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**I Ted** **have has** deep feelings and a lot of sympathy with the author after reading the article breakneck 90 m/h on a snowy night . It also reminds **me** **him** of something that **I** **he** experienced several years ago , also related to an airport and meeting people .

A couple of years ago , **my Ted ‘s** neighbor approached **me him** to borrow **my his** car , saying he was meeting his parents at the airport . He also said both his wife and children wanted to go . As his car was too small and **mine Ted ‘s** was big , it could make his parents more comfortable . He added that he would only use it for one morning and would return it to **me him** before noon . Although there was only a nodding acquaintance between the neighbor and **me Ted** , **we** **they** lived in the same apartment building *after all* and were both chinese . So **i Ted** discussed with **my his** wife back home and lent **him** **his neighbor** the car as **we** **they** thought **we they** would not be using the car until the same afternoon .

And then something happened ... At 1:00pm , the neighbor called **me Ted** , saying he took his parents to a buffet and would probably not to be back until around 3:00pm . **I Ted** of course agreed and asked them not to rush . This wait lasted till 5:30pm , when the neighbor told **me** **him** in a half - crying tone that there was an accident , and everyone else was intact , except his father , who was in hospital for fractures . **I** **Ted** comforted **him** **his neighbor** first and asked **my his** friend to rush **me him** to the hospital . **My his** neighbor showed **me him** the police report at the hospital , which indicated it was all **my his** neighbor 's fault . He clashed into a truck going straight when he made a left turn . **My Ted ‘s** car was completely damaged and had been towed away . **I He** forced **myself himself** to refrain from the grief of loosing **my his** beloved car -lrb- **mine his** was liability - only coverage -rrb- and asked the friend to send their family home .

And then the nightmare began . The next day , **my Ted ‘s** neighbor called **me him** , saying his father needed to undergo an operation in hospital and asked where the money would come from . **I Ted** told him part would be covered by **my his** car insurance . After a while , **he** **the neighbor** called again , saying the operation charge was high and it was difficult for them to afford . **I** **Ted** tried **my his** best to comfort him then and told him to think of a way slowly . Just then , a nearly crazy voice of a woman came from the other end of the line , saying her family had just saved several dozen thousand bucks for the down payment of a house ; where would they live afterwards if they spent this . She also said **my Ted ‘s** car was a japanese one , which had poor safety performance and it was **my his** car to blame for the car accident . She added that **i he** should pay the money because the car was **mine his** . **I** **He/Ted** hung up the phone angrily as the dialog could not go on . **My His** wife -lsb- pw% -rsb- had been persuading **me him** aside , saying some women would easily lose mind once in fury . She asked **me him** to take no heed of them and let them calm down first . So **i** **he** did n't take their words seriously but still felt angry .

Out of **my his** expectation , a phone call on the third day completely changed **my his** original idea . The telephone rang just as **i** **Ted** was about to go to work in the morning . **I** **He** thought it was a sales call and was prepared to end it perfunctorily . Unexpectedly , coming from the other end of the line was a deep and resolute voice of a middle - aged man . He said in an incontestable tone that **my Ted ‘s** neighbor had a car accident as a result of borrowing **my his** car , which traumatized them both physically and mentally and harmed their economic interests , and as the car owner , they would not sue **me him** if **i** **he** compensated them for the hospital charge and the costs of missing work hours -lrb- three times -rrb- , otherwise they would see **me him** in court . **He** **The man** added that he was certain about the case as a lawyer in business for ten years and the compensation he requested could double in court .

As a great chinese guy , how could **I** **Ted** be scared by a few remarks of the lawyer ? **I** **He** also took up the weapon of law for justice . Of course , **i** **he** also retained a lawyer . Out of **my his** expectation , **my** **his** lawyer solved the problem by merely making two phone calls . One was to the police station , asking for any additional findings in the investigation report of the accident . There was additional findings unexpectedly , which were against them . Someone at the junk yard found a bottle of unfinished wine without the lid inside the car and reported it to the police station . The police found they put the bottle of unfinished wine in the car without the lid after lunch . The second call was to their lawyer . So their lawyer dropped the lawsuit . Of course , they would not stop it there and came to discuss with **me Ted** several times , sometimes honey - tongued and sometimes threatening . The most classic one was : do n't ever dream of living a life back to china , as we have people across the country . Disgusting !