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Chapter 801: Just Keep Pretending!

Kang Li once again gave the man a tilted-head-killer look, her face full of innocence: "Don't wrong me, or else, I'll kiss you!" As she said the latter half, her gaze was both pure and alluring.

Such a look on her fell into Luo Yanqing's eyes, causing Luo Yanqing's face to redden and his heart to race uncontrollably. He immediately stretched his long legs, as if chased by a dog, and in the blink of an eye, he was gone.

He feared that if he stayed any longer, he would be unable to control himself, instantly scooping her up and carrying her back to the dorm to show her the consequences of teasing him.

Looking at Kang Li again, she gazed at Luo Yanqing's departing figure, laughter almost spilling from her beautiful eyes, and she directly laughed out loud.

If you paid close attention, it wouldn't be hard to notice that Luo Yanqing almost stumbled when he heard the joyful laughter from behind.

"Naughty girl!"

Even her laughter was teasing him!

Stabilizing his form, Luo Yanqing didn't turn back, silently murmuring, shaking his head helplessly.

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After dinner, the young couple freshened up; one sat at the desk reading a book, while the other purposefully disturbed him. Okay, the one sitting and reading didn't actually take in a single word.

"You're just pretending!"

Kang Li said, blowing a breath at the man's ear: "But, I just like watching you pretend to be serious." As she spoke, she couldn't help but chuckle.

"Say it again."

Luo Yanqing pulled her into his arms, his dark eyes slightly narrowed: "I'm pretending to be serious?"

"Aren't you?"

Kang Li wasn't afraid at all, amusement swirled in her clear, fox-like eyes: "Just admit it, it's not hard."

"Admit what?" Luo Yanqing hugged her tighter, kissing her forehead: "Admit I want to hold you like this forever, or admit having you by my side makes me very happy?"

Kang Li was surprised: "Strange, there didn't seem to be any honey in tonight's meal!"

"Why are you so naughty?"

Luo Yanqing lowered his head, kissing the corner of Kang Li's lips: "Sweet?"

Kang Li blushed: "I don't know."

"Didn't you say I ate honey, and now you say you don't know, naughty girl!"

The pampering in Luo Yanqing's eyes was completely evident.

"I really don't know."

Kang Li averted her eyes from his intense gaze, her face looking quite haughty.

"Oh, is that so? Then let's taste it again."

His eyes flashed, and Luo Yanqing kissed her again.

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Waking up feeling like cursing, Kang Li felt enveloped in a sensation of pain all over.

"What are you thinking about?"

Hearing the man's deep, sexy voice close to her ear, Kang Li rolled her eyes in her mind, blurting out:
"Thinking about you."

Actually, she wanted to say, "You bad person, why do you care what I'm thinking," but unexpectedly, the words came out differently. For a moment, Kang Li wished she hadn't said anything, quickly grabbing the blanket's edge to cover her head, mumbling, "I didn't say anything, you didn't hear anything."

But what responded to her was the man's delighted laughter.

"Annoying!"

Pulling the blanket back to expose her head, Kang Li glared with her beautiful eyes wide: "No laughing."

"Alright, I won't laugh, but there's still a while until dawn, we..." The man didn't finish his sentence, directly putting it into action.

When Kang Li woke up again, there was no sign of him beside her.

"Are you the Devil?"

She secretly wondered about the missing person, just at that moment, there was a sound outside the dorm, and then, the door swung open, familiar footsteps approaching.

"I went to get breakfast, just lie there, don't move, I'll get water for you to wash up."

Luo Yanqing, with a smile at the corners of his mouth, looked at Kang Li, his eyes filled with so much pampering that it could drown someone.

Chapter 802: The Happiest Thing in This Life

Kang Li let out a "hmph" and said haughtily, "Don't want to talk to you, bad guy!"

"It's my fault, I lost a bit of control."

Setting the breakfast on the table, Luo Yanqing looked tenderly at his girl before leaning down to kiss her lips. Then, the warmth in his eyes was replaced by a hint of grievance: "Honey, you understand me, right? After all, I haven't seen you for a long time..."

"Shut up, don't say another word."

Kang Li glared at him, immediately following up with another "hmph." Seeing this, Luo Yanqing burst out laughing, "Alright, alright, I'll shut up."

Yet, he leaned into her ear: "Honey, you've worked hard. From now on, I'll make sure to control myself."

Kang Li: "You're annoying!"

"Alright, alright, I'm annoying."

