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### Chapter 1141 - Missing (Part 3)

"My daughter's name is Jiang Lei, formerly known as Xu Chunxia. She's my daughter who I've been separated from for many years. She suffered a lot of abuse at her adoptive parents' house. Not long ago, she mentioned to me that she met you, her childhood playmate, at the kindergarten where she works. She told me about the conflict between you two and was afraid that you would inform her adoptive parents that she found her biological mother in North City, which made her live in constant fear. Earlier this morning, I received a call from the principal of the kindergarten where my daughter works, saying that she hasn't shown up for work for two or three days. Can you say this has nothing to do with you?"

Fang Su's face was cold, her eyes critical as she looked at Kang Li: "You better tell me the truth, or else I will really call the police!"

"Your daughter's disappearance really has nothing to do with me. If you want to call the police, feel free. Besides, I don't care what your daughter's name is; she has nothing to do with me. I don't have the time to deal with other people's affairs," Kang Li said calmly and firmly. She gestured towards the living room door, "Please, my home only welcomes guests, not people who stir up trouble for no reason, and certainly not unrelated people."

"It seems that unless the police come looking for you, you're not willing to tell me where my daughter is, right?"

Fang Su could see that Kang Li was speaking the truth, yet she disliked Kang Li for some reason and didn't want to leave just like that. So, she stood where she was, still arrogantly demanding answers from Kang Li.

"Comrade Fang, there's something I didn't want to say, but I've decided to kindly tell you now. Losing a daughter is indeed pitiful, but randomly claiming someone as your daughter is a bit stupid, isn't it?"

In our village, everyone knows that Xu Chunxia was born to her mother in the field. If you don't believe it, go ask around yourself. How you reckoned Xu Chunxia as your daughter, I don't know, nor do I care to know. But if you insist on involving me in your muddled business with Xu Chunxia and blame me for not being able to find her,

I don't mind telling the police that Xu Chunxia's disappearance might have been engineered by you. For example, by pretending to recognize her as your daughter while secretly engaging in human trafficking.

Don't think I'm just making things up, or that the police won't believe me. After all, more than one person knows about you claiming Xu Chunxia as your daughter. When the police investigate, you won't be able to clear your name!"

After hearing Kang Li's words, Fang Su's face turned as dark as the bottom of a pot: "You're slandering me!" She pointed at Kang Li: "Do you believe that if you say one more word, I'll tear your mouth apart?"

"Are you this agitated because I hit a nerve, Comrade Fang?"

Kang Li said calmly, which undoubtedly provoked Fang Su. Fang Su took a few steps forward, raising her hand, intending to slap Kang Li, but unexpectedly a figure suddenly blocked in front of Kang Li.

"You crazy woman, you want to hit my daughter, do you think I'm dead?!"

Cai Xiufen stood at the doorway. Noticing Fang Su's disturbed expression, she stepped toward the living room. Seeing Fang Su rushing toward Kang Li, she quickly moved forward, shoved Fang Su, and then slapped her face fiercely!

"You... you shrew, how dare you hit me, I'll fight with you!" Fang Su steadied herself, ignoring the pain on her face, and lunged at Cai Xiufen.

But before she could get close, Kang Li kicked her to the ground.

"In my home, you not only want to hit me but also my mother? Comrade Fang, you're really something!" Kang Li said coldly, calling Ming Rui and Ming Han to help Cai Xiufen back to the room. She then dialed the Song family's number.

"Godmother, it's me..." Hearing Mrs. Qi's voice on the other end, Kang Li explained the situation with Fang Su and then said, "The reason I'm calling you is clear; if Uncle Feng doesn't come and take her away, I'm going to report this to the police."

Instead of calling the police directly, Kang Li chose to contact Old Master Feng through Mrs. Qi, considering the relationship between the Song Family and the Feng family, and that Fang Su is Feng Yi's biological mother. Dumping her directly to the police would seem heartless.

Fang Su struggled to get up from the ground, looking disheveled. She glared angrily at Kang Li, wanting to come over and fight, but when she saw Kang Li approaching step by step, she couldn't help but step back.

"What do you want?"

Fang Su's voice trembled, and her hair was disheveled, making her look a bit cowardly.

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"I didn't do anything." Kang Li spread her hands, standing three steps away from Fang Su, and said with a smile: "You heard that call I just made, right?! If you don't want to leave by yourself, then wait here for your family to pick you up. I'm letting you off because of my godparents and not choosing to call the police on you for causing trouble at my house. No need to thank me, I'm always such a good person!

