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Trevor said, "I haven't been involved in the company's later development."

Hearing this, Chester looked at Wynn in surprise. "So, Wynn, you're actually capable?"

Wynn replied, "Not really. The credit goes to the engineers. Most of them were already with the company before I took over. The company's current success is, as you said, largely thanks **to** Trevor. I had very little to do with it."

Chester smiled and said, "You're really modest."

At first, upon learning that Wynn had her own business only because Trevor gave it to her, Chester had thought she wasn't all that impressive and didn't quite match up to Trevor.

But now, hearing them speak and watching how they supported and acknowledged each other, he suddenly figured that Trevor must regard Wynn as an expert in the AI field—someone even more specialized than he was—and that's why he had entrusted her with the company, believing it would grow better in her hands. 4 After all, Trevor was indeed generous and humble. It was exactly the kind of thing he would do.

Wynn, hearing the compliment, waved it off. "I'm really not just being modest..." 1

A moment later, they dropped the topic and moved on to something lighter, sharing amusing stories from Andostan.

They had all studied abroad there, so they had a lot of common topics.

Plus, Wynn was naturally sociable. Even though this was her first time meeting Chester, the dinner ended up being quite relaxed and enjoyable.

In fact, at times, she chatted with Chester even more than Trevor did.

Chester was in the country on a business trip with his father and would be leaving the next day. After dinner, he had other plans and was about to take his leave. 1

Before leaving, he shook hands with Wynn and said, "Wynn, I'm really glad I met you today. You're a very interesting and charming woman." 3

As he said that, he glanced at Trevor and hesitated slightly, as if he wanted to say something more. But before he could, Wynn politely replied, "You flatter me, Chester."

After saying goodbye, Chester waved to them and was just about to get into the car when he spotted Celeste, who had just finished dinner with Matthias and several business associates. 2

Chester didn't recognize Matthias or the others, but he did recognize Celeste. He pointed at her in surprise and said to Trevor, "That woman... Isn't she-" (1)

Trevor didn't respond.

Celeste, seeing Chester point at her as if he knew her, wasn't originally planning to pay any attention to the people around Trevor. But just as she was turning her **face** away, she suddenly remembered who Chester

was.

They had only met once. At the time, she knew he was one of Trevor's close friends in Andostan.

He had come back to visit and had looked up Trevor, and she happened to be there too, **so** they had met briefly.

That meeting, however, had ended with a minor unpleasant incident.

Still...

That had been years ago.

She came to the realization suddenly.,

Celeste's business partner and Matthias were speaking to her, **so** she pulled her thoughts back and turned away to resume the conversation, not sparing another glance toward Trevor's group.

Chester also noticed Celeste's cold demeanor.

Looking back and forth between Trevor and Celeste, both of whom now had new partners, he seemed to understand something and chose not to say more. 1

Besides, he was in a hurry. He said goodbye to Trevor and Wynn and got into the car.

Wynn wasn't surprised that Chester knew Celeste. She had only glanced at Celeste and Matthias when they appeared and didn't pay much attention.

Although her initial interaction with Chester had been slightly awkward, she now had a good impression of

him. 2

She said to Trevor, "Chester is really a good and genuine person. It's very easy to be around him."

Trevor smiled at that and replied, "He is, indeed." 10

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The person Celeste and Matthias were having dinner with was Maxwell Joreau, the head of the tech company Velotra.

YodaVision had just signed a partnership agreement with Velotra that morning.

After the meal, Celeste and Matthias visited Velotra together.

That day, they spent hours talking with Velotra's engineers and didn't go home until nearly midnight.

Over the next two days, Celeste frequently went to Velotra as well. She and the engineers there were practically working overtime together every night. 1

Friday marked the product launch that Velotra had scheduled over a month in advance.

The reason for their hard work wasn't anything else-it was purely in hopes of refining and partially implementing their collaborative concept before the launch.

Once this concept was fully realized, it would significantly shift the focus of Velotra's upcoming launch event.

In the early hours of Friday morning, after Celeste and Matthias returned home to rest, both of them headed to Velotra's launch event later that morning.

Velotra had invited many media representatives and industry peers to the event. As fellow players in the same field, Trevor and Wynn were naturally among the invitees.

Celeste and Matthias, having been busy these past few days, arrived relatively late. As soon as they entered the venue, Trevor and Wynn noticed them.

Upon seeing Celeste and Matthias, Wynn paused briefly.

