Y Master Qin 101

Chapter 101: I Never Casually Add People of the Opposite Gender As Friends

Xiangyou quickly waved his hand. "Even if your face is good-looking, you still have to do it! Although I didn't go next to Jiang Xun, I did warm-up on the spot."

Kangwang said to the camera, "Dear viewers, remember, before you exercise, you must warm up, you must warm up! Say the important things three times!"

[Merit Points + 2]

[Favorability Points + 60]

Jiang Xun estimated that the Shixiang and Kangwang were the ones who'd given her these Merit Points; she could clearly see Yu Mingshu's and Li Ruhan's hostility towards her.

The two of them did not speak just now, so there was no way they would have realized their mistake and contributed Merit Points to her.

As for the Favorability Points, judging from the reactions of the audience, she knew that it was contributed by Kangwang, Shixiang, Xiangyou, and Miaotong.

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The show finally ended, and the guests all took a car back to the hotel.

Mufeng took out his phone and sent Jiang Xun a wechat message. "What do you want to eat Tonight? Hotpot? Barbecue? Or do you want to eat hotel food?"

They were in a single-seater car, so Mufeng wanted to sit directly with Jiang Xun.

Unfortunately, he didn't have the chance.

Jiang Xun looked at the message Mufeng sent and thought to herself, could it be that he still wanted to have dinner with her?

However, it was indeed much more lively when eating with someone else instead of eating alone.

"I want a barbecue." Jiang Xun replied, then received a reply from Mufeng almost immediately. He'd sent a link to a barbeque restaurant to her. "What do you want to eat? Pick and choose what you want and put it in the shopping cart."

While Jiang Xun was scrolling through the menu, Mingshu's voice came from behind them. "Mr. Qin, Can I add you on wechat?"

Jiang Xun raised her eyebrows and thought to herself that whenever Mufeng was around, she would always encounter this kind of thing.

"It's not convenient for me," Mufeng said coldly, clearly intending to cut off the conversation before it could start.

Jiang Xun finally couldn't hold it in and quietly turned her head back to see what was going on.

Mingshu explained, "I was thinking that if we have the opportunity to work together in the future..."

"At that time, there will also be relevant people in charge," Mufeng said coldly. "I won't have to deal with it personally."

Mingshu gave up in embarrassment.

In a car full of people, she initially thought that Mufeng would not reject her out of politeness. She definitely didn't think that she'd be so humiliated...

Ruhan, who was also going to secretly ask Mufeng for his wechat, also gave up right then.

Mufeng didn't even look up once. His gaze had been constantly fixed on the takeout App's barbeque shop, but he saw that Jiang Xun hadn't added anything into the shopping cart for a long time.

Mufeng opened the shopping cart to take a look. This little food wouldn't even be enough to fill the gaps between Jiang Xun's teeth. Was she tired from exercising too much today?

Mufeng raised his head to look at her, who was sitting to his upper left, and happened to see Jiang Xun secretly looking in his direction, trying to eavesdrop on what was happening.

When she suddenly met Mufeng's gaze, she immediately looked away, feeling guilty.

Mufeng snorted and sent her a wechat message. "Have you chosen yet?"

Jiang Xun: "Not yet."

Mufeng: "So do I look better than the barbeque?"

Jiang Xun: "... I wasn't looking at you."

Mufeng sneered as he typed. "Then who were you looking at? It seems like I'm the only one in this direction."

Jiang Xun could feel her ears burning. Why was this person so narcissistic!

Jiang Xun: "I just heard someone asking you for your wechat."

The corners of Mufeng's mouth curled up, and he couldn't help but chuckle again. Mingshu looked at him in puzzlement.

Who was Mufeng chatting with that made him so happy?

Mufeng: "Are you worried that I'll give it to her?"

Jiang Xun: "I was just curious!"

Mufeng ignored her words and suddenly switched to a voice message. He said in a low voice, "I never casually add people of the opposite gender as friends."

He didn't know who he was talking to.

Was he talking to Mingshu, who had just asked him about his unsuccessful we hat request? Or was he talking to Jiang Xun to let her think things over? Or was it both?

Jiang Xun didn't need to click on the voice message to know what Mufeng had said.

If she clicked on it, Mufeng's voice would appear on her phone, then she'd be exposed.

Mingshu's expression turned black.

Mufeng was definitely chatting with a girl for his voice to be so low! And he sounded like he was explaining something to someone.

Wasn't it meant for her to hear between the lines?

She glanced at Ruhan, who was sitting on the other side of the aisle. She knew exactly what Ruhan was thinking.

If she couldn't succeed in getting Mufeng's wechat, then neither could Ruhan.

The rest of the passengers in the car looked at Mufeng curiously.

Did he have a girlfriend?

Even if he didn't, it was confirmed that he at least had an ambiguous partner, otherwise why would his voice be so flirtatious?

It was a pity that the filming had already ended, so the production team wasn't in the car with everyone else. If it weren't the case, Guanglin would definitely say that Mufeng's voice was also flirtatious when he was with Jiang Xun during today's filming!

He'd used the exact same flirtatious voice!

Jiang Xun simply sent an emoji of rolling her eyes to Mufeng. "Don't disturb me when I'm picking out food!"

Mufeng laughed softly this time. His low and hoarse voice traveled into Jiang Xun's ears without any concealment, causing her heart to beat erratically.

Her ears were even hotter, and her scalp felt as though it was electrified.

Jiang Xun clicked on the link again and continued to add items to the shopping cart. However, this time, her mind was in a mess, and her brain couldn't really process the options at all. She just randomly clicked and added everything into the shopping cart.

When she felt that she was almost done ordering, she sent a message to Mufeng. "I've already added everything I want."

Mufeng didn't look at what Jiang Xun had ordered and immediately paid for it.

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Back in the guest room, Jiang Xun felt a little tired despite her amazing physical strength. Feeling sweaty, she decided to take a shower to relax.

After coming out, she started to pack her things into her bag just in case she was too flustered the next day and ended up missing something.

Meanwhile, Mufeng received a wechat message from Guanglin, saying that everyone would be having a meal together that night.

However, he only wanted to have dinner alone with Jiang Xun, not with everyone else.

Mufeng asked, "Have you asked Jiang Xun?"

Guanglin was stunned for a moment and replied, "Not yet. I asked you first."

It was Qin Mufeng, after all. How could he even think of asking anyone else first?

Mufeng replied, I'm already tired, so I want to have a good rest. You guys can have dinner together."

Guanglin had only come to ask around. Since Mufeng didn't want to participate, he didn't dare to persuade him anymore.

"Alright," came the reply.

Mufeng said, "Don't ask Jiang Xun. She's not going either."

Guanglin was shocked that Mufeng could even reject him on behalf of Jiang Xun. If Mufeng were to tell him that the two of them didn't have a relationship, Guangling wouldn't believe him even if his assistant director was beaten to death!

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After a while, the takeout arrived, but it couldn't be directly brought to the guest room.

Mufeng had left his phone number with the receptionist earlier. After the delivery guy left the food at the receptionist counter in the hall, the receptionist called Mufeng and asked him to come down and fetch it himself.

Mufeng left the room and sent a wechat message to Jiang Xun. "The BBQ is here. I'll go bring it up."

Chapter 102: She Grabbed Onto His Arm

When Jiang Xun received the message, she didn't know why, but she was so nervous that she could hardly sit still. Her heartbeat was also awfully fast.

Jiang Xun went to the door and waited, listening for Mufeng's footsteps.

She didn't know why, but she just couldn't bring herself to sit quietly.

After a while, she heard footsteps, but they didn't sound like Mufeng's.

Suddenly, someone rang the doorbell of the room opposite hers—Mufeng's room.

She tilted her head, puzzled. Just as she was about to open the door to see who it was, she heard a woman's voice.

"Mr. Qin."

Mufeng had just returned with the barbecue when he heard Ruhan calling for him.

From her position behind the door, Jiang Xun curled her lips in displeasure. After Yu Mingshu had failed, along came a lost little Li Ruhan. Mufeng must have his hands full.

"What's the matter?" Mufeng's expression was cold as he spoke.

Ruhan was stunned, and she couldn't help but look at the takeout in Mufeng's hands. It smelled strongly of barbeque.

Mufeng had an aloof and noble temperament, yet he was carrying such a big bag of barbecue. The scene was too shocking and unforgettable.

It was a long while before Ruhan finally managed to regain her composure. She could see that Mufeng was already getting impatient with her.

"The director said that since we had a hard time filming, we should have dinner together tonight," Ruhan explained with a smile. "I came here to tell you this. I...don't have your wechat, so I could only come to you directly."

