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Set Them Up

With Long Fei's help, Su Ruan went to the upper deck to meet up with Ma Yu Xi and Long Yu Heng. The moment she climb up, her cousin was in the middle of snapping some photos with her phone.

Noticing the way Ma Yu Xi was whispering something with Long Yu Heng made her feel a little left out. This girl was the one who had asked her to go fishing but the moment they arrived on the boat, Ma Yu Xi had left her alone.

"What are you whispering about?" Su Ruan asked as she walked over. After walking around the boat for a few minutes, she began to get hold of it and was no longer staggering.

"Nothing." There was a trace of panic in Ma Yu Xi's eyes. "Brother Yu Heng was just telling me about the type of fishes that we can catch around here."

Su Ruan raised a brow. Clearly, she was having a hard time believing this nonsense. Ma Yu Xi's expression made her wonder what was this cousin planning to do.

"Sister Ruan, you have to keep your voice low," Ma Yu Xi quickly tried to divert her attention. "Otherwise, the fishes would run away and we won't be able to catch any fish."

Long Yu Heng chuckled upon hearing her words. His gaze shifted to Long Fei and his lips tilted up.

With Long Fei's presence, would the fishes dare to run away?

"Miss Su, I heard from your cousin that this is your first time fishing," Long Yu Hen spoke.

"Mhm..." Su Ruan nodded. Her expression softened a little bit. She had always thought that Long Yu Heng was easier to get along with as compared to Long Fei.

Otherwise, it wouldn't be easy for Ma Yu Xi to get along with this man as well, right?

"Then, you should stay close to my cousin," Long Yu Heng said. "He's very good at fishing. If you stay close and learn from him, I'm sure that you will bring home a lot of fish as well."

Su Ruan shifted her gaze between Long Yu Heng and Ma Yu Xi. Her instinct was telling her that there was something strange going on between the two. However, Su Ruan could not pinpoint what it was.

Ma Yu Xi waved at her. "Sister Ruan, come over and look, You can see a lot of fishes from here."

Su Ruan walked over to Ma Yu Xi's side and held the railing tightly. Her breath hitched the moment she looked at the scenery before her. Again and again, she continued to fall in love with the scenery in this town.

All of a sudden, Su Ruan wondered if it would be a good idea for her to settle down in this town. She could work freelancer and stay here in this town to accompany her mother and her grandparents.

"Sister Ruan, let's take a picture together." Ma Yu Xi stood closely and switched her camera to a selfie mode. Just like that, Ma Yu Xi pressed the button and the two of them made several poses.

The scenery was great and they looked cute in the photos. Ma Yu Xi looked at the photos and smiled in satisfaction.

Long Yu Heng walked over to their side and spoke, "Let me help you to take a few photos. I'll make sure to include the scenery properly."

Ma Yu Xi's expression brightened up. "Ah? Really? Brother Yu Heng, thank you." She handed her phone to Long Yu Heng and pulled Su Ruan to her side.

After doing a few poses, Long Yu Heng passed her phone back to her.

The water behind them was clear and blue. The scenery was captured perfectly and still, they were both cute in the picture.

"Yu Xi, send the photos to me."

In just a few seconds, the photos were transferred to Su Ruan's phone. Su Ruan chose a few photos and posted them to her moments.

Her phone dinged as a notification popped up.

"Su Ruan, it seemed that you are having so much fun in D Town."

Yu Zhi Yi's comment on her photos made her pause. Su Ruan stared at his name for a long time with an unreadable expression.

Recently, it seemed as if Yu Zhi Yi had too much time on his hands. He was always the first to comment each time that she had posted something on her social media.

In the past, Su Ruan would be elated to see his name on her notification. But now that everything had changed, Su Ruan was not sure what she should feel towards this man.

Why would he constantly show up when she had already chosen to give up? How was she supposed to move on like this?

"Miss Su, Yu Xi, we should go and get ready now," Long Yu Heng called.

Su Ruan decided not to look at her phone and followed Ma Yu Xi down.

At the side, the two men were already setting up the fishing tools. Ma Yu Xi grabbed her fishing tools and chose to sit near Long Yu Heng, leaving Su Ruan speechless.

"Miss Su, come over here."