It was expected that Velotra would invite industry peers–not just to showcase their technology, but also in hopes of potential collaborations.

YodaVision held a major advantage in language systems.

Although they had ended their partnership with InnovaTech and begun cooperating with the Fleming Group, the nature of the cooperation with the Fleming Group was different from the one they'd had with InnovaTech.

In other words, YodaVision was still free to partner with other autonomous vehicle companies, specifically in the area of language systems. So, it was quite possible that Velotra had invited Matthias for exactly that reason. 3

Though Velotra was one of the newer tech companies, it had seen impressive growth over the past few years. Their autonomous vehicles consistently ranked among the top in the country.

If they now managed to secure a collaboration with YodaVision, given YodaVision's strong public recognition and technological prowess, it would undoubtedly enhance Velotra's external competitiveness in autonomous vehicles.

That said, Wynn wasn't worried. 6

InnovaTech's core strength in autonomous vehicles didn't lie in language systems. Her company had its own unique advantages

now.

With that thought, Wynn calmly looked away.

As soon as Celeste and Matthias arrived, Maxwell came forward with a smile to **greet** them.

Seeing how much importance Maxwell placed on Matthias only further convinced Wynn that Velotra interfded to work with YodaVision.

After greeting Celeste and Matthias, the launch event officially began.

Given Fleming Group's leading position in the tech world, Trevor was naturally seated in the front row as an honored guest.

Possibly thanks to her association with Trevor, Wynn was **also** seated in the front row, right next to him.

Over the past few days, Maxwell had come to realize that Celeste was actually the key technical contributor in **their** collaboration.

So, her seat was even more centrally positioned than Matthias'.

Seeing that her seat was next to Trevor's didn't surprise Matthias,

So, he directly took Celeste's assigned seat. Celeste simply smiled and sat down in the seat next to him.

Wynn didn't expect Celeste's seat to be right beside Trevor.

But she didn't dwell on it-assuming the staff thought Celeste and Matthias were a couple and wouldn't mind the arrangement.

When Trevor saw Matthias take Celeste's seat, he said nothing, but politely greeted him, "Mr. Yoder."

Matthias responded with a cold nod.

At that moment, the product launch officially began. Everything proceeded in an orderly manner.

The first half of the presentation followed Velotra's original agenda. It wasn't until the midway point that Maxwell took the stage to speak.

He said, "This project of ours has fully realized intelligent automation—not just in the autonomous driving system, but also in the engine. Velotra has always been at the forefront of the industry, and this has earned us recognition from many peers.

"Recently, we've reached a long-term partnership with YodaVision and achieved significant breakthroughs in various areas.

"Now, I would like to invite Ms. Celeste Rodriguez, a distinguished engineer from YodaVision, to come on stage and share the recent progress we've made in this project. Let's welcome Ms. Rodriguez!"

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As soon as Maxwell finished speaking, the room erupted in thunderous applause

Trevor also turned to look at Celeste and began clapping

Wynin paused for half a second before lightly clapping with a neutral expression

-Celeste didn't look at Trevor-she only glanced at Matthias before getting up and stepping onto the stage

Once she was on stage, Maxwell beamed and addressed the audience, "Ms. Rodriguez here is not only an outstanding

engineer from YodaVision, but also the creator of the core technology behind this collaboration between Velotra and

YodaVision!

A wave of surprise swept through the room.

Wynn was stunned for a moment when she heard that, doubting if she had heard correctly.

YodaVision held enormous influence both domestically and internationally–every move they made attracted attention.

It was no surprise to hear Maxwell officially announce a collaboration with YodaVision at such an important event.

Nor was it surprising that Velotra would invite someone from YodaVision to co-present and explain the technical

details.

But the person Maxwell invited wasn't Matthias-it was Celeste

When Maxwell first invited Celeste up, she had been surprised. But remembering how considerate Matthias was toward

Celeste, she had quickly brushed it off as normal.

She had assumed Celeste was simply taking Matthias's place on stage

What she didn't expect was that Celeste was actually the key figure in this collaboration between Velotra and

YodaVision.

How was that possible?

Just as Wynn was trying to process this, Maxwell said, "Ms. Rodriguez, I'll leave the rechnical explanation to you now

Alright"

Celeste took the microphone, turned to the audience, and began speaking calmly and confidently. "Hello everyone, Ein

Celeste Rodriguez, an engineer from YodaVision.

