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Chapter 831: You're Always Pulling Tricks

"My little sweetheart is so thoughtful!"

Kang Li beamed and said to her mother, "See that? My daughter treats me so well!"

Cai Xiufen: "Yes, your daughter really treats you, her mother, well. Why doesn't my daughter treat me the same?" Hearing this, Kang Guoan was the first to laugh out loud, followed by Kang Yiyang chuckling, and even Luo Yanqing couldn't help but smile.

"Mom..." Kang Li pouted, "I care about you a lot!"

Cai Xiufen: "How come I don't know that?"

Kang Li lowered her head, her voice softly and gently, "Then, Mom, try the taste of this stew and see if it's missing anything, and I'll help you add some."

Her expression was overly eager to please.

"You're just good at playing tricks!"

Amused by her daughter's antics, Cai Xiufen said, "Hurry and eat, or the meal will get cold."

"Okay!"

Kang Li grinned happily.

All three of Min Rui's eyes were filled with smiles, thinking how lively his mother was in front of Grandma.

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After lunch, without much delay, Kang Guoan and Kang Yiyang left the compound and returned to their respective workplaces.

"Are you bringing work home to do?"

Kang Li sent Kang Guoan and Yiyang to the gate of the compound. Coming back, seeing no one in the living room, she couldn't help but peek into the bedroom. Seeing Luo Yanqing wasn't there and not thinking much of it, she went to the study. Sure enough, she saw the man sitting behind the desk, writing and drawing.

Shaking her head, Luo Yanqing's gaze remained on the paper before him, "Almost done."

And Kang Li didn't say much. She turned and left the study, checked in on Min Rui and Ming Han's room, seeing the brothers sleeping soundly in bed. Then she went to check Ming Wei's room; the little girl was also asleep. She quietly closed the door and went to her mother's room.

"Mom, you don't need to get up, I'm just here to take a look."

Cai Xiufen had just lain down in bed. Hearing the door open, she looked up to see her precious daughter coming in and was about to get up but was stopped by Kang Li's smile.

"What's there to see about my old, wrinkled face?"

Cai Xiufen eventually sat up, feigning a glare, saying, "If you're bored, find something to do yourself. Did you come to my room just to look at this old lady?"

"Listen to you, Mom, how can you be old? In my eyes, you're still young, and even if you're old, you'll be a beautiful old lady!"

Kang Li sat at the bedside. Her clear eyes glimmered with amusement as she gazed out the window, "It's snowing again, wonder how many days it'll last."

"Let it snow, if it doesn't snow in winter, when will it snow?"

Thinking of their hometown, Cai Xiufen couldn't help but say, "I wonder if it's snowing in our hometown."

Hearing this, Kang Li laughed, "Mom, Luo Yanqing has a long vacation this time, and I've already discussed with Big Brother and Yangyang that when we receive the admission letter, we'll all go back to our hometown together."

Cai Xiufen's eyes showed surprise, "Go back home for New Year's? Are you sure?"

Kang Li: "Absolutely sure, Mom, it's been over two years since you last went back because you stayed in North City to take care of me. I know you miss Dad and the people back home. I'm sorry, it's my fault for keeping you away from Dad for so long."

Cai Xiufen: "What are you sorry for? I'm enjoying life here with you, not suffering. Besides, why would I miss your dad? We've been an old couple for years; who can't live without the other?!"

But returning home for New Year's does make me happy. After all, when your third sister-in-law had a baby, I couldn't go back, so now's a good chance to see your little nephew before the New Year."

Speaking of this, Cai Xiufen sighed and continued, "And for your second sister-in-law, I couldn't go to help out during her postpartum recovery. I don't even know if your second brother's family will return home for the New Year."

Chapter 832: I Really Am the Family's Favorite

"I'll call back and ask."

Kang Li smiled, thinking about how both her second and third sisters-in-law were hoping for daughters, but ended up with sons, she couldn't help but chuckle, saying, "Mom, don't you think our family is getting a bit too male-heavy?"

Cai Xiufen: "Isn't that the truth?! Your eldest brother has four sons, your second brother originally had two, but he had another the year before last, so that's three sons, your third brother matched your eldest brother the year before last, also with four sons, your fourth brother has two sons, but from what your fourth brother tells me, your fourth sister-in-law is likely carrying another son,

I'm getting a real headache looking at this sea of boys in our family! When your youngest brother gets married, if he adds a few more sons to our family, I reckon we'll all be stressed out!"

