

Hidden 981

Chapter 981: I Like Someone A Little Stupid

Ning Xi stared at Lu Tingxiao. He appeared expressionless as usual as he put his phone aside and started drinking the soup.

"Hey, Lu Tingxiao, aren't you going to check your inbox?" Ning Xi asked.

"Nope."

"Why?"

"It's not necessary."

"How's that unnecessary!? It's very necessary! I'm very curious! Open it!" Ning Xi sat on Lu Tingxiao's lap.

Lu Tingxiao looked at her, then he opened his inbox. There was a new mail from Guan Ziyao. With it came a compressed file attachment, probably containing some images or documents.

"Quickly download it!" Ning Xi urged.

Lu Tingxiao clicked on it, then the download started. The Internet speed was very fast, so it took only a few seconds to complete.

After unzipping the file, they found lots of pictures in the folder. Ning Xi could not wait for Lu Tingxiao's laggy movements anymore, so she quickly opened one of the pictures for a better view.

Both of them were dumbfounded...

Ning Xi put her palm to her forehead. "I knew it..."

Lu Tingxiao looked forlornly at her. "I told you to not fool around."

"I'm not fooling around, alright? It's not the paparazzi who took these. It's your dear childhood friend! And we've already been secretive enough. No one would've noticed if they didn't monitor us all day long..." Ning Xi browsed through the pictures happily.

"Well, these pictures are pretty well taken! Look at the lighting! This angle! They even took this one where I kissed you in secret and this one where I secretly put a wheatgrass in your hair, hahaha! And also this one...how embarrassing! Lu Tingxiao, send me a copy, please, I want to keep them! Quickly!"

All these pictures were of Ning Xi and Ke Mingyu, which was incidentally, Lu Tingxiao.

No wonder Guan Ziyao had said that she cheated with another male actor!

It was not wrong...in a way.

As Ning Xi thought about it, she realized that something was not right and she glanced wryly at Lu Tingxiao. "Your dear childhood friend seems really concerned about you, eh?"

Lu Tingxiao's heart swelled at the fact that Ning Xi was jealous. He grabbed her by the waist and mocked, "Are you jealous?"

"Stop trying to change the topic! I heard that you didn't have anyone to talk to back then because your IQ was too high. Only Guan Ziyao could chat with you. Hmm, so you're really friendly with her? So, you like her type? The smart type of woman like Guan Ziyao?" Ning Xi's nostrils flared as her temper rose.

Lu Tingxiao said seriously, "Nope, I like someone a little stupid."

"Who's stupid?! You're stupid!" Ning Xi was suddenly triggered and she got up from his lap, taking the soup away. "I'm confiscating this! No more for you!"

Seeing the girl retreat quickly, Lu Tingxiao glanced at his manhood which had reacted from their close proximity. That was a pretty quick reaction!

Suddenly, his phone rang. It was Mo Lingtian.

Lu Tingxiao picked it up. "Hello?"

"Hey, uh...Lu Tingxiao your voice doesn't sound right..." he felt a chill as he heard Lu Tingxiao's voice.

"What's up?"

"I'm in a bad mood...come out and drink with me!" Mo Lingtian said weakly.

Chapter 982: Busy Arguing With My Wife

Guan Ziyao had finally called him yesterday but she was still going on about Lu Tingxiao. He already tried all of Lu Tingxiao's ideas of picking up girls but nothing worked!

One of the main reason was that he simply could not stay calm and cool in front of Guan Ziyao. He was exhausted by the emotional roller coaster ride he had to go through...

"I'm not available," Lu Tingxiao rejected straightforwardly.

"What are you busy with?" Mo Lingtian asked.

"I'm busy arguing with my wife," said Lu Tingxiao, abruptly ending the call right after that.

Mo Lingtian was left speechless.

Although he said they were arguing, why did he make it sound like he enjoyed it? As though they were flirting with each other? How I wish one day I could argue with Guan Ziyao in the middle of the night?!

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In the living room of the Guan family's villa.

"How did it go, Ziyao? Have you told Lu Tingxiao?" Guan Rui asked.

Guan Ziyao nodded. "I'm afraid that he'll feel awkward if I tell him through a phone call, so I sent him a text message followed by an email. It seems like he's seen them but he hasn't replied me yet."