Su Ruan turned to the voice and saw Long Fei motioning her to come closer. Seeing the man holding the fishing rod in his hand, Su Ruan went to his side. Long Fei handed her the fishing rod and started to teach her a few things.

Meanwhile, Ma Yu Xi adjusted her fishing rod and peeked at Su Ruan. Her eyes lit up as she watched Su Ruan was focusing on listening to Long Fei.

Previously, Long Yu Heng had texted her and mentioned his intention to set up Young Master Long and her cousin together. Ma Yu Xi thought of the last time she saw Long Fei and Su Ruan together the last time they had breakfast together and had agreed.

Anyway, the two of them were single and it would not do any harm to set them up.

However, seeing the expression on Long Fei's face made her start doubting whether she was doing the right thing.

After watching them for a while, Ma Yu Xi leaned over to Long Yu Heng and whispered, "Brother Yu Heng, are you sure that Young Master Long is interested in my cousin?"

Long Yu Heng glanced at the person behind them. "Ah Fei would not have the patience to teach your cousin how to fish if he was not interested in her."

Ma Yu Xi sucked in some air through her teeth. "Young Master Long's attitude is also very strange. It seemed as if he wanted to get close to my cousin but the look on his face wasn't very convincing, isn't it?"

Long Yu Heng chuckled upon hearing her words. With Long Fei's cold expression, it was no wonder why Su Ruan would try to avoid him.

"Maybe you're right. But this is the first time that my cousin had his interest in someone.. He just needed time to warm up."

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Helping Her Cheat

Su Ruan held the railings and stared at the water with a dazed look on her face. She could see that there were a lot of fishes swimming around the boat but after waiting for a while, none of the fishes seemed interested in the bait she had thrown two minutes ago.

A chuckle could be heard coming from her side.

Su Ruan turned to the voice and saw that Long Fei was looking at her with a smile on his face. The thought that this man was laughing at her made her blush. She wondered if she was being too silly?

"Miss Su, you need to be a little patient. It would probably be a while before the fish caught your bait."

She had always known that fishing is more of a waiting game. But now that she could see the fish in the clear water, she became impatient. There were many of them swimming around but none of them wanted to take the bait. Why was it?

Su Ruan turned to look at the water again and frown. "How long do you think I should wait?"

"It depends on your luck," Long Fei said. "Sometimes, if you are lucky, you might catch a fish within a few minutes. Sometimes, you might have to wait for a few hours. And sometimes, you might come home empty-handed."

His words made her a little unhappy. Although Su Ruan was not looking forward to this fishing trip, she had a little expectation as well. Especially after she saw the big fishes swimming in the lake water.

She did not want to come home empty-ended.

As if sensing his gaze, Su Ruan turned to Long Fei again. It was then that she realized that he had not cast out his fishing rod.

"Are you not going to cast out your fishing rod as well?"

There was a complicated look on his face when he heard her question. Long Fei was a little worried that once he cast out his fishing rod, the others on the boat might be suffering from low esteem. The moment he cast out, those fishes in the water would fight to take his bait.

"It's fine. I'll keep an eye on you for a while."

Su Ruan shot him a puzzled look. "Didn't you say that it might be a while before I might catch one? President Long, you don't have to keep an eye on me. I'll call you when there's a movement."

The corner of his lips began to twitch.

Just a while ago, this woman had obediently called his name but now, it was reverted back to President Long.

"Long Fei," he corrected her.

Su Ruan stared back at him for a few seconds before she realized what he wanted to tell her. She let out a cough and mumbled. "Long Fei."

The corner of his lips tilted up into a faint smile. Seeing the impatient look on her face, Long Fei turned around and walked at the rear. He crouched down and touched the water as if he was washing his hand.

However, Long Yu Heng saw what he was doing and rolled his eyes.

It seemed that someone was trying to help Su Ruan cheat.

Long Yu Heng was dissatisfied but there was no way that he could say anything about it.

Long Fei returned to Su Ruan's side and glanced at the fishing rod by Su Ruan's side. After a few seconds, the fishing rod jerked.

Su Ruan noticed the movement and began to panic. She turned to Long Fei with an expression screaming for his help.

She has been looking forward to seeing some movement, but now that she had seen it, Su Ruan did not know what she should do.

"You should pick up your fishing rod," Long Fei said. "Otherwise, it might fall into the water."

