

Trapped In Paradise

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“Why though?”

“Hm?”

“You clearly want a boyfriend, but at the same time you’re really resistant toward men.”

This question has bothered Ning Chu for a long time now. She had been curious ever since freshman year.

At first, she assumed it was because Lily had severe social anxiety and generally disliked interacting with strangers or making new friends.

But later she realized that even around Wang Jie and Zhang Shaoqing—people they attended class with and hung out around regularly—Lily still maintained that cold, unapproachable expression. Comparatively speaking, she only relaxed around Wen Yang.

It’s something that once made Ning Chu very worried that Lily might harbor special feelings for him.

Lily’s expression stiffened slightly. She awkwardly turned her head away and tucked her hair behind her ear.

Ning Chu: “What’s wrong~?”

She parted her lips, but only after a moment did she evasively reply:

“I had some... unpleasant experiences before.”

Hearing that, Ning Chu froze. She didn't dare continue asking and only let out a guilty little "oh," before sympathetically wrapping an arm around Lily's shoulder.

"It's okay. It's all in the past now."

Her mind had already begun imagining an innocent little Lily getting... by some creepy old man when she was younger.

Too terrifying~

Apparently even cute boys could encounter things like that. There were simply too many perverts in this world.

"Mmn..." Lily frowned and corrected her. "It's not what you're thinking."

"Wait, was it something even worse?"

Afraid the misunderstanding would spiral further, Lily hurriedly explained:

"Ever since I was little, boys always liked teasing me... After being bullied so much, I just started hating them."

"Ah?"

Pouting angrily, she grumbled:

"Since I was little! From the orphanage all the way through high school! There were always some boys bullying me!"

"Maybe... they just wanted your attention?"

Ning Chu awkwardly and guiltily avoided Lily's gaze while trying to explain on behalf of those boys.

"I know! But it was annoying! Men are all childish!"

She herself had once been exactly the kind of immature idiot Lily was talking about...

Suddenly she felt personally attacked.

When she was younger and didn't know any better, she used to love teasing the pretty girl sitting in front of her in class. Especially the strap tied behind the girl's neck—she'd always tug on it a few times mischievously before getting chased around and beaten up.

Only after becoming a woman herself did she realize that strap had very likely been the girl's bra strap.

No wonder she got beaten up...

But Lily had such an introverted personality that she probably never fought back when bullied. She likely just quietly cleaned up the mess herself before sulking alone.

"You were in an orphanage before?"

"Mhm. When I was really little. I don't remember much."

Ning Chu had known for a long time that Lily had been adopted by her current family, which was probably why a succubus had somehow been raised into such a conservative personality.

“We should get going to class soon.”

Wen Yang, sitting across from them, reminded them.

“Okay~”

As she packed up her textbooks, Ning Chu suddenly had an idea and asked Lily:

“Want to come stay at my house for a few days during summer break?”

“Eh?”

“Your parents won’t be home during summer anyway, right? My house is super lively. We even have an incredibly cute catgirl.”

Lily quickly remembered how Ning Chu had once brought a little catgirl to class during freshman year. She really was pretty cute.

Still, Lily hesitated before shaking her head.

“I’ll see when the time comes, maybe?”

She didn’t really like the feeling of being a guest in someone else’s home, even though she was curious what the atmosphere of another succubus family might be like.

Would it be wildly depraved, with enough daily drama to write an erotic novel every day?

“Mhm.”

After packing up her books, Ning Chu hurriedly hugged them to her chest and chased after Wen Yang.

She complained bitterly:

“Third-year courses are way too hard. I seriously can’t understand any of it... Can you let me copy during exams?”

“I spent half an hour teaching you just now and you were already impatient. Of course it’s hard.”

“You really do explain things in a boring way.”

Wen Yang gave her a mischievous look.

“I have an idea that could help you improve really quickly.”

“Let’s hear it?”

Ning Chu instinctively asked, but quickly noticed the look in Wen Yang’s eyes. Instantly, goosebumps spread across her back, and she silently hugged her books tighter while taking a step backward.

“No way!”

“Then there’s nothing I can do. Cheating is impossible. What if we get caught?”

“Pervert!”

“I haven’t even said anything yet. How am I already a pervert?”

She clicked her tongue, but still curiously leaned closer and whispered,

“What idea? Can it really help me pass the exams?”

“Hard to say. Depends on you.”

“Wait, are you talking about using Lily’s magic to cheat?”

Wen Yang rolled his eyes at her.

“Can you think of a more legitimate method?”

“For example...” Wen Yang took the notes from Ning Chu’s hands and casually flipped through a few pages before continuing, “Review one chapter every day, then at night I’ll quiz you on it. If you can’t answer, then no midnight snack for you.”

“Or the reverse? But I’m worried you won’t be able to get out of bed the next day.”

“.....”

Why did this sound kind of like training or discipline play?!

The corner of Ning Chu’s mouth twitched. Guiltily, she glanced around in fear someone might overhear.

But she quickly realized something and turned around, only to see Lily blushing as she silently took a few steps back to distance herself from the two of them.

Although Lily didn’t understand the hidden meaning behind “midnight snack,” combining the two sentences together and looking at their

expressions, she could more or less tell the conversation wasn't child-friendly.

Lily heard it!

Embarrassed and annoyed, Ning Chu kicked Wen Yang.

"We'll talk about this at home... Why are you saying this stuff outside?"

But Wen Yang's suggestion...

Actually sounded pretty exciting~

Just imagining the scene made her excited! Though it was definitely way too perverted...

Her gaze flickered uncertainly, but her footsteps suddenly stopped as the tiny bit of hesitation in her heart rapidly disappeared.

"My stomach hurts~"

"Your period started?"

"Probably."

Regretfully, she rubbed her faintly aching lower abdomen. Fortunately, she had already been wearing pads these past few days, so she didn't need to worry about it suddenly starting and staining her shorts red.

Periods every month were way too troublesome.

The cramps weren't severe, but they were still irritating and affected her mood.

Wen Yang let out a helpless sigh. This meant that for at least a week, he wouldn't be able to do anything with Ning Chu.

The annoying part was that this little succubus always loved teasing him during this time—deliberately wearing revealing clothes and swaying her waist and hips around while he could do absolutely nothing about it.

He pulled a heat pack out of the women's shoulder bag he was carrying and handed it to Ning Chu.

"Here. It'll feel better if you stick this on."

"Mhm."

Ning Chu's shoulder bag was stuffed with all sorts of miscellaneous little items, and Wen Yang was usually the one carrying it for her. Unlike Lily, who handled everything herself.

"I also brought the thermos. Wait here, I'll go get you some hot water."

"There's no need for hot water... Drinking something cold is fine."

"The teachers' office should have some."

They had just arrived on the floor where the offices were located. Without any shame, Wen Yang directly walked over and knocked on the teachers' office door.

"Drinking cold stuff really is fine..."

Ning Chu muttered. In weather this hot, even with her period, she'd still rather drink cold water.

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