Hearing this, Kang Li burst into laughter: "This is quite funny, huh! But honestly, I really am the gem of our family!"

"Absolutely, you are indeed the jewel of our entire Old Kang's Home. Back then, when your grandparents heard that I had a pair of twins with mixed sex, they didn't even go see your younger brother. The whole family, led by your grandparents, surrounded you, all wanting to hold and cherish you!"

Looking at her precious daughter, the affection in Cai Xiufen's eyes was undeniable: "This lifetime, I don't wish for anything else, just hoping you might bear a child or two, so I can enjoy happiness every day. Even after a hundred years, lying underground, I would still be happy."

"Mom, I know what you're thinking, but having a child isn't as simple as wanting one, not to mention my health..." Kang Li's face didn't show any unusual emotion, she paused briefly before continuing, "However, I can promise that if I do get pregnant, I will do my best to have the child."

"Your health has gotten much better over the past two years, I'm sure you can conceive."

As she said this, Cai Xiufen, recalling that Luo Yanqing would be on a long break at home, couldn't help but lower her voice: "Li Bao, what do you think about this idea?"

"What?"

Kang Li widened her eyes, full of curiosity.

"Since Yanqing will be home for a while, you two should make the most of it and try to conceive before his break is over. What do you think?"

The mother and daughter thought they were speaking quietly, but little did they know, Luo Yanqing heard everything clearly from outside the door.

It wasn't that Luo Yanqing was eavesdropping; he had come out of the study, didn't see Kang Li in the bedroom, guessed she was probably in the room with his mother-in-law, and came over, only to hear his mother-in-law telling his wife to put in more effort as he was about to knock on the door.

In that moment, Luo Yanqing's handsome face turned red, and the blush spread all the way to his neck and ears.

"Mom..."

Kang Li was a bit embarrassed.

"What's there to be shy about? You and Yanqing are a married couple; it's perfectly normal to do that sort of thing. Besides, I hope while I'm still able, to help you take care of the child until they go to elementary school!"

This was Cai Xiufen's sincere wish. She was truly worried about her precious daughter, afraid that one day she might suddenly not wake up and miss seeing her daughter with at least a child or two, just thinking about it made her heart ache.

"How can you just stop at elementary school?"

Kang Li was moved: "Mom, you have to help me take care of the child all the way through middle school, high school, and onto university. Even see them get married and have kids. You will definitely live a long and prosperous life, and no gloomy talk is allowed."

"Alright, alright, I won't say it."

Seeing her precious daughter almost in tears, Cai Xiufen's heart melted completely. She said, "Mom is so strong, living to a ripe old age of one hundred isn't a problem! Darling, please don't drop golden beans in front of me, or Mom's heart will ache!"

Chapter 833: You're Out of Character

"I'll listen to Mom."

Kang Li wiped her eyes casually and smiled.

Suddenly, the phone in the living room started ringing.

Kang Li was about to get up to answer it, but then she heard Luo Yanqing's voice.

A moment later, there was a knock on the door, and Luo Yanqing walked in. He first greeted Mother-in-law, then said to Kang Li, "It's for you."

Kang Li asked, "Who is it?"

Luo Yanqing replied, "A male comrade, surname Mo, calls you Sister Kang Li." His tone was a bit jealous.

"Jealous guy!"

Kang Li mumbled.

Cai Xiufen laughed and said to Luo Yanqing, "Li Bao and Mo Yan are just friends, that kid is a good one, don't overthink it."

"I know."

With a slight smile, Luo Yanqing and Kang Li left the room, and he also gently closed the door for Mother-in-law.

"Hello, Mo Yan, it's me..."

Picking up the receiver, Kang Li said with a smile in her voice, "Go ahead, I'm listening... Really? That's great news, you... you want to bring your dad's remains back... I support you, it's the right thing to do... Should I come with you?"

No problem, I don't have anything else to do at home... Really no need? Okay, then let me know when you get back, alright, I got it... Okay, goodbye!"

After placing the receiver back on the phone, Kang Li looked up to see Luo Yanqing's face full of grievance: "You're really jealous?!" She got up and walked toward the bedroom, with Luo Yanqing following closely behind her.

Luo Yanqing: "Shouldn't I be?"

Kang Li laughed, "You're really sour!"

