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Chapter 541: She's Facing Death

The vehicle stopped in front of a three-story building that was located on the outskirts of Beijing.

The building's architecture appeared to look no different from ordinary residential buildings.

The exterior walls were constructed with red bricks and the roof had black tiles. The building looked rather old and dated.

However, once a person entered the building, they would quickly realize that the interior decoration was completely different.

The inside was a modern and technological office building.

"It's your first time here. Do you want me to show you around?" Superintendent Ruan asked.

"No thanks. It's important to handle business matters first," Jian Yiling replied with a soft yet serious voice.

"Okay, I'll take you directly to the autopsy room."

Then, Jian Yiling entered the autopsy room which was located on the second floor. Superintendent Ruan also asked for an assistant to help Jian Yiling.

As Superintendent Ruan watched Jian Yiling work, one of his team members began to frantically knock on the door.

Thus, he walked over to the door: "What's the matter?"

"Something happened. There's someone at our door."

"Send them away."

"Ummm, these people don't seem to know what we're doing here."

"You don't say! Many of us here don't even know what we're doing."

"But... They're here to pick a fight. Furthermore, they brought a lot of people. They want us to let someone go. In addition, they said that they're going to call the police."

"..."

Upon hearing this, Superintendent Ruan glanced at Jian Yiling. Jian Yiling was busy dissecting the body in front of her.

Then, he turned around and said: "Okay, I will go with you to deal with the matter."

He didn't want those people to make a ruckus. Although the building did not look like much, it was still an office for the Crime Investigation Division.

Their division was responsible for solving strange cases.

And thus, Superintendent Ruan headed towards the door. At the door, he saw a young man in his early twenties.

The young man was tall in height and wore a black t-shirt. In addition to this, he had sharp features on his face and phoenix eyes that were biting cold.

The young man was also accompanied by two bodyguards.

What was he doing?

Zhai Yunsheng narrowed his eyes and looked at the person in front of him.

He was here to bring Jian Yiling home. However, once he arrived, he realized that something was off.

This place...

A bodyguard walked over to report the situation to Zhai Yunsheng: "It's confirmed. The vehicle that I saw is parked at the door."

Then, Superintendent Ruan looked at the person in front of him with interest.

"Where is she?" Zhai Yunsheng asked.

"Who are you asking about?"

"Jian Yiling."

Oh? He was here for Jian Yiling.

Hmm... It would be best to confirm his identity then.

"Who are you to her?"

"A friend."

"A friend?" Superintendent Ruan repeated with a smile on his face, "Really? It seems as though you're more like her boyfriend."

"It's none of your business."

Zhai Yunsheng's voice was cold and impatient.

As this place was slightly different from his expectations, he was more patient than usual. If it wasn't for that fact, Zhai Yunsheng wouldn't waste his time speaking to the man in front of him.

When he saw Zhai Yunsheng's impatient and anxious expression, Superintendent Ruan knew that this person cared about Jian Yiling.

Superintendent Ruan laughed and told Zhai Yunsheng: "Well, she's in a small room right now. She's facing death and blood."

Upon hearing this, the hostility and anger in Zhai Yunsheng's eyes became even more obvious.

Superintendent Ruan laughed again before he quickly said: “Okay okay, I won’t make fun of you anymore. Otherwise, you’re going to tear this place down! The person that you’re worried about is busy right now. She can’t come out. If you don’t believe what I’m saying, then you can come in with me.”

Of course, Zhai Yunsheng decided to follow him.

He would not be at rest until he saw Jian Yiling.

“However, please be mentally prepared. You might not be ready to see the image in front of you,” Superintendent Ruan warned Zhai Yunsheng.

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Upon seeing this, Zhai Yunsheng’s bodyguards became more alert.

“Master Sheng, should we wait for the others to arrive before we go in?”

However, Zhai Yunsheng completely ignored his bodyguard’s words. He followed Superintendent Ruan into the building.

Once he entered the building, he realized that the interior design was quite different from the exterior.

In fact, it seemed as though it was merely an ordinary office building.

Superintendent Ruan took Zhai Yunsheng to the second floor. He stopped at the door of the autopsy room for a moment before he pushed the door open.

Zhai Yunsheng quickly entered the room. He walked into a medical change room.