Our collaboration with Velotta can be broken down into four key areas

engine clips, implementing Al technology for

breakthroughs in autonomous vehicle engines, autonomous driving systems and materials application

She then elaborated on the technological breakthroughs achieved in these areas.

Everyone knew that true tech innovation and product development required cooperation across many fields and

industries

Yet Celeste seemed to possess a deep understanding of all of them–from autonomous driving systems to materials

optimization to intelligent engine design.

She was, in essence, her own cross-disciplinary collaborator

As she clearly explained how their innovations increased fuel efficiency, the level of intelligence achieved in their autonomous systems, the safety features implemented, the cutting-edge technologies applied, and the breakthroughs behind them, both technical and non-technical attendees were equally stunned and impressed

People weren't just amazed at how multi-talented Celeste was-they also recognized the enormous value this collaboration between Velotra and YodaVision could bring in the future

Many of them, especially the engineers in the room, looked up at Celeste with eyes full of admiration and awe.

Sitting in the audience, Wynn still had an expression of disbelief

She knew Celeste was well-versed in AI, but how could she also have such deep knowledge of engines, chips, materials, and fuel?

Well, as for advanced materials, Celeste had shown understanding before That wasn't too surprising.

But engines? Chips?

Those weren't something anyone could just casually master.

If they were, then the tech sector in the country wouldn't have been stuck behind the barriers set by foreign chips for so many years.

That just meant.

Celeste had no script in hand

She spoke effortlessly, rolling out technical jargon, detailed data, expert case studies—all off the cuff—and humbly shared how she had drawn inspiration from each of them

The more Wynin listened, the darker her expression became. She clenched her hands, a sudden chill rising in her heart

A moment later, a thought suddenly occurred to her

She belatedly turned her head to look at the man beside her-Trevor

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Trevor was focused intently on the stage and didn't notice Wynn's gaze. 3

She pressed her lips together and looked away.

The product launch by Velotra was a huge success.

When Celeste and Maxwell stepped down from the stage, they were greeted with another round of thunderous applause. 3

The invited company executives all immediately stood up to offer their congratulations to Maxwell and Celeste.

Matthias also went straight to Celeste.

It was easy to imagine the sensation Velotra's autonomous vehicle would cause both domestically and internationally. 1

Celeste's value would skyrocket once again.

As someone who had known her for years, Matthias was sincerely happy for her. As he approached her, he couldn't help but give her a hug and said, "Congratulations." 4

Celeste smiled. "Thank you, Senior." Her voice was soft, and no one around caught that "Senior". 2

All the business leaders present were in the tech industry and knew the value of talent. Right now, they were even more interested in Celeste than Maxwell. 2

After all, this kind of gem was a walking goldmine-if anyone could poach her... 3

They were all calculating quietly, but no one dared approach Celeste directly yet. This was, after all, Velotra's event-they had to respect Maxwell.

So, they went to congratulate Maxwell first.

After offering their congratulations, they each tried to strike up a conversation with Celeste- only to find Matthias had already beaten them to it.

Over the past several months, Celeste and Matthias had frequently appeared together at events and banquets.

Some of these business executives had already met her.

Back then, in their minds, Celeste was merely Matthias's girlfriend; she had no real presence or significance.

Then her thesis caused a stir, and they realized she was actually talented.

Matthias was a genius, and Celeste, being in the same field and quite capable herself, suddenly seemed like a decent match for him. 3

But after today's Velotra launch, they realized Celeste wasn't just some talented woman. She was a full-blown tech genius.

It was one thing for Matthias to be a genius, but to also have a girlfriend at his level? He really got it all.

Many of the CEOs present were quietly jealous. 2

After Matthias let go of Celeste, someone couldn't help but tease him, "Mr. Yoder, Ms. Rodriguez is so brilliant, but you've been keeping her hidden? That's just too much."

"Exactly," someone else chimed in.

Matthias raised an eyebrow. "Who's been hiding anything? You guys just don't have my eye for talent."

Of course, everyone's focus was on Celeste.

After a few jokes with Matthias, they turned to Celeste and warmly congratulated her. "Ms. Rodriguez, congratulations."

"Thank you," Celeste replied.

"Our company also has several ongoing tech projects. Ms. Rodriguez, would you be free sometime? I'd love to schedule a detailed discussion."

Before Celeste could answer, another CEO interrupted, "His so-called 'tech project' is nothing impressive. If we're talking real innovation, it's my company-" 2

A crowd quickly gathered around Celeste and Matthias, the scene buzzing with energy.