"Director Hou has my wechat and has already told me about it," Mufeng said coldly. "There was really no need for you to come here."

Ruhan's smile froze. She had wanted to use this topic to successfully add Mufeng to her wechat.

But who knew that Mufeng was such a stubborn man!

"Then... Since I'm already here, why don't we go together?" Ruhan rearranged her smile and continued, "It's not far. It's just beside the hotel."

"I've already told director Hou that I'm not free." With the bag of barbecue food in hand, Mufeng walked into his own room. He didn't want Ruhan to see him enter Jiang Xun's room directly.

While he wasn't afraid that people would misunderstand his relationship with Jiang Xun, he just didn't want others to gossip about her.

Mufeng stood at the door and opened the door without swiping his card. He said impatiently, "I hope you won't come looking for me again, lady. If others see you, they will misunderstand."

Ruhan froze on the spot. Did Mufeng really not remember her name, or did he do it on purpose?

Seeing that she still wasn't moving, Mufeng frowned and his face darkened. "Why are you still here? Scram!"

Ruhan did not know how to react this time.

If she left just like that, she would not be satisfied and it would be too embarrassing.

However, she didn't know what to say to save face even if she stayed.

Mufeng suddenly took out his phone and dialed in a number. "Director Hou, this is Qin Mufeng. I told you before that I was too tired and didn't want to go to the dinner party. A lady called Li Ruhan came to me and is refusing to leave me alone. Please come and take her away."

"Mr. Qin!" Ruhan couldn't care less about her scream at this point, even though Guanglin, who was on the other end of Mufeng's phone, might have heard her. "I'll leave now!"

She couldn't let Guanglin come over, or she would be utterly humiliated!

Ruhan never expected that Mufeng would call Guanglin like that and not give her any face at all.

How would she be able to show up in the program team in the future?

After Mufeng hung up the phone, Ruhan didn't even bother to say goodbye. She didn't even dare to look at him again.

If she did, who knew what else he would do to embarrass her?

Ruhan turned around and walked away. She took a turn and when she was about to reach the elevator, she received a call from Guanglin.

Of course, Guanglin wouldn't come to pick her up personally. How embarrassing would that be?

Since Mufeng had said so much, Ruhan wouldn't insist on it.

"Teacher Li, where are you now? We are all here and waiting for you." Guanglin didn't mention anything about the phone call with Mufeng.

Even though he knew that Ruhan was beside him just now, he still pretended that it hadn't happened and gave her a way out.

Ruhan's face was burning as she whispered, "I'm going out. I'll be there soon."

"Okay." Guanglin hung up the phone with a small smile.

Ruhan pressed the button for the elevator. When the doors opened, she headed in.

After Ruhan left, Mufeng turned around and saw that Jiang Xun's guest room door was open with a slight crack.

He didn't know how long Jiang Xun had been eavesdropping, but the moment she saw him looking over, she immediately closed the door.

Fortunately, Mufeng reacted quickly and blocked the door in time. Through the tiny crack in the door, he saw a little of her pale face. "I brought back some barbecue. If you don't eat it quickly, it won't taste good if it gets cold," he said.

Jiang Xun lowered her eyes and glanced at the big bag in Mufeng's hand. After a brief moment, she let go of the door and let Mufeng in.

Mufeng heaved a sigh of relief. However, he heard Jiang Xun grunt as soon as he entered the door. She turned around and walked in, ignoring him.

Mufeng hurriedly followed him in. When he saw Jiang Xun's sullen face, he could tell that she was obviously angry.

"What's wrong?" he asked, nervous.

Jiang Xun crossed her arms and gave Mufeng a cold smile. She curled her lips and said, "You were quite polite to Ruhan."

"Polite?" Mufeng thought about it innocently. He was not polite to Ruhan at all.

"Ha!" Jiang Xun sneered. "What did you tell me at that time? You said that every time I met you, it was a premeditated plot. You said that the Jiang family and I conspired against you and that you were not interested in a little girl who had not fully developed yet. Now that you've met someone who really is interested in you, why are you suddenly so polite?"

Jiang Xun didn't want to dig up the past, but when she peeked through the crack in the door, she suddenly thought of what Mufeng had said to her when he had misunderstood her.

He had said such harsh words to her, but hadn't said a single harsh word to Ruhan.

Why didn't he say that Ruhan was shameless? Why didn't he say that he wasn't interested in Ruhan anymore?

Thinking about it, Ruhan's figure...wasn't even better than hers!

Jiang Xun didn't know why, but her anger rushed out of her throat and she couldn't hold it in any more.

Unexpectedly, Mufeng suddenly turned around and walked toward the door.

Jiang Xun was stunned for a moment and hurriedly chased after him to stop him. "Where are you going?"

"I'm going to scold her again," Mufeng said as he continued to walk towards the door.

Jiang Xun could only grab his arm. "She's already gone, why are you still going to scold her?"

What did she do earlier?

Mufeng actually felt that his attitude just now was quite merciless, but he didn't expect Jiang Xun to feel that it was still not merciless enough.

However, he'd learned his lesson this time. "I'll scold her again the next time I see her. In the future, if anyone comes looking for me, I'll scold them fiercely."

Chapter 103: I Still Have Something I Haven't Told You

Mufeng's attitude made Jiang Xun feel embarrassed. She wondered if she was being too narrow minded by bringing up something that had happened so long ago.

"That time, I told you that I'm not interested in immature little girls." Mufeng lowered his eyes and looked at Jiang Xun. "Actually, I still have something I haven't told you."

Jiang Xun had forgotten that she was still holding onto Mufeng's arm. She raised her head and frowned. "What? You didn't finish scolding me back then, and now you still want to add on more?"

Mufeng looked at Jiang Xun's angry expression and smiled helplessly. He said in a low voice, "I'm not interested in a little girl who hasn't fully developed, but... you have already developed very well."

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Jiang Xun blinked. For a moment, she even suspected that she had heard him wrongly.

She looked at Mufeng's smiling face in astonishment, her ears red.

"You...You hooligan!!" She slapped Mufeng's arm angrily and strode back to the sofa. His words had made her feel rather heated, and she couldn't help but try fanning her face, but to no avail.

Even though Mufeng was walking towards her again, Jiang Xun refused to look at him and simply continued to fan herself angrily.

"Feeling hot?" Mufeng raised his eyebrows slightly, and his dark eyes landed on Jiang Xun's face, a hint of amusement dancing in them.

"Hot? My blood's boiling because of you!" she said stubbornly.

Mufeng silently opened the takeout bag. Since Jiang Xun had ordered all of this food, it contained all her favorites.

He casually took out a skewer of meat and handed it to Jiang Xun. He coaxed her gently, "Don't be angry. Barbecue is only delicious when it's hot."

Jiang Xun accepted the skewer with a red face. Even when in front of Mufeng, she didn't seem to care about her image; she opened her mouth wide and pulled off three pieces of meat at the same time, stuffing her mouth to the brim.

The system asked, "Host, why do you care so much that Mufeng treats you differently from others?"

Jiang Xun froze. She was stumped by the system's question and couldn't help but feel lost.

"What's wrong? Isn't it delicious?" Mufeng saw Jiang Xun's strange behavior and asked her out of concern.

"No, it's delicious." As Jiang Xun spoke, her face went numb as she peeled off another two pieces of meat.

She then muttered to the system, "I just feel that it's unfair for him to say that I was so ruthless back then, but now he's saying that others aren't so ruthless."

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The system: "Oh. Okay."
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Jiang Xun: "..."

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The regular participants were the only ones attending the dinner.

Even Guanglin only went to show his face at the beginning to chat with a few of the guests. After a few drinks, he left to continue his work.

The production team was working hard at the later stages of the program and finally managed to produce a trailer by 8 pm.

"Accelerated Flight" released the episode trailer on time at 8 pm.

At Guanglin's request, the intimate interaction between Mufeng and Jiang Xun in the pawnshop was to be specially cut into the trailer.

[Wait a minute, who are the two people hugging each other?]

[The director really did put it into the trailer! When the time comes, I'll be able to relive it a hundred times in the main episode!]

[It's Jiang Xun and Qin Mufeng!] This comment also threw out two screenshots from an online wiki.

[The tension is too strong. If the trailer is already like this, I don't know how exciting the main episode will be! I'm just saying, I'm looking forward to it.]

[You guys want to turn it into a love story?]

[I want to watch it!]

[Do ittttt I promise it won't let you down! It's such a good pairing]

Currently, the production team had not released the livestream archive yet; usually, they would only release the archive after the VIP update was released.