"Am I souring you?"

Luo Yanqing closed the door casually and took a step closer to Kang Li. Seeing this, she backed away until she hit the edge of the bed and was pinned down onto it by him.

"What are you doing?"

Kang Li raised her hand to push him away.

"It's just a phone call, do you have to smile so happily?"

With his hands supporting himself beside her, Luo Yanqing looked directly into her bright and clever fox-like eyes, "Can't you see I'm not happy?"

"Professor Luo, you're breaking character!"

Kang Li's beautiful eyes were full of laughter, and she said, "Mo Yan is my friend; he even calls me Sister Kang Li. If you get jealous over that, that's just too sour!

Besides, Mo Yan called just to tell me that his father's reputation has been restored. The young man is emotional and wants to talk to someone, what's wrong with that?

When you answered the phone, you should have heard that Mo Yan was speaking with a sob. He's very sad, regretting that he shouldn't have thought his dad was a bad person and that he never visited him even once.

When he finally heard news about his dad again, he found out that they were already separated by life and death. Now that his dad's reputation has been restored, he's both excited and saddened. Since he calls me Sister Kang Li, isn't it right for me to show some concern?"

Kang Li raised her eyebrows slightly, noticing the man's expression growing more awkward. She couldn't help but snort and added, "I'm a good woman, unlike someone who likes attracting attention."

Luo Yanqing immediately replied, "I don't."

Kang Li asked, "Are you taking it personally, or are you just pretending?"

"I'm absolutely loyal to you!"

Luo Yanqing almost raised his hand to swear. Seeing that Kang Li was unmoved, his eyes flickered, and he said, "Then you still plan to accompany Mo Yan to relocate the grave..."

"Mo Yan's dad is gone, his mom too, there's no other family left. His dad was buried casually in a pit dug by the side of a farm, without even a proper coffin,

I'm just worried that he won't be able to handle the pain when he sees it, so I thought I'd go with him to bring his dad's remains back to North City, but Mo Yan didn't agree, he said he can manage on his own."

Chapter 834: 834: Luo Yanqing Fails to Play the Victim

Kang Li sighed helplessly, "Professor Luo, you must stop being so jealous, or I'll really get angry with you!"

"Don't be angry."

Luo Yanqing leaned down and kissed Kang Li's lips.

Sometimes the kiss was like a storm, other times it was as gentle as a spring drizzle.

When the kiss finally ended, Kang Li caught her breath, her gaze wicked and wild. She was the domineering CEO persona coming out, her lips curved slightly, "I didn't expect our Professor Luo... to be such a teasing little demon!"

Luo Yanqing was stunned upon hearing this, but after a moment, his eyes were filled with depth, "Come on, tell me, who taught you that?"

"Can't I come up with it myself? Besides, don't you think you're a teasing little demon?"

Casually pushing the man away, Kang Li sat up and took off her wool coat, hanging it on the rack. Then she said, "It's snowing outside, and this weather is perfect for lying in bed and sleeping. I'm taking a nap now. If you're full of energy, go to the study and continue your work, don't disturb my peaceful dreams here."

Luo Yanqing: "I'll keep you company."

Kang Li: "No need."

Unexpectedly, Luo Yanqing just pulled back the covers and lay down in his spot, "I haven't had a proper sleep back at the institute."

Originally intent on playing the sympathy card, Luo Yanqing didn't expect Kang Li to respond directly, "That's your own fault." Simply put, serves you right!

"Heart of stone."

Luo Yanqing gazed passionately at Kang Li, “Aren’t you worried about me?” He asked with obvious grievance.

“Do you need it?”

Walking to the other side of the bed, before Kang Li could lift the covers, Luo Yanqing was already in service mode. Seeing this, Kang Li was internally amused, though outwardly she showed no difference. She laid flat and closed her eyes, not planning to speak much more with the man.

“Xiao Li.”

Luo Yanqing called softly.

Kang Li didn’t respond.

Luo Yanqing continued to call softly, “Li Bao.”

Kang Li still stayed silent.

“Honey, I need you to care for me. Just thinking about you caring makes my heart feel as warm as a sunny day in March.”

Slowly moving closer in the bed, Luo Yanqing leaned towards Kang Li, lying sideways facing her, with deep affection written in his Phoenix Eyes, "Talk to me, will you?"

"No."

