

## MY WIFE IS AN ALOOF BEAUTY

### Chapter 1341 Wait For Me To Come Back (Part Two)



"Tomorrow? That is too soon! We didn't even have much time to talk or hang out with each other," Gerard said in a rather sad tone. His golden hair shone brightly under the beaming sun. He had thought that Leena would stay longer. But he completely understood. Leena had been here for a long time. Of course, she would want to go home to her husband as soon as possible.

"We can still do that next time. This isn't my last time here. I will surely come back to Paris, I promise." Leena was playing with the cup in her hands. Her sweet smile never left her face. She looked at the Seine, admiring the scenery.

"Excellent! I was a bit worried that you would never come back." Gerard's eyes were as intense as they were before, but Leena could tell from the look in his eyes that he really only considered her as a good friend now.

"That's silly! Of course I will come back. Claire is still here, you know. I have more reasons to come back now, other than for work. Oh by the way, on that note, could you do me a favor and look after her for me, please? Nothing too serious. Just check on her once in a while. This place is completely new to her and she still needs to make a lot of adjustments. If you could show her around or something, that'd be great! I am still a little worried about her well-being," said Leena, who was being the good sister-in-law that she was. Even when she and Claire didn't get along before, she had thought about her a lot. Since they had become friends, she worried even more, now that Claire was living alone in a foreign country.

"Of course! Don't wo

Leena puckered her lips, staring at Kevin's handsome profile. She felt a warm glow inside her. Now, she knew the feeling of having someone she loved coming to pick her up at the airport, like this. In fact, ever since she knew that Kevin loved her back, she was constantly in a state of elation. Life couldn't be happier.

Kevin didn't say anything. He just glanced at Leena with adoring eyes. Yes, she was right and Kevin was indeed lying. He was afraid that he would miss her at the airport, so he came an hour earlier than the scheduled arrival. But what he didn't expect was that her plane would get delayed. He then had to wait for about three hours in total.

The sky was still a bit dark, but a mild glow in the horizon was a sign that pretty soon the sun would be coming up to rise gloriously. As soon as Leena got in the car, and away from ogling eyes, Kevin immediately pulled her in his arms. His lips met hers in a hurried and hungry kiss, gently nibbling, sucking and tasting her full delicious lips. The air in the car suddenly became hot.

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### Chapter 1342 Wait For Me To Come Back (Part Three)



After a long time of steamy making out, Kevin finally let Leena go. He needed to cool down. If he kissed her any longer, he was afraid that he would probably take Leena right here in this car and still on the airport parking lot!

A deep blush was high on Leena's face. She looked at Kevin with hungry eyes, obviously seducing him and testing how much he could control himself.

"Leena, don't look at me that way. Or I will not be able to contain myself and devour you here." Kevin curled his lips into a teasing smirk. He wanted Leena so bad right now. But it was not the right place. He loved seeing Leena like this, all flushed but still looking so innocent. Wow, he really loved this girl and he was more than thankful that he did.

"Don't be so crude!" Leena withdrew her gaze from Kevin, feeling shy all of a sudden. She wasn't used to Kevin being so straightforward, but she couldn't deny that she secretly loved it. She felt all hot and sweaty, knowing that she was wanted by the man she loved.

"Are you hungry right now? How about we eat breakfast first and then go home?" Kevin smiled at her shyness. His eyes were full of affection. He didn't think it would feel this good once he realized his feelings for Leena and became honest about it. He just wanted to cherish and spoil this woman that he now truly called his wife.

"I am not hungry right now. Are you?" Leena tilted her head and looked at Kevin in question. She was leaning on Kevin's shoulder, snuggling up to him. Though she knew that he was driving, she just couldn't let go of him yet. She wanted to feel him, smell him, be near him as much as possible.

"What do you think?" Kevin glanced at her with a teasing smirk on his face. "Have you ever been away in Paris? He couldn't count anymore. He just knew that it felt like waiting in eternity. Now that she was back, he finally felt complete. And they would surely make up for the time they had lost. They might never leave the bedroom.

"Of course." Leena's face became hot because of his words. Thinking of what was about to happen tonight, her face became even hotter. She couldn't even meet Kevin's eyes.

After Kevin left for work, Leena could finally take a good look around their home. The apartment was still the same as when she left for Paris half a month ago. Everything felt familiar, making Leena feel relaxed immediately.