But being a good person doesn't mean I'm easy to bully. If you don't learn today's lesson, then don't blame me for not being polite to you."

"By the way, we have no grudges against each other, why do you insist on causing trouble for me?"

With arms crossed, Kang Li looked at Fang Su and said calmly: "First, there was that New Year's incident where you used Feng Yi to start issues with me, and now today you're bringing up Xu Chunxia and trying to attack me again. What's the real reason behind all this?"

Smoothing her chin, Kang Li scrutinized Fang Su: "Could it be that we had a feud in a past life, so in this one, you find me disagreeable the moment you see me, thus wanting to make trouble for me?"

"Now you're bringing up Feng Yi, but with what face do you mention him to me? If it weren't for whatever you said to him, would he stop acknowledging me as his mother, go missing for years, and not contact the family?"

Thinking of her son Feng Yi, Fang Su couldn't help but be filled with anger. She glared at Kang Li: "You're not very old, but you're really good at bewitching people. Just wait, there will be a day when your man kicks you out of this house!"

Feng Lu, her stepdaughter, was not an easy person!

Otherwise, she wouldn't have had the family help her fake her death to escape, abandoning her husband and children to chase after another man.

In the past year, Feng Lu has been abroad and has not stopped calling home, crying and begging to return. According to her understanding of that girl, she might come back early to the country, and if she still can't be with that Xiao Family child then, who knows what else she'll concoct.

Fang Su sneered inwardly, waiting to see Kang Li's downfall.

"Dream on, you can see whatever you want in your dreams." Kang Li sat on the sofa, casually picked up a newspaper, and ignored Fang Su.

Time slowly passed, and Fang Su felt like a clown, standing like a log in someone else's house. She gritted her teeth, patted herself down, and with her purse clutched tightly, threatened Kang Li: "Just you wait!"

Then, she turned and left quickly.

But Fang Su didn't go straight home. She appeared for the second time that day at the kindergarten where Xu Chunxia works.

"I came to confirm, was it really my daughter Leilei who personally called the school to ask for leave?"

"I received the call, and it was indeed Jiang Lei's voice."

The principal looked at Fang Su puzzled: "Didn't Comrade Fang say you would ask around familiar households? You didn't find out anything about Jiang Lei's whereabouts?"

"No." Fang Su shook her head. After thinking for a bit, she asked the principal: "Who among the teachers at our kindergarten is particularly close to my daughter?"

The principal, hearing this, quickly understood Fang Su's intention. She got up from behind her desk, walked to the office door and called out: "Teacher Wang! Teacher Wang, could you come here for a minute!"

Soon, Wang Xiaoxiao appeared at the principal's office: "Principal, did you call for me?"

The principal nodded, gesturing for Wang Xiaoxiao to sit and talk, then said: "This is Comrade Jiang Lei's mother..." Before the principal finished, Wang Xiaoxiao smiled and greeted Fang Su: "I recognize Aunt Fang, she came to our kindergarten before looking for Teacher Jiang, and I've seen her once."

Fang Su remained expressionless: "We have met once."

Principal: "Teacher Wang, since you know Comrade Fang, please tell her about Teacher Jiang."

Wang Xiaoxiao: "Tell her what?"

Principal: "Teacher Jiang hasn't come to work for several days, did you know that?"

Wang Xiaoxiao nodded.

Principal: "Do you know where she has gone?"

"How would I know that!" Wang Xiaoxiao shook her head, but then she said: "Could it be that Teacher Jiang went somewhere with Mr. Jack?!"

"Mr. Jack?"

Fang Su was momentarily stunned, then urgently asked: "Who is Mr. Jack? How did Leilei know him?" Jiang Boya is abroad, and Fang Su has been waiting for Lawyer Wang to bring Jiang Boya back to the country to find her, so she was particularly sensitive to foreign names associated with Xu Chunxia.

Don't think I'm just talking nonsense and that the officers at the police station wouldn't believe me. After all, your acknowledgment of Xu Chunxia as your daughter is known to more than just one person. When the officers investigate, you won't be able to clear yourself!"

Hearing Kang Li's words, Fang Su's face turned as black as the bottom of a pot: "You're just spewing lies!" She pointed a finger at Kang Li: "Do you believe if you say one more word, I will tear your mouth apart?"

"Is your emotion so excited because I hit the nail on the head, Comrade Fang?"

Kang Li remained calm and collected, a demeanor that undoubtedly agitated Fang Su. Fang Su took a few steps forward, raising her hand to slap Kang Li but didn't anticipate a figure suddenly blocking Kang Li.

"You crazy woman, trying to hit my daughter, do you think this mother is dead?!"