He picked up his wife, casually placing a pillow behind her, and Luo Yanqing gently laughed, "I'll go get some water."

Moments later, he came back in from outside, helping Kang Li brush her teeth and wash her face, attentive to the point of surpassing a five-star hotel.

"Have you eaten well?"

Picking up his blue-and-white checkered handkerchief, Luo Yanqing wiped the corners of Kang Li's mouth.

"Mm."

Kang Li nodded.

Luo Yanqing: "Tell me about the thing I asked you about yesterday." It's not that he was interested in hearing about others' family matters, but this was related to his project research team, or to be more precise, it concerned their research project.

After all, Wen Siyuan was a member of the project group. If his work was consistently poor and he didn't explain why, and Luo Yanqing had no clue what was affecting him mentally, then if anything went wrong with the part of the project Wen Siyuan was responsible for, not only would Wen Siyuan have to bear responsibility, Luo Yanqing, as the group leader, would also bear it.

That aside, the main issue is it could waste national resources and the efforts of other team members.

He wasn't overthinking the problem, but if this potentiality arose, it would be too late for regrets.

So, he needed to understand what exactly had happened with Wen Siyuan's family, and then find a chance to have a proper talk with him. If, after discussing, there's still no improvement, then he would have no choice but to reassign him elsewhere.

"Since you want to know, I'll tell you..."

In a soft voice, Kang Li recounted what Su Man had done. At the end of it, she sighed, "Wen Yue and Wen Yi have returned to normal, but only Wen Yue hasn't opened his mouth to speak yet. However, the child understands everything, just refuses to speak."

Luo Yanqing asked, "Is it that he doesn't want to speak, or that he can't make a sound?"

"Yesterday before I left the house, Wen Yue brought Wen Yi and Wen Yu over to our place to play with Ruirui and the others. I asked Wen Yue, and the little girl said Wen Yu can make sounds but just doesn't want to speak."

"In that case, it shouldn't be a big problem."

"I think so too, but people around him need to talk more to Wen Yu, guide the little girl to open up."

"What do you think of Comrade Wen Siyuan's wife?"

"She's not a completely terrible person, just a bit self-centered, impatient, and lacks patience with Wen Yue and the others."

"Luo Mingrui and the others having you as such a good mother is their blessing!"

"What about you?"

Kang Li raised an eyebrow and looked at the man.

"Do I even need to say it? Marrying you is the happiest thing in my life!"

Standing up, Luo Yanqing smiled, "I'm going to wash the lunchbox."

With a sidelong glance at the man, Kang Li lazily and coquettishly waved her hand indifferently, "Go ahead."

What Kang Li didn't expect was that after washing the lunchbox Luo Yanqing came back and suddenly asked about something else: "Yesterday when I got off work, who was that guy talking to you? Are you two close?"

Chapter 803: You Should Say "My Wife Is Awesome"

"...That tone is so sour!"

Hearing this, Kang Li was momentarily stunned, her eyes full of teasing.

"Don't want to say it, hmm?"

Luo Yanqing set down the lunchbox, and as he spoke, he pulled Kang Li into his arms and bit her lip lightly.

"Ouch!"

Kang Li winced in pain, casually pinching the soft flesh on his waist in return. Her fox-like eyes narrowed slightly: "Just came out of a vinegar jar?"

"Do you want to say it?"

Luo Yanqing didn't admit he was jealous, but it wasn't hard to tell from his expression.

"Vinegar jar. Acquainted, but not very familiar, and he is not a stranger, just that certain someone's husband." Kang Li had no desire to mention Shen Yun's name.

Luo Yanqing: "Shen Yun's husband." It wasn't a question, it was a statement.

"Professor Luo is so smart!"

Kang Li gave him a thumbs-up.

Luo Yanqing grabbed her thumb: "What did he say to you?"

Kang Li: "Just chatting casually."

"Do you think I'll believe that?" Luo Yanqing frowned: "If you don't tell the truth, I'll find out myself."

"Oh, come on! Your work time is approaching, if you delay any longer, you'll definitely be late."

Kang Li didn't want to taint Luo Yanqing's ears.

"It's about his wife, isn't it?"

Luo Yanqing hit the nail on the head.

"..."

Why is he so smart?

Kang Li blinked her beautiful fox-like eyes. Seeing the man staring at her without blinking, she had no choice but to say: "It's indeed about his wife. Let's put it this way, Comrade Xiao was apologizing to me."