Trevor remained seated, watching everything unfold, unmoving. (5

Wynn also sat motionless, her fists clenched.

She looked at Trevor again. He still didn't seem to notice her-not even a glance. It was as if he had forgotten she was there. He hadn't turned to her in a long time. 4

Her face paled. Her clenched fists tightened further as she looked toward Celeste, not far away.

Of course, she understood what the success of this Velotra launch meant.

There was only so much market share to go around in autonomous vehicles. Velotra's massive

success would inevitably squeeze other companies' space.

If, before today, InnovaTech's own tech breakthroughs could potentially earn it a hundred- million-level market, now...

Just imagining that possibility made Wynn's chest tighten sharply.

And Celeste?

Setting everything else aside, if the technologies she presented on stage truly came from her, just the patent royalties alone would bring her endless wealth, not to mention the additional technical dividends. 4

As this realization sank in, Trevor's voice pulled her out of her thoughts.

She turned to see Trevor glance at his watch and say, "Don't we have other plans later? It's about time-let's go."

Despite all she had just been thinking, her mind was, in truth, blank.

Hearing him say that, she got up and followed him to say their goodbyes to Maxwell.

Maxwell was still surrounded by people and standing beside Celeste and Matthias.

Seeing them approach, Maxwell politely greeted Trevor, "Mr. Fleming."

Trevor shook his hand. "Congratulations.'

Maxwell smiled. "Likewise, likewise."

Trevor then turned to Celeste and added, "Congratulations." (3)

Celeste remained calm. "Thank you."

Trevor then said to Maxwell, "We have another engagement and will take our leave. Mr. Joreau, everyone-let's catch up next time."

Maxwell and the others nodded in response.

However, as they politely said goodbye to Trevor, many of their eyes also drifted to Wynn.

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Most people had always heard that Trevor's girlfriend held a PhD from a top university abroad and was a tech genius.

But why had they never heard of any actual achievements from her? s

Although InnovaTech had made some technical breakthroughs recently, that was likely due to the influence of Trevor during his time at the company and had little to do with Wynn herself.

In contrast, Celeste had never once claimed to be some kind of prodigy, and yet now she had stunned everyone in a single move.

Looking at it this way, maybe Trevor's girlfriend's so-called "genius" image was a bit exaggerated. (2)

No one said anything aloud, but the way people kept glancing back and forth between her and Celeste, silently comparing the two, made it impossible for Wynn not to notice. 7

Her face was already pale. Now, seeing how people were clearly comparing her to Celesteand the doubt in their eyes-she clenched her fists tightly.

She might not have developed any technology herself, but her academic credentials were real. She wouldn't tolerate others questioning her!

But no one had actually said anything, so she didn't even have a chance to defend herself. Even if she was angry, she had no outlet.

As for academic accomplishments, she thought about the internationally acclaimed paper Celeste had published and her moment of brilliance at today's press conference.

She had to admit, academically speaking, she could no longer compare with Celeste. (3)

Wynn stood there with an ugly expression on her face. 1

After Trevor finished exchanging pleasantries with others, he said, "Let's go."

Wynn forced out a smile. "Alright..."

Then she slowly composed herself, put on a calm expression, and greeted Maxwell and a few other business contacts she was familiar with.

Only after that did she leave the launch venue alongside Trevor, politely exchanging farewells with people as they walked. 2

Though she maintained a calm appearance, her emotions were far from settled.

Trevor, on the other hand, clearly had already shifted his attention away from the launch.

He said to her as usual, "Mr. Gibbs has been fully evaluated, right? Everything checked out?" 2

He was referring to Leroy Gibbs, someone they were scheduled to meet shortly. He was a potential new partner that InnovaTech was considering working with. 4

Hearing his calm, matter-of-fact tone and seeing the same gentle look in his eyes that he always gave her, Wynn gradually settled down.

She smiled and replied, "Yes, we've done our homework. His team matches our company's needs perfectly." 1

"That's good." 2

As they spoke, the elevator arrived.

Velotra already had a certain level of recognition within the country, and the product launch event had been livestreamed.

Although Velotra wasn't yet a household name that could instantly dominate online chatter with a single announcement, it did have a dedicated base of users who tuned in to watch the launch.

At first, the livestream chat wasn't particularly active, but that changed halfway through, when Velotra's collaboration with YodaVision was announced. That news caused the stream's popularity to spike.

In just a short time, the livestream saw a surge of viewers.