Cai Xiufen was standing at the room's entrance. Noticing Fang Su's off expression, she walked towards the living room. When she saw Fang Su rushing towards Kang Li, she immediately stepped forward, pushed Fang Su, and slapped her hard on the face!

"You... you shrew, how dare you hit me, I'll fight you!" Fang Su steadied her stance, disregarding the pain on her face, and lunged at Cai Xiufen.

Unexpectedly, before she could reach her, Kang Li kicked her to the ground.

"You're in my house, trying to assault me, and also trying to attack my mother, Comrade Fang, you sure have some nerve!" Kang Li said coldly, calling Ming Rui and Ming Han to the living room to help Cai Xiufen back to her room. She then dialed the Song Family's number.

"Godmother, it's me..." Hearing Mrs. Qi's voice on the phone, Kang Li explained Fang Su's situation, and then she said: "By calling you, you should understand my meaning. If Uncle Feng doesn't come to take her away, I'll have to call the police."

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Perhaps this scene unfolded too abruptly, or maybe it was unexpected that someone like Fang Su, a noblewoman, would end up in a scuffle with a young girl, rendering the principal's expression utterly bewildered.

"Teacher Wang! Teacher Wang, let go!" Coming to his senses, the principal quickly stood up to pull Wang Xiaoxiao away, but Fang Su, having suffered at Wang Xiaoxiao's hands, certainly wouldn't let her off easily.

Thus, the principal's attempt at mediation failed, and instead, he was shoved to the ground by Fang Su.

By the time other teachers in the kindergarten heard the commotion from the director's office and rushed over, they saw Fang Su and Wang Xiaoxiao wrestling on the floor, while the principal was holding his waist, clutching a nearby chair as he slowly stood up.

Clearly, the principal's waist was injured from Fang Su's push.

"Principal, are you okay?"

A female teacher in her thirties quickly stepped forward to support the principal.

"I'm alright, Teacher Cui, quickly go help Teacher Wu and then separate Teacher Wang and Comrade Fang!" The principal waved his hand, sat in the chair holding his waist, and instructed Teacher Cui to help the other two teachers separate Fang Su and Wang Xiaoxiao.

"You little bitch, you must have eaten courage from a bear or a leopard to dare lay a hand on me. I'm telling you, this won't end today!"

Fang Su panted heavily, while tidying her disheveled hair, glaring at Wang Xiaoxiao threateningly.

"You're the bitch! It makes no sense for you to hit me while I stand and take the beating. And don't try to scare me here; it's a new society now, don't think just because your family has a bit of Beijing power you can do anything to me!"

Wang Xiaoxiao was unwilling to show weakness and retorted back.

At this moment, a deep voice charged with low pressure came from outside the office door: "Go home now!"

The owner of this voice was Old Master Feng, indeed, it was Old Master Feng. After receiving a call from Mrs. Qi, Old Master Feng drove to the compound, but unexpectedly found it empty, so he came to the kindergarten where Xu Chunxia worked, and sure enough, found Fang Su there.

The reason Old Master Feng located this kindergarten was because he heard the complete account of what Fang Su did from Kang Li, and thus thought, knowing Fang Su's temperament, she likely wouldn't return home easily and would mostly seek some information at the kindergarten before letting it go.

"Are you the principal?"

Old Master Feng walked into the office, his gaze shifted from Fang Su to the principal, seeing the principal nod, he apologized on behalf of Fang Su, and then inquired about Xu Chunxia's situation in detail, afterwards he looked at Wang Xiaoxiao: "Comrade Xiao, my wife was wrong to lay hands on you, but please understand it was out of concern for our Leilei that she couldn't restrain her impulsive action and confronted you. Here, I apologize to you on behalf of my wife."

However, Wang Xiaoxiao paid no heed to Old Master Fang, she snorted coldly and walked straight out of the principal's office.

The principal looked awkward witnessing this, wanting to say something, but unexpectedly Old Master Feng waved his hand: "Comrade Xiao has a bit of temper, which is understandable, and besides, the issue today is not on that little comrade's part."

The implication was that the principal need not hold a grudge.

"Why pretend to be a good person? I am not wrong, so there's no need for you to apologize!" Fang Su was completely ungrateful for Old Master Feng's kindness, extremely angry, she glared at Old Master Feng fiercely, then bent over to pick up the bag from the ground, didn't even look at the principal, and left the office with a gloomy face.

Old Master Feng suppressed the fire in his heart, bade farewell to the principal, and left a message: "If my Leilei contacts the kindergarten, or if she returns to work one day, please Comrade, make a call to our home to let us know."