"Oh!" Su Ruan snapped out of her trance and picked up the fishing rod as instructed. However, the moment she gripped the rod tightly, the fish started to pull hard.

Su Ruan yelled and a trace of panic appeared on her face. The force was too big and she had almost let go of her rod.

"Relax, I'll help you."

Long Fei's voice came from behind her.

Su Ruan turned her head quickly and realized that the man was standing close to her. Her back was leaning on his chest. However, she did not have much time to think about this strange position. At his time, Su Ruan was focusing on the fish that had caught her bait.

"Miss Su, it seemed that you have caught a big fish." Long Fei clasped her hand on the fishing rod. "Hold it tight and don't let go."

On the other side, Ma Yu Xi seemed to notice the commotion and wanted to take a look. However, her movement halted when she saw how Long Fei and her cousin stood close together. Her eyes widened, realizing that this scene almost looked like a back hug.

A while ago, the two of them were still very distant from each other but after a while, they were very close! Isn't this development a little too fast?

Suddenly, Ma Yu Xi did not know whether she should step forward or not.

She wanted to join in the fun and give Su Ruan her encouragement but at the same time, she was a little worried that she might ruin this moment.

Su Ruan continued to scream in excitement. Her focus was all on the fishing rod.

A while ago, she had thought that fishing was boring and had promised herself that this was only a one-time thing. But now that she was playing tug of war with the fish, Su Ruan began to think that fishing could give her this excitement.

After working hard for more than five minutes, Su Ruan finally reeled the fish on the boat. Her eyes widened at the size of the fish. Su Ruan did not expect that she would catch a big fish. However, seeing the way the fish was struggling made her pity it for a bit.

"Sister Ruan!" Ma Yu Xi could not hold her excitement. "What great luck! It was your first time and you already caught a big fish."

Long Yu Heng could only laugh when he heard Ma Yu Xi's words. What luck? Someone was helping her cheat, okay?

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Too Magical

Now that the excitement was over, Su Ruan stared at the fish, moving around in the tank with a hint of pity. She began to wonder if perhaps she should release it back into the water.

"Sister Ruan, let's ask Grandma to steam this fish when we get back," Ma Yu Xi said. Her eyes lit up as she stared at the bass. Ma Yu Xi could almost imagine the taste of this fresh fish for their dinner later.

Su Ruan looked at her cousin with a complicated look on her face. She looked at the fish again and could only sigh. It seemed that his poor fish would not be able to escape its fate.

Ma Yu Xi helped Su Ruan to snap a few pictures of her and the fish together. After writing a short caption, Su Ruan posted the picture to her moments and quickly turned off the screen before she could see any notification pop up.

The cousins exchanged a few more words before Ma Yu Xi decided to head back and guard her fishing rod. Seeing that Su Ruan had caught a fish made her fired up. As someone who had more experience, Ma Yu Xi did not want to lose.

Su Ruan continued to look at the fish for a while before she turned around again. Seeing that Long Fei was fiddling with his fishing rod, Su Ruan decided to walk over. "Thank you for your help."

Long Fei looked at her with a smile. "As your mentor, this is what I should do."

Su Ruan chuckled at his response.

"Are you not going to cast your fishing rod again?" Long Fei asked when he saw her sitting at the side to look at the scenery around them.

A faint smile curled on her lips. "I didn't think that fishing would be this tiring. Let me take a rest first."

Perhaps, her opinion towards the man had changed a little bit. After Long Fei had helped her earlier, Su Ruan no longer feel awkward around Long Fei.

Long Fei nodded. He went into the cabin and came back with a bottle of cold drink. "Have a drink. Otherwise, you might be dehydrated after staying under the sun for a long time."

"Thank you." Su Ruan unscrewed the cap and took a few mouthfuls of drinks. A sigh escaped her as she felt the cold water enter her body. She did not realize that she was a little thirsty.

Her gaze shifted to the water and she began to think of her little friend. It has been a few days since the last time he showed up at her room. Su Ruan was missing the dragon a little bit.

However, on second thought, Su Ruan hoped that her little dragon would not show up around them. If someone saw him, perhaps, the little dragon would get himself into trouble.

Her heart ached as she imagine her little dragon going through the same thing as the giant snake. The dragon was such an adorable creature. Su Ruan wished that nothing bad would happen to him.