Opening her eyes, Kang Li found the man had helped her turn over, changing from lying flat to lying sideways, facing him. This maneuver left Kang Li momentarily stunned, and once she returned to her senses, her beautiful eyes widened, "Professor Luo, it seems like you're looking for trouble?"

Speaking, her hand reached through the hem of his sweater and pinched his waist.

"Ah!"

Luo Yanqing hissed with pain.

"Pain is right, let's see if you dare to find trouble with me for no reason again!"

The two locked eyes, Kang Li snorted and said, "If I don't care for you, would I visit the institute every now and then to see you and bring you things?"

If I didn't care for you, would I keep reminding you again and again to eat and sleep on time? If I didn't care for you, would I go to the institute to beg you to take a vacation and come home to rest?

But what's the use of my concern? Do you need it? No, you don't! Am I right or not? Professor Luo, answer me, have I wronged you?"

Strongly pulling Kang Li into his arms, Luo Yanqing lowered his gaze to her clear fox-like eyes, "I need it, I need it, I've listened to you, just that I occasionally forget the time, and..."

"Don't make excuses for yourself."

Kang Li snorted again, pursed her lips and said, "In your heart, work is always in first place, I often wonder, as my husband,

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In your heart, is there a place for me, and where do you place me? What leaves me speechless is, knowing that work comes first in your heart, I can only step back, yet I can't hold a grudge against you. Don't you think I'm foolish?"

Gently kissing Kang Li on the forehead, Luo Yanqing softly said, "No, you're not foolish, you're just feeling sorry for me. That's why, even though you feel wronged, you can't bear to resent me. I'm sorry, Li Bao. Emotionally speaking, I've placed you at the center of my heart, but when it comes to work, I'm just focused and rigorous..."

I can't manage to think about romantic love and family trivialities. I know from the moment you married me until now, I owe you a lot, and even in the decades to come... I will owe you more. But to ask me to give up my work or to be half-hearted in it..."

"Who's asking you to give up work or be half-hearted anyway? Don't put words in my mouth!"

Kang Li interrupted the man, pretending to be fierce as she bit his lip, "If you keep randomly accusing me, I'll just bite you again!"

In the next instant, Luo Yanqing kissed her lips.

"Mmm..."

Bad person! When he can't win an argument, he resorts to this tactic!

After a while, Luo Yanqing finished the kiss and said, "I didn't accuse you of anything, you're wonderful. How could I bear to randomly accuse you?"

Kang Li, with pride: "I'm wonderful, so why don't you listen to me?"

"The research is at a critical stage, and I can't let it go. To take a step back, even if I put down my work and went home with you, my mind would still be on the research, unable to truly relax and enjoy the vacation."

Hearing Luo Yanqing speak like this, Kang Li naturally knew it was the truth.

When work is at a critical juncture, she wouldn't be able to leave it for a vacation either.

Losing herself in thought, Kang Li decided to drop the topic between them and casually brought up Old Lady Yu: "Do you still remember that Grandma Yu?"

"Yes, I remember, go on."

Luo Yanqing responded.

"Since winter began, Grandma Yu's health has started to decline. The last time I visited was more than a week before the college entrance exams. Grandpa Xiao said Grandma Yu has been resuscitated in the hospital twice, saying that her health is not what it was, and it's impossible to recover to the way it was over two years ago. Do you think we should visit her more frequently before heading back to our hometown?"

"I'll follow your lead."

"I don't know why, but I always feel like Grandma Yu is looking at someone through me, yet she truly likes me and treats me like her own granddaughter. Over the years, Grandma Yu has given me and Ruirui many things. Every time I refused, she would forcefully put them in my hands, or else she would wipe her tears in front of me, saying I was distancing myself from her."

"Maybe the old lady feels a connection with you."

"A connection? It's not that simple, right?"

"Are you trying to explain the feeling you've developed?"

"Mm."

Who was Old Lady Yu seeing through her?

Why did she feel like the lady treated her like her own granddaughter?

Kang Li had thought about it more than once but couldn't figure it out.

After a moment of silence, Luo Yanqing asked, "Could you be overthinking it?"

"My intuition has always been accurate."

Kang Li's expression was somewhat solemn: "I am my parents' child, and there's definitely no blood relation with Grandma Yu. Furthermore, I met Grandma Yu by chance after coming to North City..."

Luo Yanqing: "Come to think of it, your eyes are a bit similar to the old lady's."

