should be able to find him in there."

"I'll get going then...You guys continue with your classes."

At that moment, her roommates had not realized her identity yet. Only after the other students started talking, did they react in shock.

"Hey, do you girls know the CEO of Hai Rui?"

The roommates looked at their classmate in confusion, "What do you mean?"

"Don't you know that the person you just hugged is the daughter of the Mo Family? A.K.A. the CEO of Hai Rui?"

That's when they realized what was going on with Mo Ziyan, the brat!

But, Mo Ziyan had already forgotten about them and wandered off to Gu Qingli's office. As she approached and saw Gu Qingli preparing notes for class, she gently knocked on the door, "Can I come in?"

When Gu Qingli saw her, he already knew about the commotion she had caused at the university, "Didn't I tell you that the rumors didn't matter?"

"But, I don't want to see people talking rubbish about you," Mo Ziyan humphed.

Gu Qingli let out a gentle laugh and walked over to her. He then held onto her hand and said, "So, am I innocent now?"

"At least, no one will dare to talk about you recklessly anymore!" Mo Ziyan was quite confident with this. As long as her identity changed from being a student to a CEO, she was sure that people would look at their relationship differently.

Gu Qingli didn't know what to do about her, so he simply held onto her hand and asked, "Are you hungry? Do you want to eat before you leave?"

"Of course," Mo Ziyan laughed.

The couple walked hand in hand through the campus as word quickly spread.

"So that's Hai Rui's CEO..."

"Does that mean Professor Gu can see a lot of celebrities? Can he see my favorite Zhuangzhuang?"

"I'm so jealous of Professor Gu..."

"If we think about it, the CEO must have revealed her identity to help Professor Gu establish some power."

Just like before, everyone at the university was still talking about the couple. But, their conversations had now changed to speculation like this, rather than criticism and judgment.

Mo Ziyan was very satisfied with this outcome.

But then, rumors started to claim that Professor Gu was leeching off his partner!

Mo Ziyan was frustrated with these claims. Her Brother Four was worth much more than they thought!

Of course, Gu Qingli did not let Mo Ziyan clarify any further, "They can say that I'm leeching off you if they want. It's no big deal..."

"These people are really..."

"You should have expected this result when you came to the university."

"I simply didn't want you to leave the university. I know it was your father's wish," Mo Ziyan explained. "I wasn't acting recklessly."

After Gu Qingli heard this, he couldn't help but laugh, "You don't need to explain yourself. Even if you did something wrong, I wouldn't be upset at you."

When she heard this, Mo Ziyan immediately jumped into Gu Qingli's arms, "I knew you were the most accepting of me."

The couple was entangled affectionately in each other's arms, completely unaware of the approach of Mo Ziyan's angry friends.

"Mo Ziyan!"

"You've certainly worked hard to keep this a secret from us!"

"You haven't been very reasonable!"

As she watched her friends approach, Mo Ziyan couldn't help but laugh, "I was wrong!"

"Unless you give us tickets to an upcoming concert, we will never forgive you."

"As my roommates, you definitely have that privilege," Mo Ziyan winked.

"That's enough, you don't need to waste any more time here because of me..." Gu Qingli rushed Mo Ziyan out because he knew how busy she was.

"In that case, let's continue chatting at home later."

After bidding farewell to Gu Qingli and her roommates, Mo Ziyan left the university while Gu Qingli returned to his office. However, his colleagues quickly started teasing him.

"I heard your wife is the CEO of Hai Rui! That's amazing!"

"She made such a huge fuss today just to help you establish some power in the university. She's certainly put in a lot of effort."

"You're so lucky, Qingli."

In reality, Gu Qingli's personal assets weren't actually far off from the Mo Family's. He actually had an investment in at least half of the properties that were being constructed in Beijing at that very moment. But, he did not explain anything.

He knew that Mo Ziyan did what she did because she truly loved him, so even though people said he was leeching off her, he didn't mind.

Besides, after what she did, the treatment he received in the university did indeed change.

People that previously judged and criticized him, were now asking him for autographs; their attitudes were definitely a lot friendlier.

One could imagine how attractive young idols were to their fans.

It actually made him feel quite proud. After all, these people that often appeared on everyone's television screens, now had a new boss, and this person was...

...his wife.

Wife...

With the thought of this word, Gu Qingli realized it was time for him to do something, especially since he and Mo Ziyan never used contraception. He had to finalize things before a baby came along.

Of course, it was Mo Ziyan's request to not use any contraception. After all, she desperately wanted a child like Xingzhe!