After listening to a bit of Celeste's explanation and speech, the popularity of the stream kept climbing, and before long, it was trending on social media.

Linda, browsing the Internet out of boredom, noticed the trending topic and clicked on it out of curiosity. 3

When she saw Celeste onscreen, she was momentarily stunned. Before she could even react, she saw the barrage of comments praising Celeste's talent.

In addition to compliments, many viewers were discussing how Velotra's launch could potentially crush other companies working on autonomous vehicles.

And of course, people were also speculating on how much profit Celeste, as the technical core person, would be entitled to.

Reading those comments, even someone as clueless as Linda now understood what this all

meant.

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She completely panicked. 2

She hurriedly exited the page and made a phone call.

Everyone, including Howard and Lilian, had known that Wynn and Trevor were attending Velotra's launch. But they had all assumed it was just a routine event and didn't pay close attention to it. 3

After hearing what Linda told them, they were stunned-thinking they must have heard

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"Cel understands engines and chips? How is that possible?"

Even after Celeste's paper earlier caused a stir, Harvey still didn't believe she was truly the one who wrote it.

And now Lilian **was** telling him that Celeste was very skilled in things like engines and chip technology?

How could that be possible?

Lilian lowered her gaze. Whether it was possible or not, they only had to check online **to** find out.

A moment later, after watching part of Celeste's presentation from Velotra's launch event, Lilian's heart gradually sank.

Harvey, on the other hand, still couldn't believe it. (1)

Then Linda said angrily over the phone, "She did it on purpose! She sabotaged Uncle Harvey's transportation project, and now she's trying to target Wynn's company too!" 5

On that point, both Harvey and Lilian agreed.

Whether the breakthrough technology shown at the press conference truly belonged to Celeste or not, one thing was clear–Velotra's launch event would deal a serious blow to InnovaTech.

Before they could say anything, Linda continued, now full of anxiety. "What do we do now? Everyone's saying Velotra will likely dominate the autonomous vehicle market going forward. Wynn's company has no competitiveness left-" (2

Although Velotra did seem impressive right now-

Lilian released her clenched fist and said in a calm, unaffected tone, "Technology evolves every day. Today it's your company with the breakthrough, tomorrow it's mine with a better edge.

"Autonomous vehicles haven't officially launched on a global scale yet. We still have time. Fortune is a fickle mistress. It's too early to say who'll truly win the market once these cars are commercially available."

What Lilian said wasn't entirely wrong.

However, Harvey knew very well that his own tech company had failed to produce any real competitive breakthroughs for years. He also knew it wasn't easy to gain a technological edge. 1

After all, if achieving tech breakthroughs were simple, there wouldn't be so few tech giants in the world, whether in the country or abroad. The key to technological breakthroughs lay in gaining the upper hand early.

And Velotra's breakthrough wasn't just on one front-it was on multiple fronts, and their advancements had global significance.

Other companies could only look up to Velotra or try to catch up. That might take a year or two at best, or ten to twenty years **at worst**.

And by the time they thought they had caught up, the market would already have no

Harvey was visibly unsettled and said, "I wonder what Trevor thinks about all this."

Lilian understood that he meant to contact their daughter.

place left for them.

She replied calmly, "They still have important matters to handle. **Let's** wait until Wynn and Trevor are done with their work before talking about it."

"Alright."

There was no other option.

After having dinner with Trevor and Leroy, Wynn returned home.

Although her family hadn't contacted her during the dinner, she knew for sure that they were already aware of what had happened at Velotra and with **Celeste.**

As expected, when she arrived home, she saw her parents and Linda there.

Before anyone could say a word, she asked first, "You know about it already?"

"Mm," Lilian replied. "So, what does Trevor say about it?"

Wynn sat down and shook her head. "Trevor didn't say anything."

Lilian, in the middle of lifting her teacup, **froze.** "What do you

mean?"

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Wynn answered, "Regarding Velotra's launch today, he didn't say a word."

Trevor hadn't commented at all-not on **Celeste**, not on Velotra's future. Nothing.

Lilian froze again.

Harvey and Linda both looked stunned.

This wasn't like Trevor at all. 10

Velotra's launch was putting InnovaTech under such massive pressure.

Under normal circumstances, **Trevor** would have comforted Wynn, told her not to worry, and then carefully analyzed Velotra's tech breakthroughs from every angletechnical, market, and business—and discussed what strategies they needed to adopt to overcome the current crisis. 16

But this time, he'd said nothing. 15

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There were still important matters **at** the company, **so** Harvey was called away by a phone call.