Guan Rui expected such an outcome. "He's a man, after all. He needs some time to digest something like this. It's a good chance for you. Try to be more aggressive, spend some time with him. Don't let this opportunity slip away! Do you understand what I mean?"

Guan Ziyao nodded. "I know what I need to do."

Guan Rui looked at his daughter proudly. He knew that she would not let him down.

After returning to her room, Guan Ziyao went to the balcony and called Mo Lingtian.

As Mo Lingtian had just been rejected by Lu Tingxiao, he did not expect his phone to ring. To his excitement, it was a call from Guan Ziyao! She was actually calling him this late at night!

Mo Lingtian was revived but he learned his lesson, so he suppressed his emotions and asked carefully, "Hey, Ziyao. What's up?"

"Not much, just thinking that weather's been pretty good recently, so I feel like asking a few friends to go hiking and camping. Are you interested?" Guan Ziyao asked.

Mo Lingtian was surprised. Just as he was about to agree to it, he remembered Lu Tingxiao's tactic, so he said calmly, "When? Let me check if I'm available."

"There's a double holiday tomorrow, how about it?"

"Tomorrow...I should be alright, sure!" Mo Lingtian tried to keep his cool.

"That's great! Can you also ask if Lu Tingxiao wants to go?"

Mo Lingtian's happy expression froze on his face. "Lu Tingxiao...he probably won't go..."

"Why not?" Guan Ziyao asked.

"He fought with Ning Xi, so he's probably not available." It was obvious that Mo Lingtian did not want to even ask him.

"They fought...?" Guan Ziyao suspected that it was about the pictures. She continued, "The more reason for him to come out and take some time to relax! Didn't he like to go hiking when he was feeling down? Lingtian, help me ask him alright? Please?"

Guan Ziyao thought carefully. She knew that she had to be proactive but not excessively so. From her experience, Lu Tingxiao had never liked women who were too aggressive. One had to be close to him slowly and naturally, so she decided to have Mo Lingtian to ask him out; it was the best solution at that moment.

Chapter 983: The Third Wheel

On the other end of the phone, Mo Lingtian was silent for a while., "Alright...I'll help you to ask him..."

"Thank you, good night!"

"Good night..."

After ending the call, Mo Lingtian flung his phone away and lit a cigarette. He lay on the sofa and smoked quietly.

The atmosphere in the room was cold and silent.

After some time, the man suddenly kicked the table in front of him. There was a loud crash. The living room turned into a mess and sparks flew out of the huge screen of the TV.

Mo Lingtian's anger faded away sometime later. He took a deep breath and picked up his phone to call Lu Tingxiao.

"Hey, Lu Tingxiao, we're going camping tomorrow. Don't you dare tell me that you're unavailable! If not, I'll fight you right now!" Mo Lingtian's voice sounded agitated.

"What's wrong?" Lu Tingxiao asked in his usual flat tone.

"Nothing! Just come! If not, our friendship ends right here! That's all, bye!" Mo Lingtian ended the call.

The phone fell onto the floor and Mo Lingtian looked miserably at it. He slapped himself hard in the face. "Mo Lingtian, just how long do you want to torture yourself..."

Nevertheless, he had no choice. There was no way that he could give up loving her.

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Lu Tingxiao looked at his phone awkwardly.

In the meantime, Ning Xi was busy emptying the pot of soup. Now she knew how dangerous this soup was! She had to quickly dispose of it!

Suddenly, someone gave her a warm hug from behind.

"What?" Ning Xi said in an annoyed tone.

"I'll bring you somewhere tomorrow to release your anger, alright?" Lu Tingxiao asked.

"Huh? Release my anger? What do you mean?" Ning Xi asked back.

"I just promised Mo Lingtian to go hiking tomorrow," Lu Tingxiao replied.

"Hiking?" Was this related to her anger?

Unless...Guan Ziyao was going as well...

So, what Lu Tingxiao meant was that...he wanted to crush Guan Ziyao's hope once and for all with this opportunity?

Ning Xi felt indifferent about it and she shrugged. "Sure! Since we're taking a break from acting tomorrow, it's a good time to relax as well!"

Ning Xi excitedly suggested, "Can we bring Little Treasure along too?"

Lu Tingxiao replied instantly, "No."

"Why? Why not!?" Ning Xi asked unhappily.

"He'll be the third wheel," Lu Tingxiao said.

Ning Xi was speechless.

Did he just call his son the third wheel?