However, there were some fans who had clipped the stream, specifically the segments where Jiang Xun and Mufeng were interacting.

Taking advantage of the popularity of the production team's trailer, the clip of the interactions was quickly launched into the trending tab by fangirls. While it wasn't in a very high position, it was still high enough for many netizens to see.

Among the netizens, some were audience members of Accelerated Flight, but they had not watched the livestream today, while others were netizens who had not even paid attention to Accelerated Flight.

When they saw this topic trending, it wasn't surprising that there were dissatisfied voices in the comments.

[Internet celebrities in the trending tab? Are internet celebrities making money like this now?]

[I can attest to that. Jiang Xun has personally admitted that she makes a lot of money from live streaming.]

[Lmao an online celebrity. I don't even know who she is, but she's clearly buying herself a spot on the trending tab. How pathetic.]

[The other celebrity guests aren't as advertised as her lol]

[It's your first time on a variety show. You look really ugly when you can't wait to become famous.]

[Buying your way into the trending tab is so low!]

Today's JJ: [The trending search was obviously not bought. Can't you guys look at the number of likes and comments? It's obvious that it was done by the popularity itself.]

[I watched today's livestream. It was really good.]

[Yo, they went for online celebs?]

[An online celebrity with so many scenes.]

Some people had been prejudiced against Jiang Xun from the start, so even if there were viewers who had watched the livestream and explained Jiang Xun's presence, they still wouldn't listen.

Jiang Xun's fan club was so angry that they wrote down these people's ids and updated them at the top of the official site

Jiang Xun's fan club: [We'll be waiting for you to apologize!]

However, this situation had a huge reversal after the main episode was officially released on Sunday night.

The netizens who had been ridiculing Jiang Xun the previous night had all started to change their minds after watching the main broadcast.

[I apologize. The Fengijang ship is seriously too good.]

[President Qin is in the corner. He's looking at Jiang Xun. <photo>]

The photo was a screenshot of everyone gathering outside Minguo City after the game ended. The photo had been magnified to a blur, and one could barely make out that Mufeng's gaze was in Jiang Xun's direction.

However, this kind of blurry photo could be interpreted any way one wanted, so when the comment was phrased in such a way, the fans immediately took the bait.

[Hey, do you guys watch variety shows with a microscope?]

[In the main episode, there was also Fengjiang content when they're in the pawn shop, but the director mercilessly cut it off halfway through...]

[Hey director, when are you gonna release the scene of President Qin looking for Jiang Xun?]

The official account for "Accelerated Flight" replied to this comment in particular. [Please look forward to tomorrow's VIP update!]

[I knew it. Director, you're too good.]

[Director, I don't care how you release it. As long as you release the video, I'll pay to watch it!]

The video of Jiang Xun unlocking the password to the safe in the main episode was also released. This was something that was not available during the livestream.

During the livestream, Jiang Xun had been decoding the password, but the camera had been focused on Li Ruhan, so the audience couldn't see what she was doing.

This time, the audience clearly saw the process of Jiang Xun solving the problem.

[Big Boss Xun is really awesome!]

[I just remembered that Jiang Xun is a straight-A student from Beijing Uni!]

[Ngl i forgot about that because of her usual livestreams]

[Did the production team not expect any guest to solve this question?]

[Don't say that. I'm at the end of my third year of high school, and I don't even know how to solve it. Suddenly, I feel like I don't have any hope of getting into a single good uni?]

[Sister, don't compare yourself to Jiang Xun. After all, she goes to Beijing University, the number one uni in all of China!]

Chapter 104: Experience With Cheating Developers

[Maybe this is why they invited Jiang Xun onto the program? They were probably hoping that one of the guests could solve the problem.]

[Merit Points + 3309]

[Favorability Points + 2278]

Jiang Xun, who had returned to school, was in her dormitory. As she lay on her bed, she opened up her mission panel and noticed that she now had 11,582 Merit Points and 12,186 Favorability Points.

With this, she had successfully completed her mission, so she proceeded to claim her rewards.

[Intermediate Mission: obtain 10,000 Favorability Points points—Completed. Reward: 10 years of life, Additional 2 Ability Points, ability to convert Favorability Points into Merit Points.]

Jiang Xun clicked on the ability panel again. In the ability selection panel, in addition to the stamina and speed options, there was also an option to convert Favorability Points into Merit Points.

Jiang Xun muttered, "Looks like this option can be considered to be one of the abilities added to the ability panel."

System: "Congratulations, Host. Seems that you can draw conclusions just with one example."

"Hehe, consider this a result of my experiences with cheating developers."

The system did not say anything in response.

Jiang Xun first clicked on the "Convert" option.

[Would you like to spend 10,000 Merit Points to gain the ability "Convert FP into MP?]

Even though Jiang Xun was used to being ripped off by the system, she still couldn't help but blink slowly at the words on screen, her mind drawing a blank.

Eventually, she said, "...You system developers, when you were alive, you were forced to work the night shift, weren't you?"

"Host, your words are so mean. What do you mean by 'when we were alive'? Our system developers are all alive and well, and the system development was a team effort, not just one person!"

Jiang Xun was not interested in how many developers there were. She only felt sorry for the MP that she had just accumulated.

She originally thought that having more than 10,000 MP would be more than enough to quickly start the next mission, but who knew that this system was even scummier than she'd originally thought? Even just the action of adding an ability to the panel already costed so much!

"But spending 10,000 MP just to add an ability to the panel is a bit too much!"

"10,000 Merit Points is just a one-time expenditure. Think about it, Host. As long as you add this function, you will be able to continuously convert your Favorability Points into Merit Points in the future. You'll definitely be able to convert much, much more than just 10k points in the future."

Due to her understanding of the system, Jiang Xun did not really trust what it was telling her.

Nonetheless, she still chose [Yes].

After all, it wasn't like she had any other option. Besides, she had a lot of Merit Points, so she might as well!

The option [Convert FP to MP] appeared in her ability panel.

Then, Jiang Xun chose the [Stamina] ability to upgrade, to which she paid 10 MP, leaving her with 1572 MP.

After that, she tapped on the [Convert FP to MP] option, upon which a message popped up.

[1000 Favorability Points = 1 Merit Point.]

Jiang Xun laughed coldly. She was already used to being cheated, so she couldn't be bothered to protest at this point. It was a good thing that she hadn't taken the bait the system had laid out for her just now!

With this abysmal exchange rate, when would she ever be able to get back her 10,000 MP?

She now had 12,186 Favorability Points points, so she converted it all into 12 Merit Points. It was better than nothing, she thought, trying to comfort herself.

Jiang Xun did not immediately add points to her other abilities. Instead, she clicked on the next mission.

[Intermediate Mission 2 requires 10,000 Merit Points to unlock.]

After reading it, she calmly turned it off and converted 70 MP into 7 ability points and added them to her Stamina, then repeated the process and added 4 and 7 points to her Intelligence and Purification abilities respectively.

With her current Intelligence, Stamina and Purification stats, it would be more than enough to deal with all kinds of daily situations.

Previously, when she went to patrol the streets, no one could escape from her. But this world wasn't in the midst of an apocalypse; she did not need to forge herself into a steel-like Superman.

Otherwise, she was afraid that she would be captured by some kind of research department for "research".

As for purification, she could use the remaining Merit Points to further enhance her ability.

However, after the first purification experience, her appearance would not change much after any further purification. That said, it would give people a kind of surprise from the inside out.

If her appearance were to change drastically, it would really attract the suspicion of others. It would not be good to attract too much attention to her.

For example, many celebrities just kept making minor cosmetic adjustments, allowing them to gradually become more handsome or beautiful. The changes would be subtle so that they looked different, but people wouldn't be able to tell exactly what it was.

It was only when one took out an old photo and compared it with a newer one could they see the obvious difference.

Jiang Xun didn't mind people badmouthing her, but it also wasn't necessary for her to have to deal with people thinking she'd undergone plastic surgery or something like that.

Since she previously added 13 points to her marrow cleansing skill, she now had 20 marrow cleansing points.

Perhaps it was because she had added too many points to her marrow cleansing all at once, but this time, the feeling was a little bigger than the last time; she was sweating more than the last time she'd done this and could feel every pore in her body tingling, as if she had been electrocuted.

If it was just one spot of pain, and it only hurt for a moment, it would not matter at all.

But now, every pore was producing this slight tingling pain at the same time. It was densely packed like electric currents, like the tip of a needle stabbing every part of her skin.

Fortunately, Jiang Xun had endured even greater pain during the apocalypse, and so she gritted her teeth and endured the pain for 10 minutes until it finally faded.