Then, he saw Jian Yiling through the glass window. Currently, Jian Yiling was busy with her work.

When the two bodyguards saw the scene in front of them, they almost threw up. Superintendent Ruan’s warning had been fair.

Although they were well-trained, they were only bodyguards.

And thus, the scene in front of them wasn’t something that they saw often.

However, Zhai Yunsheng did not react. Instead, he stared at Jian Yiling. The anger in his eyes began to disappear.

Previously, when he waited at the front door, Zhai Yunsheng had already realized that there was strange about the place.

However, he wouldn’t be at ease until he saw Jian Yiling in person.

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After Jian Yiling finished up with her work, she realized that Zhai Yunsheng was waiting for her.

“Why are you here?” Jian Yiling asked.

“I’m waiting for you to go home,” Zhai Yunsheng replied. He did not mention what had just happened.

However, Jian Yiling was quite smart. She was quite good at deductive reasoning.

On the way here, Superintendent Ruan had told her that someone had been following her. They had broken away from their tailing.

And thus, now that she saw Zhai Yunsheng, Jian Yiling easily deduced what had happened.

“Did you think something happened to me?” Jian Yiling asked.

Zhai Yunsheng turned his head away. He did not answer Jian Yiling’s question.

Despite not receiving a response, Jian Yiling still got her answer.

Jian Yiling patted Zhai Yunsheng on the chest. Then she said, “Don’t worry. I’m perfectly fine. I can protect myself. You don’t need to worry about me like last time.”

Her small hand softly patted Zhai Yunsheng on the chest.

She was trying to reassure him in her own way. Her actions were trying to express her desire to appease him.

Upon seeing this, a smile appeared on Zhai Yunsheng’s face.

He reached out to hold Jian Yiling’s hand: “Let’s go home.”

And thus, Zhai Yunsheng took Jian Yiling back to their nest.

As usual, the two of them cooked, worked, and played games together.

Then, they went to the balcony to gaze at the stars,

“Accompany me for a bit longer tonight,” Zhai Yunsheng said to Jian Yiling.

Upon hearing this, Jian Yiling nodded.

Then, the clock hit twelve.

Zhai Yunsheng turned around and said: “Happy birthday.”

Ahh, so that’s why he asked her to accompany him for a bit longer.

Zhai Yunsheng lowered his head and dropped a kiss on Jian Yiling’s red lips.

Jian Yiling widened her eyes in shock.

The look on her face was quite confused.

However, she did not fight back.

This was a good sign to Zhai Yunsheng.

Jian Yiling’s hand touched her lips that were just kissed by Zhai Yunsheng. It appeared as though she was deep in thought.

When he saw Jian Yiling deep in thought, Zhai Yunsheng turned his head away.

He did not know what that little girl was thinking.

He shouldn't ask her about it.

If he did... He was afraid that he would do the same thing again.

"This is... A birthday present."

Zhai Yunsheng did not turn his head around to say this. Instead, he said this very assertive manner towards Jian Yiling. Despite the assertiveness, his voice still wavered a little.

Jian Yiling did not respond to his words.

Then, Zhai Yunsheng added: "Don't shun my gift. I've treasured this kiss for twenty-two years!"

Upon hearing this, Jian Yiling muttered quietly: "But, I haven't been kissed before..."

"Well, I can take my kiss back."

"..."

"Do you want me to do that?"

"No. I'm not stupid..." Jian Yiling replied quietly. She was small, not stupid. She knew what he meant...

Chapter 543: Birthday Party (1)

Previously, Jian Yiling never paid too much attention to her birthday.

However, at twelve sharp, Zhai Yunsheng had suddenly given her a kiss...

In addition to that, the Jian family had prepared a birthday party for her eighteenth.

The location of the birthday party was in a hotel box suite.

As the Jian family did not know many people in Beijing, they decided to invite the First Household of the Wen family.

Upon receiving the invitation, Jian Yiling's uncle, Wen Cheng prepared a valuable gift for her.

When his wife Cai Qinyue and his daughter Wen Ruo saw the gift, their expressions darkened.

There was no doubt that this gift was an antique. If this antique was put up for auction, it would definitely fetch an incredibly high price.

Even if the Wen family was rich, there was no need to give such a gift to Jian Yiling.