She ate the breakfast Kevin bought for her. But instead of having a bath and then napping like he suggested, she opened the fridge to check what was inside. Her brows knitted into a frown when she saw that there was nothing inside. Well it was not a big surprise to her. She never really expected that Kevin would have the time, nor the initiative to do the grocery shopping. It seemed that she had to do it later, or she would have nothing to make dinner with when he came back after work.

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### Chapter 1343 Car Accident (Part One)



Although Leena was only gone for half a month, she was seriously homesick. She hit the streets immediately after taking a shower. And she was dressed impeccably, sporting clothing from well-known brands like Givenchy, Gucci, and Balenciaga. She had superb taste.

She went to the nearby supermarket to buy some food and various items like toothpaste, lotion, etc. Then she suddenly realized that she had not seen Patricia for quite some time. So she took out her phone and rang her up.

"Hey, about time you remembered me." Patricia was lying in the sofa cozily when she answered the phone. Her voice sounded non-nonsense like always. If you looked at her you could tell she was lonely.

"What? I called as soon as I got back." Leena paused for a minute, turning the wheel to head on to a side street. She was driving while on the phone.

"You're back now?" Patricia sat up. She was really excited. Her best friend was back, and maybe she'd get to spend some time with her.

"My plane landed this morning. And I'm bushed. I think I need to lie down and beat this jet lag." Leena arrived at her apartment and eased her car into the parking space. She frowned at the thought that she would have to carry everything upstairs by herself. The items bought from the store, yeah, that would not be fun.

"Let me guess, you knew that I wanted to hang out. So you shut me down before I could ask!" Patricia had been extremely delighted a few seconds earlier, but now she was annoyed. She really wanted to see her best friend again, but now she probably had to wait another day.

"It sounds like something's wrong. What's the matter?" Leena frowned deeply. She wanted to ask how Patricia was getting on with Tom. But she didn't want to ask that too soon. 'I need to wait for the right time,

cia from the mangled car. She was too scared to even ask if Patricia was still alive. She wasn't sure what she'd do if the answer was no.

"Patricia?! Was she racing?! Where is she now? Did you call an ambulance?" The phone dropped out of Leena's hand and bounced soundlessly on the mattress. She fumbled to pick it up again. She could barely hear, as the chaos rushed in and filled her ears. She kept asking questions until she figured out what Michelle was talking about. She started to panic and had to fight to breathe.

"We are still at the track. I've already called an ambulance." Michelle's voice was cracked and hoarse. Michelle should have been used to sights like this, since she grew up in a complicated environment with violent people all

around. But this was different. This time, it was her friend, and she was paralyzed with fear and worry.

"Okay. Tell the ambulance staff to take her to Renxin Hospital. I'll call Tom." Leena hung up immediately after she finished speaking to Michelle and dialed Tom. She almost lost control of her hand because she was frightened out of her wits. It took more than one try before she could summon up his number from her contact list.

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### Chapter 1344 Car Accident (Part Two)



Tom was about to leave the hospital for a seminar when his phone rang. As a doctor, there were lots of such seminars and conferences he needed to attend. At times, he grew somewhat weary of them. It wasn't easy, traveling and living out of a suitcase.

"Hey Leena. Back already?" Tom asked and opened the door of his car. Then he got in and stuck the key in the ignition.

"Tom, are you at the hospital now? It's Patricia. She's in a car accident and needs your help," Leena said rapidly. Meanwhile, she grabbed her coat and practically ran out of the bedroom.

"What? A car accident?" Tom went blank for a few seconds. What scared him most was that deep down, his heart felt like it had been struck by a hammer.

"Yes. You have to save her, please. I sent the ambulance to Renxin Hospital." Leena burst into tears, finally overwhelmed by it all. The tears blurred her vision and stung her eyes.

"Ah! Stupid girl! Why did you send them here? The best choice is the nearest hospital. Didn't you know that?" Tom said and got out of the car. He ran to the emergency room to ask the staff to prep the OR for surgery.

"I... I don't know." Leena sniffed. She was telling the truth. Her first thought was Tom. Otherwise, she wouldn't have told Michelle to do that.

"Never mind. She's on her way here anyway. Don't worry, I'll do what I can." Tom cared for Leena a lot. He did not have the heart to blame her. She was distraught, and yelling at her wouldn't help anything.