By the time everything calmed down, Jiang Xun was covered in sweat. Some of the sweat was due to detoxification, while some of it was completely caused by the pain.

She actually felt a little tired right now.

Jiang Xun asked the system, "Why does it hurt so much this time? The last time I did this, I added 13 points, but it didn't hurt like this."

The system answered, "The strength of the purification process is based on the number of purification points you put in. Every 10 points, you gain a level, so since you previously added 13 points, you were at level 1. This is the lowest level, so you won't feel anything. When you get to 20 points, you will feel a slight pain, and when you get to 30 points, you will feel even more."

"...This is a little too abnormal!"

"Our system has had many female hosts before!" the system explained. "Most of them prefer to enhance their beauty over physical and mental abilities, so they are willing to add a large number of Merit Points to the purification process. However, many people are unable to persist because the purification process is too painful, so they don't dare to add more points to the purification process. The most they can get to is 40 points."

The system then paused a bit before saying, "Actually, I'm also quite curious about what it would look like if you maxed out your Purification."

Jiang Xun let out a breath. "Let me rest for a while, then I'll consider adding 30 points."

Since every 10 points was equal to one level, she would only add 10 points each time.

Chapter 105: Who Wouldn't Feel Sorry For Him?

Since she was sweating all over, Jiang Xun went to take a shower.

When she came out, she opened her wardrobe door, where a full-body mirror was pasted, then looked at her reflection.

It was not an illusion. Her half-dry long hair was much thicker than it was ten minutes ago. Jiang Xun already had a lot of hair previously, but now she did not have to worry about going bald at all.

Her originally fair skin was now even clearer, and her cheeks were a faint shade of pink. Her lips were slightly rosy, and her fingernails were pink and tender, and her skin had become even smoother; the pores on her skin were practically invisible.

Jiang Xun couldn't help but stand and admire herself for a bit. "...Honestly, I now understand why those girls would try their best to endure the purification process."

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At 8 pm on Monday night, Feng Videos released the VIP version of "Accelerated Flight."

It was all content that was not included in the livestream or the main episode.

It also included the footage of the time Qin Mufeng had run back to look for Jiang Xun rather than pass through the portal with Xu Miaotong. The VIP version of the content completely pushed Mufeng and Jiang Xun's popularity as a couple to the peak.

The fans, for their part, had edited the livestream, the main episode, and the interactions between the two in the VIP version into a video together. There was even an expert who had edited the footage of the both of them into a real-life adaptation of a novel and even dubbed it over.

[After seeing this clip, I won't be able to accept this novel being adapted into a TV series if they don't put these two as the main leads.]

[I'm dead]

[Production team, do you have any more? I need more content!]

[production team, make another exclusive cut for the two of them!]

[@Qin Mufeng, don't you want to consider collabing with Jiang Xun on your products? They will definitely sell like hot cakes!]

Although Qin Yang wasn't hosting any collaboration between Qin Mufeng and Jiang Xun, it didn't stop the fans from going to Qin Yang shopping malls, supermarkets, and convenience stores.

Some fans even went to the entrance of the Qin Yang Group building to take photos and punch their cards.

Qin Yang's stock price soared almost overnight as a result.

The topic of [10,000 letters requesting Qin Yang to make Fengjiang products] once again started trending, but this time, it landed itself on fifth place in the trending tab, which was a very high position.

Of course, there was still no lack of negative comments.

[Do shippers have any brains? One is a top-tier tycoon, and the other is an internet celebrity. No matter what, it's impossible for them to be together.]

[Mufeng doesn't need to be popular. It's all because the internet celebrity with the surname Jiang shamelessly stuck herself to President Qin for fanservice. Gross.]

[The tension is definitely all made up. Didn't you see that Mufeng didn't even respond? It's just a bunch of shippers who are fantasizing.]

[The shippers and young master Jiang Xun are pouncing on each other. Mufeng doesn't even Fancy Jiang Xun.]

[Jiang Xun is really willing to do anything for the sake of popularity. Isn't she afraid of offending Mufeng? Can't she just stay as an internet celebrity?]

[This is the clever part about Jiang Xun. There are a lot of shippers out there, you see. Haven't you seen that Jiang Xun hasn't said anything up until now? Success is hidden. Anyway, since she hasn't made any comment, Mufeng has no reason to settle the score with her.]

[Jiang Xun, don't listen to those liars online." After Zhou Daixin finished reading the comments, she conveniently saved the shipping video of Jiang Xun and Qin Mufeng.

Yes, she had successfully fallen into the rabbit hole.

Those netizens didn't know, but the three of Jiang Xun's roommates knew too well.

Thinking back to the day when school started, Qin Mufeng had specially come to look for Jiang Xun, but Jiang Xun had ignored him.

At that time, when seeing his helpless and disappointed eyes at being rejected, who wouldn't feel sorry for him?

At that time, they didn't know who he was. It was only after watching "Accelerated Flight" that they realized that the man was Qin Mufeng.

Just based on the fact that he had come to look for Jiang Xun a long time ago, the three roommates had fallen into the Fengjiang rabbit hole.

"That's right. They don't know anything at all." Huang Jiajia had just finished watching the video clip of Jiang Xun and Qin Mufeng for the third time in a row.

No one else knew about this, but only they knew that they had hit the real thing. It was such a great feeling.

"I'm fine, don't worry." Jiang Xun reassured. She really didn't bother taking those words to heart.

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On the other hand, Jiang Yuexi didn't expect Jiang Xun to be doing so well, to the point where she even got to participate in a popular variety show.

Although the amount of exercise needed in "Accelerated Escape" was huge, if Yuexi was given the option, she would definitely go! After all, she would be popular if she went.

But now, Jiang Xun was already so famous. Although many people were criticizing her, she was also famous.

Yuexi couldn't sit still anymore. During dinner, she brought this up to Jiang Chengye. "Dad, recently, Sister participated in a variety show called "Accelerated Escape," and she even became popular because of it."

Chengye didn't usually pay attention to variety shows, so he didn't know about this. He paused in the middle of picking up some food, and his expression stiffened. "Why are you mentioning her out of the blue?"

"Dad, do you know why she became a trending topic? It's because she was in a variety show with Qin Mufeng," Yuexi said. "The netizens all fell for them, so Qin Yang's stock price has even received a dividend because of this and has been continuously soaring."

These words finally caught Chengye's interest. "No Wonder Qin Yang's stock price has suddenly gotten so high recently."

Hearing all this, Feng Nianzhen could not help but ask, "Could Jiang Xun really be with Qin Mufeng..."

If that was the case, then she would not be easy to deal with.

Nianzhen was the person who was the least willing to let Jiang Xun be with Qin Mufeng.

Jiang Jixuan's ears twitched. He could not help but recall that back when Jiang Xun was staying in the small hotel, Qin Mufeng had personally come to look for her.

Unexpectedly, Chengye said confidently, "No way. There's no way Qin Mufeng would take a fancy to her. If I had to guess, the two of them have some kind of agreement."

"I believe Qin Mufeng's real motive was raising his stock price to such a high level," Chengye analyzed with a frown. "And at the same time, Jiang Xun wants to be famous, so the two of them cooperated."

Jixuan remained silent.

Nianzhen heaved a sigh of relief. Chengye was probably the person who wanted Jiang Xun and Mufeng to be together the most. If he said that it wasn't the case, then it was probably true.

"So, Dad, I was thinking that Brother Ze and I could work together like this as well?" Yuexi suggested. "Besides, we're still a real couple."

"Hm?" Chengye looked at Yuexi.

"I was thinking that you could ask around and see if there are any variety shows that are suitable for a couple. I can work together with Brother Ze. If possible, our family and the Gu Corporation can also sponsor it. When the show becomes popular, our family and the Gu Corporation will make money," she said.

"Is Gu Xiaoze willing to do this?" Chengye asked.

Yuexi could tell that she'd successfully hooked him, and so she nodded.

"Yes. To be honest, if this turns out to be successful, the Gu family will be the one who will benefit the most," Yuexi said. "I'm going to participate in the variety show as an artist. The outside world doesn't know about our family's situation yet, but Xiaoze is different. If he were to participate, he would definitely be labeled as a young master of a wealthy family because such a persona would be very popular."

She smiled. "Of course, this isn't a persona; it's who he truly is. When the time comes, his family will also make money because of this. How could he not be willing?"

Chapter 106: You're Not Famous, Yet You're Piggybacking on Its Popularity!

Chengye thought about it for a moment and nodded. "Alright, leave this to me."