From the corner of her eyes, Su Ruan watched as Long Fei cast his fishing rod. He adjusted his rod and finally set it down.

Just then Su Ruan saw his fishing rod start to shake. However, the man was not paying attention to it.

Su Ruan let out a dry cough and waited for Long Fei to look at her. "I think a fish caught your bait." Su Ruan pointed at his fishing rod.

The corner of his lips started to twitch. Long Fei followed Su Ruan's eyes and saw the movement on his fishing rod. However, he did not rush to pick it up.

"I just cast my fishing rod a while ago. It couldn't be that some fish had taken the bait," Long Fei looked away to hide his expression. "Perhaps it caught some other things."

"Really?" Su Ruan continued to stare at the fishing rod, unblinking. No matter what, she still think that a fish had caught his bait. "I really think that that's not the case. Why don't you take a look?"

After a brief hesitation, Long Fei grabbed his fishing rod again. The fish that caught his bait was too strange. It did not even fight him and had surrendered willingly.

Seeing that there was no other movement coming from the fishing rod, Su Ruan was almost convinced that it was probably something else that had caught his bait.

However, the moment Long Fei reeled in the rod, there was suddenly a big fish caught on his bait.

The size of the fish was slightly bigger than Su Ruan's. The most important thing was that it did not even struggle to save his life. The fish only moved his body slightly as if to tell them that it was alive.

It was simply too magical.

Thinking that she had already seen a dragon and a giant snake these past few days, Su Ruan did not think that this matter was too strange.

"You really caught a big one!" Su Ruan stared at the fish in awe.

Ma Yu Xi turned around when she heard Su Ruan's voice. Her eyes widened in surprise as she saw the fish in Long Fei's hand.

It was less than ten minutes ago since Su Ruan had caught fish. And now, Long Fei had caught one too. Meanwhile, she and Long Yu Heng had started earlier than those two. However, none of them had caught anything yet.

"Could it be that the location over there is much better?" Ma Yu Xi thought to herself.

Long Yu Heng chuckled when he heard her words.

It really has nothing to do with location.

Even if Ma Yu Xi switched places, she still would not be able to catch a fish easily.

Seeing that Long Fei was trying to unhook the fish, Su Ruan walked over and spoke, "Let me help you."

"Can you do it?" Long Fei shot her an inquiring look.

"You taught me a while ago. It shouldn't be too difficult, right?"

Long Fei pondered over this matter and finally let Su Ruan handle the fish. He sat by her side while giving her his instruction.

The fish was unhooked but a second later, Long Fei noticed that something was wrong.. There were a few red drops on the floor and the scent of blood stirred something deep in his body.

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Friend Request

"You're injured." Long Fei's pupil constricted as he saw her injured finger.

"This is nothing. It's just a scratch." Su Ruan tried to brush it off. "It would get better after putting on a band-aid." Her eyes widened as Long Fei grabbed her wrist and put her injured finger into his mouth.

Her heartbeat accelerated when she felt his tongue swirled against her finger. It startled her so much that she could not make any move.

This person... how could he grab her hand and lick at her wound? Wasn't it dirty?

It was Long Fei who realized that he had made a wrong move. He quickly moved away from Su Ruan and shot her an apologetic look. "Sorry. It was a reflex. I saw that you are bleeding and..." he lowered his gaze, not knowing how else he should be explaining his action.

Long Fei thought that he would accept it if Su Ruan wanted to punish him in any way that she wanted. However, the girl continued to stare at him.

Coughing dryly, Long Fei finally looked away. "Sorry. I'll go and get the medical kit."

Without waiting for Su Ruan to say a word, Long Fei stood up and head over to the cabin.

Realizing that the man was no longer by her side, Su Ruan lifted her finger and stared at it with a dazed look on her face.

Her face turned a shade redder as she recalled the way his tongue moved around her finger. Su Ruan quickly reminded herself not to think too much.

After a while, Su Ruan realized that the place was no longer bleeding. Su Ruan squeezed her finger a few times but could not see any blood.

Long Fei returned to her side a couple of minutes later with a medical kit in his hand.

Seeing that he had started to spread out some medical ointment, Su Ruan quickly waved her hands to stop him.

"I think that is no longer necessary. You see..." Su Ruan lifted her finger and showed it to him. "It's no longer bleeding."