Upon hearing this, the principal nodded lightly.

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On the way home, Old Master Feng and Fang Su didn't exchange a single word. It wasn't until they walked into the house and sat down in the living room that Old Master Feng finally couldn't hold back any longer, slapping his palm onto the coffee table.

Fang Su was startled, her heart tightening as she tried to remain calm and asked, "What are you doing?"

"I should be asking you what you're doing?!"

Old Master Feng's expression was furious: "I've advised you more than once to treat Leilei better, not to say unnecessary things in front of the child, and definitely not to give her cold looks. How have you responded? You not only openly express your disdain but it's written all over your face. Since you dislike the child so much, why did you decide to acknowledge her as your daughter?"

"What if I've gone crazy?" Fang Su's eyes turned red, her face full of sorrow as she said, "I am strict with her for her own good; she misunderstands my intentions, insists on going against me, and even... even went missing on me. She simply has no heart!"

Old Master Feng's gaze was scrutinizing: "Do you even care about your own children at all? First, it was Feng Yi—you neglected him since he was young, and when he grew up, you kicked him out of the house. And now... now you've driven your daughter to disappear without a trace. Have you ever thought about your own faults?"

"I neglected Feng Yi, but weren't you the same? I did tell him to leave the house, but it was just words said out of anger. Who would've thought he'd take it so seriously and never come back?!"

Fang Su would never think she was wrong, nor would she reflect on her own issues. She wiped away the tears at the corner of her eyes and said:

"And Leilei, can't you see? Whether it's her clothes or her demeanor, what about her can be shown off? If it wasn't for the hope of arranging a good marriage for her, would I point out her flaws and force her to learn things?

She's over twenty years old now. In our courtyard, is there any girl her age who's not married? You might not be anxious, but I am. After all, I'm her mother; I can't let her become a lifelong spinster."

Upon hearing this, Old Master Feng looked steadily at Fang Su, his expression gradually becoming complex as he asked, "Did Comrade Hao Jian ever bring Lawyer Wang, who returned from abroad, to the house to see you?"

Fang Su wanted to shake her head, but under Old Master Feng's gaze, she hesitated for a long time without responding.

"And why did Lawyer Wang come to see you? Don't you intend to explain?"

Old Master Feng's tone was emotionless. Before Fang Su could speak, he observed her changing expression and spoke again: "Just a few days after you met Lawyer Wang, you suddenly claimed that the little nanny at home was your long-lost daughter. Isn't that quite a coincidence?"

"What exactly are you trying to say?"

Fang Su felt uneasy, clasping her hands tightly together, and looked straight at Old Master Feng as she said, "Are you suspecting that I'm randomly acknowledging daughters? What am I trying to gain by doing this?"

"Don't you know yourself?"

Old Master Feng retorted.

"I don't know, if you know, just tell me!"

When Old Master Feng mentioned Hao Jian bringing Wang Fei into the house, no matter what Fang Su wanted to say, it was destined to be futile.

But Fang Su clearly wasn't ready to give up, reluctant to expose her true intentions.

"Comrade Hao Jian did come to see me. Do I need to clarify further?" Old Master Feng originally didn't want to dredge up old and messy matters, but Fang Su's behavior ever since acknowledging her "daughter" made it unbearable to him, forcing him to think more deeply.

Fang Su still resisted:

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"If you want to say something, just say it. I'm not stopping you from speaking." Damn thing, how dare he talk about her personal matters to others?

No doubt about it, Fang Su hated Hao Jian!

"You haven't spoken a word of truth since I saved you back then. You started lying to me from that very moment."

Old Master Feng looked very calm at this moment, and there was no trace of fluctuation in his voice as he said, "Separated from your family, with nowhere to go... and then, after more than twenty years, suddenly a daughter appears,

However, it's certain you have a daughter, but whether our housemaid is your daughter is uncertain, right?" Not expecting Fang Su to answer, Old Master Feng continued,

"And the reason you suddenly claim the housemaid as your long-lost daughter is simply because your former lover plans to return to the country and wants to make up for the child you once had with them.

But for various reasons, you abandoned the child, and now, upon suddenly learning that your former lover intends to return to find you all, you panic and want to gain some benefit, so..."

"Enough!" Fang Su interrupted Old Master Feng. She stood up, her face ashen, saying coldly, "You're right. I've never told you a single truth. Do what you please now!"

Leaving those words, Fang Su returned to the bedroom with a cold expression, without even taking the bag she had tossed on the sofa.

Old Master Fang's face was dark with anger and helplessness.