Cai Qinyue whispered to her husband: "It's just an ordinary birthday for Yiling. Isn't your gift a bit too much for the situation? It's as though you're planning to steal the limelight."

"It's Yiling's eighteenth birthday. It's not an ordinary birthday. Furthermore, it doesn't really matter how the Jian family sees the situation. I'm here to protect Yiling and Wen Nuan."

"Ahh, you're thinking too much into the situation. Wen Nuan has been married for so many years already."

“Well, years don’t mean much. The Head of the Qin family loved his wife for a long time as well. However, he still has an illegitimate child! In addition, he’s also planning to give all of his assets to his illegitimate child.”

“Yeah, that’s true,” Cai Qinyue replied. However, she still had a somewhat unhappy expression on her face.

Wen Ruo hung her face and did not say anything. However, she was unhappy as well.

On her eighteenth birthday, the gift her father gave her was not as precious as the jade set in his hands right now.

And thus, the three of them arrived at the box suite.

Wen Cheng exchanged pleasantries with his sister for quite some time. Ever since young, he adored his younger sister.

Wen Nuan had three older brothers. As the youngest sister, she grew up with the love of the family. She never had to worry about food and clothes.

Although everyone had grown up, Wen Cheng still pampered his younger sister. His habit could not be changed.

Until she arrived at the box suite, Jian Yiling did not know that everyone had prepared this birthday party for her.

Other than Grandma Jian and Grandpa Jian, the other members of the Jian family that were present in Beijing were all there.

Jian Shuxing, Wen Nuan, Jian Yuncheng, Jian Yunnao, Nie Yun, Jian Yichen and Jian Yujie. There were seven of them.

Together with the three members of the Wen family, there were ten people in total. They were all here to celebrate Jian Yiling’s birthday.

Each of them had prepared a birthday gift for Jian Yiling as well.

Out of the gifts, the most expensive one was from Wen Cheng.

It was an entire antique jade set.

The quality of the jade was incredible. In addition, the carving on the jade was exquisite as well. It was easy to tell that the jade set was an antique.

This gift gave the Jian family quite a shock.

This gift was rather extraordinary.

Cai Qinyue saw the astonished looks on their faces before she said: “This set was handed down from our ancestors. It’s been in our collection for many years.”

The Jian family were reacting as though they hadn’t seen such things before in their life.

In contrast, the other gifts did not seem like much.

Some of the gifts were hand-made whilst the other gifts were designed by themselves.

Wen Nuan quickly said: "Brother, this gift is a bit too much."

"Nah, it's not. I only have one precious niece," Wen Cheng replied with a smile on his face.

In his opinion, doing something like this was not out of the ordinary.

And thus, everyone sat down to eat together. Wen Ruo and Jian Yiling were seated next to each other. The two of them were around the same age.

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Wen Ruo turned her head and asked Yiling:

"Yiling, did you ask your friends to come over for your birthday?"

Upon hearing this, Wen Nuan's face sank. She answered the question for her daughter:

"Yiling has been studying abroad for the past two years. She just returned to China not long ago. Furthermore, we're in Beijing right now. She's only been here for a few days."

When Wen Cheng heard his sister's words, he quickly said: "Ahh, that's fine. Yiling can hang out with my daughter in the future."

As they were talking, a hotel staff walked into the room. He said:

"Apologies for the interruption. There's an old gentleman at the front desk. He said that he's a friend of the birthday girl. He wanted to come and celebrate her birthday. The old gentleman said his last name was Yun."

Old gentleman?

Upon hearing this, everyone turned their heads to look at Jian Yiling.

Jian Yiling said to the hotel staff: "Please invite him in."

After a few minutes, the hotel staff led an old man into the box suite.

The old man was not gloriously dressed. In fact, he looked like any random old man on the streets.

Upon seeing Jian Yiling and everyone else in the room, he smiled and said: "Sorry for the interruption. I turned up without being invited."

Although Jian Yiling didn't pay attention to her birthday, others around her did.

Elder Yun had paid special attention to the Jian family's movements. Once he learned that the Jian family had reserved a large box suite in this hotel, he invited himself to the occasion.

Elder Yun understood Jian Yiling's character quite well. If he asked her whether or not she wanted him to come over, she would definitely say no. She didn't want to bother him.

And thus, he just came uninvited.