Yuexi heaved a sigh of relief. Chengye's promise was much more straightforward than she had expected.

This was all thanks to the fact that Qin Yang's stock price had soared, which made Chengye take a liking to the benefits.

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That night, Jiang Xun started a livestream in her dormitory. She'd already finished eating dinner, but there was a pile of snacks on her table, which she'd been nibbling on all the while. The snacks looked delicious, which made the fans crave for some.

[I wanted to lose weight, so I tore open a bag of Bugles.]

[Good thing I have some duck jerky with me.]

[Am I the only one who thinks duck jerky sucks?]

[The more I watch you eat, the more I want to cry. I'm gonna order takeout.]

[It's so late at night. Jiang Jiang is too evil.]

[It's no fun just eating. How about watching something, JJ?]

When Jiang Xun saw this comment, she said, "Alright then. Do you guys have any recommendations?"

[Yes! Season two of "The Other Half's Law" is a love story. It has already aired three episodes.]

"Is that so?" Jiang Xun turned on her tablet. "Which platform is it being broadcast on?"

[Star Client TV.]

And so, Jiang Xun opened Star client TV's homepage, where she immediately saw a lot of recommendations for various genres of shows.

She nodded. "Alright, then let's have a watchalong today with everyone."

Spicy JJ: [Sure, let's watch the show together and while we have dinner!]

Since Jiang Xun had never watched it before, she started watching it from the first episode.

There was an advertisement before the episode started. Upon seeing the Gu Corporation and Jiang Chengye's sponsorship appear at the beginning, Jiang Xun raised her eyebrows.

Then, the host came out and introduced the guests, which were all single people. They were then asked to discuss matters of love between men and women from a single point of view.

The Gu Corporation was actually the overall champion of this program.

"Then, let's see who has come to the villa!" the host announced excitedly.

The scene switched to the exterior of the villa, showing a girl getting out of the car.

Jiang Xun took a look and saw that it was actually Jiang Yuexi. Was Gu Xiaoze actually willingly letting her participate in a variety show about romance?

Yuexi entered the villa and first familiarized herself with the environment. Not long after, the first male Guest arrived.

Jiang Xun took a look and almost did a double take.

Wasn't that Gu Xiaoze?

She didn't need to look twice to know that the two of them were definitely going to be a couple.

However, the more she thought about it, she felt that something was wrong. In puzzlement, she let out a hiss and looked up a fan wiki for "The Other Half's Law."

Old Wang next door: [What? What's wrong? Why's JJ looking at a wiki?]

In the meantime, Jiang Xun was staring at the screen, her head full of questions. "The setting of this program is to let single men and women who don't know each other live together in the villa, get to know each other, and choose the member of the opposite sex that they like, right?" she asked.

[Yes, the choice is a two-way street. The highlight of the program is that Woman A likes Man B, but Man B may like Woman C, and Woman C may like Man A. Until the end, no one will know which pair will successfully become a couple.]

[The most exciting part is the scheming between four men and four women. For the sake of the other half that they like, they engage in scheming and even arGue with their love rivals.]

Jiang Xun asked, "Then how can there be a real couple? Is it a new setting for this season's show?"

She had never seen the first season. In fact, it would be better to say that this was the first time she'd ever watched a dating show.

She was surprised that humans in this world would film just about anything. They could bring together young men and women who did not know each other and did not have any basis for love, and they could pair up people that had only met a few times and did not know much about each other, not to mention how the people on the show could scheme against each other to get the person they wanted.

Of course, Jiang Xun also knew that after the program ended, the couple in the program would most likely end their relationship as well and wouldn't continue past that. There was more or less an element of acting involved in the program.

However, Jiang Xun still admired the program director and plan.

Jiang Jiang Shredding: [That's not it. The main focus of this program is that the guests don't know each other, so it's impossible for there to be a real couple. If there is one, they can just participate in a reality show for couples. They wouldn't fit the theme of this show.]

Super Sweet JJ: [Are there any real couples here? Do you know any of them, JJ?]

Jiang Xun didn't say that she knew them, but only said, [The two guests who just appeared are Gu Xiaoze and Jiang Yuexi. They're childhood sweethearts and have been together for a long time. The parents of both parties have acknowledged their relationship.]

Milk Candies: [Wow! This is going to be a good show to watch! The two of them are very popular actually—the most popular couple in this show.]

Spicy JJ: [Yes, yes. They said that the two of them went in opposite directions and decided on each other from the moment they met. I was wondering why that happened, and it turns out that they're an actual couple.]

Dan Dan: [Aren't they lying to the audience? They are clearly a real couple. They have known each other for a long time, and even their parents have seen each other before. They even acted as if they were not familiar with each other during the show. It was as if they had nothing to talk about.]

Split Underpants: [They are here to fall in love at the public expense.]

Not all of the people who came to Jiang Xun's livestream room were fans. There were also many other netizens who were curious about her livestream, among which was a group of viewers who were attracted by the recent episode of "Accelerated Flight." They were curious about what Jiang Xun's livestreams looked like, so they came to take a look.

Therefore, some netizens posted the words Jiang Xun said in the livestream on Weibo.

"The Other Half's Law" was a very popular love story at the moment, and it had many fans. If it weren't the case, Jiang Yuexi and Gu Xiaoze would not have been able to attract a wave of fans with this program.

The Gu Corporation and Jiang Chengye were both benefiting from this.

It wasn't long before Jiang Xun's words were posted and quickly started trending. Even the term "Jiang Xun's livestream" had also gone viral.

Naturally, fans of the Gu Xiaoze and Jiang Yuexi coupling weren't going to take this lying down, so they all went to Jiang Xun's Weibo to cuss her out.

[What's wrong with you? Do you want to be famous that badly?]

[This show has nothing to do with you. Why are you freeloading on its popularity?]

[You're not famous, yet here you are piggybacking on the show!]

[You said that Gu Xiaoze and Jiang Yuexi have known each other for a long time. They are a couple in private, and the shows are all staged. Where's the evidence? Show me the evidence!]

[You make it sound like you know Gu Xiaoze and Jiang Yuexi. But look at you, a small Internet celebrity. How can you possibly know the young master of the Gu Corporation?]

[This rumor of yours is very serious. It might even affect the show. I advise you to apologize quickly, or the production team will come after you. Gu Xiaoze and Jiang Yuexi will send you a lawyer's letter together.]

[You also know that they were childhood sweethearts? Did you hear it while hiding under their dining table?]

There were even people who sent private messages to insult Jiang Xun. Some extreme fans even photoshopped pictures of her, making her look as if she'd been decapitated.

Chapter 107: I'll Take Responsibility for What I Said

In Jiang Xun's opinion, she would say that the zombies she killed in her previous life were a hundred times more horrifying and disgusting than these "zombies." They didn't scare her at all.

Jiang Xun even typed in the other person's ID as a reply. She wasn't afraid of them, but she still needed to mark them down for Merit Point farming purposes.

Some fans even went straight to the show's official blog, trying to get the production team to make a decision for them.

[If Jiang Xun is spreading rumors like this, will you guys just stand by and watch?]

[Her rumors will also affect the production team's reputation, right?]

[Will it be interesting for netizens who don't know the truth to think that your guys have invited a real couple to come over and act out the script?]

Soon after, the official blog of "The Other Half's Law" posted on Weibo, "The production team has carefully chosen and investigated the background and status of the guests. Everything in the program is left to the guests to do as they wish, and there is absolutely no part of the script or performance. @jiangxun, your words in your livestream have damaged the reputation of our show. If we don't receive your apology before the end of today, we will proceed with legal procedures. The internet is not a lawless place. Livestreamers should also be cautious with their words and actions."

[What are you talking to her for? Just sue her directly!]

[You thought that the effect of the hype was good a few times before. You must be addicted to the hype!]

Jiang Xun snorted coldly. She immediately replied on Weibo, "@theotherhalfslaw, I will take responsibility for what I said. The two of them are a couple. Either your team knew about it and deliberately hid it from the audience, or you've also been deceived by them. When the truth is revealed, please also ask your team to apologize to me."

[Aaand there it is. Jiang Jiang has left, and Big Boss Xun is here.]

[Big Boss Xun: I never lie!]

[Big Boss Xun: I'm responsible for what I said!]

[Jiang "Messenger of Justice, Apologize to me, Mad Demon" Xun.]

[Big Boss Xun, you've gone too far. @jiangyuexi,@guxiaoze, do you dare come out and dispute her?]

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When Yuexi and Xiaoze saw all this, they did not know how to react.