Luo Yanqing: "Did you run into that woman at the institute yesterday?"

Kang Li: "Mm-hmm."

Luo Yanqing: "Did she say something unpleasant to you?"

Kang Li also "mm-hmm"-ed, showing a helpless expression: "I know you're so worried because you care about me, afraid I might be wronged, but you must believe me, I'm not the type to be easily bullied, and I usually retaliate on the spot, so I didn't suffer any loss!"

"What did she say?"

Luo Yanqing's tone was very calm, but beneath his eyes was a coldness.

"Are you angry?" Kang Li held the man's handsome face, their eyes meeting: "Such people are not worth our anger, she was just venting her unrequited love on me, using her pregnant belly to mock me, it didn't hurt me at all."

Hearing this, Luo Yanqing couldn't help but feel sorry for his little girl: "Li Bao, we will have our own child, we definitely will, don't be sad."

Kang Li laughed: "Oh! You're overthinking it, didn't I tell you? Whether or not I can have my own child in this life doesn't matter to me at all, besides, those three little ones at our home are great, I treat them like my own children, don't start imagining things and think I'm crying behind your back because I can't get pregnant and then feel sorry for me."

Tightening his arms, Luo Yanqing leaned his forehead against Kang Li's, repeating: "We will have our own child."

Kang Li didn't respond, instead gesturing for Luo Yanqing to bring his ear closer, then in a lowered voice full of laughter, she recounted how she retorted Shen Yun, and in the next moment, Luo Yanqing let out a low laugh: "Good job, that's my wife!"

"What do you mean?! You didn't help at all when I was retorting that someone."

Kang Li looked proud: "You should be saying my wife is awesome!"

"It's not too late to say it now." Luo Yanqing's eyes, dark as ink, were full of laughter, his handsome lips curving slightly: "Wife, you're awesome!"

"No reward?"

Nodding to her cheek, Kang Li lifted her elegantly shaped chin.

This amused Luo Yanqing greatly. He kissed her face and then gave her a deep kiss.

Chapter 804: Heartache and Worry

"I'm off to work. If you're tired, just go sleep on the bed."

"Mm."

"Aren't you going to see me off?"

"You clingy person."

Saying this, Kang Li escorted him to the dorm entrance, waving her small hand, "Take it slow, hubby. Work well. I'll wait for your return!"

Luo Yanqing was brimming with joyful vibes. He waved back, his eyes tender and affectionate, a captivating smile spread across his handsome face, which utterly bewitched Kang Li. She switched into her domineering CEO mode: "You are not allowed to smile outside, even if the other party is a male colleague!"

"Okay."

Luo Yanqing agreed and chuckled softly.

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Reunions are short, partings inevitable. Before her afternoon shift, Kang Li was driven back to the compound by Luo Yanqing, his eyes filled with reluctance.

After this separation, for two whole years, Luo Yanqing not only didn't return home for a break, but even during Kang Li's visits to the institute, their encounters were few and far between.

Kang Li knew this couldn't go on, not just because she couldn't see Luo Yanqing, but she was worried about his health. She felt staying in the lab working nonstop without proper rest was taking a toll on his body.

Alas, the opportunities for her to see Luo Yanqing at the institute were indeed scarce. Consequently, she asked Director Song to talk to Luo Yanqing, urging him to rest more, reminding him that work can't be completed in a day, especially in research.

Yet even when Luo Yanqing gave the team members a break, he alone continued to busy himself in the lab.

Was Kang Li angry?

Angry, but more than that, she was heartbroken. However, what good does heartache do?

"Li Bao, there's just a month until the college entrance exam. Are you all prepared?"

One day, Cai Xiufen couldn't help but ask upon seeing her precious daughter daydreaming at her desk.

Snapped out of her thoughts by her mother's voice, Kang Li smiled, "Don't worry, your daughter promises to get into a prestigious university for you."

"I wonder how your little brother, Yangyang, and Chenchen are doing with their studies," Cai Xiufen mused. Hearing this, Kang Li reassured her mother, "I've helped mark the important points and shared my notes with them. You can rest assured!"

Of course, while Kang Li was helping Kang Guoan, Kang Yiyang, and Kang Yichen with key points and notes, she certainly hadn't forgotten Feng Yi and Mo Yan.

Every weekend, Kang Guoan, Kang Yiyang, and Mo Yan would come to the compound to study with Kang Li.