She didn't admit her mistake, nor see her fault, leaving him with words to handle it, as if she held power over him, thinking he'd just bark without biting, right?

In fact, with Old Master Feng's current status and position, he really couldn't do anything about Fang Su.

After all, they had been married for many years. Regardless of everything, there was still some affection between them. He couldn't just propose a divorce because of an outsider... Besides, at his age of sixty to seventy, how could he face an abrupt divorce?

Sighing deeply, Old Master Feng sat in silence on the sofa, feeling indescribably bitter and sorrowful.

Fang Su didn't know that her act of "give up" had put Old Master Feng in a bind!

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"Godmother, stay a little longer!"

"No, I just came by to tell you, today's thing was partly my fault. Otherwise, she wouldn't have been able to enter our compound. If she couldn't get in, naturally she wouldn't come to you with trouble."

"How can it be your fault, godmother? The other party planned this whole act today, pretending to have something important to say to you, and in reality, came to my door to cause trouble. But she didn't gain any advantage."

"My dear, Li Bao was right, that woman not only got a slap from me but also a kick from Li Bao. In the end, she left in disgrace; we couldn't have been more satisfied!"

This was Cai Xiufen's voice. She looked at Mrs. Qi, her face full of smiles, clearly in a good mood.

"As long as you all weren't at a loss, that's good."

Mrs. Qi chuckled, standing up, "No need to see me off, it's just a few steps..." saying this, Mrs. Qi started walking towards the living room door, stopping Kang Li and Cai Xiufen from seeing her out.

"Can't I see my godmother off?" Kang Li, holding Mrs. Qi's arm, playfully said, "Or is it that my godmother is tired of me and doesn't want me to see you off?"

"Alright, alright, let you see me off then."

Mrs. Qi shook her head with amusement, "Old sister, stop seeing me off now!" As she reached the living room door, Mrs. Qi smiled back towards Cai Xiufen.

Cai Xiufen: "Alright, I'll see you off up to here then, come by again when you have time!"

Mrs. Qi: "Okay."

Watching her beloved daughter walk with Mrs. Qi towards the courtyard entrance until their figures disappeared beyond the gate, Cai Xiufen withdrew her gaze and returned to the living room.

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"You really gave her no face at all, aren't you worried Feng Yi will know and feel awkward in front of you?"

At the courtyard gate, Mrs. Qi asked Kang Li with a smile.

"Face isn't something given by others, it's earned by oneself. If she doesn't want it herself, I can't just stand like an idiot and let her take a swing at me."

Kang Li replied indifferently, paused slightly, then pursed her lips and continued, "I'm not worried about Feng Yi finding out. I think even if he does, he probably wouldn't say anything, let alone feel uncomfortable."

Mrs. Qi: "You're that sure?"

"It's not about me being sure, but that woman has long chilled Feng Yi's heart. If he cared about her, he wouldn't have stayed away from the Feng family for years, nor kept his enlistment and college entrance a secret from them." Kang Li's expression was indifferent, though her heart felt bad for Feng Yi, having such an unreasonable mother who likes to cause trouble for no reason.

Suddenly, Mrs. Qi asked about Xu Chunxia's background: "By the way, is that girl named Xu Chunxia really her biological child?"

Kang Li: "My mom said Xu Chunxia was born by Aunt Xu in the field. Anyone who's older in the village basically knows this."

"If that's the case, why would she randomly recognize a daughter?"

Mrs. Qi frowned, puzzled by Fang Su acknowledging Xu Chunxia as her daughter.

"No idea." Kang Li shook her head, then said, "I guess only the person involved knows."

"You're right." Mrs. Qi nodded, then lightly patted Kang Li's hand: "Godmother's heading back, you should go inside now."

Kang Li: "I'll watch you walk away before heading inside."

"You!" Mrs. Qi looked at her dotingly, chuckled, and said, "You just know how to make people fond of you!"

Kang Li smiled without responding.

Watching Mrs. Qi walk away, Kang Li turned back into the yard.

"That woman is a lunatic, you better stay away from her when you see her!" As soon as she walked into the living room, Kang Li heard her mom say this, without any hesitation, she nodded with a smile: "Got it!"

Cai Xiufen: "I understand now."

Kang Li: "... " Understand what?

"Having a mom like that, no wonder Feng Yi wants to sever ties with his family."

Recalling the things Kang Li had told her about Feng Yi, Cai Xiufen couldn't help but feel regretful, then she said:

"She's from the city, yet more unreasonable than those stubborn old women we have. Slapping her today was a light punishment. If it wasn't for your kick, I would've torn her mouth apart and scratched her face to see how she faces others after that!"