As they were talking, footsteps came from behind them.

The little bun stared at his father unhappily, making it obvious that he had overheard their conversation.

Ning Xi quickly picked up the little bun. "Hey, little guy, why are you awake? Don't listen to your father's nonsense! He's the third wheel! The most annoying kind of third wheel! We're not bringing you because it's going to be tiring! I'll sleep with you tonight. Don't be angry, we'll ignore him."

Ning Xi glared at Lu Tingxiao, then went upstairs with the little bun.

Lu Tingxiao had no words.

Third wheel indeed...

Chapter 984: Did Lu Tingxiao Break Up?

It was a warm, sunny day, a good day for camping.

At the parking site located at the bottom of Mount Yu Ming, Guan Ziyao, Mo Lingtian, Lu Xinyan, and several others were chatting as they waited for the rest to arrive.

"Where's he? Not here yet?"

"Will he ditch us?"

"No way! I only came because I heard Bro Xiao is coming!"

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Guan Ziyao looked at her watch and inhaled deeply. "Just wait a little longer, Tingxiao's in a bad mood. He might've overslept..."

"Bad mood? What happened?" Some sharp ones could practically smell the gossip coming.

Guan Ziyao said hesitantly, "Seems like he argued with his girlfriend..."

Massive news!

"Really? Did they argue? Didn't they look lovey-dovey together the last time we saw them?"

"Sis Ziyao, are you serious? Did he really argue with that woman?"

"Hahaha, they finally fought! I knew they weren't going to last for long! Could they have already broken up?"

"That's possible! It must be a huge matter to make Bro Xiao argue with her!"

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Guan Ziyao apologized as the group of friends bombarded her with all the questions, "I'm sorry, I'm not quite sure about the details as well. I just heard Lingtian mention it!"

However, she actually knew that after something like that, Lu Tingxiao must have already broken up with Ning Xi.

The group then shifted their attention to Mo Lingtian.

"Master Mo, what happened?"

"Master Mo...Master Mo! Master Mo?"

"What?" Mo Lingtian replied annoyingly as he puffed on his cigarette.

"Master Mo, why're you daydreaming...? We were just asking what happened to Lu Tingxiao. Did he really break up with Ning Xi?"

"Break up?" Mo Lingtian was in a bad mood himself, so he did not really pay attention to what they were discussing just now and he was confused how they reached this conclusion.

"Yeah, didn't you tell Ziyao that Lu Tingxiao argued with his girlfriend?" someone asked.

Mo Lingtian remembered now that he did say that...but he had just made that excuse up because he did not want Lu Tingxiao to join them.

Did they really believe me?

And it seemed like...so did Ziyao.

Mo Longtian looked at Guan Ziyao. He realized that she looked really cheerful that day and she had changed her usual style of cold colored outfits and wore a smoking red dress that day.

Mo Lingtian looked really unwell.

They stopped asking him as he seemed like he was in a blur daze. They then continued their gossip as they waited.

"Hey! It's there! Is that Lu Tingxiao's car?"

"Where?"

"Yes, it's his car!"

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A black four-wheel-drive parked near them. The door opened and Lu Tingxiao walked out.

Guan Ziyao went up to him and beamed, "You're finally here, Tingxiao. We're all waiting for you, let's go!"

"Mmm." Lu Tingxiao nodded.

When Guan Ziyao started walking, she realized that Lu Tingxiao did not follow her. Instead, he went to the other side of the car and opened the door.

Had Lu Tingxiao invited someone else?

A person alighted from the car. It was...Ning Xi?!

Chapter 985: They've Made Up

Why was Ning Xi here with Lu Tingxiao!?

Guan Ziyao was unable to hide her shocked expression as it was such a sudden revelation. She just stared at both of them.

What was more unbelievable was that as Ning Xi came out of the car, she put her hand in his naturally.

The girl wore the same white sports outfit as Lu Tingxiao's and her hair was pulled into a ponytail. She rubbed her eyes like she had just woken up.

It was too early for her to wake up that morning, so Ning Xi had reclined the seat and slept in the car, which was why everyone did not see that there was another person on the shotgun seat.

They stood side by side wearing their couple outfit, looking exactly like a love-struck couple...

How was this possible!?

Could they have not broken up?

There was not a trace of argument either!

What had gone wrong?

"M-Ms. Ning, you're here as well?" Guan Ziyao tried to stay calm as she clenched her fists.