He was old and thick-skinned anyway.

Jian Shuxing got up to greet Elder Yun. No matter what, the old gentleman was still his daughter's guest.

"Hello, Mr. Yun. Thank you for coming over to celebrate my daughter's birthday."

"You're too kind. Miss Yiling and I are well acquainted. I've learned a lot of new medical insights from her," Elder Yun replied. He did not hide his appreciation for Jian Yiling.

"In that case, are you also studying medicine?"

This wasn't that strange as his daughter was currently studying medicine.

Wen Cheng looked at the old gentleman in front of him. The old man looked somewhat familiar.

"Elder Yun, is your full name Yun Song?"

Everyone was rather surprised to hear this question.

Yun Song...

Wasn't that...

Elder Yun smiled and said: "Yeah it is. I didn't expect you to recognize me."

Upon hearing this, Wen Cheng started to speak with some excitement in his voice: "Wow, I didn't expect that! It's my honor to meet you."

Wen Cheng never expected to meet Yun Song at his niece's birthday party.

When everyone saw Wen Cheng's reaction, they became even more surprised.

Was this old gentleman really Mr. Yun Song?

Cai Qinyue had also heard of Yun Song's name.

He was a renowned figure in the medical field.

How... How was this possible?

Why would he come over to celebrate Jian Yiling's birthday?

There were generations between them!

Cai Qinyue felt that this was too unbelievable.

Even members of the Jian family found this to be surprising.

However, Jian Yunnao was not surprised. His sister was Dr. F.S. It was normal for her to know the big shots of the medical circle.

Elder Yun smiled again before he replied: "It's my honor to be recognized. However, it's Miss Yiling's birthday. We should give our attention to her."

Upon hearing this, Wen Cheng responded: "Yes that's true. It's Yiling's birthday. No one should steal her limelight."

Although these words were true, Elder Yun's presence in the room was still incredibly strong.

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After a while, another hotel staff came into the box suite. The staff member told them that there was another guest at the front desk. The guest said that he was a friend of Jian Yiling's. He was here to celebrate Jian Yiling's birthday as well.

After asking a few questions, they discovered that the guest's surname was Liang.

And thus, Jian Yiling realized that the person was Liang Shuo.

Upon this realization, she asked the waiter to invite him in.

Everyone in the Jian family recognized Liang Shuo.

As soon as he saw Master Liang, Jian Shuxing got up to greet him.

"Master Liang, what brings you here?"

Master Liang smiled before he replied: "I heard that today is Miss Yiling's birthday. I came over to join the fun. In addition, I've also prepared a gift for Jian Yiling. Miss Yiling, I hope that you will be as happy as today for the entirety of this year."

"Thank you," Jian Yiling replied.

When compared to Elder Yun, Master Liang's face was much easier to recognize.

Elder Yun was an expert in the medical field. He usually did not show his face to the media. Instead, he silently contributed to society from behind the scenes.

On the other hand, Master Liang was a big shot in the technological circles. He was a leader in the industry. In addition, the company under his name was one of the top technological companies in China.

As he was a successful individual, he often appeared in financial magazines.

Thus, everyone in the room knew of Master Liang.

As soon as they saw him, they immediately recognized him.

As the Jian family knew that Jian Yunmo had participated in a research and development project under one of Master Liang's companies, they could understand the rationale behind his visit. Master Liang acknowledged Jian Yunmo's talent.

And thus, they concluded that Master Liang was visiting because of Jian Yunmo.

Although the Jian family could accept this, the Wen family could not.

In fact, the Wen family was incredibly confused.

What was going on today?

Why were there so many big shots at Yiling's birthday party?

One of them was renowned in the medical circles whilst the other was renowned in the technological circles.

Cai Qinyue and Wen Ruo's expressions were equally as surprised.

When did the Jian family get in touch with so many big shots?

An ordinary birthday party became extraordinarily different because of the appearance of these two industry big shots.

Near the end of the birthday party, Wen Cheng took the initiative to speak to Liang Shuo.

However, Liang Shuo brushed off the conversation with a few words.

He made it clear that he was only here today to celebrate Jian Yiling's birthday. He was not here to talk about any business matters.

Afterward, the Wen family left the hotel. They were driven home by their chauffeur.