Although, it was actually the three of them studying, while Kang Li was busy with other matters.

"I hope you all get in,"

Cai Xiufen said, and after a moment of silence, she looked at her precious daughter and asked, "Are you thinking about Yanqing?"

"..." Kang Li hesitated for a while, pursing her lips, then nodded, "The last time I saw him was half a year ago. I don't know how he's doing now."

Cai Xiufen: "Then go see him."

Kang Li: "It's pointless; once he's in the lab, he won't come out."

"How can that be? His body might not be able to take it!" Cai Xiufen's face immediately fell. "You should have a good talk with your godfather—you can't let Yanqing work himself to exhaustion."

Kang Li gave a wry smile, "During lunch, I called the institute. My godfather said he has advised him more than once, but it hasn't made a difference. He said Luo Yanqing's research is at a crucial juncture; once there's a breakthrough, results will follow soon."

Cai Xiufen: "How long will that take?"

"I don't know. However, Luo Yanqing's project has already been in development for nearly three years. My godfather said it's a major project, and the state is eagerly anticipating its results."

Once the results are out, Luo Yanqing can take a whole year's vacation, according to Director Song.

But rather than a year-long break, she wished her beloved could take multiple breaks throughout the year so that he wouldn't be worked to the bone!

Chapter 805: This Leaves Him Helpless Too!

For the past year, you've been eating and living in the lab. Are you a fool? Don't you care about your own body?

Or is it that... work is all he cares about, and he forgets... that he has a wife and children at home who need him?

"Even so, he can't disregard his own health."

Cai Xiufen frowned, suddenly remembering that Director Song was home these days. She couldn't help but urge Kang Li, "While your godfather is resting at home, go and talk to him. Make sure your godfather gives Luo Yanqing some time off, and if Yanqing doesn't listen... enforce it!"

Hearing this, Kang Li's eyes curved with laughter, "They say old ginger is spicier, and it turns out to be true!" She stood up, moved the chair behind her, hugged her mother, and rubbed her forehead against her mother's shoulder, her voice sweet and soft, "Mom, you're amazing, I admire you the most!"

Why hadn't she thought of that?

When a leader approves leave, who dares not to comply?

"Aren't you too old to act spoiled? Alright, go find your godfather quickly. Don't wait until you get there and he's gone back to the office." Cai Xiufen patted her precious daughter's back, looking dotingly exasperated, and shook her head.

"That's no problem."

Kang Li let go of her mother and said with a cheeky smile, "If godfather has left, I'll just call him at his office."

"Alright, you're smart, but I think it's best if you say it to your godfather's face." Cai Xiufen urged, "Don't dawdle here, I don't want to see my good son-in-law exhaust himself."

"Mom~" Kang Li elongated her voice on purpose, speaking sweetly, "I'm your precious daughter, you know!"

Cai Xiufen glared at her daughter, "I'm not stupid, you know."

"Mom is the smartest, but it seems you might, maybe, like and care for Luo Yanqing more!" Kang Li blinked, feigning grievance.

"You ungrateful little thing," Cai Xiufen tapped her daughter's forehead, both amused and helpless, "I'm distressed for you, okay? If my son-in-law gets exhausted, would your future days be happy?"

Kang Li widened her eyes, "Ah! So I misunderstood." Then, like a child, she joyfully said, "La la la, I'm so happy today, I'm always Mom's dearest!"

"I think Vivi is even more important than you!"

Cai Xiufen laughed as she walked out of the study.

"Vivi is my daughter, I'm her mom!"

Raising her sweet-sounding voice, Kang Li clarified her relationship with Xiao Ming Wei, rebutting her mother's words. Then, with her mother's doting and helpless gaze following her, she waved her hand, stepped lightly, and left the house.

Song Family.

"Godfather, just say if you agree or not?"

In the living room, Kang Li directly expressed her intentions and then, with puffed cheeks, looked steadily at Director Song, "If you don't agree, I'll cry for you to see!"

Mrs. Qi laughed as she listened from the side, adding, "Is this even a question? If Yanqing really gets exhausted, it's not just Li Bao who'll be heartbroken, won't you and I as well? Besides, Yanqing's health is important both to your institute and the country."

"Sigh!"

Director Song sighed and said, "It's not that I don't want to give that kid a break. Even if I gave him time off, even if I pulled him out of the lab, he just won't listen. When he's not in the lab, he'll just sit at his desk in the dorm scribbling away, completely ignoring me."

