

## Toxic Ex 596

Chapter 596: Does Mom Like Dad?

Lin Yixun's gaze faltered for a moment, then she composed herself and slowly said, "Dad is on a business trip, he won't be in the country for the next few days."

"When he comes back from his business trip, will he come to see me?"

"Yes." Lin Yixun nodded.

"Then when he comes back, can Mom not argue with Dad?"

Lin Yixun's face changed slightly, somewhat confused.

"Last time at the kindergarten gate, you argued really fiercely. Although I couldn't understand what you were saying, both Dad and Mom were very unhappy. I don't want Dad to be unhappy, and I don't want Mom to be unhappy either."

"Mom wasn't unhappy, Mom was just... just had a cold that day and felt unwell."

"Really?"

"Why would Mom lie to you?"

"Then when Dad comes back, can we go build sandcastles at the beach together?"

Seeing that Lin Yixun didn't respond for a long time, Xiao Yi Xun drooped her head and said in a low voice, "Mom, you're lying to me. You don't like Dad, do you? You don't like me either, do you?"

Lin Yixun saw the mist in Xiao Yi Xun's bright eyes and quickly said, "How could Mom not like you? You are my precious baby."

"Then does Mom like Dad?"

"Mom... of course likes him too."

Lin Yixun coaxed Xiao Yi Xun left and right until she finally fell asleep.

Gazing at Xiao Yi Xun's sleeping face, she had to face a question she had been avoiding.

For the past four years, she had not fulfilled her duties as a mother and missed out on Xiao Yi Xun's growth. And as Sister Yi said, Leng Yixiu had been taking care of Xiao Yi Xun personally, so naturally, Xiao Yi Xun was very attached to him.

When the time comes, even if she regains custody of Xiao Yi Xun from Leng Yixiu, the separation from her father would certainly cause great harm to Xiao Yi Xun.

Lin Yixun reluctantly lowered her gaze. What could she do to minimize the harm?

At this moment, Leng Yixiu was worried about something else entirely.

Leng Yixiu had indeed gone abroad, but not for a business trip, it was because of the bone marrow matter.

However, despite traveling to countless countries, he still hadn't found the answer he was looking for.

"You should tell her about Yixun's condition, Xiao Yi Xun doesn't have much time left." On the other end of the overseas call, Cen Lin sincerely suggested.

The man's face darkened, "Let's wait a little longer."

Give him a bit more time, he would surely find a perfect solution.

"Leng Yixiu, you can wait, Lin Yixun can wait, but your daughter can't wait!"

"I know, Cen Lin. This is my personal matter."

"Are you saying this is your private business and I have no right to interfere? Leng Yixiu, do you think I enjoy meddling in your and Lin Yixun's messed-up relationship? If it weren't for pitying Xiao Yi Xun, I wouldn't bother with you."

"Cen Lin, Lin Yixun recently had a miscarriage." Leng Yixiu paused, "You should know what that means. I don't want to risk Lin Yixun's and the child's health for a small possibility."

Hearing this, the other end of the call fell silent. Cen Lin, being a doctor, naturally understood the implications.

Women's bodies are very fragile, and after a miscarriage, it takes a long time to recover. If they rush into another pregnancy, it's dangerous not only for the baby but also for the mother's life.

She once had a patient who got pregnant again shortly after a miscarriage. Despite the doctor's advice to terminate the pregnancy, the patient couldn't bear to, resulting in a child born with a serious heart condition.

Leng Yixiu's concerns were valid. Betting on a probability with the health of both the child and the mother was indeed not a wise choice.

Moreover, miscarriages drain a lot of vitality, and whether Lin Yixun can get pregnant again is uncertain.

#### Chapter 597: The Little Witch

The next morning, Lin Yixun was woken up by Xiao Yi Xun, "Mom, Mom, get up quickly, Mr. Sun is going to shine on our butts."

Lin Yixun glanced at her watch. It was only six in the morning and she couldn't help but say, "It's only six, let's sleep a bit more."

"No, no, you said you would take me to see the dolphins. If we go late, there won't be any seats left."

"The baby dolphins are still sleeping too. They need to be well-rested to perform."

"Really?" Xiao Yi Xun was skeptical.