Ning Xi still looked sleepy, so Lu Tingxiao answered in her stead, "She's on holiday now, so I brought her out to relax."

"I see...then let's go, we might not be able to reach the peak before it gets dark." Guan Ziyao's expression returned to normal. While she had a lot of questions, she understood that it was not the right time to ask. She was going to wait for the right moment to ask Lu Tingxiao later.

"That woman came too..." Lu Xinyan was disappointed when she saw the both of them in their couple outfit. She really thought that they had broken up!

The others were surprised as well and they discussed among themselves in low voices.

"It doesn't seem...like they broke up."

"Maybe they are just pretending?"

"They made up! What's so weird about it!?"

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Mo Lingtian did not shift his eyes away from Guan Ziyao the whole time. He clearly saw the change in her expression the moment she saw Ning Xi.

He felt a sharp pain in his heart at the same time he felt suspicious. He had just briefly mentioned it last night, so why did she assume with such confidence that they must have broken up?

Mo Lingtian felt that something was amiss. Was there something he did not know?

With different doubts in each of their minds, they started their journey to the top of the mountain.

Mount Yu Ming was about 3000 meters above sea level. It had beautiful scenery since it was a natural habitat for flora and fauna. One would be able to witness the majestic view of a floor of clouds and various green hills, and after a night of camping at the peak, the view of the sunrise the next morning was sure to be grandiose.

Lu Tingxiao used to come here alone when he wanted to do some training or just to think something through but now, there was someone else with him.

Ning Xi still looked really sleepy even after getting out of the car. She just replied to the greetings around her half-heartedly.

Most of the people here were from the same bunch from the last time she had gone to the shooting range. Because of Ning Xi's performance at the shooting range, their attitude was curious and wary of her but because they were with Lu Tingxiao, they treated her friendly on the surface.

Chapter 986: I'm Impressed By Bro Xiao!

This time, there was a pair of newlyweds who had gotten married very soon after they met each other through a blind date. The girl already started complaining at the bottom of the mountain, "My gosh! It's so high! Are we really walking all the way up? I can imagine that I'll die halfway!"

"It's alright, I'll carry you if you're tired!"

"You're the best!"

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When he heard the newlywed's conversation, Lu Tingxiao looked at the girl beside him. "Still feeling tired?"

Ning Xi pouted, "It's all your fault!"

He had made the little bun unhappy last night, so she had to make up to him and only got a few hours of sleep.

Lu Tingxiao understood what Ning Xi meant but it was a totally different thing from the perspective of the others and their wild imaginations ran...

So, they really did make up! Did they do it all night long?

Lu Tingxiao walked in front of the girl as she yawned and he bent over. "Get on."

"What?" Ning Xi asked.

"Get on me and continue sleeping."

"Really?" Ning Xi was really tempted by his broad back and she quickly jumped on him.

Lu Tingxiao adjusted his position and started walking with Ning Xi on his back. Everyone was speechless by what they saw.

"Even a married couple lost to them!"

"That guy was ready to carry his wife if she was tired but Lu Tingxiao is already carrying Ning Xi before they even started!"

"I'm impressed by Bro Xiao!"

"Hahaha, I would never believe that Lu Tingxiao has this side of him a few years back but now I'm already used to it!"

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They were halfway to the top and Ning Xi had slept through the whole journey. Lu Tingxiao continued without any sign of fatigue even with her on his back.

A few people were panting behind him, "CEO Lu has...too much...stamina..."

The group was chatting along the way and the camaraderie was great, except for Lu Xinyan and a few girls who were friendly with Guan Ziyao.

Lu Xinyan chased up with Lu Tingxiao and said, "Bro, there's still a long way ahead! How long does she plan to sleep? Is she trying to tire you out!?"

Ning Xi frowned a little because of the noise and Lu Tingxiao looked at Lu Xinyan coldly. "Quiet."

Lu Xinyan was so frustrated!

At the back of the hiking group, Guan Ziyao's doubts grew stronger when she watched Lu Tingxiao and Ning Xi...

Finally, they reached the mountaintop around evening. After a short rest, everyone started setting up camp. Guan Ziyao could not hold it in anymore and went up to Lu Tingxiao. "Tingxiao, can I speak to you for a moment?"

Lu Tingxiao looked at Ning Xi who was setting up the tent.