There's not a single researcher who's not a workaholic. What I've seen in the institute isn't just one or two; their whole group is pretty much like that.

It really leaves me feeling helpless too!

Chapter 806: 806: I Want to See It with My Own Eyes

“Godfather, how about this: I’ll go with you the next time you return to the institute. At that time, you can directly grant Luo Yanqing a break in the lab, and I’ll bring him back immediately. If he dares not to come with me, I’ll... I’ll divorce him!”

Kang Li’s eyes glimmered with determination: “I want to see how much I truly matter to him.”

“Silly girl, you can’t just flippantly talk about ‘divorce’ like that.”

Mrs. Qi shook her head disapprovingly and said, “Yanqing indeed needs a good rest for a while. Godmother will promise on behalf of your godfather that tomorrow morning, your godfather will go to the institute, and Godmother will have him pick you up.”

Upon hearing this, Kang Li’s smile blossomed like a flower: “Alright. But Godmother, I mentioned divorce just to scare Luo Yanqing!” Her Professor Luo was not only handsome and in good shape but also had a high income and doted on her greatly. She wouldn’t let go of such a man unless she was truly foolish.

What’s more, she already had feelings for him; how could she just talk about divorce so easily?

Mrs. Qi smiled: “Godmother knows, but you must remember, don’t casually bring up divorce.” In saying the latter part, Mrs. Qi’s expression clearly became more serious.

“I know!”

Kang Li responded cheerfully.

The next day, as dawn broke, a Jeep drove out of the courtyard, heading towards the institute.

“Li Bao, to prevent you from feeling too hurt, Godfather thinks it’s better to give you a heads-up. Yanqing might not be easy to persuade to come back.”

Director Song and Kang Li sat in the backseat, and his tone carried a sense of helplessness: “There are several like Yanqing at the institute who practically live in the lab; some haven’t really spent quality time with family for three to five years. Even if they meet occasionally, it’s in passing.

We could say they dedicate almost all their energy to the country’s scientific research... And such people are undoubtedly great for the country and the people. For their families, of course, there’s some regret, but...”

“Godfather...”

Kang Li interrupted Director Song, her expression serious: “I want to try... I want to try to persuade him, and if he truly doesn’t want to come home with me, I’ll... I’ll respect his wishes...”

She just felt sorry for him!

She was worried he’d wear out his health, but if he really wouldn’t listen...

With long and thick eyelashes slightly lowered, Kang Li's beautiful lips pressed into a thin line, never mind. Back then, how was she any different from Luo Yanqing?

She focused wholeheartedly on striving for her family and corporation, and while her achievements were remarkable, she met her responsibilities except to herself... Exhausted at her desk, her young life ending so abruptly.

Now, Luo Yanqing was fighting for his beliefs and mission, so what right did she have to hold him back?

"Li Bao, don't overthink it. Although Yanqing lives in the lab, the institute has arrangements for someone to take care of him, ensuring his diet and sleep are guaranteed."

Hearing this, Kang Li murmured an "Hmm" and then said, "I want to see for myself."

Director Song: "No problem."

"Godfather, does the institute arrange regular physical check-ups for Luo Yanqing and others?" Kang Li suddenly asked.

"Yes. Once every six months, after all, talents like Yanqing are the nation's treasures."

Director Song said this unequivocally, and Kang Li naturally didn't doubt it. Yet in the storyline she knew... Luo Yanqing collapsed in the lab.

The car continued to drive forward.

Kang Li didn't speak anymore.

Instead, she was thinking that in the storyline, Luo Yanqing collapsed in the lab, bringing a premature conclusion to his glorious but brief life,

Chapter 807: What, Don't You Recognize Me?

Maybe. maybe because his wife and child were all gone, "Heart Without Worry" intentionally sped up burning his own life, so he could reunite with his wife and child, and eventually passed away prematurely.

Is that it?

Is this what she thinks?

Kang Li looked at the trees swiftly receding by the roadside outside the car window, feeling that the death of Luo Yanqing in the story was probably exactly what she was thinking now.

After all, including Luo Yanqing, the original owner of the body she is in, and the three little ones at home were steppingstones for the female lead's family next door, they were cannon fodder, contrasts!

And precisely because Luo Yanqing passed away, the male lead Wen Siyuan gained the promotion opportunity originally belonging to Luo Yanqing, not only becoming the team leader of the project team established by Luo Yanqing but also being appointed as the director of a department in the institute.