Wynn didn't look too well.

Lilian guessed that aside from being shaken by **Celeste's** dazzling performance today, something else must have happened.

She asked, "At the launch event, how **did** Trevor act toward Celeste?"

Wynn lowered her eyes. "He admired her."

Lilian's expression gradually darkened.

In the past, **Trevor** had always ignored Celeste. In his eyes, she was worthless. He had never once shown any admiration for her. (3)

But now-

"The technology Celeste talked about at the event-do you think it really came from her?"

Though she hadn't interacted with Trevor much, from what her daughter had said, she knew that he understood technology himself and had always held deep respect for technical experts.

So, if Celeste truly had that kind of ability, it wouldn't be surprising for Trevor to change his stance and start admiring her.

Before Wynn could respond, Linda blurted out, "Of course, it's not hers! She's just an undergrad-how could she have that kind of capability? It must be Matthias-" (7

But before she could finish, Wynn said, "It probably is hers."

Linda's eyes widened in shock. "How is that possible? How could she-?" 2

But the fact was, Celeste had skipped three grades and entered university early-at Aurelia University, the top-ranked university in the country.

Although Linda herself had also skipped grades and gone to a well-known university, it still wasn't on par with Aurelia University. 2

In other words, Celeste had the foundation for academic research if she had wanted to pursue it.

So, even if it was hard to admit, Wynn couldn't deny the possibility that both Celeste's paper and the technologies she presented today might really be her own work. 4

Lilian had thought of this too.

Back then, Celeste's outstanding academic performance had actually put a lot of pressure on Wynn.

Clenching her hands, Wynn asked, "If it wasn't her work, would she dare to claim it so publicly?" (2

Linda disagreed. "She's **so** shameless! Why wouldn't she dare **to** do that?"

Lilian and Wynn chose to ignore her.

Wynn pursed her lips and said, "I just don't understand..."

Even though **Celeste** had skipped grades to enter university, she didn't achieve anything particularly notable during her time at university. 7 After graduating with her bachelor's, she got married and had Jordyn, and later joined the Fleming Group.

In that situation, how could she still possess such extensive research expertise?

Lilian had considered this too. She knew what her daughter was struggling with.

After sending Linda **out** of the room, Lilian said gently, "Even if Celeste really is that capable,

you and Trevor have such a deep bond. It's not something that can be easily shaken. (5

"Besides, you have your **own** strengths too. So, Wynn, don't worry **too** much."

Could she not worry?

Wynn said nothing.

Even though Trevor had seemed calm after the launch event and **treated** her as kindly as **always**, could he really be as unaffected by **Celeste** as he appeared?

She couldn't help but think of how, not long ago, Trevor had gone out **of his** way **to** collect the research **papers Celeste** had recommended while giving technical lectures **to** Fleming Group's engineers. 5

That thought felt like **a** thorn in her throat.

If he truly was **as** calm as he seemed, then why had he not once mentioned anything about the launch event after it ended?

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After the launch event , Celeste and Matthias returned to YodaVision for a meeting in the afternoon . In the conference room , the engineers of YodaVision immediately cheered excitedly when they saw Celeste . They had already heard about what happened at the Velotra launch event . Among the team , they were the ones who had the most direct work interactions with Celeste . So , they had already known she was impressive .

But after watching the launch event , they realized she was even more remarkable than they had imagined . Seeing everyone congratulating her , Celeste smiled and said, " Thank you , everyone . " The room stayed lively for another two to three minutes before they officially began the meeting . In the conference room , Kieran silently watched Celeste . During this period , he had tried several times to ask her out , but since she'd been busy , they had never managed to meet .

He had been planning to find another opportunity in the next few days, but now ... As he often found excuses to approach Celeste and ask her technical questions, he thought he already had a solid grasp of her capabilities. But just like the other engineers at YodaVision, it wasn't until today that he realized Celeste was far more brilliant than he'd thought. For someone as exceptional and dazzling as Celeste - was he truly worthy of her as he was now?

1 Especially when , despite all their recent interactions , it was clear she had never seen him in that way . Thinking this , Kieran slowly withdrew his gaze . After the meeting , Celeste walked out of the conference room and was about to head back to her office when Kieran caught up to her to congratulate her privately . " I watched the Velotra launch . Congratulations . " Celeste smiled and answered , " Thank you .