As she was focused on the tent, she signaled to him to go ahead with Guan Ziyao.

It's probably hard for Guan Ziyao to hold it in this long...

Guan Ziyao felt humiliated by Ning Xi's indifferent attitude. Where did her confidence come from?

As they walked a distance away from the campsite, Guan Ziyao asked, "Tingxiao, did you see the message and photos I sent you last night?"

"Mmm." Lu Tingxiao was still looking at Ning Xi even though Guan Ziyao was talking to him.

"Did you see Ning Xi together with that man?" Guan Ziyao confirmed with him again.

"Yes." Lu Tingxiao still looked calm.

Was that all he had to react to this?

Guan Ziyao took a deep breath and asked again, "Then...what do you think?"

Lu Tingxiao replied, "Those are some nice pictures, thank you."

Chapter 987: Lu Tingxiao, You're So Cruel!

Nice pictures...?

Thank you?

For a moment, Guan Ziyao thought that something was wrong with her ears! Or something was wrong with Lu Tingxiao?

Would a normal man react this way after seeing intimate pictures of his girlfriend with another man?

Guan Ziyao took a deep breath and tried to calm herself down. She asked out of concern, "Tingxiao, are you being threatened by that woman?"

She could not think of any other reason that would make Lu Tingxiao stay with that woman after something like that happened.

"Nope," Lu Tingxiao replied in a firm tone without any odd expression.

"Then, why are you still with her?" Guan Ziyao did not understand him at all.

"The man in the pictures is me," Lu Tingxiao simply said.

"You...what are you saying?" Guan Ziyao was shocked, then she continued, "The man in the picture is Ning Xi's colleague named Ke Mingyu! How could that be you!? Did I send you the wrong pictures?"

In a clear voice, Lu Tingxiao popped her bubble after she continued to find excuses for herself, "I am Ke Mingyu, I just altered my face."

What Lu Tingxiao had just said so light-heartedly was extremely shocking to Guan Ziyao and she could not believe it. "It's you...you said...you're Ke Mingyu?"

"Her career forbids us from publicizing our relationship and we have very little time together, so I choose to spend time with her this way."

It was rare for Lu Tingxiao to talk this much, yet every single word sliced through her like a knife.

"Any more questions?" Lu Tingxiao asked.

Guan Ziyao shook her head. She looked pale.

Questions...? What else could I ask?

No matter how much she thought about it, she could never have guessed that the man Ning Xi cheated with was Lu Tingxiao himself! The man who was cold to everyone had actually swapped his face and joined the act just to spend more time with that woman. She had tried so hard not to hurt his pride and had invited him to hike, thinking that he would finally realize the woman's true colors...

Yet, in the end, Lu Tingxiao just denied all her efforts; she was playing the role of the joker all along!

"Then, allow me to say a few things," Lu Tingxiao spoke up after a short moment.

"What do you want to say? That I'm a wicked woman who's trying to separate you from her? I didn't even know that that was you! I was really worried that you're being cheated on!" Guan Ziyao yelled at him.

Lu Tingxiao interrupted her and looked at her with his cold eyes. "Ziyao, there are things that I don't say out loud because I think you're a smart person. I believe that you understand."

Guan Ziyao bit her lip with tears in her eyes. "Stop it! I don't want to hear it!"

Lu Tingxiao turned a deaf ear on her and forced his opinions upon her, "Ziyao, it's impossible between us. No matter what happened before, now, or in the future, I've only ever thought of you as a friend and nothing else. Even if Ning Xi was not with me, I wouldn't be with you either. I hope you don't waste anymore time on me."

Guan Ziyao did not expect Lu Tingxiao would be this straightforward to say something so hurtful to her. She was trembling. "Lu Tingxiao, you're so cruel..."

Chapter 988: Doting On Her To This Extent

"I'm only telling you this because I still think of you as a friend. This is my final reminder. No matter if it's you or your father, please stop what you shouldn't be doing. Otherwise, I'll let you know what real cruelty is. That's all I want to say." Lu Tingxiao then walked away.

Guan Ziyao felt her legs give way as exhaustion overcame her. She slumped onto the ground, her outfit soaked wet with her cold sweat...

Yes, she knew! How could she not notice!?! She just did not want to believe or accept it until Lu Tingxiao pointed out the obvious truth to her.