But, Gu Qingli simply let nature take its course...

Chapter 1266: President Mo, If You're Jealous, Then Just Say So

But, previously when Gu Qingli met with Tangning, she had already warned him that he passed her test, but he hadn't passed Mo Ting's yet. So, as soon as Mo Ting recovered a little from his illness, he naturally invited this future-son-in-law for a chat.

And he did it without Mo Ziyan knowing.

Although Gu Qingli expected this day to come, he was still very nervous when he saw Mo Ting.

As always, it was difficult to tell what Mo Ting liked.

Probably, the only person that knew what he was thinking was Tangning.

If it was anyone else, Gu Qingli could have prepared himself a little, but when it came to Mo Ting and Tangning, he couldn't guarantee he'd please them even if he did everything he could.

Soon, Gu Qingli arrived at Hyatt Regency.

This time, without Mo Ziyan around, Gu Qingli was a lot more tense, even though Tangning kept telling him not to be nervous.

Mo Ting remained in the study room because his flu hadn't completely cleared and Tangning wouldn't let him out.

Even though this was the only time he caught the flu in 3-4 years!

"Go in, Ting's inside."

Gu Qingli looked at Tangning and nodded his head. He then pushed open the door to the study room.

There standing beside the window was Mo Ting, dressed in a set of black clothes looking into the distance.

"Come in."

Gu Qingli approached Mo Ting. This man obviously looked no different to how he looked 20 years ago, but his king-like presence was stronger than ever.

"Uncle Mo."

"Sit," Mo Ting said as he turned around. He then sat down at his desk. However, he did not place his gaze on Gu Qingli, instead, he focused on a document in his hand, "I've looked at Ziyan's progress at Hai Rui over the past few days. I deliberately gave her a few challenges, but she resolved them easily; I'm sure you must have helped her."

Gu Qingli froze, unsure how to respond.

If he said 'yes', it wouldn't seem very appropriate. After all, he was an outsider and it wasn't right for him to get involved with the agency's confidential operations.

But, if he said 'no', he would sound too fake.

"I guess nothing can be hidden from uncle...Actually, Ziyan already knew what to do, she was just being lazy..."

In other words, he loved Ziyan and he was simply helping her do what she wanted to do.

"I know better than you do, what she's capable of," Mo Ting said as he lifted his head. "I know about your family situation, so I would like to know how you define a family. Be honest, you don't need to sugar-coat it."

"Actually Uncle, I don't really have a particular idea of how a family should be like. Before Ziyan appeared, my life simply alternated between work and home. I lived that kind of life for 7 years, so I had no idea what family meant. Only after Ziyan appeared did I start to anticipate a future with her and our own kids," Gu Qingli replied in seriousness.

"Do you have your own business?"

"I have some assets."

"If I asked you to give up your career as a professor and take on an identity that's more suited to my daughter, what would you say?" This question obviously meant that Mo Ting knew the reason why Gu Qingli was teaching.

Gu Qingli thought for a second and replied, "Ziyan wouldn't let you do that because she knows it would make me unhappy. She can tell when I'm unhappy."

"OK." After asking this question, Mo Ting paused for a moment. "To be honest, I don't have that much of an opinion. I simply asked questions that Ziyan's mother was curious about. Now that she's gone, I don't need to ask anymore."

It turned out, Tangning had been eavesdropping all that time.

Gu Qingli couldn't help but laugh.

"I don't expect too much. The Mo Family doesn't tolerate bullying. If you make Ziyan unhappy, then I have no choice but to destroy your reputation and make you bankrupt. This isn't just a threat, I always do as I say. I hope you're aware of this."

"I understand, Uncle Mo."

"If you ask me, I think it's best if you don't hold a wedding. I don't want her mother to stress about it. If you must hold one, then prepare everything yourself and notify us when the time comes."

Gu Qingli understood Mo Ting's request as he sensed his king-like presence. He was completely a man that doted his wife down to the bone.

He was a good husband and father.

But of course, Tangning knew that if she didn't stand by the study room door, Mo Ting would have told Gu Qingli to take Mo Ziyan with him and never come back.

What kind of father did that?

However, things had already been like that for the last couple of decades. Mo Ting's biggest fear was for his kids to stress Tangning, even though the kids belonged to both of them. After all, Mo Zichen and Mo Zixi had already stressed Tangning enough. So, now that Mo Ziyan had someone to take care of her, Mo Ting couldn't wait for Gu Qingli to take her off their hands.