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Kang Li: "What do you mean?"

"You both have phoenix eyes."

Hearing Luo Yanqing say this, Kang Li laughed: "The way you say that, are there that few people with phoenix eyes in the world?"

"I was just saying."

Luo Yanqing also chuckled.

Kang Li raised an eyebrow and asked: "Do you like my eyes?"

"Of course I like them." Luo Yanqing replied without hesitation, then added: "Your eyes are bright and charming yet pure and transparent, and there's always a smile in their liveliness. I really like them."

"Actually, you mean to say they are pure yet seductive, right?"

Kang Li teased, looking at her. Luo Yanqing's handsome face heated up slightly, his gaze somewhat evasive, though he didn't deny it.

"Are you embarrassed? We've been married for years, how can you still be so innocent? My dear Professor Luo."

Honestly, Kang Li really loved her Professor Luo's innocence. So much so that she leaned in and gave him a big kiss on his handsome face, laughing joyfully.

And Luo Yanqing's face turned as red as a tomato, his earlobes almost dripping blood.

"Can't you be a bit more reserved?"

Steadying himself, Luo Yanqing's thin lips parted slightly: "I'm actually a bit embarrassed by what you said."

Kang Li's eyes were filled with joy, and she looked at him mischievously: "But we're a married couple. Do you really want me to be reserved with you about my feelings?"

"That's not what I meant. I meant you should be more reserved with your words."

Luo Yanqing explained.

"I can't do that!"

Kang Li, the Drama King, was in full swing. She pretended to wipe the corners of her eyes and said:
"Feelings are expressed through words and body language. If I don't say it, don't hug you or kiss you, how will you know how I feel about you?"

Luo Yanqing: ". " He didn't know how to respond.

"Similarly, if you always look at me indifferently like when we first met, never talking to me, not getting close to me, not kissing and cuddling me, or whispering sweet nothings to me, how would I know your feelings for me? Professor Luo, don't you agree?"

The playful smile lingered in Kang Li's slightly arched eyebrows as she waited quietly for the man to respond.

"You're right. But in our circle, when it comes to marital affection, everyone speaks quite reservedly."

"Alright, you have a point. So, you'd prefer us to be like that too?"

". No need."

The way he and his young wife interacted was something he really liked. Although sometimes her words and actions made him blush and his heart race, he didn't mind at all. Instead, he found it delightful and sweet.

"This is what I love about our Professor Luo—not old-fashioned at all. I like it." Saying this, Kang Li gave him another big kiss on his handsome face, then she curved her lips: "That's your reward."

Luo Yanqing's phoenix eyes overflowed with laughter: "Weren't you sleepy? Then go to sleep."

"Mmm."

Kang Li responded, snuggling into the man's embrace and let out a small yawn, saying: "You should nap, too."

Luo Yanqing: "Alright."

Due to the college entrance exam over the past three days, Min Rui and the other two were on vacation at home. However, early the next morning, they had to return to school.

After all, it's not summer break yet.

By mid-morning, a black sedan slowly came to a stop at the entrance of the compound. Moments later, the black sedan was allowed entry and slowly drove into the compound.

"Uncle Loh?"

Kang Li and Luo Yanqing received a call from the compound's police guard at home. Right after hanging up, the two of them put on their coats and walked out of their courtyard, heading toward the compound entrance. Along the way, they saw a black sedan driving over and stopped by the roadside.

Chapter 837: About to Have a Godson...

As it happened, the rear window of the black sedan was half-open, and Kang Li saw the elderly gentleman inside. He was momentarily startled before tentatively calling out to him.

The next moment, the sedan slowly came to a stop.

"Xiao Kang, Little Luo! Hello!"

The rear door opened, and an elderly gentleman with gray hair wearing a brand new military coat stepped out of the car. Upon seeing Kang Li and Luo Yanqing, he immediately greeted them warmly.

"Hello, Uncle Loh, I'm Kang Li, and this is my beloved, Luo Yanqing."

Kang Li smiled and said, "Come on, let's head to the house."

Seeing the old lady in the car holding a child preparing to get out as well, Kang Li quickly stopped them: "Auntie, you and Xiao En stay in the car to avoid the child catching cold."

The elderly gentleman Kang Li referred to as Uncle Loh was none other than Old Man Loh, with whom Kang Li and his wife had once crossed paths.