"Lu Tingxiao...Lu Tingxiao...how could you do this to me!?" Guan Ziyao cried uncontrollably.

There was a large tree just a few steps behind Guan Ziyao and Mo Lingtian was leaning against it in silence. He restrained himself even though he really wanted to comfort her. If he showed up now, it would only make her feel embarrassed. While he knew that he should not be eavesdropping, he could not help but follow when he saw Lu Tingxiao and Guan Ziyao talking to each other.

Who would have known that things would have progressed this way?

From their conversation, it was Ziyao or her father who had investigated Ning Xi, then took evidence of her cheating.

So that was how Ziyao was so sure that both of them would break up...

But in the end, even he was shocked.

Lu Tingxiao was just...incredible! He was doting on that woman to this extent!

As for Lu Tingxiao's hurtful words, he looked at Guan Ziyao's painful expression. While he felt sorry for her, he understood that Lu Tingxiao had done it for her own good. He also understood that Lu Tingxiao was willing to let this matter off because of him as a friend.

If Ziyao still did not learn her lesson...

But would she really? She was such a smart and proud woman. Now that Lu Tingxiao had revealed everything to her, would she be willing to let him go?

Mo Lingtian's uneasy heart had a selfish spark of hope within it...

If Ziyao could give up on Lu Tingxiao, then maybe he would have a chance...

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Ning Xi finished setting up the tent, then she saw Lu Tingxiao return. "You're back!"

"Mmm."

"Look at the tent I set up! Isn't it great? It's really solid!" Ning Xi patted her tent proudly.

Lu Tingxiao's expression darkened a little when he saw the girl's carefree attitude. "Aren't you worried at all?"

"You're really difficult, aren't you? Are you going to be angry at me for trusting you?" Ning Xi said.

Lu Tingxiao sighed. He knew that he could not beat her in an argument.

"I've explained everything to her already," Lu Tingxiao reported to his wife.

Looking at Lu Tingxiao's expressionless face, Ning Xi almost giggled. She tiptoed and kissed him on the lips. "Good boy, I'll give you a kiss!"

When they were assigning tents, it was only natural for Lu Tingxiao and Ning Xi to share one. Lu Xinyan was tentmates with Guan Ziyao, the newlyweds would share one, and the others split amongst themselves.

Mo Lingtian was the only unfortunate one. Because they had odd numbers, one person would definitely be left out. Mo Lingtian never had a good temper to start with. In addition to his extra bad mood that day, no one wanted to share a tent with him, so he would be sleeping alone.

It was going to be a sleepless night for many of them.

Chapter 989: Not Even Our Son

There was a transparent portion at the top of the tent and because they were quite high above sea level, the twinkling stars could be seen clearly.

Ning Xi lay down beside Lu Tingxiao and as they both looked at the stars, she mumbled, "Twinkle twinkle little star, how I wonder what you are...gosh, I'm missing Little Treasure already!"

She could think of Little Treasure even by just looking at the stars...

"Don't think of other men when you're with me."

Ning Xi's mouth twitched in amusement. "He's our son, alright?"

"Not even our son," Lu Tingxiao replied.

Ning Xi was speechless. "Then, what would happen to our children in the future? My poor children will be abandoned by you!"

Lu Tingxiao turned to her, his eyes shining brighter than the stars in the sky. "I won't abandon them. Let's make some."

Ning Xi coughed, "Keep calm. I was just saying."

Lu Tingxiao and Ning Xi chatted about all sorts of things from having babies to the number of boys and girls they wanted...until there was a weird noise coming from the tent beside them. It sounded like a girl crying.

"Is someone crying?" Ning Xi asked.

"Nope," Lu Tingxiao replied expressionlessly.

"No? But I heard it."

The voices became clearer.

"Mmm...mmm...ah...no...don't...be gentler..."

Ning Xi kept quiet.

As the noises got more and more intense, Ning Xi understood what were they doing. It was the pair of newlyweds beside their tent.

Lu Tingxiao and Ning Xi won the battle in the daytime, so they wanted a rematch at night!

"Mmm...dear, why do you think there's nothing happening in Lu Tingxiao's tent? Could he be tired from hiking? He has such good stamina though."

"You naughty little thing! Are you really talking about another's man stamina in front of me?!"

"Ah...slower...how annoying...mmm..."

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Their voices got louder and wilder; almost everyone could hear them. It was understandable as they were newlyweds, so some of them just turned a deaf ear. However, of course, there were some that could not stand it.