"Because she'd been so busy with the Velotra project lately , she had fallen behind on YodaVision's affairs , so she was in a bit of a rush . After briefly responding to Kieran , she hurried off . Kieran didn't follow her . However, it was not because he had given up . But because he suddenly realized he needed time . He needed to grow , to become stronger , in order to- Watching Celeste's figure disappear into the distance , Kieran's expression became more determined .

He suddenly felt that , regardless of how this all started , returning to the country this time - even if by accident - had been the right decision . Once Celeste was completely out of sight , he returned to his workstation and threw himself into his work with full focus and energy . The next morning , Wynn was reviewing documents in her office when her secretary suddenly knocked and entered the room . She set down the file and asked , " Has Mr. Gibbs arrived ?

" 1/3 Chapter 438 They had had dinner the night before , and Leroy had mentioned he would be coming to InnovaTech this morning to discuss a potential partnership . It was already past ten , so she assumed he should have arrived . " Un ... Mr. Gibbs ' secretary just called and said he's decided not to consider a partnership with InnovaTech for now, so ... " Wynn paused , and a sudden realization flashed through her mind I understand . You may go . " But the secretary didn't leave .

Instead , she looked at Wynn and added , " Just now , Mr. Watts ' and Mr. Simmons ' secretaries also called . They said they need to reconsider the partnerships they were previously discussing with us ... " Although Wynn had anticipated that InnovaTech's position would be negatively affected after the Velotra launch , she didn't expect the partnerships that were already in negotiations - some nearly finalized - to be shaken this quickly .

Thinking of this , and of the two to three hundred million dollars she had just invested to accelerate the project timeline , her face darkened . After a long pause , she finally managed to steady herself and said , Got it . You can leave now . " $2\ 2/3$

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Chapter 439 After her secretary left , Wynn's mood grew heavier and heavier . Technology was the foundation of a company's growth . With Velotra's brilliant performance ahead of them , InnovaTech would need another major technological breakthrough to gain a foothold in the autonomous vehicle market . But achieving a breakthrough in technology was incredibly difficult . So far , she had already invested six to seven hundred million dollars into InnovaTech .

But now that Velotra had disrupted the market , InnovaTech's future was uncertain .. If she continued to invest and InnovaTech failed to make a breakthrough with real impact , it would be the same as throwing away all the money . Yet , she was unwilling to give up now . So ... Should she move forward or retreat ? Thinking of this , she thought of Trevor . But even he couldn't guarantee whether the company could achieve à breakthrough in the future , could he ?

So , even if she asked him , he likely wouldn't be able to give her a definite answer either . Wynn sat there deep in thought for a long time . It wasn't until her secretary knocked again that she realized it was already noon . Her secretary asked , " Ms. Locket , would you like me to arrange lunch for you ? " Wynn glanced at her phone but said nothing . She was sure Trevor understood the extent of the impact Velotra would have on InnovaTech even more clearly than she did .

And based on what she knew of him , he probably had already predicted how the attitudes of Leroy and the other potential partner , Steven Watts , had changed toward InnovaTech . Now was exactly the time when she needed him most . But since dinner with Leroy the day before , he hadn't contacted her at all . Thinking back to how he had looked at Celeste during the launch event - so focused , as if he had completely forgotten her existence - her heart clenched painfully .

So maybe he , like her , had yet to recover from the shock brought by Celeste's dazzling performance at the launch . Celeste had been busy for most of the day . At around five in the evening , her phone rang . It was a call from Jordyn . She glanced at the screen and answered , " Jo , what's the matter ? " ' Mom , our school is going on summer break soon . There's a parent - teacher meeting tomorrow . Can you attend it ? " Celeste paused .

She hadn't been involved in these matters in a long time . " It's summer break already?" "Yeah!" Regaining her focus, Celeste asked calmly, " Is your dad not available?" With the fallout from Velotra's launch, Wynn was likely swamped so maybe Trevor didn't have time to attend the meeting?" Dad is free, "Jordyn pouted." But I want you to come with me. Mom, can you come tomorrow morning? Please?" Celeste replied, "Alright." Jordyn cheered happily, "Yay!

" " I still have things to do , so let's talk later . See you tomorrow . " " Okay ! See you tomorrow , Mom ! " The next day , Celeste drove to Jordyn's school in the morning . When

Jordyn saw her, she ran into her arms and shouted, "Mom!" Celeste patted her head and held her hand as they walked into the school together. Tilda and Donna were both surprised to see Celeste personally attending the meeting.