"Of course, it's true. My baby needs to sleep every day to have energy; the baby dolphins need to sleep too."

Lin Yixun managed to convince Xiao Yi Xun, who then lay down and went back to sleep.

But the little one couldn't fall asleep again. Somehow, she found a makeup bag, picked out a lipstick, and started scribbling on her tiny lips like the aunties in TV commercials.

Lin Yixun slept for another hour, and when she woke up, she was immediately stunned by what she saw.

On the bed sheets, the quilt, and the walls of the bedroom, in just one hour while she slept, everything had been turned into an abstract canvas.

That wasn't the worst part; Xiao Yi Xun's little face was the real disaster.

Her forehead, around her eyes, her cheeks, the sides of her nose, lips, and chin, were all smeared with colorful hues.

Lin Yixun then realized that this little one truly had the potential to be a little witch and couldn't help but feel that she had no moral ground to educate her since she had been this mischievous when she was a child. Yixun must have inherited her naughty personality.

Seeing Xiao Yi Xun's guilty expression, Lin Yixun couldn't help but laugh and cry. She put on a fierce look and glared at Xiao Yi Xun, "Do you know you did something wrong now?"

The little one's small head nodded quickly.

"Making a mistake means you have to be punished."

To her surprise, Xiao Yi Xun obediently extended her palm and pitifully said, "Mommy, can you be gentle? I'm scared of pain."

"Afraid of pain but still misbehaving?" Lin Yixun tapped her on the nose, seeing her little face blush and pale, decided to let her off the hook, and sternly said, "This time, since you admitted your mistake, I won't punish you. But if you're naughty again, Mommy will spank your little bum."

The two of them fussed around in the bedroom for a long time, and by the time they finished breakfast, it was already past nine o'clock.

However, feeding Xiao Yi Xun medicine after breakfast was another challenging task.

"Be good, darling. Take the medicine, and you won't catch a cold anymore."

Xiao Yi Xun stared at the pill in Lin Yixun's hand, her little face twisted in a knot, shaking her head like a rattle.

"If you don't take the medicine, we won't go out to play."

Hearing that they wouldn't go out to play, the little one hesitated, and in the end, the thought of the dolphins won over everything.

But when taking the medicine, Xiao Yi Xun still didn't forget to negotiate, "Then tonight, I want to hear five stories."

"That wish can be granted."

"And I want a treat later."

"No problem."

"Can Daddy join us too?"

Round and round, Xiao Yi Xun came back to this question. Although she was small, she was sharp and already noticed the discord between her parents. Mommy seemed not to like Daddy, but Daddy liked Mommy.

She couldn't understand why Daddy didn't try to win Mommy back. Since Daddy wasn't taking action, it was up to her to give him a little push.

Lin Yixun did not give her a direct answer, just repeated the same line as before, "Daddy is very busy; he can't come."

Chapter 598: His Appeal is Still Strong

Little Yi Xun knew that this wish could not be fulfilled! She resigned to the next best thing and pointed to the snacks on the coffee table, "Then I want to eat three chocolates later."

Lin Yixun couldn't help but laugh. After all, she was still a child at heart, and she nodded her head, "Hmm... this wish can be granted."

The two of them dawdled their way out the door. Since it was the weekend, Ocean Park had a rather large crowd, with adults bringing children to play and couples having romantic dates.

Lin Yixun held Little Yi Xun's hand and they arrived at the underground marine world. Through the glass walls, an expanse of blue ocean surrounded them on all sides and overhead.

"Mom, what's that fish?" Little Yi Xun pointed at a glowing object above her head and asked.

"That's not a fish, it's a jellyfish."

"Aren't things that swim in the water fish?"

"Not everything that swims in the water is a fish."

"Then... what about that thing with feet?"

"That's an octopus, also not a fish."

"What about that long one?"

"That's a tiger shark, it eats people."

Little Yi Xun shrank her neck and asked in a soft voice, "Will it eat little kids?"

"Our Little Yi Xun is so cute, a tiger shark definitely wouldn't want to eat you."

Little Yi Xun patted her chest in relief, "That's good, that's good."

Lin Yixun was amused by her adorable expression. She held her hand and continued walking forward step by step.

Along the way, Little Yi Xun was like a curious baby, asking questions nonstop, and Lin Yixun patiently answered each one.