Of course, he had already done his research on Gu Qingli; from his personality to his temper and from his capabilities to his social standing, there was nothing to complain about. Most importantly, his daughter liked him.

"I understand what you're saying. I'll make sure not to bother Auntie."

"That's all, you can leave."

Gu Qingli realized the meeting was a lot easier than he expected. It turned out, Tangning was the one that had more concerns.

Of course, this was because Mo Ziyan's judgment still seemed decent at that point.

By the time Gu Qingli got up to leave, he had only been in the study room for roughly 20 minutes.

Tangning waited until Gu Qingli was gone and entered the study room helplessly, "Is that the end of your test?"

"Ziyan's already had her eye on him for 4 years. Do you think our tests would make any difference?"

"I really don't know what to do about you," Tangning gave up. "After all these years, why are you still so worried about me stressing over our kids?"

"You'll remain younger when you're happy. That means you can stay with me longer..."

"Which father can bear to marry off their daughter? Yet you can't wait to send our Yan Er away," Tangning complained. "Yan Er's actually the one that I've stressed about the least, yet you gave her away so easily."

"What else did you want me to do? You need to trust Yan Er's judgment," Mo Ting replied gently. "By the way, my flu isn't gone yet, how could you nag me like this?"

"President Mo, if you're jealous, then just say so," Tangning had no choice but to fetch a jacket for her husband. "You're already a grandfather, yet you're still so childish."

"That's because I worry about you," Mo Ting said as he hugged Tangning. "The world now belongs to our children and grandchildren. We've already produced films for many years. I think both of us are tired. Why don't we go on a holiday?"

"What holiday? You're just worried that I'd stress over our daughter's wedding. I promise I won't get involved, OK?"

Chapter 1267: You Haven't Even Proposed

Mo Ziyan did not know that Gu Qingli had met with her father until afterwards.

When she first heard about it, she thought her father had started a fight with Gu Qingli. After Gu Qingli heard what she thought, he was quite surprised, "I'm afraid, apart from you, no one would think of their family like that."

"Uncle isn't as scary as you think."

Mo Ziyan thought about it and realized that the old child she had at home probably wanted to marry her off as soon as possible. That way she wouldn't bother Tangning all the time.

So, what Gu Qingli said, actually made sense. Mo Ting would never do anything extreme because it would scare his son-in-law away!

"You made me worry about nothing!"

"I never wanted you to worry," Gu Qingli laughed. "You were the one that let your imagination run wild. But, what I gathered from your father was, he doesn't want us to hold a big wedding..."

"Of course not. If we hold a wedding, my mother will definitely stress about it. He wouldn't want that to happen. What are your thoughts regarding this?"

"I will do as you say."

"Wait, what wedding are we talking about? You haven't even proposed," Mo Ziyan suddenly realized that she had received the shorter end of the stick. "Did you think I was stupid enough to be fooled by you?"

Gu Qingli chuckled and quickly comforted Mo Ziyan, "You simply don't have your guard up around people that you care about, so you end up giving your entire heart."

"That sounds about right," Mo Ziyan was satisfied with this comment as she stretched out her hand, "Since you're already talking about our wedding, aren't you going to propose with a ring?"

When Gu Qingli heard this question, he pulled out a diamond ring from his pocket. But, the ring was not completely new.

"My grandfather passed this ring to my father, but my father ended up passing it to me. You know how much my father meant to me, so I'm giving my most valued possession to you."

As soon as Mo Ziyan heard Gu Qingli mention his father, she immediately softened. So, before Gu Qingli said anything else, she grabbed the ring and put it on her ring finger.

"Yes!"

Seeing how adorable she was, Gu Qingli chuckled and pulled out his real proposal ring from his other pocket. He then kneeled down on one knee, "Dopey, what are you saying 'yes' to? I haven't even proposed yet."

Mo Ziyan was a little dumbfounded; she realized she had been tricked. But, seeing Gu Qingli with one knee on the ground, she did not get angry, instead, she looked into his eyes seriously.

"God's actually been very unfair. You've known me for 4 years, but I've only known you for a few months."

"However, I don't think it's too late. Ziyan, you have the gentlest heart and you're always willing to give everything. You've given me the warmth that I've been missing in my life."

"So, I want to spend the rest of my life with you, even though we haven't experienced much together yet."

"Since we've already acknowledged each other, then...please let me be your husband. Let me take care of you, protect you and accompany you forever. What do you say?"

Mo Ziyan remembered the 4 years she spent having a crush on Gu Qingli and started to get teary.

At least, in the end, she received everything she wanted.