From then on, everything went smoothly, and together with the female lead Su Man, they achieved remarkable results in their respective fields.

In one sentence, they both had successful careers, a blissful marriage, talented children, and a harmonious family, in the network era, becoming a popular story on everyone's lips.

Especially the male lead Wen Siyuan and the female lead Su Man, both already gray-haired, are still admired by the majority of netizens as gods and goddesses.

As time slowly passed, after Kang Li's car drove into the gate of the research institute, she recollected her thoughts, waited for the car to stop, and got off with Director Song, heading to the laboratory where Luo Yanqing worked.

"It's not office hours yet, you can go in and have a look."

Director Song led the way in front.

Kang Li followed closely behind.

Through the small glass window on the door, Director Song and Kang Li looked inside, Director Song's expression gentle: "Looks like they just finished eating, see, the lunch box is empty and just placed on the table."

"Hmm."

Kang Li nodded, indicating that she saw it.

"Let's go in."

Director Song suggested.

Kang Li: "Okay."

Director Song knocked on the door with his knuckles, waited for no sound from inside, pushed the door open, and Luo Yanqing happened to look over, seeing Kang Li following behind Director Song, immediately froze in place.

"You guys chat, I'll wait outside the door."

In fact, to prevent the researchers coming to work from interrupting Kang Li and Luo Yanqing, after all, the two young people haven't seen each other for too long and surely have a lot to talk about.

Moreover, the two young people need to communicate well to prevent any real problems due to whether or not to take a vacation.

"What, don't recognize me?"

Throwing such a sentence to the man, Kang Li began to survey the laboratory.

The space was indeed large, she moved slowly inside, reaching the resting place of Luo Yanqing, which was about a ten-square-meter cubicle, divided into a bedroom and changing room.

And although the setup in the bedroom was simple, it had the necessary facilities like a bed, table, and chairs.

Arriving at the bedside, Kang Li bent down, reached out to feel the thickness of the bedding, felt it was okay, her heart somewhat settled but soon became sour and bitter.

Fool! Blending work with life entirely, giving oneself no time to relax at all, is this meant to make her worry to death?

Her eyes became sore, tears falling uncontrollably.

Not hearing his little girl speak for a long time, Luo Yanqing stepped forward to stand behind Kang Li, hugging her tightly from behind, burying his head in her neck, speaking in a hoarse voice: "How could I not recognize my Li Bao? I'm sorry. "

As soon as the apology was out, he sensed the warm, damp sensation coming from his little girl's waist, held by his hands.

Immediately, his heart tightened, he turned his little girl around to face him, seeing her delicate, fair face already covered with tears.

"You're crying. Li Bao, why are you crying? Darling, don't cry anymore, alright? Whatever it is, you can tell me, don't make yourself suffer, Li Bao. "

Chapter 808: You're Asking for a Beating

Luo Yanqing hurriedly picked up a handkerchief to wipe away Kang Li's tears, his dark eyes filled with anxiety and unease, his mouth kept calling out Kang Li's nickname.

"I don't want you to care, stay away from me!"

Kang Li raised her hand to push the man away, turning her head aside to prevent him from wiping her tears, and said, "Fool, why do I have to visit a fool? Why do I have to feel sorry for a fool? Work is important, but isn't health important too? I regret it, I shouldn't have come this time..."

No matter what, the tears wouldn't stop. Kang Li didn't want to cry, but the tears fell like broken beads.

"What do I mean to you? Am I nothing to you?"

Luo Yanqing listened to Kang Li's words, a dull pain spreading through his heart. Ignoring her struggle, he tightly embraced her, "Who said that? You're my wife, the person I like, more important to me than my own life! Believe me, Li Bao, between you and me, you mean far more than my life..."

"You say nice things, but then why don't you take a break? Why do you insist on staying when everyone else in the team is on vacation? Why do you sabotage your own health?"

"Do you want me to become a widow? Raise Ruirui and the others by myself? Am I your hired caretaker, rather than your lifelong partner?"

These words might sound melodramatic, but Kang Li couldn't care less, she just wanted to vent her emotions, otherwise, she would truly feel heartbroken for this silly man!

"Caretaker? Li Bao, you can't say that, you shouldn't demean yourself. You're the woman I love, the partner I want to spend my life with... I'm not taking a break because I want to finish the project quickly, so that I can spend more time with you..."