In the car sat Old Man Loh's wife, Old Lady Li, and the child, Loh En, who Kang Li and his wife had sent to Langcheng Welfare Institute more than two years ago.

The child was the elderly couple's young great-grandson.

Kang Li and Luo Yanqing led Old Man Loh ahead, with the driver slowly following the three, while in the car, apart from Old Lady Li, the grandson, and the driver, there was also a middle-aged man in the front seat, who had accompanied the vehicle specifically to bring the elderly couple back from Aoli Village.

"Mom, Uncle Loh and Aunt Li have arrived!"

As they entered the courtyard, Kang Li's sweet and pleasant voice filled the air. Quickly, Cai Xiufen came out of the living room, her face beaming with a smile, greeting Old Man Loh and his wife and taking Xiao Loh En from Kang Li's hands.

"Hurry, come inside to the living room, it's warmer in there."

Inviting Old Man Loh and his wife into the living room, Cai Xiufen's smile never left her face.

"Xiao Kang, the reason we've come to visit, apart from expressing our gratitude for the help you've given our family, is humbly to ask if our poor young great-grandson could have the honor of calling you and Little Luo his godparents. What do you two think about this?"

After settling in the living room and chatting leisurely for a while, Old Man Loh casually mentioned the purpose of their visit.

On the side, Old Lady Li, in conversation with Cai Xiufen, paused upon hearing Old Man Loh's words, turning alongside Cai Xiufen to look at Kang Li and Luo Yanqing.

"We don't want to put you in a difficult position. Please feel free to speak your minds. I know it's presumptuous of me to suggest a godparent relationship without discussing it with you two first. If you feel..."

Before Old Man Loh could continue, Kang Li smiled and said, "It's not that we're in any difficult position. It's just that, as you know, my beloved's work means he might not be home for at least two or three months at a time,

and as for me, though I'm not working, I just took the college entrance exam yesterday. If all goes well, I'll be enrolling in college next Spring Festival. Even if we take Xiao En as our godson, we won't be able to give him much attention or care, and I fear that won't be good for Xiao En either."

Upon hearing this, Old Man Loh immediately laughed and said, "Then it's settled! From now on, Xiao En is the godson of you and Little Luo! As for your concerns, it's really nothing. Even biological parents can't always be with their children. In the future, when Xiao En grows a bit, during every summer and winter break, I'll send him over to play with his siblings,

and if you ever travel to Hu City or pass by, you can always drop by our place, without needing to do anything special for Xiao En, or take time just to be with him."

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After hearing Old Loh's words, Kang Li didn't know how to respond. She looked at Luo Yanqing, and at this moment, Old Lady Li said, "Xiao Kang, Old Loh and I know that this might put you and your husband in a difficult position,

but we really have no other choice. Besides, because your family has been so kind to us, we made this decision. You know something about our family situation. Putting aside other things, just consider Xiao En's mother... our only granddaughter; she passed away before she even turned twenty. Xiao En was brought into this world at the cost of her life..."

Her eyes reddening, Old Lady Li choked up, "Old Loh and I are ultimately getting on in years; we can't give Xiao En the kind of parental love he needs, but as the child grows, parents..."

Perhaps overcome with emotion, Old Lady Li was too tearful to speak fluently.

Cai Xiufen advised, "Alright, alright, old sister. It's not such a big deal—just letting our Li Bao and Yanqing become his godparents. To me, that's a great thing! Later on, when they get older, it would be like having another son around. It's a win-win!"

She turned her gaze to Kang Li and Luo Yanqing, "Don't you think?"

"Yes, yes, Mother is right."

Kang Li nodded with a smile.

Luo Yanqing agreed, then turned his gaze to Old Loh, "If you really don't mind what Xiao Li has said, we will gladly accept Xiao En as our godson. But rest assured, as long as the child is with us, we will naturally fulfill our parental responsibility to teach him and treat him as our own child."

"Thank you! Thank you both so much!"

As he spoke, Old Loh was about to stand up and bow to Luo Yanqing and Kang Li, but Luo Yanqing promptly stopped him. Similarly, when Kang Li saw Old Lady Li try to get up, she quickly helped her back onto the sofa.

With a smile on her face, Kang Li looked at the old couple and said, "Uncle Loh and Auntie, you are elders, and from today onwards, our families are relatives by godparentage. What you just did really humbles us."

"Li Bao is right. You are the elders; such a grand gesture is too much for the young couple to bear."