She had never realized that parent-child time could be so enjoyable; this was the happiest moment she had experienced since regaining her memory.

After leaving the underwater world, Lin Yixun accompanied Little Yi Xun to the dolphinarium.

Since they went rather late, by the time they arrived, the seating was almost completely filled, so they had to find two seats on the edge.

"Mom, are those dolphins?" Little Yi Xun pointed at the stage and asked.

"Yes." Lin Yixun nodded.

"Can dolphins really sing?"

"Of course."

"Why can dolphins sing?"

"They need to communicate with their friends, too."

"Oh, I see."

The dolphin show was very exciting, and when it ended, the little girl still hadn't had enough, insisting that Lin Yixun stay and watch another performance with her.

Just as they were about to leave, there was a sudden commotion not far from them.

Lin Yixun looked in that direction and saw a large group of people gathering.

She didn't know what was happening there but wasn't in the habit of watching such spectacles.

Lin Yixun stood up and took Little Yi Xun's hand, "Let's go."

"Mom, aren't we going to take a look?" Little Yi Xun pointed toward the crowd.

"It's not wise to join large crowds. If you see a big group of people, avoid it, alright?"

"Why?"

"More people, more trouble, little dummy." Lin Yixun dotingly tapped Little Yi Xun's nose.

Little Yi Xun didn't understand what "trouble" meant but nodded obediently and followed Lin Yixun out of the pavilion.

They had not yet left their row of seats when they heard a girl scream in surprise.

"Oh my god, it's Ouyang Hao, it's really Ouyang Hao! OMG!" a woman in the audience suddenly stood up and excitedly ran toward the gathered crowd.

Lin Yixun's steps halted abruptly. Her gaze uncontrollably fell once more on the bustling crowd not far away.

Her position was a bit higher, so even through the dense crowd, she could see the person in the center if she looked carefully.

Chapter 599: They Each Go Their Own Way

Actually, it didn't take Lin Yixun much effort to find Ouyang Hao among the crowd, as he was always the most dazzling one.

Even though Ouyang Hao had left the music industry for many years, and even though he had faded out of the entertainment circle, his influence was no less than that of a top-tier star. Wherever he went, he caused a commotion.

Just like this time, even though he wore a baseball cap and most of his face was covered by sunglasses, he was still recognized.

Lin Yixun wanted to withdraw her gaze but couldn't help lingering for a few seconds on the woman in Ouyang Hao's arms.

With his prominent background and outstanding looks, Ouyang Hao was undoubtedly a fatal temptation to women, attracting countless women to throw themselves at him, also fostering his unruly and arrogant character.

Regarding women, except for her, Lin Yixun had never seen him being so considerate to anyone, but now he was holding that woman tightly in his arms, not wanting her to get hurt even a bit.

Lin Yixun could easily see that this woman was different from the ones he used to be with.

Does he like her?

This realization twisted Lin Yixun's heart painfully. She glanced blankly at the spot where her heart was, realizing that even after all these years, it still hurt there.

Little Princess Lin Yixun stood still, not moving, and couldn't help but tug at her hand, "Mom, do you still want to watch the dolphin show?"

Lin Yixun snapped back to reality, slowly retracting her gaze. She looked down at Little Princess and shook her head, "Mom will take you to eat something delicious, okay?"

"Okay, okay, Mom, I want to eat Pizza Hut."

"That's junk food, it's bad for your health."

"But you promised me."

"Alright then, let's have it this once."

Lin Yixun smiled at Little Princess, squatted down, and picked her up, "Let's go, our little princess, let's go eat."

Lin Yixun carried Little Princess and left the audience step by step. Just as they were stepping out of the dolphinarium, she couldn't help but glance back inside, where a crowd of people still gathered not far away.

She pulled her lips into a bitter smile. No matter how passionate it once was, now she had a child, and Ouyang Hao already had another woman by his side. They were destined to be together without a chance.

As they left the aquarium, a call from Feng Chengyu came through.

"Where are you?"

"At the aquarium."

"Have dinner with me tonight?"

"It's already six o'clock! It might be a bit late to come over for dinner, how about another day?"

"I'm nearby."

"Where are you nearby?"

"Ice Sea Cottage."