On the way back home, Cai Qinyue could not hold back her curiosity. She asked her husband Wen Cheng, "Hmmm, what business did Elder Yun and Master Liang have here today? Were they really here just to celebrate Yiling's birthday?"

It sort of made sense for Jian Yiling to be connected with Elder Yun.

After all, Wen Nuan had told them that their daughter was studying medicine.

However, why did Master Liang come today? What relationship did they have?

"Hmm, I don't know. I didn't really understand the matter either," Wen Cheng replied. Then, after a pause, he added: "Well, it's a good thing. The reason doesn't really matter. In the end, the connection is good for the Jian family. If they want to develop their business in Beijing like our family, we will be closer to our relatives."

However, this was not what Cai Qinyue meant.

It didn't matter to her whether or not the Jian family was doing well.

And thus, she added: "Elder Yun and Master Liang are both well-recognized individuals in their respective industries. They have connections that many people envy. It doesn't matter whether they came for the Jian family or Jian Yiling. Either way, they still attended the birthday party. Why don't you talk to our brother-in-law and ask him to formally introduce us to them?"

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"Ahh, I don't think that's a good idea," Wen Cheng replied.

"Why is it not a good idea? If there's something that you can do to help your brother-in-law, would you do it? You wouldn't be stingy about it, would you? As of now, we need their help and recommendation. I don't think they will be stingy about it either."

Cai Qinyue's words made sense.

"Hmm, I will ask them about it later then," Wen Cheng replied. He did not comment any further on the matter.

However, Cai Qinyue knew what to do.

In the next few days, she planned to hang out with the Jian family more. She had to use this opportunity!

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In the hospital ward, Grandpa Jian, Jian Shuxing, Wen Nuan, and Nie Yun were all accompanying Grandma Jian.

All of a sudden, there was a very special guest visiting the ward.

At first, everyone failed to recognize the old man who was wearing a Chinese tunic suit.

"How are you feeling?"

The old gentleman asked politely. His smile was kind and amiable, but at the same time, it was a little overly attentive.

Generally speaking, no one would be this attentive unless they had ulterior motives. This made the Jian family instinctively assume that the old gentleman in front of them was here for something else.

However, this was Beijing and not Hengyuan City.

The Jian family wasn't well known in Beijing.

Compared to the rich and powerful families in Beijing, the Jian family was merely considered ordinary.

Then, the Jian family glanced at the pile of gifts brought by the old gentleman. Each gift was incredibly valuable.

There was an ice jade bangle amongst the gifts.

Furthermore, there were entire sets of valuable antiques.

According to the old gentleman, the gifts were in line with Grandma Jian's temperament.

If it weren't for the fact that Grandpa Jian was there, everyone would have suspected that the old gentleman was planning to woo Grandma Jian.

"Umm... Excuse me... Who are you?" Jian Shuxing asked carefully.

"Oh, I almost forgot to introduce myself," Master Zhai said with a smile. "My surname is Zhai. I'm Zhai Yunsheng's grandpa. That brat must have caused you guys a lot of trouble in Hengyuan City. Thank you for taking care of him."

Upon hearing this, the entire room froze.

Master Zhai...

Everyone talked about him!

He was meant to be a terrifying man!

Was he... Was he really Master Zhai?

Everyone in the Jian family was shocked.

They stared at the old gentleman in front of him. The previously imagined image of an oppressive tyrant was shattered in pieces by the smiling old gentleman in front of them.

Was this real?

Was this man really Master Zhai? They almost took him for a swindler that flattered everyone!

The Jian family began to doubt their life.

However, Master Zhai did not notice that his 'amicable' image had shocked the Jian family. He continued to speak to Grandma Jian.

"Why isn't your granddaughter here? I heard that she got along well with my grandson. I think they're both at the age of marriage. And thus, instead of marrying them off to someone that they don't know, why don't we just pair them up? Let's settle a marriage."

Master Zhai's words gave everyone another wave of shock.

The Jian family hadn't finished digesting the first wave yet!

Settle a marriage between Jian Yiling and Zhai Yunsheng?!

What?!

Even if the two of them knew each other... Wasn't this a bit too much?!

Settling a marriage was way too far!

However, the Jian family failed to respond to such a simple question. They remained frozen for quite some time.