After all , ever since the last parent - child event , it was usually Trevor who came with Jordyn . Donna greeted her , " Hello , Ms. Rodriguez . Long time no see . " " Long time no see , " Celeste replied . After the greeting , Donna began chatting with Celeste about Jordyn's performance at school recently . From the teacher's words , Celeste learned that Jordyn had been quite happy both at home and at school , which meant Trevor had indeed been attentive to her .

During the parent - teacher meeting , Jordyn held Celeste's hand and said sweetly , " Mom , it's been so long since we had a meal together outside . Can we go out for lunch after this ? " Celeste agreed , " Sure . " However , after the meeting ended , when Celeste was walking out of the school holding Jordyn's hand , she saw Trevor stepping out of his car . Jordyn didn't look surprised at all . Instead , she happily said , " Dad , you're here!

" 3 Only after glancing at Celeste did Trevor respond with a hum . $\vdash \neg \nu$

The Breaking Point of Love

Chapter 440 Jordyn held Celeste's hand with one hand and tugged on Trevor with the other . " Let's go for lunch together! " Celeste paused, intending to pull her hand away, but then she heard Jordyn suddenly say, " I think it's been a really, really long time since I had a meal with both Mom and Dad." Seeing how happy Jordyn looked, holding both her and Trevor's hands, and noticing how the other kids around them were all accompanied by both parents, Celeste hesitated.

She had insisted on keeping the baby when she got pregnant unexpectedly , and in the years that followed , Trevor had basically not been involved in Jordyn's life . However , in the last couple of years , he started getting close to Jordyn . But it caused the mother and daughter to spend more time apart than together . In other words , Jordyn had never truly experienced being in a "complete "family . 2 Celeste felt that in that sense , she had failed Jordyn .

She gave birth to her , raised her - yet had barely given her a normal childhood ... 3 No matter what kind of relationship she and Trevor might have in the future , they would always be Jordyn's biological parents . Regarding Jordyn's future , even after the divorce , they would still have to sit down and discuss things together . So having a meal together like this ... wasn't a big deal . " Mom ? " Seeing she hadn't replied , Jordyn shook her hand and looked up at her .

Celeste came back to her senses , glanced at Trevor , wanting to ask what he thought . But just as she looked up , she saw he was already watching her from the side , as if he could read her mind . He asked , " What should we have for lunch? " Celeste looked away and

answered calmly, "You decide." 2 Trevor nodded. "Okay." A while later, they each got into their cars and headed to the restaurant. When they arrived and entered a private dining room, Jordyn sat in the middle.

Trevor handed the menu to Celeste before asking , "Will you be going to Fleming Group this afternoon?" "I have other things to do , I won't be going. "2" Alright . "Trevor poured her a cup of tea . Celeste thanked him , then asked , "Jordyn's birthday is coming up . How do you plan to celebrate it?" She hadn't celebrated Jordyn's birthday for the past two years . Last year , she'd actually planned to fly to Andostan for Jordyn's birthday

But Trevor didn't respond to her message , and Jordyn seemed to be having a great time without her , not wanting her to go . So , Celeste only went over on the actual day . But when she arrived . She didn't want to think about it . Recalling what happened last year , her tone was light when she said , " You can make the arrangements . " 1/3 By that time , they'd already be divorced , and custody of Jordyn would be with Trevor . So , he could plan it however he wanted .

As for her , she might not even show up . Just as she was thinking this , Jordyn said , " Mom , can you be with me on my birthday ? " Celeste smiled but didn't give a direct answer . " We'll see when the time comes . I'll attend if thats time Jordyn looked a little disappointed . " Okay ... " Trevor had a lot of business to attend to . After ordering the food , he took several calls in a row . Celeste didn't really speak to him much after that .

When they were done with the meal and Celeste was getting ready to leave , fordyn fugged on her , asking her to stay a little longer . Unable to resist , Celeste agreed . Trevor seemed to have finished his work and wasn't in a rush to leave either . He joined them as they went to a game arcade Celeste didn't engage with him . Trevor seemed to notice and didn't force it . Instead , he stood behind them , quietly watching as Celeste taught forty play the games .

How to After playing for a while , Celeste remained expressionless , but Jordyn was worried her father might be bored . " Dad , do you want to play with us ? " Trevor glanced at Celeste , who clearly wasn't paying him any attention . He smiled slightly and said , " It's okay . I'm happy just watching you two play . " " Okay then ! "