Cai Xiufen echoed the sentiment.

Old Lady Li said, "They can bear it, they can. This godparent relationship is something we asked for. Xiao Kang and Little Luo deserve it!"

With that, Old Lady Li lifted Xiao Loh En off the sofa, "Xiao En, kneel down and bow to your godfather and godmother. From now on, you have parents and siblings. Go on now."

She gently nudged her little great-grandson, who was a clever child. Like a little penguin, he waddled his short little legs towards Kang Li and Luo Yanqing and was about to kneel down. However, because he was dressed too warmly, he just fell to the floor, making everyone burst into laughter.

Kang Li picked up the child and sat him on her lap, then heard Xiao Loh En in a soft, childlike voice call her, "Mommy!"

"Yes!"

She responded heartily, and seeing this, Xiao Loh En's eyes curved in happiness. Then he turned his little head towards Luo Yanqing, and after a while, he moved his mouth and raised his baby voice, "Daddy!"

Luo Yanqing nodded slightly and responded.

"Director Nie mentioned you to us. He said that for more than two years you've not only visited the orphanage to see Xiao En, but also regularly sent milk formula, clothes, and toys for him. Xiao Kang, you truly have a good heart!"

These words were said by Old Lady Li to Kang Li, her eyes full of gratitude, "You must come to Hu City sometime; then I'll properly host you and Little Luo at home. Oh, and bring the children too, so it will be lively!"

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Kang Li smiled, "Okay."

More than ten minutes later, Elder Loh and Old Lady Li proposed to leave. No matter how Cai Xiufen and Kang Li tried to persuade them to stay, the couple left with their little great-grandson and got into the car.

"It's cold outside, you guys should go back inside!"

Elder Loh and Old Lady Li waved at Kang Li and the others through the car window.

"Don't worry about us. You quickly roll up the window so the child doesn't catch a cold." Cai Xiufen looked at Old Lady Li, saw her smile and nod, and then retreated next to Kang Li.

Old Lady Li waved again and rolled up the window. Soon, the car drove away from the three people's sight.

"That old couple finally toughed it out."

Back in the living room, Cai Xiufen sighed.

"It's not easy."

Kang Li sighed as well.

"By the way, do you two have any thoughts about suddenly having another son?"

Cai Xiufen's gaze fell on Kang Li and Luo Yanqing, "I could see the old couple was having a hard time, so I spoke up for them. If you think I'm meddling, I can only apologize."

Luo Yanqing smiled, "It's okay."

Kang Li, "Did you hear, dear? Your good son-in-law said having another son is no big deal to us, especially since Loh En isn't with us requiring constant care. We're just nominally the child's parents, as you said. It's not that big of a deal."

She herself had been acknowledged as a goddaughter by Director Song and Mrs. Qi. Now that the elderly couple wants their little great-grandson to recognize them as godparents, it's just like gaining another relative!

"That's good. But if one day the child is with you, you must treat them well. You can't neglect them just because they're not your own."

Cai Xiufen reminded them, almost as a warning.

"Mom, you're not doubting your precious daughter's and your good son-in-law's character, are you?"

Kang Li puffed up her cheeks, "You can't think like that. Luo Yanqing and I have righteous values and impeccable character as successors of socialism!"

Cai Xiufen looked loving yet helpless, "Yanqing is sitting right here. Aren't you worried about him laughing at you if you act funny in front of me?"

Luo Yanqing promptly said, "No."

"Did you hear that? Your wonderful son-in-law said he wouldn't laugh at me!"

Kang Li playfully winked at her mom and smiled brightly.

"Alright, you two have a great relationship. It's just me worrying too much as an old lady."

As Cai Xiufen spoke, she stood up, "It's time to pick up Ruirui and the others. I'm going to cook. Are you both going to pick them up together?"

Before Kang Li could respond, Luo Yanqing nodded, "Xiao Li and I will go together."

"Then hurry up, it's cold. Don't let the kids wait too long at the school gate."

Cai Xiufen urged.

"Alright, alright, let's go pick up our three mythical beasts!"

Kang Li was pulled up from the sofa by Luo Yanqing, who said, "Hold on."

Kang Li responded with an "Oh."

Cai Xiufen, "You, why do you always refer to the good children as mythical beasts? Can't you be serious for once?"