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Grandpa Jian was the first to react: "I am honored, Master Zhai. Master Sheng is an incredible man. If my granddaughter were to marry him, it would definitely be a climb in social status for her. However, my granddaughter is still young. Furthermore, in this day and age, it's all about freedom of marriage. Thus, it's not good for us to interfere with our grandchildren's love affairs."

Although Grandpa Jian said that it was a climb in social status, in reality, he did not want to agree.

However, he had to be polite with his words. Their family couldn't afford to make Master Zhai upset.

"You're too modest. Your granddaughter is incredibly cute. I'm afraid that a group of men will fight for her when she grows older. My grandson is quite slow, and thus, I'm afraid that when the time comes, he won't be able to fight for her! That's why it's better to give him a guarantee in advance!"

Upon hearing this, Grandpa Jian did not know how to respond.

The Master Zhai in front of him was quite different from the one spoken in legends.

However, Master Zhai did not think too much about his actions. All of this didn't matter!

He had to help his grandson!

Furthermore, did it matter if settling marriage wasn't something done in this day and age? It was going to be fine as long as he said so!

From Master Zhai's actions, one could tell why Zhai Yunsheng was so stubborn and wilful. It was said that such characteristics were passed on!

Members of the Jian family looked at each other.

If it were anyone else, they would have kicked that person out of the hospital ward already.

However, this was Master Zhai. They couldn't kick him out or ask him to leave.

"So?" Master Zhai asked the Jian family. He waited for their response.

After a pause, Grandpa Jian still refused: "Sorry, Master Zhai. We still can't make the decision on this matter. It's our granddaughter's decision. We want our children to make their own decisions in life."

Grandpa Jian said this with fear and trepidation.

After all, if Master Zhai became angry, the entire Jian family could die in his hands.

"Ahh, I understand," Master Zhai replied. He was a little disappointed. However, he wasn't upset at all.

After all, he still planned to be in-laws with them! How could he be upset!

Besides, he was begging them to give their granddaughter to the Zhai family!

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Jian Yiling received a call from Hu Jiaojiao. In the call, Hu Jiaojiao told her that An Yang was in trouble.

An Yang had been watching a video game streamer. However, he discovered that the streamer was terrible at the game. Although his stats appeared good, he was merely smurfing and destroying low-level players.

And thus, An Yang directly told the streamer off. How could he tolerate such a thing?

He posted those comments on the streaming platform.

In addition, he also made a post about it on his Weibo.

However, trouble started to appear after he posted such a thing on his Weibo. The streamer hired individuals to post malicious messages about An Yang on the Internet.

According to those individuals, An Yang was deliberately smearing dirt on his name.

Then, the streamer asked An Yang to compete in an online match.

The person who lost had to admit their mistake and apologize to the other person.

There was nothing wrong with this.

However, An Yang got beaten up at school today.

His left hand was fractured.

Right now, his left hand was in a cast. And thus, he could not play the match.

An Yang had a suspicion that the streamer did this. However, he could not produce any evidence.

As An Yang wanted to uphold his reputation, he hadn't mentioned this matter to Jian Yiling.

However, after Hu Jiaojiao pondered about the matter, she still decided to call Jian Yiling. She didn't want to see him stress.

"No rush. I will handle it."

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Although Jian Yiling's words were soft, she still gave Hu Jiaojiao a great sense of security.

Every time she said "I will handle it," Hu Jiaojiao felt incredibly reassured.

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Jian Yiling went online to compete against the video game streamer at the agreed time.

The streamer's ID was [Fight Anyone Who is Unconvinced]. The nickname that was given to him by his fans was [Fighting Brother].

Then, she asked the male streamer whether she could replace An Yang in the match.

Upon hearing this, the male video game streamer was overjoyed.

At first, he assumed that she was using a voice changer.

"Brother, could you turn off your voice changer? I don't mind that you're getting someone else to play the match for you. Either way, I'm skilled. I won't be scared of anyone. However, your voice changer is a bit too much! Are you pretending to be a cute girl? Are you planning to cry after you lose?"

"It's my voice," Jian Yiling replied.

However, the viewers were not convinced by this.

"Well, please open your video camera then. I want to see whether you're telling the truth."

"Okay," Jian Yiling replied.

And thus, Jian Yiling opened her video camera. She entered a video call with the streamer.