"Yes, I would like that. But, Brother Four, I have one request: neither of our families have ever held big fancy weddings because they don't believe it has anything to do with having a happy marriage, so, is it OK if we register our marriage but not host a wedding?"

Gu Qingli understood what Mo Ziyan was thinking.

So, he held onto Mo Ziyan's hands and nodded his head, "A ritual like that is generally held for the elders. Since our elders are open-minded, we can get married the way that we want. I don't have any elders except for my grandfather. Since he is in his current state, I don't think a wedding is that important. I just don't want you to feel like you're missing out."

"I don't feel like I'm missing out at all. As long as we are together, then I'm not missing anything."

Mo Ziyan felt very happy and, of course, lucky.

She was actually not prepared for Gu Qingli's proposal.

But, now that she received a ring in the living room, what about flowers?

Afterwards, she headed to the bedroom and was shocked by what she saw behind the door. The entire bed was covered in bright red roses.

Gu Qingli couldn't stop himself from hugging Mo Ziyan. He then grabbed her chin and placed a kiss on her lips.

As they enjoyed the romantic atmosphere, the couple decided not to waste the perfect moment. So, atop the rose-covered bed, the couple started to get affectionate as they filled the void in each other's hearts...

Gu Qingli had always been a refined man. But, when it came to things like this, he did not know how to be gentle.

Even so, Mo Ziyan was deeply in love with his expressions when they were intimate. The loving look in his eyes made her forget who she normally was as she immersed herself in the heat of the moment...

The rose petals beneath the two bodies got crushed while the couple enjoyed themselves until the next morning came around.

By that time, Mo Ziyan had already fallen asleep due to exhaustion. Meanwhile, Gu Qingli was tired but he still helped Mo Ziyan wipe down her body. Only after he confirmed that she was comfortable, did he lie down beside her and hug her to sleep.

That night was unforgettable, and it wasn't only because Gu Qingli had proposed.

2 days later, Mo Ziyan and Gu Qingli went to register their marriage and officially became a married couple.

Afterwards, Mo Ziyan invited her roommates out for a catch-up.

When her roommates saw the sparkling ring on her finger, they gasped in admiration, "It's great that you got married like this..."

"You girls should hurry up too!" Mo Ziyan said with a happy smile.

"But, let's get back to the main topic, Ziyan, you are still the daughter of the Mo Family; you're an heiress that's sitting on a huge fortune. The professor, on the other hand, may be refined and handsome, but he doesn't have a strong background. Does this mean he'll become your dependent?"

After hearing this, Mo Ziyan couldn't help but laugh, "Who said he doesn't have a strong background?"

"What do you mean?"

"He has investments in half the real estate that's being constructed in Beijing."

As soon as the roommates heard this, their eyes opened wide in shock, "Does that mean, Professor Gu is a hidden tycoon?"

"Pretty much," Mo Ziyan replied.

"You're certainly lucky to snag such a great man."

"You girls can try too."

The girls scoffed, gesturing that they were clueless about the lives of the rich.

In the end, Mo Ziyan did not tell her family that she had married Gu Qingli and instead shared the news with her friends.

After all, even though they were married, their lives didn't change much at all.

But, that was until two months later...

Mo Ziyan had been so busy that she didn't even take notice of her menstrual cycle. So, Gu Qingli prepared a pregnancy test for her one day and handed it to her when she woke up.

As soon as Mo Ziyan looked at the pregnancy test, she finally noticed that her stomach had a small bump. Was she pregnant?

Chapter 1268: Already So Famous

Reality proved that becoming parents was inevitable when a couple didn't use contraception and spent every night indulging in their passionate activity.

When Mo Ziyan saw the two lines on her pregnancy test, she was completely dumbfounded. It took her quite some time to realize that she was actually becoming a mother. She had been jealous of Mo Zixi in the past, but she no longer had to be.

"I know you're happy, but don't go overboard," Gu Qingli reminded gently. "You're a mother now, so don't be careless, OK?"

Mo Ziyan nodded her head, but she still couldn't hide the excitement on her face.

"We need to tell Mom and Dad as soon as possible so they can be happy too."

"Let's go home for dinner tonight then," Mo Ziyan suggested.

Mo Ziyan had always imagined how life would be like as a parent. Although she had taken care of Xingzhe in the past, she wasn't satisfied.

Now, things were perfect. She was about to have her own little family. It was an amazing feeling.

Afterwards, Mo Ziyan gave Tangning a phone call. But, she did not explain anything and Tangning did not suspect anything.