If they publicly denied it, Jiang Xun only needed to expose her identity to prove what she said. However, if Yuexi told Jiang Xun privately, it would be the same as sending the evidence directly to Jiang Xun.

She didn't believe that Jiang Xun would keep her secret, either.

In other words, they were facing a Morton's Fork situation, and so they still hadn't decided on what to do.

When the production team saw Jiang Xun's reply, they immediately contacted Jiang Xun's manager, Wang Yicheng.

"If Jiang Xun doesn't retract what she said and apologize to us, we will definitely go through legal procedures!" the staff said to Yicheng angrily and arrogantly.

Yicheng rolled his eyes. "Fine, you can sue her. Since Jiang Xun said that her words are true, then it must be true. She's not afraid of you suing her."

After saying that, Yicheng hung up the phone stubbornly.

It wasn't that he trusted Jiang Xun, though—it was more that he trusted Qin Mufeng enough. With him around, even if the production team really dared to sue Jiang Xun, it seemed like they could definitely win.

However, Yicheng still had a headache. Why was Jiang Xun causing trouble without even informing him?

And even after stirring all this up, she didn't tell him about it!

His head seriously hurt!

Yicheng then immediately contacted Qin Mufeng.

Seeing the production team voice out their reaction, the Jiang Yuexi and Gu Xiaoze shipping fans became even more adamant.

[You said you can take responsibility, so how are you going to do it? Show me the evidence First!]

[Without evidence, are you just saying that they've been lovers for a long time?]

While all of that was happening, Qin Mufeng suddenly replied to the Weibo post from "The Other Half's Law" requesting Jiang Xun to apologize. "I can prove that Jiang Yuexi and Gu Xiaoze are indeed childhood sweethearts and have been together for a long time."

After that, he made his own post on Weibo. "It was during a banquet. I saw it with my own eyes. Jiang Yuexi and Gu Xiaoze's parents also introduced them in the same way. I also saw them kissing at the banquet with my own eyes."

The effect of Mufeng's words was different from Jiang Xun's.

In the eyes of the netizens, Jiang Xun was just a small Internet celebrity. There was no way she'd have the chance to interact with someone from the Gu Family.

However, Mufeng was different—the banquets he attended would definitely be very grand. As a topnotch existence even among the wealthiest families, he definitely had some connections with the Gu family. His words were credible!

Furthermore, as the CEO of the Qin Yang Group, Mufeng would have to take responsibility for his words. He couldn't just spit on anyone, and he definitely could not make irresponsible remarks.

[Things are getting exciting]

Today's JJ: [Big Boss Xun never spouts nonsense!]

[Can those netizens who insulted Jiang Xun hurry up and apologize! They're so enthusiastic when they're scolding others, so why don't they apologize when it's their turn?]

[@theOtherHalfsLaw "The Internet is not a lawless place. Livestreamers should also be cautious with their words and actions." It's time for you to eat your words. Delete your account and apologize.]

Some fans were still stubbornly refusing to back down, however.

[So what if Qin Mufeng said it? His words are also empty. Can they be used as evidence?]

However, not long after such comments appeared, a bunch of revealing photos were sent out by a burner account. They were all intimate photos of Yuexi and Xiaoze, such as selfies and photos showing the both of them kissing and cuddling with each other.

There was no need for any more intimate photos after this; these were more than enough to prove the relationship between Yuexi and Xiaoze.

The person who leaked the photos said, [These are all photos from Jiang Yuexi's Instagram account.]

After Bingbing posted these, he logged out of his Weibo account, hiding his achievements and fame.

After that, Jiang Xun received a screenshot from Yu Bingbing.

Bingbing: [Boss, this is all the evidence I could find. I've already posted them on Weibo.]

Jiang Xun: [How did you know about Yuexi's Instagram account?]

Bingbing: [It's just a very simple technology. I found out after checking. Yuexi's computer doesn't have any security at all.]

Jiang Xun: [You hacked into her computer?]

Bingbing: [Not really. I only managed to obtain some information from her computer through some small technical means. These photos were posted on her Instagram account and made public.]

Jiang Xun: [Bingbing, you wouldn't happen to be a hacker, would you?]

Bingbing: [I still have a lot to learn >///<.]

Jiang Xun: [Why did you tell me about this? It's better to keep such things a secret.]

Bingbing: [You're my boss, so why would I hide it from you? Besides, you won't do anything bad to me.]

Jiang Xun: [Alright, I'll delete this chat history completely. No one will be able to see this from my phone or chat account. As for your hacker information, including your code name, don't tell me anything else. Keep this secret to yourself.]

Of course, Bingbing knew that Jiang Xun was doing this to protect him. He agreed, keeping her good intentions in mind.

With the photos Bingbing had sent Jiang Xun, it was simply irrefutable evidence.

Yuexi and Xiaoze couldn't argue against this anymore.

The shippers that were rooting for the two of them seemed to have been struck by a bolt out of the blue.

Chapter 108: Think About Whether You Can Beat Me Or Not

[I thought it was a campus romance between a rich young master and a future female star, but I didn't expect it to be all an act.]

[@jiangyuexi's acting is so good. I really believed her when she looked so embarrassed and shy when they first met lol]

[@theOtherHalfsLaw. The production team should come out and talk. Don't Play Dead. They knew that they were a real couple, but they still invited them to participate in the show. They lied to the audience!]

[Star Trek's variety shows always have a script. I've long expected this.]

[@theOtherHalfsLaws, even if there is a script, you should at least find two single people, right? What's the point of finding a couple?]

[Although I'm a couple, I'm a couple. It's not like you guys produce candy and feed it directly to me.]

[@jiang Yuexi,@guxiaoze, since they are a real couple, why are you still pretending to be on a first date? Why are you acting like you're not familiar with each other on a date?]

Following that, the official Weibo of the flash channel posted, "@theOtherHalfsLaw, please apologize for your false accusations against Jiang Xun."

Soon after, the official Weibo of "The Other Half's Law" deleted the Weibo post criticizing Jiang Xun and put up an official statement.

"Due to negligence, we failed to investigate the background of our guests carefully, resulting in a faulty background for two of our guests. Both parties joined our variety show as lovers, which brought a very bad viewing experience to our audience. We sincerely apologize to @jiangxun for having prematurely jumped to conclusions."

"At the same time, the production team has canceled Jiang Yuexi and Gu Xiaoze's subsequent episodes. In the episodes that have already been filmed but not broadcast yet, all scenes of the two will also be deleted. The production team will contact new guests to move into the cabin as soon as possible.]

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The response of the production team was rather quick, and the apology was also timely.

Jiang Xun received one Merit Point from the production team, which she found unsatisfactory at best.

"There are so many people in their production team, yet the entire team only contributed one Merit Point to me. Doesn't this mean that they're really insincere?"

After that, Yuexi and Xiaoze shippers started jumping ship en masse.

[They are already so rich, yet they still came to the variety show to scam money out of people. Disgusting!]

As a result, Yuexi and Xiaoze had no choice but to come out and apologize and announce their withdrawal from the program.

However, there were still some diehard fans who insisted on their staying.

[Am I the only one who feels happy? I'm really stoned. They are a real couple, so I can rest assured that I'm stoned.]

[Me too. I was already hoping for them to end up together, but now that it's been confirmed, what's the problem? I can still stand by my ship!]

However, most of the fans were more concerned about being deceived.

Currently, "The Other Half's Law" had only aired three episodes in Season Two.

Yuexi's fan base thus rendered weak. She only had the fans that she had accumulated during these three episodes, so she didn't have a stable fanbase, nor did she have many diehard fans.

Not only that, some netizens had found out that the title sponsor of the show was Gu Enterprise. The stock price and products of Gu Enterprise had been greatly affected as a result.

The most immediate impact was that the stock price of Gu Enterprise had plummeted, and its return on equity had sharply decreased.

Yuexi still hadn't been exposed as being the second daughter of the Chengye group's head, so the Chengye group had narrowly escaped a disaster. That said, if she were to be exposed in the future, it was hard to say whether Jiang Chengye would be affected or not.

However, the Gu family had a lot of complaints about Yuexi. They all felt like they'd been cheated by her.

"Why is it that the Gu family is the only one affected by the exposure of the matter between the two of you?" Hu Liwei, Xiaoze's mother, said unhappily. "But nothing happened to the Jiang Family? She kept her identity as the second daughter of the Jiang family a secret!"

Yuexi could only suck up to her future mother-in-law's dissatisfaction. It had taken her a lot of effort to appease her.

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Two days later, Jiang Xun ran into Xiaoze on the campus of Beijing University.