As soon as she did that, the entire comment section blew up.

[Oh my god, it's actually a cute girl!]

[The super-duper cute type as well!]

[Even if the stream is retouched to beautify her face, she's still really pretty!]

[Yeah, she's definitely a cute girl!]

[At most, she might not be as cute in real life.]

"Oh, you're actually a girl!" the male streamer commented with a smile. "My viewers are stunned."

"Can we start the match?" Jian Yiling asked.

She did not have much patience.

"Hey, don't be impatient. Let me confirm the situation with you. Are you a substitute for that coward? That coward said a lot of bad things about me. However, when it's time for the actual match, it seems as though he's too scared to come. And so, he asks a cute girl to play the match for him?"

"He's injured," Jian Yiling said again.

"Ahh, what a coincidence. He's injured just in time for the match. If he's too scared to verse me, he can just say so. I won't ask him to apologize to me. I don't want him to be too embarrassed."

As soon as the male streamer said this, his viewers started commenting things as well:

[Yeah, what a coward! Why is he trying to find excuses?]

[Is his hand injured? It should be his brain that's injured!]

[Well, if he wants to find someone to play the match for him, shouldn't he get someone who is good at the game? Why did he look for a cute girl?]

[Do you think it's easy to win against Fighting Brother? He would have to at least find a professional player to play this match! However, no professional player would be interested in playing a game for a coward like him!]

[Well, if he finds a cute girl to play the match for him, he has an excuse if he loses! He would just say that Fighting Brother won because of an unfair advantage.]

[Destroy her! There's no need to go easy on her!]

"Is there a problem?" Jian Yiling asked.

Wow, this little girl had quite a temper!

The male streamer laughed when he heard this: "Not a problem at all. However, please don't cry when you lose. I'm famous for not showing mercy."

"Mhmm."

As the male streamer had warned her in advance, he felt that he had done his job.

He didn't know what An Yang was thinking. Why would he ask such a girl to substitute for him?

Of course, the male streamer knew that An Yang's injury was the truth.

He had gotten someone to fracture An Yang's hand.

This was because he discovered An Yang's account. An Yang had decent stats in a rather competitive region. If he were to verse him, he could potentially lose.

Chapter 549: Compete with a Video Game Streamer (3)

The streamer was decent at the game. However, he could not guarantee a high score in a competitive match. And thus, he was not confident that he could win in such a situation.

If he couldn't win the match, then he would be accused of intentionally playing with players at lower skill levels.

This would make him lose his fans.

If he lost his fans, who would donate money to him? His livelihood would be completely cut off.

And thus, to ensure his livelihood, he had asked people to challenge An Yang on the Internet. In addition, he searched for someone to make an accident happen to An Yang. He wanted to ensure that An Yang could not perform on the day.

At first, the male streamer refused to accept a substitute.

However, when he saw that the other person was a cute girl, he immediately relaxed.

Versing a cute girl would attract additional viewers to his stream. Furthermore, the little girl's appearance and voice were quite adorable. This was bound to improve his popularity.

And thus, he decided to play against Jian Yiling.

And thus, the match began. The POV for both players could be seen on the streamer's screen.

The opening minute of the match was quite uneventful. It was the calm before the storm.

However, three minutes in, the cute girl went berserk.

Five minutes into the match, the cute girl crushed the male streamer in terms of score.

Ten minutes into the game, the difference in score was huge. There was little hope for a turnaround.

When it reached fifteen minutes, the game was over. The male streamer had been utterly defeated.

When the match started, the male streamer was telling his fans that he was going to teach the little girl how to play the game. However, he was met with a notification that Jian Yiling had already secured a kill.

Then, the male streamer attempted to joke around. He wanted to save his face. However, by the time he finished speaking, Jian Yiling was already on a killing spree.

At the start of the match, everyone was joking around.

However, all the viewers were shocked. They began to type 666.

[Wait, this girl looks somewhat familiar!]

[Familiar? Are you for real?]

[Wait, you're right! She's from the team that made it to the finals of the Zerg Invasion tournament!]

[I watched the final though. There was no girl.]

[Nah. She's from that team. However, for finals, she and another guy did not turn up for the match. And thus, they lost. They were flamed by the Internet!]

[Actually?! Wow, I shouldn't judge someone by their appearance! I learned something today!]