"Yeah! Thank you, Tom." Leena stood beside her car, hesitating. She eventually decided not to drive herself. She was not sure it would be safe for her to do that, given that she still felt like crying. She would need to calm down before

she saw Leena's downcast look and came back to her senses. "I'm sorry, Leena. I'm just worried. I didn't mean it." Michelle realized that she spoke without thinking and said some terrible things. She shouldn't take it out on Leena. It was just that she was right there. A convenient target. Leena was innocent, wasn't she?

"It's all good. I'm worried about her too. I get it." Leena tried to raise the corners of her mouth to force a smile, but failed. The grimace on her face looked even more terrible than an expression of grief.

"She'll be fine, right?" Michelle did not have many good friends. She cared about Patricia a lot. She did not want to lose her.

"Yeah she will. She's ours. No one's going to take her away from us," Leena said firmly. Her words were serious and heartfelt, like she would kill any one who tried to take Patricia's life, even God. But in her heart, she also worried a lot and was quite uncertain about what was going to happen.

"Really?" Michelle was a strong and independent woman. No one could push her around. But right now she felt extremely weak. She was anxious and had no clue what to do about it.

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### Chapter 1345 Rescuing Her (Part One)



"Yes, I'm sure of this." Leena said while firmly gazing at the operation room. She was very anxious and wanted to see how it was going inside. Being this frightened and scared while waiting outside the operation room wasn't something new to her anymore. She had already experienced this a lot of times. However, it was only now that she realized how fragile life was and how any negligence could put life in a threat.

Restless minutes ticked by as Leena remained in the same place. She couldn't really tell how long she had been sitting there when a familiar face appeared in her view, it was Concordia Pei. This wasn't the first time that she had met the lady but just like before, Concordia's artistic air had given her the silent comfort that she needed.

"Leena, how's Patricia?" asked Concordia worriedly. Her hair was a little messy and it was easy to tell that she had rushed from home to get here. Opposite to Patricia's carefree and arrogant character, Concordia was a gentle and quiet woman.

"Don't be too worried, Auntie. Patricia is a good girl and God will help her," Leena said as she held Concordia by her shoulders. She was trying her best to give the lady the strength to overcome sorrow. She knew just how much Concordia loved her only daughter.



"Thanks. I hope so. I told her not to participate in any competition anymore but she didn't listen. What should I do now? She's going through surgery and her dad happens to be abroad." The aged woman looked at the surgery room with uneasiness. Her usually peaceful face was laced with some apprehension.

"Don't worry. We're here with you. And Tom is doing his best to save her." Leena bit her lips. She was running out of things to say because she was extremely worried too. She couldn't even help her hands from sweating since she stepped into that place.

"Oh my! My poor girl. Why did she never listen to me? I would be very satisfied if she co

Sorry. I forgot to tell you that I'm in the hospital. Are you off work now?" Leena sniffed and then realized that she had unintentionally forgot about her husband completely.

"Don't worry about me, Nana. How about you? Are you injured? Is it Renxin Hospital? I will be there right away," Kevin said as he rushed downstairs. All his nerves were suddenly on full alert. His Nana was in a hospital right now and he got no clue on how she was!

"I'm fine. It's Patricia. She got injured," replied Leena with her head down. She didn't want others to see how much she was crying at the moment.

"Don't worry. I will be there soon. Wait for me." Kevin ran out of their house and drove towards the hospital quickly. He could feel how scared and helpless Leena was by just the sound of her voice.

"They have been inside that operating room for hours, Leena. Why are we still not getting any news?" Michelle asked in a concerned tone as she grew impatient.

"I don't know, either. The only thing we can do is wait. Didn't you say that she was seriously injured? It might take more time and effort," answered Leena as

she leaned her back on her chair. Her eyes had been fixed on the operating room for a long while. She could only wish for Patricia to just come out from there!

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### Chapter 1346 Rescuing Her (Part Two)



On the other hand, Michelle stood up and started walking back and forth in the hallway. She fidgeted with the hem of her shirt nervously. She wasn't as patient as Leena and every minute passing by felt like a year to her.

It was at that moment when a nurse walked out of the operating room. Leena couldn't stay calm any longer, so she rushed to the nurse and grabbed the lady by her arm. "Miss, how is the patient now? Is she out of danger?"

"I'm sorry but please don't get in my way. Her condition is grave and we are still working to rescue her." The nurse quickly walked away. Seconds more and she was already running back with two bags of blood plasma in her hands. The sight of the blood bags made all of them freeze on their feet as their fear aggravated.