"My mom is so awesome!"

Kang Li chuckled and gave a thumbs up in praise.

"You cheeky."

Doting Darling Daughter, Cai Xiufen asked: "Graduated smoothly?"

"Naturally."

Saying that, Kang Li grinned and picked up the bag on the sofa, then immediately took out her degree certificate to show her mom.

Cai Xiufen: "Double degree?"

Kang Li: "Yep. All subjects were excellent, no need for graduate school exams. The university leadership and professors have already said I can get into any graduate program I want!"

Listening to Kang Li, Cai Xiufen couldn't contain her happiness: "Quickly call your dad and tell him the good news of your smooth graduation, let him and the others share the joy."

"Alright!"

Kang Li smiled, picked up the landline handset, and dialed a series of numbers.

By chance, it was Captain Kang who answered.

"Dad, how's your health lately? Are my older brother and the others good too..."

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Kang Li's voice was sweet and melodious, tinged with laughter: "My mom is doing well. Yeah, my mom is sitting right next to me. How about I let her speak to you... Okay, hold on a second, I'll hand the microphone to her."

As she finished speaking, Kang Li handed the microphone to her mother, then stood up to make space.

"It's me. Just take care of yourself, that's enough. I'm here at Li Bao's place, not doing heavy work, nothing will happen... Right, Li Bao graduated smoothly. Yeah, I'm telling you so we can all be happy together,

And the diploma is in my hands. Li Bao said she got straight A's in all her courses... We don't need to go back? Then I'll need to let Little Wu and Yangyang know... Okay, do you still want to talk to Li Bao?"

"Mom, I have something to say to Dad."

Kang Li leaned over, took the microphone from Cai Xiufen: "Dad, when are you and my big brother and sister-in-law coming over? There's a place to stay, don't worry, I'm not tricking you... Ah? Okay, I said it... Alright, I got it. That's it, goodbye!"

She placed the microphone back on the receiver before Kang Li could speak, Cai Xiufen asked: "Are you sure there's room here for your dad, big brother, and sister-in-law?"

Kang Li smiled with her eyes: "Mom, I'll give you a surprise tomorrow."

"What's the surprise for us, Mom?"

Kang Guoan's voice came from outside the living room door, and then he appeared in the living room.

Kang Li: "I'm not telling you now, wait and see. I'll take you to a place."

"Making it so mysterious, it seems like a big surprise for Mom!"

Kang Guoan teased with a smile.

Kang Li: "That's for sure!"

"Wow! Is this your diploma?"

As he spoke, Kang Guoan sat beside Cai Xiufen, took the diploma from his mother's hand, and looked at it, then he exuded a sour mood: "You make your little brother feel so embarrassed!"

"Is that exaggerated?" Kang Li shook her head: "I can't believe it."

Kang Guoan looked up, his eyes full of resentment: "Your early graduation spread everywhere in the school, and the school posted your graduation results on the bulletin board, perfect scores for all subjects in two majors,

When our department's classmates see me, they look really sour, but what does that have to do with me, you agree, right, my dear sister?

They are indeed jealous of you, but they show it when they see me, don't they know I'm just as sour as being soaked in a vinegar jar?"

Upon hearing this, Kang Li couldn't help but laugh out loud.

"Mom, look at your precious daughter. I'm suffering because of her, but she's laughing here. You have to stand up for your poor youngest son."

Kang Guoan acted like an abandoned puppy, pleading in front of Cai Xiufen.

"What's bothering you?" Cai Xiufen rolled her eyes at Kang Guoan, looking at him with disdain: "It's just a small matter, and you're pretending to be pitiful here, such ambition!"

"Mom, you're biased!"

Kang Guoan complained more pitifully.

"You just realized that?"

Rolling her eyes at him again, Cai Xiufen said: "Li Bao graduated early, you're her brother, you should be happy for her, so what's a little grievance?"

"It's nothing, but Li Bao is too outstanding, she totally outshines her classmates, and I'm her sibling, the pressure is immense!"

Kang Guoan sighed bitterly: "Li Bao completed two majors but graduated in just a year and a half, what's key is, she graduated with perfect scores in all subjects. Mom, even if I try hard, I can't catch up with my sister!"

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Off to the side, Kang Li watched Kang Guoan clown around in front of their mother, grinning all the while.

"No one's forcing you to keep up with Li Bao."

Cai Xiufen said coolly, "You do what you need to do, don't worry about what others say."

"Big bro, mom's right!" Kang Li chimed in with a smile, "Our majors are different anyway, plus I picked something easier, and with my natural talent, graduating early is no big deal."