Grabbing her hand, Long Fei looked at the spot where it was bleeding a while ago with a frown. "Still, it's better to be more cautious."

A minute later, Su Ruan was staring at the brown band-aid plaster wrapped around her finger with an unreadable expression.

When she looked up at Long Fei again, the air around them turned awkward again.



At this time, Ma Yu Xi's cheering voice could be heard coming from the other side. Su Ruan found an excuse to run from him and stayed by Ma Yu Xi's side to watch her reel in her first fish.

Long Fei watched as Su Ruan cheered for her cousin with a complicated look on his face.

It felt as if the atmosphere around them had improved after he had taught her how to fish. However, everything changed because of him.

His tongue swirled inside his mouth.

Long Fei could still taste the faint hint of Su Ruan's blood in his mouth. This taste should have made him feel a lot better. But watching as Su Ruan tried to keep her distance from him made his heart a little unhappy.

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The group headed back to the town center before lunch hour.

The moment she get back home, Su Ruan had a light meal before she headed upstairs to clean up and take a nap.

Obviously, she did not do anything much other than waiting for the fish to take her bait but Su Ruan thought that fishing could be very tiring.

Su Ruan only woke up from her sleep two hours later.

She grabbed her phone and saw that there was a few notifications on her phone. Su Ruan cleared out the unimportant ones and clicked on her social media.

Earlier, she had posted a few pictures of her first fishing experiences. Several of her friends saw her posts and commented on the beautiful scenery behind her.

She scrolled down the comments and finally saw Yu Zhi Yi's comments again.

This time, he was joining the others to compliment the scenery behind her. He also said praised her good luck to catch a big fish on her first fishing experience.

Her eyes were staring at his name for a few seconds longer, wondering what she should do with this situation.

She really did not want to go on another heartbreak...

After adjusting her mood, Su Ruan replied to his comment and was about to exit the application when she noticed a friend request.

Her eyes widened in surprise upon seeing the name.

Long Fei.

His profile picture was the same that he had chosen to post on the company's website. Other than his name, the man did not write anything else on his profile.

After a brief hesitation, Su Ruan clicked to approve his friend request. Then, she put her phone aside and headed to the bathroom.

When Su Ruan come out again, there was a message from Long Fei.

"Miss Su Ruan, it's me. Long Fei. Thank you for your approval."

Su Ruan reread his message a few times and hesitated before she replied. "You're welcome."

"I got your ID from your cousin."

The corner of her lips twitched. Su Ruan should have thought that it was Ma Yu Xi who had passed her ID to Long Fei. Recently, Ma Yu Xi seemed a little close to Long Fei's cousin, Long Yu Heng.

"Miss Su, I want to apologize if I had made you uncomfortable earlier. If there is any way that I can do to make it up to you..."

"You don't have to apologize." Su Ruan pondered for a moment before she typed again. "You don't make me feel uncomfortable."

There was a long silence on Long Fei's side.

Thinking that he had stopped feeling guilty about the strange incident on the boat earlier, Su Ruan finally heaved a sigh of relief.

However, before she could put down her phone on the table, the notification tone rang again, telling her that there was a new message.

It was Long Fei again.

"If that was not the case, then I hope that Miss Su could accept my invitation to have a meal together. You can take it as my way to apologize. I wouldn't be at ease if I cannot apologize to you properly."

Su Ruan stared at this message for a long time. Somehow, she had this feeling that Long Fei would continue to pester her with his apology if she did not agree to have this meal.

After pondering for a while, Su Ruan finally agreed.

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Tempting Offer

In the morning, Su Ruan had her breakfast with her family members before following her grandpa to the orchard. A truck stopped by the side and an old man alighted from the driver's seat.

The old man was dressed in long black pants and a faded t-shirt. He was mostly bald with only a few white hairs.

Su Ruan glanced at her grandpa and saw the bright smile on his face.

"Old Huang, what are you doing here?" Ma Hao Dong greeted. He walked over to his friend and the two old friends hugged. Noticing that his granddaughter was with him, Ma Hao Dong pulled Su Ruan to his side and introduced him. "Old Huang, this is my granddaughter. Su Ruan. Su Ruan, this is my friend, Old Huang. He had an orchard on the east side of the town."

Su Ruan greeted the old man politely. "Grandpa Huang. Hello."