Lin Yixun checked the location of Ice Sea Cottage on the GPS and found it wasn't far from the aquarium, only about a ten-minute drive.

Feng Chengyu wouldn't speak out unnecessarily. Since he called, he was determined to make it happen.

Lin Yixun thought for a moment, deciding that even if she refused, the man would find a way to make her have this meal with him, so she might as well yield.

Having a meal wouldn't kill anyone.

Ten minutes later, Lin Yixun arrived at Ice Sea Cottage with Little Princess.

As they got out of the car, seeing Little Princess frowning, Lin Yixun couldn't help but ask, "What's wrong?"

"Mom, didn't you say you would take me to eat Pizza Hut?"

Only then did Lin Yixun remember, how could she forget this matter? But since she had already made an appointment with Feng Chengyu, she naturally couldn't break it.

"Today, Mom already made an appointment with Uncle Feng, how about I take you tomorrow?"

Little Princess stared straight at Lin Yixun, silent, clearly displeased.

"Then... how about a box of Häagen-Dazs as an apology to our little princess?"

The little one reluctantly nodded.

Chapter 600: Jealousy

Lin Yixun walked into the Ice Sea Cottage with Xiao Yi Xun, following the waiter to an elegantly decorated private room.

In the room, besides Feng Chengyu, there was a young couple and a little boy about the same age as Xiao Yi Xun.

Seeing Lin Yixun come in, Feng Chengyu felt the need to introduce her, "This is Chu Feng, my friend, and next to him is his sister, Chu Yue."

Feng Chengyu's gaze shifted from the girl to the little boy playing with a Transformer not far away. Just as he was about to speak, the boy's clear, crisp voice interrupted him.

"My name is Chu Duoduo. I am my second brother's younger brother. I came today to get a free meal."

After introducing himself, the little boy was about to return to his toy but was surprised to find a little girl about his age at the door.

The little girl was exquisitely cute, like a carved jade doll. The boy's heart leaped with joy; now he had a little playmate.

The three adults present witnessed a scene where Chu Duoduo tossed aside his Transformer, took big steps toward Xiao Yi Xun, and familiarly took her hand.

"Sister, would you like to play with me?"

"I don't know you. Why would I play with you?" Xiao Yi Xun pulled her hand away, hands on her hips, and said, "Besides, I am not your sister. You should call me elder sister."

"How old are you?"

"I'm four years old this year."

"I'm five. You're younger than me, so it's right to call you sister."

The two little ones bickered back and forth but soon were playing together.

Chu Feng couldn't help but laugh at Chu Duoduo's familiar manner and said to Lin Yixun, "Miss Lin, please don't mind him. My little brother, though young, is quite the charmer. Who knows how many hearts he'll break when he grows up."

Lin Yixun smiled without saying anything, glancing at the two little ones who were playing, feeling somewhat helpless. Xiao Yi Xun was just too cute, making it hard for people to resist. It seemed she would have to keep a closer watch on her daughter in the future to prevent her from being taken away by some mischievous child.

Lin Yixun slowly withdrew her gaze and unexpectedly met the eyes of the woman sitting across from her, who didn't seem very friendly for some reason.

Lin Yixun was slightly taken aback. This was the first time she had met this woman today, so there shouldn't be any animosity between them.

"Sir, the dishes you ordered have all been served." The waiter placed the last dish on the table and then left.

Feng Chengyu glanced at everyone around the table and announced, "Let's eat."

Lin Yixun picked some dishes that Xiao Yi Xun liked and called out to the little girl who was playing with Chu Duoduo a short distance away, "Yixun, come eat."

"Mom, can I play for a little longer?"

"No! Eat first, then you can play. Did you hear me?"

Hearing this, Xiao Yi Xun reluctantly came back to the table to eat, and Chu Duoduo eagerly followed her.

Seeing this, Chu Feng couldn't help but shake his head, "This little guy used to be a tough case when it came to eating. My grandparents always had to chase him around to feed him. Today, Xiao Yi Xun solved a century-old problem for us."

Lin Yixun laughed, even the usually cold-mannered Feng Chengyu had a hint of a smile at the corner of his eye.

His thin lips slightly parted, and he casually said, "If your brother wants to marry my daughter, what should you call me?"