That night, when the couple returned to Hyatt Regency, Mo Ziyan was extremely excited and proud. This made Gu Qingli quite worried, "I told you not to act so carelessly. Walk properly."

When Tangning saw how Gu Qingli reacted, she immediately guessed what was going on. So, before Mo Ziyan got the chance to say anything, Tangning asked, "Are you pregnant?"

"Mom...if your guesses are always so accurate, then there's no surprise!"

"Your timing's great, your Brother Two's coming home tonight and he hasn't met Qingli yet. You can take this opportunity to meet each other."

Since the two men were both educators, Tangning assumed they would have quite a lot of things to chat about.

Gu Qingli nodded his head. He was actually very curious about the Mo Brothers and had wanted to meet them for a long time, but he never had the chance.

However, his gaze remained on Mo Ziyan the entire time because he was worried that she'd forget she was pregnant.

Because of this, Tangning decided not to question Mo Ziyan and question Gu Qingli instead, "Now that you have a kid, what about your marriage?"

"I'm not going to lie, Mom, we already registered our marriage two months ago."

"You're not holding a wedding?" Tangning didn't notice that Gu Qingli had called her 'Mom'.

"Ziyan said no one in her family has ever held a wedding, so she didn't want to waste her energy on it either. After all, a happy marriage isn't defined by formalities like that," Gu Qingli replied gently; he was always calm and polite.

Tangning nodded her head at this response, "Since it's your choice, I won't interfere. Now that Ziyan is pregnant, you need to take good care of her. She may be capable, but she's not mature enough; she needs someone by her side to constantly remind and guide her."

"I will definitely take good care of her, you don't have to worry, Mom."

Tangning didn't actually have much to worry about because Gu Qingli was mature, reliable and very caring.

On the other hand, Mo Ziyan's personality had a lot that needed changing.

But, Tangning didn't want to nag her

A little later, Mo Zichen arrived home with Qian Lan. When he first saw an unfamiliar man in his home, he was a little surprised, but he quickly regained his composure.

After all, nothing could be hidden from him, not even this brother-in-law.

"Oh, it's Professor Gu."

As soon as Gu Qingli saw Mo Zichen, he knew he wasn't an average person. Especially when he looked into his eyes, it appeared as though he could completely see through a person.

"Brother Two," Gu Qingli greeted according to seniority.

"Second-sister-in-law..." Mo Ziyan immediately announced her good news when she saw Qian Lan, "...I'm pregnant. You're about to become an auntie..."

Mo Zichen looked at Gu Qingli. He couldn't believe they were so fast.

"I heard that Brother Two is a physics professor."

"I also heard that you've had a lot of achievements."

The two men were polite to each other, but Mo Zichen knew that being a professor was just a cover for Gu Qingli.

"Haiz...I never knew I was already so famous."

"Someone's had a crush on you for 4 years. So, your name's quite familiar in this household," Mo Zichen replied. "I've heard quite a lot about you. If you were another man, I would have paralyzed you by now."

Mo Zichen acknowledged Gu Qingli.

He built his own fortune, kept a low profile and never did anything reckless.

Based on these positive points, Gu Qingli was definitely worthy of his spoilt sister.

"Brother Two's overpraising me. If you have anything I can help with in the future, please let me know."

"Apart from Mom and Dad, you are the best moneymaker in this household. I may need to leech off you in the future."

Ever since Mo Zichen revealed his identity to Mo Zixi, his identity was no longer much of a secret at home, after all, he had been promoted to director, so his identity was already exposed.

Hence, it had been a long time since he went to school.

"Brother Two, it's bad enough that you've neglected us and deceived us for so many years, stop lying to my Brother Four," Mo Ziyan protected Gu Qingli. "My brother works at the Ministry of State Security, he's a pretty impressive person!" she explained to Gu Qingli.

No wonder Mo Zichen knew so much about him.

It seemed, from the moment that Mo Ziyan started having a crush on him, Mo Zichen had already uncovered his entire background.

But, of course, Mo Ziyan was home to announce the good news of her pregnancy today.

Now that Mo Ziyan was about to become a mother, Tangning no longer felt like she had such a huge burden.

"You were only married for 2 months and you're already pregnant. It seems, you're honestly fond of our Xingzhe. Do you really like children that much?" Mo Zichen teased, "Or do you want to tie down your husband now that you've finally got him in your hands?"

"I wouldn't be talking if I were you. Are you afraid that no one knows about your history? You waited 5 years for sister-in-law and I waited 4 years for Brother Four, so let's not tease each other."