Kang Guoan: "Can't you show a little sibling love, Li Bao?"

"Of course I do, I really like big bro! That's why I'm comforting him, didn't you catch that?" holding back laughter, Kang Li pretended to be serious, "No way? Big bro, you really didn't get it?!"

"You're bullying me!"

Kang Guoan glared.

Kang Li burst out laughing and shook her head, "No, definitely not, I swear!"

"Alright, you guys are all grown-ups, making a fuss here, not afraid Ruirui and them will laugh at you." Cai Xiufen knew her children were just playing around to amuse her, she smiled and shook her head, asking Kang Guoan, "Got any news on that person you're seeing?"

At her words, Kang Guoan suddenly felt his face heat up, he looked at Kang Li, meeting his gaze, Kang Li shook her head directly, "I haven't said a word in front of mom."

"Why are you looking at Li Bao?"

Cai Xiufen's gaze fell on Kang Guoan, her eyebrows furrowed slightly, "I'm just asking casually, if you want to say, say it, if not I'm not forcing you. After all, you're finding someone, if you're not anxious, me worrying is pointless."

"We're seeing each other, but haven't confirmed the relationship yet." Kang Guoan looked a little uneasy, "Give it a few more months. If we both find each other suitable, we'll confirm the relationship by the end of the year."

At this, Kang Li laughed and said, "Wang Pan is coming to hang out with me over summer break!"

"Aren't we going home?"

Kang Guoan glanced at Kang Li, then looked at Cai Xiufen.

"Your grandpa doesn't want us bustling around on the road."

Cai Xiufen spoke, thinking she had something else to ask Kang Li, catching her gaze, Kang Li blinked her clear fox-like eyes, "Mom, is there something you want to ask me?"

"What did your dad say to you later?"

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After listening to Cai Xiufen, Kang Li nodded and agreed.

“Yichen probably can’t make it.”

Kang Guoan suddenly said.

“How do you know, Brother?” Kang Li looked puzzled at him. Kang Guoan raised an eyebrow: “Did you forget?”

“...”

Forget what? Kang Li was confused, the bewilderment in her beautiful eyes deepening.

“He most likely has to train.”

With Kang Guoan’s remark, Kang Li instantly realized: “I remember now, last summer Chenchen spent the entire time in the mountains for training.” After a brief pause, Kang Li said: “But we still have to ask Chenchen, maybe he has a regular summer vacation this year, Brother, don’t you think?”

“Hmm.” Kang Guoan nodded: “Are you asking or should I?”

Kang Li's lips curved into a smile: "Either way is fine."

"Then you ask." Saying this, Kang Guoan lifted his travel bag and headed towards the room where Min Rui and Ming Han stayed. Shortly, he came out with two pieces of clothing: "I'm going to wash these."

As he was about to reach the living room door, he suddenly stopped and looked back at Cai Xiufen and Kang Li: "Mom, do you and Li Bao have any clothes to wash? If so, I can..."

Before Kang Li could respond, Cai Xiufen waved her hand: "Go wash your own stuff, there's no dirty laundry here."

Kang Guoan uttered an "oh" and withdrew his gaze, stepping out of the living room.

"Is your third brother going with your third sister-in-law?"

After Kang Guoan disappeared outside the living room door, Cai Xiufen asked Kang Li.

"Yes, Third Brother will accompany Third Sister-in-law to North City, and then we'll set off together."

Kang Li recalled a letter from Third sister-in-law Kang and couldn't help but say: "My third sister-in-law cuts and makes clothes for people in private, and they are very popular. At least she earns thirty bucks a month, which is more than an ordinary worker!"

Cai Xiufen beamed: "Your third sister-in-law has been famous for her skillful hands since she was a girl in her parents' home."

"So I really support Third Sister-in-law in starting a business." Kang Li's eyes sparkled, and she said with a cheerful smile: "Maybe it won't be long before my third sister-in-law can open a clothing factory."

"Don't keep giving your third sister-in-law so much credit. The most important thing in doing anything is to be down-to-earth. If you take too big a step, you might take a big fall."

It wasn't that Cai Xiufen didn't have faith in her daughter-in-law, Third sister-in-law Kang, but in their farming family, they didn't have much money and couldn't withstand too great a storm.

If the business ends up losing money, unable to recoup the loss, they might even lose sleep and it could even tear apart a good family.

Kang Li naturally detected Cai Xiufen's concern, and she smiled, reassuring her: "Mom, don't worry, with me keeping an eye on things, nothing major will happen."