Kang Li laughed, "Mom, kids are like mythical beasts, and they're gold-devouring beasts too. Think about it, as soon as they're born, you have to spend money raising them. When they reach school age, you have to pay for their education, and during holidays, you send them to learn some skill. Aren't they 'eating money'? Calling them mythical beasts is just a metaphor, but don't you find it quite vivid?"

Cai Xiufen, "..."

No matter how vivid, kids are still kids, not some beast!

"Indeed, very vivid."

Hearing Luo Yanqing's words, Cai Xiufen rolled her eyes slightly, feeling that her son-in-law was spoiling her daughter too much, but she had nothing to say.

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Kang Li looked at her mother's sulky expression, winked at Luo Yanqing, and covered her mouth, laughing softly.

"Put on the mask."

Without Kang Li having to do anything, Luo Yanqing placed the mask on his young wife and then helped wrap the scarf around her neck. His eyes were full of affection: "Hands."

Kang Li obediently raised her hands.

Luo Yanqing put gloves on his little girl, and this series of actions left Cai Xiufen, the mother-in-law, utterly dumbfounded.

She could only say, "Yanqing, aren't you spoiling Li Bao too much?"

"It's just small things, I like helping Li Bao with them."

Luo Yanqing curled his lips and glanced at his mother-in-law. Then, under her complicated gaze, he held Kang Li's hand and left the living room.

As Kang Li was about to exit the living room, she turned her head and made a funny face at her mother.

Cai Xiufen saw this and was both angry and amused, and in the end, she couldn't help but laugh out loud.

Forget it, it's a mutual thing, let them be!

If it were Kang Guoan or Kang Yiyang, the uncle-nephew duo, they would undoubtedly complain endlessly, "The clown is surprisingly myself."

"Comrade Luo, Comrade Kang, are you going to pick up the children too?"

As they passed the Wen Family Courtyard's entrance, Wen Siyuan came out and saw Luo Yanqing and Kang Li and casually asked.

"Mm."

Luo Yanqing responded.

Kang Li smiled and nodded with her brows and eyes filled with joy.

The three of them left the courtyard and walked along the way.

At the entrance of the primary school.

"Dad! Mom! You both came to pick us up?!"

Bun Ming Han pulled his hand from his brother Min Rui's palm and ran towards Kang Li and Luo Yanqing with his little short legs.

"You're not seeing things wrong!"

Kang Li beamed, patting lightly on the Lei Feng hat her son was wearing, then she asked, "Why aren't you wearing a mask?"

"It's in my pocket."

With that, Bun Ming Han was ready to take off his gloves to get the mask, but Kang Li stopped him: "Let mommy get it for you."

Taking the mask out from the little guy's coat pocket and putting it on him, Kang Li smiled with her brows and eyes: "All done."

"Mom."

Min Rui holding Ming Wei walked up, both called out "Mom," and then shifted their gaze to Luo Yanqing: "Dad."

Wen Siyuan stood beside them, feeling undoubtedly envious of Kang Li's family's happiness and harmony. Nevertheless, he knew well that, given the relationship between his wife Su Man and their three daughters, it would be hard for their family to achieve this.

"Dad!"

Wen Yue came out of the school gate, followed by Wen Yi and Wen Yu, and seeing Wen Siyuan, the three sisters' eyes lit up.

Their gaze naturally did not escape Wen Siyuan's eyes, and for a moment, this father felt a pang of bitterness.

He merely came to pick up his daughters from school as usual, not expecting the three sisters to be so elated that their eyes brightened several degrees. With a little thought, Wen Siyuan understood. His wife Su Man... ever since the conflict with their three daughters, hadn't been picking them up from school.

"Dad, you're here to pick me and Little Yi, Little Fish from school, and we're so happy!"

Wen Yue took the initiative to start a conversation with her dad.

"For the next quite a long period, Dad will be picking you up and dropping you off at school each day." Compared to Luo Yanqing's long vacation, the holiday period for Wen Siyuan and Luo Yanqing's group of researchers was considerably shorter.

The reason being that although they had also been working long hours over the past two years, they had taken a few vacations as per regulation in between.

Furthermore, Luo Yanqing's long vacation this time was also arranged by higher-ups, requiring him to lecture at Shuimu University after the new school year begins. Meanwhile, the researchers in the group didn't know they would be seconded to other groups after their vacation, meaning when Luo Yanqing returns to the institute, he might not return to his original research group.