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Chapter 86: Little Yuanxi

The days of cultivation flew by, and before I knew it, it was the nineteenth day of the lunar month.

At dawn, Lu Ran, clad in a black training uniform and holding double swords, left his house under the curious gaze of the little calico cat.

Since Lu Ran had moved up to the third year of high school, the school only had one class per month.

Last month, Lu Ran was late for class and only entered the classroom a few minutes before the bell rang.

And this month...

Lu Ran simply chose to skip class.

People always need to grow.

From being late or leaving early, the next stage is naturally skipping classes.

At seventeen, Lu Ran was obviously growing rapidly!

Speaking of which, you can be late for class, but you can't be late for the high-speed train.

That thing really doesn't wait for anyone!

Lu Ran, who left early, arrived early at Rain Alley City station and, seeing he still had time, headed to the nearby Burger King.

Although he spoke disparagingly, he was still willing to indulge his little sister.

The only problem was, could a burger still be tasty after it had cooled down?

At 8:10 AM, the four-person team gathered and boarded the high-speed train heading north to Jinmen.

Since Lu Ran and his companions were carrying weapons, their identity cards and student cards were thoroughly checked and logged.

"What's our mission this month?" Lu Ran shared the Burger King meal with everyone, looking at Jiang Ruyi across from him.

Jiang Ruyi: "Teacher Li said we need to obtain 50 Stream Grade Magic Crystals and 300 Fog Grade Magic Crystals."

"The difficulty has increased a bit," Deng Yutang said, munching on fries one after another.

You wouldn't know, the rich young master probably eats delicacies every day, yet acts like he's never seen fries before.

Within a minute or two, he had devoured more than half the box.

Jiang Ruyi: "After all, everyone has advanced to the Stream Realm."

Tian Tian sat next to Jiang Ruyi, tilted her face up slightly, and whispered, "Sister Ruyi, have you advanced to the Stream Realm Second Rank?"

Lu Ran had heard similar words from Tian Tian several times.

It was evident that Tian Tian paid special attention to Jiang Ruyi, and her gaze never changed.

Since joining the team, Tian Tian had always looked up to Jiang Ruyi, as if viewing a Divine Sculpture.

"Hmm," Jiang Ruyi nodded gently.

Tian Tian revealed a sweet smile, seemingly very happy.

Lu Ran, while eating a chicken wrap, asked vaguely, "What else did the teacher say?"

The four-person team had taken leave to go to Jinmen, naturally communicated by Jiang Ruyi with the teacher.

"The teacher said we must be careful, her tone was very serious."

Jiang Ruyi looked out the train window at the scenery and continued, "Also, we have a holiday on the fifteenth next month, no need to guard the city."

If the school assigns homework, they will notify us in the group."

Lu Ran nodded silently.

He had anticipated this decision from the school.

It was a common practice across Da Xia.

In a city, after experiencing a sudden incident, whether it's the Divine People Bureau's Moon Watching Team or various military units, there could be an excessive number of casualties.

Not letting students guard the shelters was, plainly speaking, to avoid adding trouble to the officials.

Even though at this point, the students had reached the Stream Realm and had the power to battle the main forces of the Evil Demon invading the city.

Ultimately, the students were still among the ones to be protected.

Actually, this wasn't the only routine practice.

If nothing unexpected happened, the entrance to today's academic building wouldn't have a large billboard.

All students who survived a sudden event would gain an additional 20 Believer points.

Which meant, whether it was the team's performance or individual scores, if you managed to survive, you got a perfect score.

Deng Yutang suddenly said, "I heard that Class 9 lost two students?"

"Gone?" Lu Ran looked at Deng Yutang.

Is it what I'm thinking?

Deng Yutang understood Lu Ran's gaze and nodded slightly: "It's just a rumor."

After this comment, everyone fell silent.

The dangers of this world need no further description.

Every moment of living in this world, there are various sounds or messages reminding Lu Ran...

To become stronger.

And even stronger.

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By the end of September, in Jinmen, the air was crisp.

Outside the north station, Lu Ran, following the crowd, admired the blue sky and white clouds.

From the persistent rain in Rain Alley City, coming here felt like passing through to another world.

"Brother!"

From afar, a sweet voice was heard.

Not only did Lu Ran hear it clearly, but many others also looked over.

They saw a tall figure walking quickly towards them, a playful smile on her face.

"Wow!" Tian Tian gasped slightly.

As the girl approached, Tian Tian's gaze gradually moved up.

Is this... a younger sister?

Thanks to their parents' good genes, 16-year-old Qiao Yuansi had already grown up tall and graceful.

She was 1.68m tall, wore a ponytail, had no makeup on, and was full of youth and beauty.

That pair of blue skinny jeans accentuated her slender, tall figure.

Because Lu Ran always referred to her as "little sister," Tian Tian was somewhat misled.

Seeing her in person...

Isn't this a big sister?

Qiao Yuansi's expression suddenly changed, complaining, "It's so hard to see you, isn't it?"

A smile appeared on Lu Ran's face: "You've gained weight again."