"Your father and I don't expect you siblings to be fabulously wealthy in this lifetime, just for you all to be safe and smooth, have harmonious marriages, and lead happy lives." At this point, Cai Xiufen glanced at Kang Li's abdomen and couldn't help but ask: "Haven't you been feeling unwell anywhere?"

"Huh?"

Kang Li blinked, clearly not understanding the implication of Cai Xiufen's words until she followed her gaze to her own abdomen, her cheeks instantly turning red.

"Mom, why... why are you suddenly asking about this?"

No one knows a daughter like her mother, Cai Xiufen, seeing her embarrassment, couldn't help but laugh and say: "There's nothing to be embarrassed about! You've been married to Yanqing for several years now..."

"Mom, don't say anything more, I haven't felt uncomfortable at all." Interrupting Cai Xiufen, Kang Li lightly patted her own flushed cheeks, avoiding Cai Xiufen's gaze, she said: "And Mom, you know, the doctors at the big hospital said that it's very difficult for me to conceive with my health."

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"It's hard, but not impossible."

Cai Xiufen replied indifferently, her eyes filled with kindness as she looked at Kang Li: "You haven't had any health issues these past few years, maybe this year you might conceive."

After long-term conditioning with Chinese medicine, Kang Li indeed hasn't encountered any problems in recent years.

But Kang Li knew that up until last month, she indeed hadn't noticed anything unusual.

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The next day.

After breakfast, Kang Li said to the family: "We're going to a place in a little while."

"Where are we going?"

Ming Han was full of curiosity.

"You'll find out when we get there!"

Kang Li smiled and was about to tidy up the dishes, but then Kang Guoan said, "You and mom take a rest, I'll do the cleaning."

Min Rui: "Little Uncle, let me help you." Without waiting for a reply, Min Rui started to pitch in.

Ming Wei: "I can help too!"

Ming Han raised his hand: "Me too! Me too!"

Seeing Xiao Loh En ready to help as well, Kang Li picked up the little guy and said, "You don't need to help."

"Why not?"

Xiao Loh En was unhappy.

Nudging the little one's nose, Kang Li said with a smile: "You're not grown up yet!"

"Xiao En is already a big baby!"

Xiao Loh En refused to admit he wasn't grown up; he thought he was already a big friend.

"Under five years old isn't quite a big baby yet."

Hearing this, Xiao Loh En immediately pouted, causing Kang Li to laugh out loud. She teased, "Oh! Xiao En's pout can hang a soy sauce bottle!"

Xiao Loh En was smart; he knew his mom was teasing him, and his face blushed instantly.

"Are you shy?"

Kang Li continued teasing the little one.

"No, Xiao En isn't shy." Even as he said this, Xiao Loh En had already buried his head in Kang Li's shoulder.

Cai Xiufen watched from the side, finding it amusing but didn't laugh out loud. She said to Kang Li: "Is this how you are as a mother? Can't you see the child is already very embarrassed, and you're still teasing him relentlessly."

"I just think our Xiao En is cute!"

Kang Li chuckled, then changed the topic: "Yangyang said he's coming over this morning; he should be on the way by now?"

Cai Xiufen: "Then let's wait for him."

About half an hour passed when Kang Yiyang's voice echoed in the yard: "Little Aunt! Grandma..."

"Stop shouting, we're all waiting for you. Since you're here, let's set off."

This was Kang Guoan's voice.

Kang Yiyang asked: "Where to?"

"Didn't your Little Aunt tell you yesterday on the phone?"

Kang Guoan raised his eyebrows.

"Tell me what?" Kang Yiyang was still puzzled. Yesterday evening, when he called, did Little Aunt say anything to him? No, right?! Or did he forget?

Kang Li came out from the living room, seeing Kang Yiyang looking bewildered, she laughed and said: "Alright, I didn't tell you where we're going today." Then Cai Xiufen and Min Rui and the other four also came out of the living room.

Her gaze fell on Cai Xiufen, Kang Li smiled: "Mom, you, brother, and Yangyang take Ruirui and the others out to the gate first, I'll catch up soon."

Cai Xiufen responded, calling Min Rui and the others: "Let's go, we'll wait by the gate."

"Uncle, where is Little Aunt planning to take us? Can you tell me?"

As he walked out the gate with Kang Guoan, Kang Yiyang whispered to him.

"I don't know."

Kang Guoan shook his head: "Your Little Aunt hasn't told anyone; she just said there will be a big surprise for your grandma."

"What kind of surprise?"

Kang Yiyang was filled with curiosity.

"Didn't you hear? I already told you, I don't know."