"Leena, is my Patricia's life in danger now?" Concordia was a very simple and pure woman. In her world, everything was very pure and beautiful, and that was why her paintings also appeared very pure and beautiful. This was the very first time for her to get exposed to such a serious situation.

"Don't worry, Auntie. The nurse said that they are still rescuing her. She's still alive, okay?" Leena wasn't sure if what she said was still a valid truth. It had been hours and she really couldn't tell how much more anxiety could she take.

Inside the surgery room, Tom was feeling as bad as the women waiting outside. Patricia's condition was very critical. Even a doctor like him couldn't help but shudder at the view of Patricia's injured body. He could hardly believe that the woman lying in front of him was the same hard-headed and hateful girl who used to challenge him.

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He handed her the last cup that he was holding. He then took off his coat and wrapped her carefully with it. He knew that Leena was the type who easily got cold.

Confusedly, Leena glanced at him and found that he was only wearing a shirt after he gave her his coat. "Won't you feel cold?" She asked with concern.

"I'm okay. Drink the milk. It's getting cold." Kevin looked at Leena with worried eyes.

"Okay." Leena took a sip and felt the milk stream down her throat. Her body immediately felt warm. Even so, her heart had remained feeling cold because Patricia was still in danger.

"How about I buy some food for you?" offered Kevin as he glanced at the operating room. Although he knew that Leena might have no appetite for

anything, he still wanted her to eat some food. She needed to remain strong as she waited for any good news.

"No need. I want to wait until Patricia gets out of danger." Leena raised her head and silently prayed to God. She prayed for Tom to do wonders. She believed that bad luck would never fall on her and Patricia. Furthermore, she believed that Patricia wouldn't disappoint her this time.

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### Chapter 1347 She Was In Danger



Being a doctor, Tom had already rescued more lives than anyone could imagine. However, he could easily tell that it was Patricia's case that made him feel worse among them all. Mixed emotions caused him nervous the whole time when he was operating her and he couldn't even tell why he was so nervous. All he knew was that he would never have the guts to face her or himself anymore if ever he failed.

"Dr. Qin, the patient's hemoglobin is going down." Tom's assistant looked at him with wondering eyes. It wasn't normal for the prestigious doctor to be this uneasy. Thus, he thought, 'This is weird. I have never seen Dr. Qin this anxious before. Why?'

"I know. Stem the bleeding immediately, and check the plasma supply." Tom was holding a scalpel in his blood-covered hand. It was winter now but he was sweating badly. The nurse who was standing next to Tom hadn't stopped wiping his sweat away. Everyone in the operating room knew that this surgery was important to him.

"Okay." The assistant immediately began to stem the bleeding. They always learned a lot every time when they did surgery with Tom.

More chaotic hours passed by. It was already passed ten hours when the light in the operating room finally went out and Tom came out.

"How was Patricia's operation? Did it work?" Leena stood up as soon as she saw Tom. She wanted to run to him but she couldn't since her legs went numb because she sat there for too long.

"I really cannot tell yet. It will be up to her if she will make it or not." Tom's face looked drained and tired. He hoped he could tell everyone that everything was fine but he couldn't. He was not even sure if she would survive.

"Thank you, Tom. I know you tried your best," said Concordia in a thankful tone. She knew that Tom was an excellent and kind doctor. He would not just give up on anyone he wanted to save.

"You're welcome, Mrs. Bai. I will do everything I could to save Patricia. We are friends, right? You should trust me." After saying that, Tom scanned everyone who was waiting outside the operating room. He then fixed his eyes on Leena and frowned.

"I will always remember what you did for her. Thank you, Tom," It was Concordia's sincere words that took his attention from Leena. The old woman had always been a kind and polite person. The situation they were in might be sad now but she just couldn't stop herself from expressing her gratitude.

"Auntie, don't worry. I believe Tom will save Patricia. She will be fine," said Leena w

just pretending to be angry as she knew that Kevin loved her so much. She wouldn't tell him directly but God knew how much her heart was melting right now with the sweetness she felt.

Although Kevin and Leena had been separated from each other for a long time, they were both not in the mood to enjoy this tender moment. They were too worried about Patricia. Thus, they both forgot about their teasing words earlier that day.