"That's not true, you want to achieve results quickly because the country needs it, it's not because you want to spend more time with me... But have you thought about it? If you really work yourself into exhaustion, what will I do?"

What about Ruirui and the others? I've told you more than once about balancing work and rest, about taking care of yourself, about eating on time. Why won't you listen to me?"

"I am resting, Li Bao. I have listened to you, I'm not skipping meals, I'm not working day and night. Believe me, I want to grow old with you, how could I fall halfway and leave you alone?"

Kissing away the tears on Kang Li's face, Luo Yanqing's phoenix eyes were full of deep affection.

"What are you doing?"

Kang Li pushed the man away again.

To her surprise, Luo Yanqing directly kissed her lips.

He wrapped one arm around her while the other pressed against the back of her head, kissing her until she almost became limp in his arms.

When the kiss ended, as Kang Li looked at him deeply, she casually smacked his left arm, then complained angrily, "Kissing me without warning, you're asking for a punch."

She put some force behind it, and although there was no visible change on Luo Yanqing's face, the Kang Family felt a sting on her hand, suggesting she had hit quite hard.

For a moment, she was both annoyed and heartbroken, but her expression remained puffed up with anger.

"Does it hurt?"

But her actions betrayed her, as she moved closer to him, rubbed the spot she'd hit, then stood on her tiptoes to plant a light kiss on his handsome face, asking again, "Does it hurt?"

Luo Yanqing curved his lips into a smile and shook his head, "It doesn't. If my wife is still upset, you can continue, even if it's hitting my face, it doesn't matter."

"Fool!"

Chapter 809: You Trust Me That Much?

The stopped tears are once again about to fall without warning.

Luo Yanqing saw this and quickly said in a gentle voice, "Don't cry, it pains me!"

Kang Li buried her face on his shoulder and whispered, "Luo Yanqing... I'm sorry, I shouldn't have hit you... Such behavior is really bad, I promise it won't happen again!"

Hearing his little girl say this, Luo Yanqing helplessly yet indulgently smiled. But he teased verbally, "I don't know who once told me, 'Impulsiveness is the devil. When problems arise between spouses, you have to sit down and talk it out properly, never...'

"I don't want to hear it, just shut your mouth quickly!"

Kang Li's cheeks instantly turned crimson.

"Impulsiveness is the devil..." It was she who said it, during a playful moment with him, saying that couples should be honest with each other. If there's a problem, sit down and discuss it thoroughly. Never resort to violence, because impulsiveness is the devil. Whether it's physical violence or silent treatment, all can be characterized as 'domestic violence'.

If he dared to treat her like that, he shouldn't blame her for giving it right back.

"Honey, I didn't mind what you did just now at all, I just hope you don't forget to make it up to me."

Being lightly patted by his wife like that couldn't really be linked to what's called "domestic violence." Moreover, his wife offered sweet kisses as compensation, and her mood was clearly better, so did he really need to be petty and argue with his little girl?

"Bad guy, no compensation."

Kang Li was extremely haughty as she "hmped," diverting her eyes from the man's tender, burning gaze.

Unexpectedly, Luo Yanqing suddenly bit her earlobe lightly, his voice husky, he asked, "Any compensation?"

Kang Li stubbornly said, "No..." But before she could finish her words, Luo Yanqing kissed her again for quite a while.

"It was my fault for making you worry about me, but I promise you, I will be fine, trust me, okay?"

Raising his little wife's chin, Luo Yanqing's gaze was both affectionate and focused. After a long while, Kang Li nodded and said "Okay."

"How's the review going? Which university do you plan to apply for?"

The topic changed quite quickly. Hearing this, Kang Li responded, "I have a good memory, do I even need to review? As for which university to apply to, I haven't decided yet, but it will definitely be one of the top-ranked universities in the country."

"Then apply to Shuimu University, it's my alma mater. I want to be your schoolmate."

Actually, there was another reason. He holds a professorship at Shuimu University and after finishing the current project, he inevitably has to return to his alma mater to teach students.

And he wanted to see her presence in his classroom!

Additionally, and most critically, his little girl was so beautiful; once she entered the university, who knows how many male classmates would be eyeing her. Although he was confident enough that with him around, his little girl would definitely not set her eyes on any wild men, he still wanted everyone to know that Kang Li, this smart and beautiful girl like a fairy, was his!

"Shuimu University, huh?"

K and Li rubbed her chin, pretending to think deeply, "I need to give it some thought."