"Now that I think about it, Big Brother's also quite pitiful too. He wasted 4 years and was still being deceived like a fool."

"Why is everyone focused on dissing each other tonight?" Tangning laughed.

Mo Zichen also laughed, but he eventually replied in seriousness, "Mom, we've made you worry over the years. Now that Yan Er has her own family as well, you don't need to worry anymore. You can place your focus on Dad so he won't torment us from now on."

"Let's wait until Yan Er safely gives birth first..."

Since she gave birth to three kids, how could Tangning let go so easily?

It was true that Mo Ting didn't want her to get involved with her children's lives, but what mother could truly do that?

In fact, if her three kids stopped needing her, it would actually make her feel quite empty...

And that emptiness could not be filled even by Mo Ting's love.

Chapter 1269: You Should Notify Your Family First

After a night of cheerfulness, Gu Qingli took Mo Ziyan to the hospital the next day to get a thorough examination done.

Since it was their first time being parents, both of them were quite excited.

But, after the examination, the couple sat inside the doctor's office and noticed her furrow her brows, "You guys didn't use contraception and accidentally fell pregnant, didn't you?"

"Yes," Gu Qingli replied. "Is there a problem, Doctor?"

"We usually recommend that young couples come for a full body check-up before having children. That way, we can guarantee the health of their child by checking if the parents have any health concerns."

"But, both of us are relatively healthy."

"You can't make assumptions like that. For example, we didn't just discover an embryo in your wife's ultrasound, we also found a tumor in her uterus," the doctor said as she pointed to the ultrasound results.

As soon as they heard the word 'tumor', both Gu Qingli and Mo Ziyan were dumbfounded.

"But, I've never felt anything out of the ordinary."

"Many illnesses develop symptoms, but some don't," the doctor explained. "Our main priority now is to confirm the location of the tumor because it may affect the baby."

"I just want to know if my wife's body will..."

"Mr. Gu, don't worry. According to current medical technology, it should be no issue removing the tumor and it's likely benign, you don't need to worry too much. Right now, we just need to confirm the location of the tumor and see if there are any other lumps anywhere, so we will need to do more examinations."

"What about our child?" Mo Ziyan couldn't help but worry about this matter.

"If we discover that the location of the tumor may trigger a miscarriage or premature birth, then you will need to consider an abortion so you can undergo treatment. You are both still young so you can have plenty of kids in the future."

When she heard the word abortion, Mo Ziyan shook her head, "This is my child, I don't want to give up on it."

"Mrs. Gu, you don't need to make a decision yet. Don't worry."

The couple never expected that letting nature take its course would be so frightening.

Gu Qingli wrapped his arm around Mo Ziyan's waist and apologized, "It's all my fault...If I had been more careful, this would not have happened."

"Brother Four, if I insisted on letting things happen naturally, you couldn't have done anything anyway. The issue, in the end, was that I was too reckless."

"The situation isn't that bad yet, OK? Let's not overthink things and get this treated first."

"But..."

"Listen to me," Gu Qingli said gently.

Mo Ziyan's mind was a blur; she never imagined that she'd have a tumor in her body. Worst of all, she didn't discover it before but discovered it when she had a child...

"I'm scared..."

"You don't have to be scared. I'm here," Gu Qingli comforted. "After today's examinations, we will go home first. After the doctor gives us a result, we will decide what to do next."

Mo Ziyan looked at Gu Qingli and took a deep breath. She then calmed down, "I'll do as you say."

But, the fact that a happy event was suddenly turned into an incident like this, naturally affected their mood.

Of course, Gu Qingli was more worried about Mo Ziyan and the condition of her body.

The child was important, but his precious Mo Ziyan would always be his main priority.

After returning home, Mo Ziyan returned to the bedroom and lay in bed without a sound.

At first, Gu Qingli wanted to notify Tangning and Mo Ting, but Mo Ziyan stopped him, "Before we receive the results, let's not tell Mom yet; she's going to worry. Let's see what the doctor says."

"Silly, when something happens, you should notify your family first. Mom and Dad have experienced a lot in their lives, they won't be frightened so easily. If you keep things from them, you will only appear immature. How could you keep such an important piece of news from them?" Gu Qingli explained gently.

After Mo Ziyan heard this, she did not refute. After all, Gu Qingli was older than her and his decisions were careful and flawless.

Since Gu Qingli felt it was necessary for her to tell her family, then she was going to follow his advice.

In the end, this man always put her mind at ease, so she did not stop him.