On the other hand, Tom was having the toughest night. It was given that Patricia was not Tom's type and that was why he turned her down multiple times. However, staring at Patricia as she lying on her hospital bed was driving Tom crazy. He was sad beyond words. He was honestly wishing that she could quarrel with him as before. 'God, what's wrong with me? Why am I feeling this way?' he thought.

A soft sigh escaped from Tom's chest as his hand moved by itself to touch her cheek. He was only seconds away from caressing her face when he suddenly withdrew his hand, as if he was burned. He felt like there was a beast inside him and he was trying his best to control it. He just couldn't allow himself to fall in love with her.

Patricia suffered several cardiac arrests that night and it was fortunate that Tom was beside her to rescue her the whole time. The night was particularly exhausting for Tom. He was both mentally and physically getting tired.

"Do you need a break, Dr. Qin?" A paramedic in the intensive care unit advised Tom to take a rest. He had been operating on Patricia for so long during the day and had been saving Patricia for the rest of the night. Everyone in the intensive care unit knew how tired he was.

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Chapter 1348 Death Was No Laughing Matter (Part One)



"That's all right. I will be here watching. Otherwise I'll be extremely worried." As soon as he heard himself say these words, he froze for a short second. He was shocked at himself. Since when did he start caring this much about Patricia? How did this happen?

The paramedic also heard it and looked at him with a raised eyebrow. He couldn't help but wonder what was the relationship between the patient and Tom. Based on what he heard, the good doctor seemed to care a lot about this girl.

The morning came and the golden rays of the sun brightened everything they touched. But Patricia still didn't wake up. She was lying on the hospital bed with a peaceful look on her face. She must have been really tired, both mentally and physically, just wanting to sleep forever and forget about all the pain. Fortunately, her condition had become stable overnight. It didn't worsen, which made everyone who cared about her let out a sigh of relief.

Standing inside his own office, Tom's face also showed how tired he was. Yes, the operation on Patricia was very successful, but it didn't mean that she was completely out of danger. After all, she was badly injured. The surgery performed on her was not an easy one. What happened next would be crucial to her recuperation. Now all they could do was wait. Even Tom didn't know when she would wake up and if there would be any complications.

Why was he so worried about Patricia? Tom couldn't understand his own feelings towards this girl. Had he become inevitably attracted to her? That would explain why he was so anxious, whether she would wake up from it or not. His heart throbbed, and it was a new and strange feeling to him. This was impossible and it came out of nowhere! In addition, he hated anything not he could do was spoil her and let her do what she wanted.

"Yeah, that is just how Leena is. She will throw some tantrums from time to time, but she never holds grudges. So we usually just let her. She won't do stupid things anyway." Tom shrugged his shoulders. He could almost imagine the look on Leena's face when she puckered up her lips in anger.

"Well, maybe she is like that because you all spoil her." Kevin said with a little laugh. He actually liked it, that there were many people in Leena's life who loved and cared about her. Most of all, he was happy to be one of those people now.

"So are you unhappy that we spoil our little sister?" Tom raised one eyebrow at Kevin's words. If Kevin dared to say 'yes', he might kick his ass.

"What? No, of course not! In fact, I'm happy that you are spoiling her because I do exactly the same. She deserves it." No matter what Leena was like, with the good and the bad, they had promised to spend their lives with each other and ignore each other's imperfections. Throwing small tantrums from time to time would be part of that marriage and would not be a big deal. Even Kevin might have his tantrums in the future.

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### Chapter 1349 Death Was No Laughing Matter (Part Two)



"Yeah, of course she deserves it." Tom smiled. But suddenly, his smile turned to a frown, remembering that Leena would have a lot of difficulty getting pregnant. He glanced at Kevin with worried eyes. Till now, Kevin had no idea about it. But what would he think once he knew? Would he still be this good to Leena? Would he treat Leena the same way he was doing now or would he change his mind? Tom knew that it was impossible for a man to completely



ignore it. Maybe Kevin wouldn't mind it for now. But what if, in the future he wanted a child and Leena couldn't get pregnant? Who could guarantee that his feelings for Leena wouldn't change?

"How is Patricia doing right now?" Kevin asked Tom in a more serious tone. Since his wife had spent the whole night worrying about Patricia, he couldn't help but get anxious as well.