The old man's expression brightened up. "Old Ma, this is Su Ruan, the granddaughter you often talked about? She is very pretty."

There was a tinge of pink on her face as she listened to the old man's praise.

Old Huang laughed happily upon seeing Su Ruan's reaction. "You didn't know this, but after your grandpa heard that you would be visiting this town, he would not stop talking about you."

Su Ruan lowered her gaze and glanced at her grandpa, wondering what did he say to his friends about her.

"That's right, are you still single?" Old Huang suddenly asked. "I have a grandson that I can introduce you to. He's a banker. Next time that brat comes to visit, I can introduce you to him."

Her lips were slightly parted. Su Ruan stared at the old man with a dazed look on her face. The old man's question was too sudden and she did not know how to respond to it.

"Alright, stop scaring my granddaughter," Ma Hao Dong patted his friend on the shoulder. "What if my granddaughter decided to leave quickly because of your words?"

The two friends laughed happily as they continued to joke with each other.

"That's right, I came over to give you a little something." Old Huang walked to his truck and waved his hand, motioning his friend to come closer. "Come over."

As soon as Ma Hao Dong walked to his side, Old Huang handed him a big watermelon to him.

"There's another one. Su Ruan, can you help to carry this?"

Su Ruan walked over and two bags of watermelon were transferred to her hand.

The two old friends exchanged a few words before Old Huang leave.

"Su Ruan, come over." Ma Hao Dong led her to the back of the house and stopped once they reached a well. He put the fruits in the well before continuing to round his orchard.

Su Ruan followed her grandpa closely while listening to him telling her a few things about the place. Even though she has been following her grandpa for few times, her grandfather seemed to have endless things to talk about the place.

As they got further into the orchard, Su Ruan's phone started to ring.

Su Ruan's eyes lit up when she saw the name on the caller ID.

She told her grandpa that she was going to answer a call and walked further into the orchard to get a stronger signal.

"Hello. Editor Ji?"

"Su Ruan. It has been a while since the last time I heard from you," Ji Fan Yin spoke. "I hope that everything is well."

It has been a while since the last time Su Ruan had talked to the editor. After she quit the previous company, Su Ruan had not any contact with Editor Ji Fan Yin. Thinking of how this editor had always looked after her while she was working at the company made her a little guilty.

The two of them exchanged polite words before the editor expressed the reason for her call.

"Su Ruan, I heard from Jiang Tian that you are still on vacation. Are you not planning to work at any company?"

A faint smile curled on her lips. Su Ruan lowered her head and kicked at some pebbles. "Editor Ji, after what happened last time, I think I wanted to take a break and spend my time with my family."

As she spoke, Su Ruan continued to walk further into the orchard.

Well, I just wanted to ask if you would be interested in some freelancing works," Ji Fan Yin said. "A friend of mine was asking around and I immediately thought of you. I think you can take this job and do it while you are still on your break."

Her eyes lit up upon hearing the editor's words. Su Ruan could not deny that this sounded like a tempting offer.

"If you are interested, I will send you the details."

The two of them exchanged a few more words before they hang up.

When she looked up again, Su Ruan realized that she had gone too far and she could not see anyone around her.

It seemed that her mind was too preoccupied that she did not realize where she had headed to.

Su Ruan bit at her lips, wondering which way should she head to and return to the house. If her grandpa realized that she has gone missing again, he would definitely worry.

Her first instinct was to look up at the position of the sun to figure out the direction. Then she started to walk forward, following her instinct.

However, her movement halted when she realized that perhaps she had made a wrong turn.

Instead of finding the house or anyone that could help her, Su Ruan ran to the woods.

It was then that she remember that Ma Yu Xi had mentioned that the orchard was next to the Long family's land and she should not go over.

Su Ruan took a few deep breaths to calm down. Then, she turned around, figuring that if she continued to head in the opposite direction, she would eventually arrive at the house.

All of the sudden, the sound of the rustling leaves and footsteps could be heard coming from behind her. Her hair stood and Su Ruan began to wonder if she should make a run for it.

Then, something fell on her shoulder.

Su Ruan shouted out loud, surprising everyone in a distance away who had heard her voice.

"Miss Su, calm down. It's me."

The person pulled at her arms and forced her to look up.

Her pupil constricted upon seeing a face that she recognized.

It was Long Fei.

"You... why are you here?"