When she saw him again, she suddenly remembered that Xiaoze was also studying at Beijing University. It seemed that he would graduate from his fourth year this year.

When she saw him, she pretended not to know him and simply walked over without looking at him.

"Jiang Xun!" Xiaoze didn't expect her to ignore him when he'd deliberately come looking for her. He had to stop her.

Jiang Xun rolled her eyes. How could Xiaoze be so blind? Couldn't he tell that she didn't want to talk to him?

"You deliberately told everyone about me and Yuexi and made us lose the show." Xiaoze stood in front of Jiang Xun, once again blocking her way.

"You just can't stand seeing her succeed, can you? Your father was the one who made the decision to send you to the countryside. How old was Yuexi at the time? Of course she wouldn't know anything! This matter has nothing to do with Yuexi. Even if you hate her, you can't blame her for everything that's gone wrong in your life!" Xiaoze said angrily.

Jiang Xun rolled her eyes. She really couldn't be bothered to talk to him at this point. With one punch, she knocked Xiaoze down, leaving him with a black eye.

Xiaoze, for his part, had never thought that Jiang Xun wouldn't play by the rules at all. She'd attacked him out of nowhere without even saying a word!

He sat on the ground, completely stunned by this turn of events. How did he get knocked down by Jiang Xun?

"You went on a variety show to fake your relationship and still have the nerve to come looking for me?" Jiang Xun scoffed. No wonder he and Yuexi were indeed a couple—they were both so shameless, always blaming someone else for their mistakes.

Xiaoze had never been beaten up by anyone from a young age, let alone by a woman. His expression suddenly blackened with malice, and his facial features instantly became ferocious.

He shot up from the ground. His eyes were red, and he glared at Jiang Xun like an angry beast.

He didn't care that she was a girl. He swung his fist at Jiang Xun and said, "You mangy cur! Do you want to die?!"

How dare you hit me?!

Jiang Xun had only managed to hit him just now because he wasn't paying attention. He could admit that she was indeed very strong, but if he was mentally prepared, there was no way she could hit him!

Jiang Xun couldn't blame him for hitting a woman when she was practically begging for it!

However, while Xiaoze's fantasy was quite idealistic, the reality was very much the opposite.

His fist didn't touch Jiang Xun at all. Instead, Jiang Xun lowered her body and punched his abdomen again.

Xiaoze staggered back at the blow, his body doubling over and toppling to the ground again. This time, he did not feel as good as before. He felt as if his organs had been pulverized by Jiang Xun's punch, and his abdomen was in incredible pain.

This time, he could not get up for a while and could only hug his stomach and lay on the ground. With great difficulty, he turned over and braced one knee on the ground, trying to push himself up, all while coughing as his forehead pressed against the ground.

Jiang Xun clicked her tongue in disgust.

He looked so young, but why was he so impatient?

"In the future, when you want to bother me again, think carefully about whether you can beat me or not." After saying that, Jiang Xun walked around Xiaoze in disgust.

Chapter 109: You Should Get a Different Son-In-Law

When the school bully trio found out about this, they deeply regretted being the school bully in high school and not putting all their energy into their studies.

Zhao Dejia: [If I'd studied harder, I'd have been able to get into Beijing Uni and go with Boss. If I had met that Gu guy, the Boss wouldn't have had to do it herself."

Yu Tailai: [I'm starting to work hard. I'll definitely get into Beijing University and become a graduate student.]

Fang Zhenghui: [Boss, will you be going for further study at Beijing Uni?]

Jiang Xun: [I haven't thought about that yet. Let's talk about it in the future.]

After typing out her message, Jiang Xun put away her cell phone and ran over to the Jiang residence.

If Xiaoze was already so angry, she was sure that Jiang Chengye would be in an even worse mood, so it was time for her to go back and reap a wave of Merit Points.

When the system found out Jiang Xun's purpose, it almost sympathized with Chengye. How did a host like Jiang Xun become his daughter?

This was practically punishment!

Jiang Xun rolled her eyes. "Yeah, it's definitely punishment. If he didn't cheat back then, he wouldn't have been tricked by Yuexi now."

She'd deliberately decided to go back to the Jiang family home during dinner time. Perhaps she could even get a full meal out of this.

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At the door of the Jiang family's home, Jiang Xun rang the doorbell. When Aunt Zhang saw who was standing at the door, she said in surprise, "Miss!"

She didn't say it quietly, and so Chengye and the others heard it.

"Jiang Xun?" Chengye stood up and was about to go to the door when he suddenly realized something was wrong. He quickly sat down and pretended to be calm. "So she does know that she should come back after all that!"

Aunt Zhang understood what Chengye meant and quickly opened the door for Jiang Xun.

After a while, Jiang Xun's voice could be heard from the front door. "Aunt Zhang, is dinner ready?"

"It's just done. I'm just about to serve it to the table," Aunt Zhang said with a smile.

Judging from Jiang Xun's actions, it almost didn't seem like she had been kicked out of the house before. It was as if there had never been any conflict for her to come back so naturally like this.

Chengye snorted coldly and shouted at the top of his lungs, "So you do know when to come back!"

However, he had no intention of chasing Jiang Xun away this time.

Jiang Xun walked into the living room and curled her lips. "Weren't you the one who told me to get lost back then?"

Chengye had originally wanted to give himself a way out, trying to brush his actions back then under the rug, but who knew that she would bring it up again.

"Then why did you come back!" Chengye cursed this unfilial daughter in his heart. Couldn't she just give him a way out? He didn't even mention that thing with Qin Mufeng!

"Xiaoze came to me today and blamed me for exposing their fraudulent ways, so I beat him up." Jiang Xun crossed her arms and raised her chin. "So I came back to see how you were. Did you sponsor the show?"

Chengye closed his eyes for a while when he saw Jiang Xun's arrogant and innocent look.

But then, he suddenly felt like there was something wrong with her words. "What did you say?" he roared.

"I came back to see how your business is doing," Jiang Xun said.

"The first sentence." Chengye felt uncomfortable. "Did you just say that you beat Xiaoze up?"

"Yes. It's his fault for looking for trouble. If he's going to do that, it's only natural that he'd be beaten up." Jiang Xun pointed her nose at Chengye.

Chengye's temples throbbed with a rapidly growing migraine.

"Can't you stop?" At this point, he felt so numb that he couldn't even blow up at Jiang Xun.

Hearing this exchange, Nianzhen couldn't sit still anymore. "How can you hit Xiaoze?! He's Yuexi's boyfriend! In the future, the Gu and Jiang families will be united by marriage, and they will be as strong as each other!"

Nianzhen wanted to tear Jiang Xun apart at this moment. "Didn't you just ruin the relationship between our two families by hitting Xiaoze?"

"That would just mean that he and Yuexi are not in love! I'm the one who beat him up, not Yuexi. If the Gu Family is angry at Yuexi because of this, then you should get a different son-in-law as soon as possible," Jiang Xun said dismissively as she shook her head.

Nianzhen was so shocked that she couldn't speak.

Jiang Xun still had the face to try persuading her?

"But... But you can't beat him up!" Nianzhen found her voice again. "Besides, how could you tell everyone about Yuexi and Xiaoze? Can't you just sit back and watch your sister participate in a show to attract some fans? Her career has just started, and you ruined it!"

"I was going to tell you this too," Chengye said with a dark face. "Putting aside the Gu Family, even if you know about Yuexi and Xiaoze, you don't have to tell the whole world about them!"

"If I don't say it out loud, I'll just wait for them to slip up in the future and let the Jiang Family sink together with the Gu Family," Jiang Xun sneered. "Which genius came up with that idea, by the way? There are so many kinds of variety shows, but why do you have to participate in a romantic one of all things?"

"Did you really have to drag Xiaoze along with you? You can even spend money to let Yuexi enter a variety show, so why didn't you just pick some other show and let her play there?" Jiang Xun rolled her eyes. "Why did you drag Xiaoze down with you? Did you want to sink his family, or?"

Chengye opened his mouth to scold her, but he suddenly stopped.

What Jiang Xun said...was not unreasonable. There were so many variety shows, why did they have to choose a romantic one?

Chengye looked at Yuexi. He remembered that she was the one who'd suggested entering the romantic kind of variety show to have a couple bonus with Xiaoze, but in the end, none of that happened and she ended up receiving backlash instead..

He did not say anything.

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Jiang Xun curled her lips up in dissatisfaction. To think that she had come back specifically for Merit Point farming purposes, but only ended up only getting one MP.

How disappointing!

It was then that Aunt Zhang called for everyone to eat, having finished setting up the dining table.