[I just searched her up! It's actually her! J10!]

Some viewers recognized Jian Yiling. She was an amazing and kick-ass female player from a few seasons ago.

However, at first, they failed to recognize her. After all, three years had passed. The team [Domination] had almost been forgotten.

In addition to that reason, the male streamer used a filter. This made Jian Yiling's face appear even smaller than usual. It made her face out of proportion. Her looks on the stream were no match for her normal looks.

And thus, the viewers couldn't help but comment: [How many filters did he put on? He made J10's face look incredibly thin!]

The male streamer eventually came back from his shock.

When he saw the comments, he immediately found a suitable excuse for his defeat:

"Ahhh, that's why she was so good at the game. She's a professional player! In fact, this girl almost won the championship! This means that it's quite normal for me to lose. On the other hand, the person who challenged me is such a loser! He pretends to be injured and then he asks a professional player to play the match! There's no way that I can win!"

Chapter 550: Your Boss Will Protect You

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As the male streamer was shifting the blame, unexpected 'guests' appeared in his house.

When his girlfriend opened the door, policemen immediately entered the room where he was streaming.

The police announced that they suspected that he was involved in a crime of intentional injury. They asked him to assist in the investigation.

The male streamer was stunned to hear this.

He did not expect anyone to figure out this quickly that he sent someone to beat up An Yang.

He assumed that he did a pretty stealthy job!

As the live broadcast was not turned off, countless viewers witnessed the scene of the male streamer being taken away by police officers.

[Wait, what's happening?]

[Why is he being taken away?]

[Isn't this a bit too much?]

[I think I heard parts of the conversation. Apparently, Fighting Brother was involved in hiring someone to intentionally injure an individual.]

As the microphone had not been muted, all the viewers could roughly hear the conversation.

[Wait... Is that true? Is that guy called An Yang actually injured? And was Fighting Brother the one who injured him?]

[Well, he's definitely intentionally playing with lower-level players then!]

[Dude, he actually hired someone to beat another person up. That's really scary.]

The crowd began to make up a big drama in their minds.

When the stream ended, Hu Jiaojiao and An Yang video called Jian Yiling.

As of now, An Yang's arm was still in a cast.

It was not very convenient for him to move around. And thus, Hu Jiaojiao and their mutual friends took care of him.

Similar to An Yang, Hu Jiaojiao did not do well in her college entrance exams. However, she still managed to get into a second-tier university in Beijing.

Right now, Hu Jiaojiao and An Yang were studying at the same university. One of them was in their second year whilst the other one was in their first year.

"Boss, you're amazing!" As soon as the video was connected, words of admiration could be heard from An Yang.

An Yang had nothing else to say. His boss had heard all of these compliments before.

"Oh right, why was the male streamer taken away by the police?" Hu Jiaojiao asked. She was rather curious about the matter.

"He asked someone to beat up An Yang. I submitted the evidence to the police," Jian Yiling replied.

Ahhh, so that was the case!

His boss not only won the match, but she also investigated An Yang's accident!

She even looked into the causes and consequences of the event!

"Boss, you're amazing! You're too kind and too thoughtful!" An Yang cried out. He was incredibly happy and touched.

“Mhmm, ” Jian Yiling replied. “I will protect you. You don’t have to worry.”

These words did not match her voice. However, these words meant a lot to An Yang.

Actions always meant more than words for Jian Yiling. She took action to protect her lackeys.

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As the match between the male streamer and Jian Yiling ended rather dramatically, everyone on the Internet soon heard of the news.

At the same time, Jian Yiling returned to the netizen’s attention.

A hot debate erupted in the Zerg Invasion community. Some fans began to become excited:

[Ahhh, it’s this cutie! I was a huge fan of her! Is she back?]

[It’s been three years! However, her looks have not changed at all. She’s so cute~~]

[She’s still fierce and handsome! J10 is finally returning to Zerg Invasion! My youth is back!]

However, there were also individuals who made snide comments:

[Why are you so excited? Did you forget what she did to you? She didn’t even attend the finals.]

[Yeah! Furthermore, we don’t even know if she’s actually making a comeback. Isn’t it a little too early to be happy? Even if she wants to make a comeback, it will depend on whether or not she has the ability to do so. A lot of things have changed in the past three years!]