Gu Qingli patted Mo Ziyan on the head and called Tangning. He then told her about everything that happened at the hospital. After hearing what happened, Tangning immediately said to Gu Qingli, "Send her to the military hospital. We have so many doctors in the family, I'm sure someone will be able to treat this small illness of hers."

This was the other reason why Gu Qingli wanted to notify Tangning. After all, they not only had Yao Anqi in the family, they also had Tang Yichen and Lu Guangli. Those two were highly skilled in medicine; what illness hadn't they seen before?

So, Tangning gave Tang Yichen a phone call soon after.

When Mo Ziyan heard about Tangning's response, she couldn't help but blame herself, "I almost made a huge mistake..."

"How was keeping this from family ever considered a thoughtful thing to do? Even if it makes me stressed out, I'd still rather know about your illness, understood?" Gu Qingli said.

Mo Ziyan nodded her head. How could she not understand?

It didn't take long before Mo Ziyan was escorted over to Tang Yichen's hospital. As soon as Tangning saw Gu Qingli, she immediately praised him, "You handled this well."

"Mom, I was wrong," Mo Ziyan immediately admitted to her fault.

"I won't punish you for now, but I'll chase you up on it after you recover."

Mo Ziyan was immediately admitted to the hospital for an examination. Of course, Auntie Tang Yichen put in extra effort for her niece. As soon as she saw the results of the examination, she immediately explained it to Tangning.

"The diagnosis from the previous hospital was correct, but they were a bit slow. It's confirmed that the tumor is located inside the uterine wall and it will affect Ziyan's pregnancy. But, we can't confirm whether it is cancerous or benign."

"I trust in you, so tell me how we should resolve this," Tangning replied.

"Let's keep it under observation first and if the tumor doesn't grow any bigger, we can eliminate the possibility of it being cancerous. If that's the case, then treatment will be a lot easier. But, if it changes in size, then we will need to cut it out and run some tests."

"What about the child..."

"I know Ziyan loves children, so I will definitely do all I can to help her keep it. You don't need to ask me about that," Tang Yichen smiled. "Now that I think about it, I haven't met my nephew-in-law yet."

"Qingli, come meet your Auntie," Tangning said as she turned around and looked at the man behind her.

Chapter 1270: Don't Call Me Auntie, I Haven't Acknowledged You Yet

This was the first time that Tang Yichen met Gu Qingli. Originally, she didn't have much to say to this nephew-in-law, but, as soon as she saw Gu Qingli, she immediately looked at him with doubt.

She analyzed Gu Qingli carefully and seriously. She was so focused that she didn't even hear Tangning's cries, "Sister Two?"

Eventually, she snapped out of her daze and replied, "Gu Qingli, right? I've familiarized myself with him now." However, her response was neither cold nor enthusiastic.

Although Gu Qingli didn't know how he had offended Tang Yichen, he did not complain. As long as she took good care of Mo Ziyan, he didn't care about anything else.

Of course, Tangning had some questions she wanted to ask, but she did not ask them at that moment because the main priority was Mo Ziyan.

Since Tang Yichen said she was putting Mo Ziyan under observation, it was best for her to stay in the hospital to do any necessary examinations.

Initially, Mo Ziyan planned to hand Hai Rui back to Mo Ting for a while, but Gu Qingli told her, "Your father has already handed the business to you, how could you hand it back? While you're in the hospital, I'll help you manage everything. I'll update you on what's happening and after you've confirmed what to do, I'll go back and do it for you."

"What about the university?"

"I've already taken time off," Gu Qingli replied. "Nothing is more important than you right now."

Mo Ziyan nodded her head, but she still couldn't forget how Tang Yichen reacted earlier, "Brother Four, have you met my auntie before?"

Gu Qingli carried his wife up to the VIP hospital room and shook his head, "I don't have any impression of her. I'm not sure what your auntie has against me, but I'm in no rush to question her about it. Time will eventually reveal all, so I'm sure your auntie will eventually realize the kind of person I am."

"My auntie is relatively straightforward, she doesn't beat around the bush like my mother does sometimes. So, if you've offended her in some way, you can just talk to her and the problem will be resolved quickly."

Gu Qingli nodded his head. He was actually quite curious as to what he had done wrong.

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Meanwhile, Tangning and Tang Yichen were in Tang Yichen's office discussing Mo Ziyan's condition. However, Tangning couldn't help but ask what she was curious about, "Judging by the look on your face, have you met Qingli in the past?"

"You can tell?"