Jiang Xun went over and sat down on her seat.

Aunt Zhang thought that she was careless; she hadn't thought that Jiang Xun would come back tonight, so she did not prepare enough dishes for her.

While Jiang Xun was still eating, Aunt Zhang quickly made more steamed rice and dishes.

In the meantime, Jiang Xun didn't have any intention of chatting with the others and just focused on eating.

After finishing her meal, Jiang Xun stood up. "I'm leaving."

"You're already back. Why are you still going out?" Chengye said with a cold face.

Jiang Xun asked in surprise, "What, did you want me to come back and live here?"

Chengye pursed his lips and stayed silent for a long time before saying in a rough voice, "You've been angry for so long, that's enough! You've experienced how hard it is to live alone outside."

"No, I think it's quite easy." Jiang Xun raised his chin and said arrogantly, "It's also quite easy to earn money."

Chengye could only remain silent.

What sin did he commit in his previous life to get himself such an unfilial daughter?! He had already given in, so why couldn't she also give in?

"I'm leaving," Jiang Xun said as she walked out. "Someone was so desperately hoping for me to leave all this while, after all. Now that I'm back, she won't be able to sleep well."

As Jiang Xun spoke, she looked at Nianzhen openly. The person in question knew who she was talking about.

"Jiang Xun! Since when did I wait for you to leave? I hope for you to live well at home more than anyone else," Nianzhen said aggrievedly. "Even if I don't want outsiders to think that I'm mistreating my stepdaughter, I still hope that you can live at home. I'm hurt that you'd say that about me"!

She turned to Chengye and said, "Chengye, think about it. After Jiang Xun came back, did I say anything bad about her?"

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"Heh." Jiang Xun sneered and walked out.

"Okay!" Chengye interrupted Nianzhen and said to Jiang Xun, "I'll get the driver to send you back."

"No need. I'll go back myself." Having said that, Jiang Xun walked out of the door.

Chengye pointed at the door in annoyance. "Why did she come back? She came back for a meal and then left. What does she take this place for?"

Jixuan had no choice but to try and calm him down. "If she can come back, it means that she still treats this place as her home. She will come back often in the future."

Chengye's face was cold and stubborn. "Who cares about her coming back! If she has the ability, she can stay outside for the rest of her life and not come back!"

Even Nianzhen could see that Chengye was speaking insincerely.

Why? Did he feel sorry for his ex-wife now? Did he suddenly grow a conscience and want to make up for it via Jiang Xun?

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"The Other Half's Law" had lost a lot of fans due to Yuexi and Xiaoze's actions. Its popularity and broadcast rate had decreased. However, Feng Videos had taken a liking to the current popularity of dating reality shows, so it had also written up a concept for a show called "Unfulfilled Lovers."

They were currently looking for guests to take part in their show. The production team had sought out Wang Yicheng, wanting Jiang Xun to be a part of it.

Right now, Jiang Xun was even more popular, especially after she almost ruined Star Guest TV's "The Other Half's Law."

Although the program was still there, it was not as popular as before the incident. This was because the scandal involving Jiang Yuexi and Gu Xiaoze weighed heavily in the minds of many netizens. They found that watching dramas involving idols was a better use of time rather than watching a group of randos performing. At the very least, the idols would look much prettier.

However, Feng Videos was old rivals with Star Guest TV.

Since they were going to do a dating show, the first guest that their production team thought of inviting was Jiang Xun, mainly because she wasn't just popular, but they could also rub the loss in Star Guest TV's face.

Although the production team of "The Other Half's Law" had apologized in a straightforward and elegant manner on Weibo, they actually hated Jiang Xun. If it wasn't for her, their show wouldn't have gone up in flames like that.

Jiang Yuexi and Gu Xiaoze were originally the most popular couple on their program, but now they had nothing.

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While Yicheng had received the production team's invitation, he didn't dare to directly agree on behalf of Jiang Xun.

From a managerial perspective, this was undoubtedly a very good opportunity; few internet celebrities could have the opportunity to build connections with popular variety shows like Jiang Xun could.

This would be a great help for her to enter the entertainment industry...

But Qin Mufeng was watching.

Since Yicheng couldn't decide on Jiang Xun's behalf, he said, "This is indeed a great opportunity, but Jiang Xun is still studying. She's a student at Beijing University. The pressure of studying there is intense, and the competition is fierce. She might not be able to fit in with the filming schedule."

"We've thought about this," said the production team's assistant director, Zhang Zhisheng. "Our guests are all ordinary people who have their own careers in life. Everyone, not just Jiang Xun, is available seven days a week, so we only film on weekends. It won't affect the daily work and studies of the guests."

Yicheng didn't expect the production team to even consider this. They were really thoughtful.

"Then please give us time to consider this. We will give you a reply as soon as possible," he finally said. Yicheng actually wanted to ask Mufeng's opinion first.

"Okay," Zhisheng agreed.

After hanging up, Yicheng quickly called Mufeng to report this to him.

When Mufeng heard that a dating show wanted Jiang Xun to join their ranks, his face immediately darkened.

"What's the point in participating in a dating show? Even if Jiang Xun went, those men would still hold hands and take advantage of her! None of the men who take part in dating shows are reliable! Do you still need to ask me about such things? You should have rejected it immediately!"

Yicheng remained silent.

Mufeng had practically eviscerated him with words alone.

He hurriedly agreed. "Yes, of course. I'll reject it now."

Yicheng hung up the phone, then called up Zhang Zhisheng to reject the offer.

Zhisheng was disappointed when he heard of this. The more his team thought about it, the more they felt that Jiang Xun was the most suitable candidate to participate in this show.

"It's mainly because Jiang Xun is still young that I'm worried that she won't be able to handle it." Yicheng laughed. "But if there are other suitable shows, do consider calling us again."

"Of course, of course." Zhisheng exchanged a few pleasantries with Yicheng before ending the call.

Yicheng did not tell Jiang Xun about this.

On the other hand, Zhisheng told the results to the executive director, Shi Shuli.

The more Shuli thought about it, the more he felt it was a pity.

Zhisheng also said, "Jiang Xun is popular, and she's currently making the rounds on social media. At the very least, when she appears, the audience will be familiar with who she is, so she doesn't need to introduce herself to them. The main thing here is that since she stirred up controversy about "The Other half's Law,", she can definitely give our own show a boost and maybe even make us trend. As a bonus, we can even rub this in Star Guest TV's face."

Shuli frowned and took off his glasses, pinching the space between his eyebrows. "Who's saying that this isn't the case?"

He casually threw his glasses on the table, then asked, "What did Jiang Xun say?"

"I haven't asked her." Zhisheng scratched his head. "I contacted Wang Yicheng first. He said that he would discuss it with Jiang Xun, but then he called me and said that they wouldn't be participating."

Zhisheng thought that this must be the result of a discussion he'd had with Jiang Xun. it was likely that at least one of them didn't want to participate in this program.

"Go and ask Jiang Xun again. Contact her directly, and don't go through Wang Yicheng." Upon giving it a moment of thought, Shuli shook his head. "Forget it. I'll contact her personally."

It was not difficult to find Jiang Xun's contact information; previously, she had participated in "Accelerated Flight," and the director, Hou Guanglin, had Jiang Xun's wechat id.

Shuli immediately told Guanglin to come and see him.

When Guanglin found out that he wanted to invite Jiang Xun to participate in "Unfulfilled Lovers," he went straight to Shuli's office and asked, "Where are the male guests? Have you found enough participants?"

"I have." Shuli took out the information of the guests—two male and two female— for Guanglin to see, "Now we're just missing Jiang Xun. Let's see how the show will turn out. When we're about to reach the third or fourth episode, we'll add a couple of male and female guests to form four couples. The fourth couple is still in the selection process and hasn't been confirmed yet."

Guanglin was sitting opposite Shuli's desk. When he heard that, he leaned over and said to Shuli, "If it's a male guest, why don't you consider Qin Mufeng?"

Shuli leaned back fiercely and sucked in a breath. "Why in the world would you think of that!"

Guanglin pursed his lips, "In the past, I wouldn't dare to think about it either. "But didn't he participate in one episode of my show? My show is heavy in exercise and is tiring, and yet he was willing to participate. In your show, the only thing the guests need to do is eat, drink and be filmed while doing so. In other words, he might be on board with the idea."

"Previously, Qin Mufeng had only participated in one episode of "Accelerated Flight," and Qin Yang's stock price soared. If he can attract another wave of fans with your show, Qin Yang's stock price will continue to rise! If it's for Qin Yang's benefit, it's very likely that he'll agree."