Luo Yanqing felt aggrieved, "Wife, don't you want to be my schoolmate?"

"Haven't you considered the possibility that I might not score high enough for Shuimu University's admission line?"

Kang Li blinked her clear fox-like eyes, deliberately teasing the man.

"My wife is the smartest, not to mention exceeding the admission line, even getting a full score is possible!"

Luo Yanqing spoke earnestly.

"Do you really believe in me that much?"

Kang Li raised an eyebrow.

"Of course, you're my wife. In my heart, my wife is much smarter than me, and if I could get into Shuimu University, there's no reason you can't."

Luo Yanqing said this and then kissed Kang Li on the forehead.

The next moment, he was fiercely kissed on one side of his neck by Kang Li. In Kang Li's eyes was a mischievous glint that Luo Yanqing hadn't noticed. She glanced at the kiss mark she left and quietly curved her lips into a smile.

Chapter 810: Won't Give You That Chance

Luo Yanqing wore a crew-neck sweater today, with a white shirt underneath.

The sweater was knitted by Kang Li herself, and every winter, it was Luo Yanqing's favorite garment to wear.

Estimating that work time was approaching, Kang Li raised her hand to touch the man's handsome face, and she softly said, "Don't overwork yourself. Keep my words in mind, or else if you get sick from overwork, not only will I be upset, but I will also cut ties with you!"

Grasping her hand and pressing it against his face, Luo Yanqing said seriously, "I won't give you that chance!" Cutting ties with him—does that mean divorce? Don't even think about it!

"Then you better remember what I said!"

As Kang Li spoke, she lightly kissed the man's lips, "I'm heading back now. Take care." To her surprise, Luo Yanqing wrapped her in his arms and kissed her deeply for quite a while before letting her go.

"Let me see you off."

"No need, it's cold outside. If you step out and come back in, putting on and taking off your coat easily leads to catching a cold. Besides, if you see me off, I might not be able to resist dragging you back home, and I know that won't easily happen, I'd end up crying like a baby."

Although she declined his offer to accompany her, Kang Li was still escorted by Luo Yanqing to the entrance of the laboratory. Seeing her own man among the project team researchers, Kang Li's fox-like eyes curved into a smile, and she waved to Luo Yanqing as she walked away with Director Song.

Little did she know, that smile caught everyone's eyes, leaving them dazzled and their hearts swaying.

Watching Kang Li's figure disappear, Luo Yanqing turned around and entered the laboratory. Just as he turned, the kiss mark on his neck was clear to a few of the group members looking at him.

Among them were He Wei and Wen Siyuan.

"Comrade Kang is really enthusiastic, but the team leader is quite impressive!"

He Wei whispered to Wen Siyuan, "Did you see? Comrade Kang's lips were clearly a bit swollen!"

"Do not witness what is indecent, as the ancients knew."

Implying, do you not even understand that basic principle?

Wen Siyuan shot He Wei a sidelong glance and followed the other team members into the lab.

He Wei walked at the back, eyes wide in disbelief, muttering, "Was I the only one who saw it?" Such pretenders, all such pretenders!

Anyway, the team leader's mood must be off the charts right now!

Elsewhere, on her way back to the compound, Kang Li sat in the car, her mind involuntarily replaying scenes in the laboratory; her cheeks heated up quickly.

So melodramatic!

Tears and accusations, especially the actions after she slapped the man. Looking back, it all seemed so melodramatic. Was that really her?

Covering her face with her hands, Kang Li couldn't help but let out a light laugh. But in the next instant, she covered her mouth, not forgetting to sneak a glance at the driver.

She was sitting in Director Song's car, avoiding a two-mile walk to cram into a bus.

Though she knew the driver, unexpectedly laughing out loud felt a bit silly!

Seeing the driver focusing on driving, Kang Li quietly sighed in relief. She then lightly patted her face, pretending as if nothing happened, and turned her gaze to the outside of the car window, slowly curving her lips into a smile.

Luo Yanqing...

She recited the name of her Professor Luo in her heart, feeling completely engulfed in sweetness.

The compound.

"Back so soon?!"

Mrs. Qi invited Kang Li to sit on the sofa, her eyes full of affection: "Didn't bring him back with you?"

"No."

Kang Li nodded, grunting, "Godmother, look at my eyes, I even cried in front of him, and he just calmly said to trust him, assured me that he's eating and resting properly, and promised he'd be fine — yet he still refused to come home to rest with me."