"Your emotions are written all over your face. I'm sure I'm not the only one that noticed; my observant son-in-law definitely felt it too. You were so cold towards him," Tangning said with a glare.

"If I tell you the reason, don't get angry."

"Speak!"

"I think I've seen your son-in-law come to the hospital with a woman to see one of our gynecologists before! I can remember him because of his good looks," Tang Yichen explained. "You know I'm a straightforward person. These words may trigger discomfort between you and Gu Qingli, but I can't lie. Now that Ziyan is in this situation, I don't want to see her end up with an irresponsible man."

"OK, you just focus on taking care of Ziyan for now!" Tangning remembered what Tang Yichen told her.

But, this was still something that happened before Gu Qingli married Mo Ziyan. As an elder, was it right for her to chase up this matter?

Besides, it wasn't clear whether Tang Yichen actually saw what she thought she saw. What if she simply saw someone that looked similar?

With this thought, Tangning decided to keep her doubts to herself.

Afterwards, she returned to Mo Ziyan's hospital room to check if she was missing anything. If she was, she would help her prepare it. But, after she was done and started walking towards the doorway, Gu Qingli offered, "Mom, I'll walk you out."

When did she ever need someone to walk her out?

Gu Qingli obviously had something to ask her.

But, it was a good thing.

"Let's go," Tangning said.

Gu Qingli gestured for Mo Ziyan to wait and walked out to join Tangning.

"You noticed, didn't you?" Tangning laughed.

"Auntie's expression was so obvious that I wasn't the only one that noticed it; Ziyan noticed it too," Gu Qingli smiled gently. "Although I can't figure out what Auntie has a misunderstanding about, I can tell that she doesn't have a good impression of me."

"Qingli, I know it isn't right for the older generation to interfere with the matters of the younger generation. In particular, I don't think we have the right to question your past. But, I hope you take Yan Er's feelings into consideration before you do anything. She needs your care at a time like this."

"Mom, I don't know what Auntie's seen or what she's misunderstood, but Ziyan is my first love. Although we haven't known each other or been married for long, I can guarantee that I've always kept a distance from women and never overstepped my boundaries," Gu Qingli replied in seriousness.

"If I've been in a relationship before or I've been entangled with another woman in some way, I have no reason to hide it."

"All I needed was for you to tell me this."

After Tangning finished listening to Gu Qingli's response she nodded her head. Gu Qingli had been very patient.

Tangning trusted Gu Qingli, but she also trusted Tang Yichen, so she was sure that there was a misunderstanding.

"By the way, have you been to this hospital before?"

"Today was my first time," Gu Qingli replied.

"OK," Tangning replied. "Go back and take care of Yan Er. Nothing is more important than her and your child at the moment."

"Yes, I understand."

Gu Qingli was smart. Tangning's questions obviously meant that Tang Yichen had seen him at the hospital before, and on top of that, she had seen him there with a woman.

But, it was true that he had never been there before.

Perhaps, Tang Yichen had seen someone else or she had remembered incorrectly.

After realizing what was happening, Gu Qingli returned to the hospital room. But, Mo Ziyan immediately questioned him, "What did Mom say?"

"Judging by what your mother said, it seems as though your auntie saw me at the hospital with another woman and is unhappy because of that," Gu Qingli explained calmly.

"In that case, have you been here before?" Mo Ziyan asked.

Gu Qingli shook his head, "Of course not. You've familiarized yourself with my life over the last 4 years, haven't you?"

"That's true."

"But..." Gu Qingli dragged out this word, gesturing that he had some uncertainties, "...I believe what your auntie saw because she has no reason to slander me."

"Either way, I trust in you, Brother Four. No one understands you better than I do."

"I'm glad you do. Now, get some rest," Gu Qingli said as he helped Mo Ziyan lie down. "Everything else aside, I'm worried about you because you're both pregnant and unwell."

"Don't worry, Auntie and Uncle are both highly skilled doctors. I will definitely be OK."

Gu Qingli nodded his head before he gestured for her to close her eyes.

Afterwards, he decided it was time to meet with Tang Yichen. If this misunderstanding continued and Ziyan got hurt in the process, what would he do?

So, after Mo Ziyan fell asleep, Gu Qingli stepped out and headed to Tang Yichen's office...

At that time, Tang Yichen was in the middle of looking at some hospital records. When she lifted her head and saw Gu Qingli, she felt a strong dislike towards him.

"Auntie..."

"Don't call me Auntie, I haven't acknowledged you yet," Tang Yichen replied. "What do you want?"