"If I tell you that her condition is not promising, what would you think?" Tom felt helpless. Yes, he was a damn good doctor, if he said so himself. But he also just was human and sometimes, things were just out of his control. It was not up to him which patient got to live and which patient would die.

"It doesn't matter what I think. What matters is what you are going to do about it." Kevin's heart dropped. If Tom, a great doctor, said that Patricia's condition was not promising, then it was surely not promising at all. Did this mean that Patricia would not survive this ordeal?

"I am a doctor. I am not God." Tom rolled his eyes at Kevin. He felt pressured. No matter how good he was in his field, if it was someone's time to go, it was time to go. He really wanted Patricia to get better. But it was not up to him.

"So there is nothing you can do? Really?" Though Patricia was not family, Kevin still cared about her as a friend. Besides, he did not know how he was going to tell his wife.

"At least not for now. Do you think that I would still be here if I already figured out how to save her?" Even if Patricia wasn't Leena's best friend, he would still do everything he could so that she would live.

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want to see me work my ass off and exhaust myself to death? Do you like me going to the army base on a weekend?" Kevin said in a casual tone and then winked. But when he saw that Leena's face suddenly become pale with what he just said. He immediately realized that he had used the wrong words.

"Were you kidding just now? Because it wasn't funny at all! I don't want to hear you talk like that again! You know how much you mean to me! Why are you trying to twist my words?" Leena was particularly sensitive these days. She didn't like Kevin talking about his own death, even if it was just a joke. In times like this, death was no laughing matter.

"Okay Nana, I am so sorry! I didn't mean to upset you. It was just a silly joke. Please don't take it seriously. I'm really sorry." Kevin had gotten used to her throwing tantrums, but he didn't know that she could get this sensitive. He didn't expect that his silly joke would upset Leena like this. Leena loved him so much that she couldn't even tolerate this kind of joke. She just couldn't stand the thought of losing him.

"But I have already taken it seriously." Leena furrowed her eyebrows. Then all of a sudden, she had a feeling that she had forgotten about something very important. But she just couldn't tell what it was. She felt lost, like a very important part of her memory had faded into nothingness.

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## Chapter 1350 An Unhappy Encounter (Part One)



"I'm really sorry. Please tell me you're gonna get over what I said. I will make it up to you," Kevin said as he walked up to Leena. He pinched her red face, his eyes full of affection.

"Never mind," Leena grumbled, pursing her lips. She shook off his hand and continued tidying up the room.

"Have you eaten your breakfast?" Kevin asked her. He noticed when he had come back, the breakfast on the dining table was still set, just as it had been before. Naturally, he was worried. Leena had suffered quite a shock last night.

"Not yet. I'll eat soon and then go to the hospital to check on Patricia's situation," Leena said, unperturbed. Kevin heaved a sigh of relief. Fortunately, Leena did not forget about what had happened to Patricia.

"I thought you forgot Patricia's accident!" Kevin exclaimed, looking at her with amazement. She looked so calm this morning. He thought she would not be able to stand the blow of Patricia's accident and forgot everything. He too began to help her do the room. Leena seemed very composed.

"Come on. Patricia is one of my best friends. How could I even forget about her? I've come around to the idea that however sad and dejected I am, she won't get better anytime soon. So why should I be so hard on myself? I have to cheer up." Leena gave Kevin a bitter smile. She had now become more mature than she used to be.

"I'm glad you see it that way. You know, you really scared me last night." Leena had crumbled under the shocking news of Patricia's situation. It had

startled Kevin. Luckily, Leena seemed to have made her peace with it. Otherwise

afford to stay in the ICU. The expenses incurred were high. Patricia had already been in the ICU for about a week. The cost of it was equivalent to what ordinary families earned throughout a year.

"Tom, may I ask you a question?" Leena turned to look at him, wondering why he hadn't fallen for a beautiful and sincere woman like Patricia.

"Of course." Tom cast a final glance at Patricia before leaving the room with Leena. On the way to his office, he looked at Leena, still waiting for her question.

"You really don't like Patricia?" Leena fixed her eyes upon his face, not willing to miss a single expression on it. She didn't want him to hide how he felt.

"You know I hate being forced to do anything," Tom said with a frown. He didn't dislike Patricia. She was beautiful, funny and too clever by far. He just hated the way she approached him and how she pushed him to accept her.

"So, you dislike how forward she is about her feelings?" Leena asked him again. If so, it would be hard for Tom to say yes to being in a relationship with Patricia.