"You bastard, Zhao Haisheng! Keep your voice down!" Mo Lingtian roared from his tent.

Everyone else laughed. They all thought that the showdown ended.

They had anticipated hearing something from Lu Tingxiao and his little bunny's tent, but Zhao Haisheng and his wife got to it first.

But there was really nothing happening in Lu Tingxiao's tent. Was he really that tired from carrying Ning Xi today?

Just as everyone was thinking about it, suddenly there was a loud crash. Bam!

Everyone hurried out of their tents to see Lu Tingxiao and Ning Xi's tent collapsed...

Even the tent collapsed! Just how intense were they?

As expected of Lu Tingxiao...

A short while later, Lu Tingxiao helped Ning Xi out of the tent with a dark expression. He stared at the girl. "So, this is your very solid tent?"

Chapter 990: Can't They Be Any Purer?

Ning Xi forced a laugh. "This doesn't make sense. Did I miss out any parts...?"

As she was mumbling in confusion, she suddenly realized that everyone had come out of their own tents and looked meaningfully at her and Lu Tingxiao. Even the newlyweds neighboring them looked like they conceded in defeat...

When she realized what these people were thinking about, Ning Xi was immediately dumbfounded.

Could all of them be a little purer in their thoughts?

This time, Lu Tingxiao pitched the tent by himself.

Not too far away, Guan Ziyao watched the two of them, feeling a surge of hatred that she had never experienced before well up inside of her...

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At about dawn, before the sky turned bright, Ning Xi was suddenly awoken by the clamorous noise outside.

"Mmm...Lu Tingxiao, what's going on outside?" Ning Xi rubbed her eyes and sat up, pulling the tent entrance open.

Then, she saw that Lu Xinyan was anxiously checking the tents one by one for someone or something. With Lu Xinyan causing a ruckus, everyone woke up.

"What's happening?"

When she saw Lu Tingxiao, Lu Xinyan looked as if she saw the pillar of this issue and ran over with tears in her eyes. "Brother, Sis Ziyao has gone missing!"

"What do you mean 'missing'?" Mo Lingtian rushed over and held Lu Xinyan by the arm, clearly agitated.

Lu Xinyan anxiously explained, "When I woke up, I realized that Sis Ziyao was not inside the tent, so I thought she went to the toilet and did not pay much attention. But she never returned and she won't pick up my calls! I've been looking around for her but I can't find her! I'm very worried now! Would something have happened to Sis Ziyao?"

Mo Lingtian picked up his phone and made a call. He frowned when the telephone operator's automated message notified him that the other end had switched off their phone. When he thought about what happened last night, he could not help but look troubled. "It shouldn't be anything...this is a scenic site where lots of people visit. I've never heard any cases of wild beasts..."

"What if Sis Ziyao took things too hard on herself and did something?" Lu Xinyan said as she stared angrily at Ning Xi.

"Are Ziyao's luggage and belongings still here?" asked someone.

Lu Xinyan nodded. "It's all here! So, there's no way she would have left first. Even if she did, she would've definitely told me! In fact, Sis Ziyao has been acting weird since last night. I'm really worried that something has happened to her..."

Mo Lingtian suddenly roared, "Then, what are we still doing here? Everyone, quickly split up to look for her!"

Damn it! If he knew this would happen, he would have shamelessly appeared to console her when she was sobbing yesterday. She had let her thoughts run wild...if something really happened...

Lu Tingxiao's words had indeed been quite hurtful yesterday. Even if Ziyao was strong, she was still a girl with her own emotions...

Ning Xi entered the tent to get dressed. "Guan Ziyao wouldn't really have done something out of depression, would she? Say...what did you say to her yesterday?"

Lu Tingxiao looked at her, then repeated what he had said to Guan Ziyao word for word.

When Ning Xi finished listening, she cleared her throat. "Cruel indeed."

Lu Tingxiao replied, "Do you think I was too cruel?"

Ning Xi chuckled, "I'm not at Mother Teresa's level yet to pity my own romantic rival. Let's go and look for her."

Guan Ziyao had tried to step between them despite knowing that she was in a relationship with Lu Tingxiao, so she did not think that there was a problem with what he had said to her. On the contrary, if Lu Tingxiao had left any space for doubt, that would be truly irresponsible to the three of them.