Qiao Yuansi immediately rolled her eyes.

By his side, Deng Yutang secretly nodded, confirming they were siblings.

Greeting with a quarrel!

"This is our captain Jiang Ruyi," Lu Ran introduced, "This is Tian Tian, and he's Deng Yutang."

"Hello there," Qiao Yuansi greeted the two women with a wave.

When Qiao Yuansi looked at Deng Yutang, she curiously blinked her eyes.

Deng Yutang, not understanding why, suddenly found himself nervously watched by such a beautiful girl.

Qiao Yuansi stared at Deng Yutang for a good two or three seconds before suddenly blurting out:

"Thief Saint!"

Deng Yutang: ???

"Heh," Lu Ran immediately laughed, "Thief Saint is Bai Zhan Tang, this brother's surname is Deng."

Qiao Yuansi pouted, "Of course, Thief Saint has an alias."

Deng Yutang: "..."

Should I say it or not, Bai Zhan Tang's dashing aura indeed resembles me quite a bit.

By his side, Jiang Ruyi also revealed a slight smile.

Lu Ran was right, with just a little interaction, everyone could feel the mischievous nature of the little sister.

"Call him Brother Deng from now on!" Lu Ran casually passed the burger box to Qiao Yuansi, "Where are your teammates?"

Qiao Yuansi saw the box and sweetly said, "Thanks, brother!"

Lu Ran: "It's a bit cold."

"No problem, no problem, my teammates are renting a car over there, let's go."

Qiao Yuansi led the way, casually opening the burger box, immediately noticing the lettuce leaf inside.

She promptly came up to Lu Ran's side, pinched the lettuce with two fingers, and pulled it out.

While handing the lettuce to Lu Ran, she signalled him to open his mouth: "Ahhh..."

Lu Ran: "..."

Deng Yutang, curious, asked: "Does Brother Lu like to eat lettuce?"

Whether he liked to eat it was another story.

Either way, Lu Ran sternly replied: "How else could I be an Immortal Sheep Believer!"

"Pfft~" Qiao Yuansi immediately giggled.

She casually took out a tissue and wiped the cheese that had smudged around Lu Ran's mouth.

Deng Yutang was full of envy!

Look at their sibling relationship, now look at mine!

Mine is even an elder sister, yet she never took care of me like this!

Lu Ran added: "I not only like to eat lettuce, I also like to eat the crispy bits of the meat patty in the burger!"

Just wait, she'll feed me in a bit too."

Hearing this, Deng Yutang finally caught on.

"Heh~" Nearby, Jiang and Tian also laughed.

Only Qiao Yuansi, her cheeks turning red, playfully hit Lu Ran's arm and whispered, "Wasting food is shameful, you know!"

"By the way, which Believer are you really?" Lu Ran seized the moment to ask, "Can you tell me now?"

Qiao Yuansi replied: "The god I revere really matches my name."

In the small group, Lu Ran had mentioned to his teammates that his sister's name was Qiao Yuansi.

Jiang Ruyi contemplated briefly, then guessed: "Lantern God?"

"Sister, you're so smart," Qiao Yuansi bit into her burger and said vaguely, "Smarter than my brother."

Third-class God·Lantern.

The divine image depicted a rather beautiful ancient style woman holding an old-fashioned eight-sided lantern.

Her outfit was very fancy, clearly dressed up as if actually going to enjoy the lanterns and festivities of the Yuanxi festival.

The Lantern Sect's Divine Technique specializes in support and control.

Healing skills are standard, but it's the control skills that truly stand out!

A powerful Lantern Believer could even turn an Evil Demon into a painting, sealing it on a lantern!

Then, while admiring the view, use the lantern's fire to refine the demon.

If you fill all eight sides of the lantern and spin it...

You can watch a zoetrope!

The scene, just thinking about it is terrifying!

After all, if Lantern Believers can seal Evil Demons, they can naturally seal the Human Clan too...

"That's incredible," Tian Tian murmured softly, sneaking glances at Qiao Yuansi.

"Hmm?" Qiao Yuansi noticed the girl's gaze, looked over with smiling eyes, "Sister, want a bite?"

"No, no, I'm good," Tian Tian hurriedly responded and lowered her head again.

This scene, it's hard to tell who's really the younger sister.

Qiao Yuansi's eyes held a hint of mischief as she scrutinized Tian Tian: "Feeling shy, huh?"

"Stop teasing her," Lu Ran indicated towards the distance, "The tall guy waving next to the van, is that your teammate?"

"Yes," Qiao Yuansi followed his gaze and called out loudly, "Did you get a good price?"

The other party raised his hand high, giving a thumbs-up.

"I've got this!" Deng Yutang immediately quickened his steps, taking out his phone from his pocket, evidently ready to scan and pay.

Qiao Yuansi raised her eyebrow, calling out after Deng Yutang's retreating figure: "Busted, huh? Still say you're not the Thief Saint!"

Deng Yutang was utterly dumbfounded!

Having a Lu Ran in the team was enough to handle, and now here was another quirky little sister...