

Culinary 91

Chapter 91: Another group meal service! Shen Jiayue: Baobao feels bitter inside!

"Sweetie, your mom said that starting today, we have to eat dinner together as a family. Come home after work, don't run off anywhere. I know you get off work at four-thirty."

After sending this message to his daughter, Shen Guofu sent another one to the family's nanny, Sister Liu:

"Tonight, let's make some millet porridge, prepare some small savory pickles and mixed-grain flatbreads. Don't make it too fancy; we're planning to scrape off some of the grease in our stomachs."

Humph, swindled out of so much money by that black-hearted cotton.

It's not too much to make her eat some coarse grains, right?

Yes, I'll pick up some takeout on the way home from the company this afternoon. After tricking my daughter into eating the coarse grains, I'll go back to my room and enjoy the takeout. Delightful!

"But..."

Shen Jiayue sent a pouting emoji.

Just as she was about to make up an excuse, Shen Guofu replied:

"Your mom said that if you don't obey, she'll arrange a blind date for you. After all, quite a few suitors have been asking for your hand recently."

My daughter hates blind dates the most.

As long as I use this as the reason, I'm not worried she won't give in.

Indeed.

Once she saw the message, Shen Jiayue helplessly replied:

"Alright then..."

While replying to the messages, Shen Guofu told his wife about the matter.

Han Shuzhen was both amused and exasperated by his childish behavior. "So, I'm the only one who gets to be the bad guy, huh? But eating some coarse grains is good. Always eating such greasy food makes it too easy to gain weight, and it's very bad for your health..."

Shen Guofu: "!!!!!"

What does Director Han mean by this?

She isn't thinking about eating coarse grains again, is she?

I just wanted to trick that black-hearted cotton at home! If I have to eat coarse grains too, then I... then I'll have to side with my daughter!

"Remember to get some takeout Lotus Root tonight; I'll go say goodbye to that little cat first..."

Han Shuzhen's timely remark immediately made Shen Guofu, who had been planning to defect, give up his rebellious notions.

That's more like it! My wife dotes on me so much, how could she make me eat coarse grains!

He finished the last of the Sour Plum Soup in his cup, only then realizing that the shop was already full of customers, with some even waiting for a table nearby.

He checked his watch; it was only eleven-thirty.

This shop's business is way too good, isn't it?

Shen Guofu didn't linger. He put down his drink cup, grabbed his handbag, and got up to leave, making room for other customers.

When he reached the doorway, he saw the plump cat again trying to ingratiate itself with his Director Han. He went over to pet it a couple of times, then said goodbye to the little fellow before leaving.

"This cat is so well-behaved. Guofu, let's get a cat later on."

"Where would we find the time for that? Let's just forget it."

After they came out, Shen Guofu saw people lining up at the entrance and remarked with a sigh, "Just now I said earning 10,000 or 20,000 a day seemed a little low. But with so many customers at this hour, I reckon it's definitely over 30,000 a day. That young man is really impressive."

After saying this, he opened the car door and sat in his Bentley.

「Two in the afternoon.」

The rush inside the restaurant finally subsided.

Lin Xu picked up a cup of Sour Plum Soup and downed half of it in one go. This thoroughly refreshing feeling is great!

He opened the short video platform to check his follower count.

After updating with a Dundun-exclusive video last night, he had gained another 10,000 followers.

He now had just over 20,000 followers.

This follower growth rate isn't bad at all.

It seems Dundun isn't just good for attracting wealth and increasing popularity for the shop; it works online too!

In the future, I should try to include more shots of this little guy in videos.

I should try to let it fully display its power as a wealth-attracting Divine Artifact.

While browsing through everyone's comments, his classmate Sun Minghao suddenly called.

"Are you still busy right now, Xu Zi?"

"Just finished up. I'm here having a drink to recharge."

Sun Minghao said, "It's like this: you've started offering catering services, right? Well, our boss is also a fan of the shop, so he wants to order catering from you for tomorrow night. But he has a few small requests..."

Catering services?

Of course, I have to take it!

I was just worrying about this exact thing.

"Tell me what the requests are. As long as I can handle them, I'll agree to everything."

This was extra income for the restaurant, so as long as the requests weren't too excessive, Lin Xu wouldn't refuse.

"He's planning to entertain friends at home tonight and wants to order a meal in advance to try it out. Of course, he'll pay for it; he's not looking for a freebie."

If he's paying, what's there to discuss?

I absolutely have to agree!

"No problem. I can start preparing in a bit. Everything will be packed before five. Just tell him to come to the restaurant to pick up the meal... Are there any other requests?"

"Also, we won't have time to pick up the meal tomorrow night, so you'll need to deliver it to us."

Is that all?

That's not a problem at all!

Lin Xu readily agreed.

Then he asked, "How many people are in your company? How many tables do you need to book?"

Sun Minghao said, "Our company isn't big, just 40 or 50 people. If it's 8 people per table, we'd probably need around 6 or 7 tables. I'll ask for the specifics and get back to you."

Only 40 or 50 people?

Lin Xu had thought this could complete the system task. He hadn't expected the number to be so far off.

He said, "Then I'll trouble you, Minghao. When you have time, come by the restaurant for a meal. I'll treat you to an internal staff meal."

Sun Minghao laughed and said, "Just let me have one of your staff meals. That food always looks so appetizing."

Although the number of people for the catering wasn't very large, it's still quite nice to have business come knocking.

After hanging up the phone, Lin Xu went to the market to buy a fish.

I won't shoot a video today.

I plan to shoot an episode tomorrow while preparing the group meal. It'll be a good opportunity to promote the restaurant's catering. If, by some chance, I can land a catering order for over 200 people, wouldn't the system task be easily solved?

However, if I'm doing the catering, I won't be able to film it myself. I'll need to find someone else to do it.

Everyone in the shop will be busy then and won't have time for it.

After thinking it over, Lin Xu called his sister-in-law, Chen Yan, asking her to send a videographer skilled in shooting videos to the restaurant tomorrow to help with filming.

I'll pay whatever it costs, just like hiring a videographer.

"Brother-in-law, you're going to shoot a vlog about the group meal, right? After we film, can I try the group meal you make? How about this—I'll film it for you personally tomorrow. I'll definitely do better than any regular videographer."

Lin Xu: "..."

Why do I always feel like you're just trying to score a free meal?

But since his sister-in-law was being so kind, he couldn't say much and casually agreed.

「Just before five o'clock.」

All the catered meals were ready.

While Lin Xu was waiting for Sun Minghao's boss to come and pick up the meal, he received a message from Shen Jiayue:

"My dad asked me to come home right after work. I can't go out to have dinner with you
[Upset][Upset]"

Lin Xu asked curiously, "The food at your home should be good too, right? Don't you have a dedicated cook or maid?"

"That's what I thought too, but when I got home, I found out that tonight's dinner is millet porridge with mixed-grain flatbread and a few small pickles. I looked it up online; even a detention center has better food [Cry][Cry][Cry]"

Lin Xu: "..."

Are rich people's diets all this simple?

He comforted her, "Didn't the diet meals you had before also somewhat resemble this? I'll make you something delicious for lunch tomorrow. What do you want to eat? Just tell me."

Shen Jiayue said, "I want to eat fried eggs, and I also want to eat a sweet and sour dish. My life is too bitter; I need to eat more sweet things."

This request...

Lin Xu thought for a moment and replied seriously, "How about I make you... sweet and sour fried eggs?"