## Be Gentle 351

Chapter 351 Paying Special Attention to Bianca

Louis wanted to cry. He seemed to have dug a hole for himself.

He thought that his future sister-in-law was a docile sheep, but she was actually a wolf in sheep's clothing.

"I thought I knew you well, Sis. How can you be like that?" Louis said resentfully.

"It seems like you don't have enough to do here," Luke said coldly as he walked toward the CEO's office. "If there's nothing else for you to do here, you can head over to South Africa now. I'll get Mr. Doyle to buy the fastest ticket there!" "Ah, Brother, must you drive me away so mercilessly? There aren't that many kind and honest younger brothers in the world like me! I admire you, Brother..."

Bianca was speechless.

It was the first time that she had seen a childish exchange between the two men.

Louis shot a resentful glance at Louis, then returned to his office. 2

He had to continue his boring work so that his elder brother would not transfer him to South Africa.

Bianca returned to the design department.

colleagues glanced at her as soon as she appeared in the

ones started whispering to each other while staring at her. They did not do so loudly in case she overheard what they

boss might not have married her yet, but her status was plain for all to

might not be happy about Bianca, but being experienced wage-earners, they knew better than to say anything in front

the department lead, was the most

the designers' meeting, Bianca's stellar performance was a stark contrast to her embarrassing reply. She nearly became the subject of ridicule in the

could not bear to see a new employee be better than

knew that Bianca was the boss's woman, but she wanted to get back at

only the beautiful, talented, and diligent Mavis could be a match for the

had worked for the boss for so many years. Their solid relationship could not have been broken by the

Bella felt that Luke's love for Bianca was temporary. After Luke got bored of her, he would be able to choose wisely between Bianca **and Mavis.** 

*Bella* thought that Luke could be rational and intelligent when it came to love, unlike other men who thought with the organ between their **legs.** 

There was nothing remarkable about Bianca other than her beautiful face.

Women like her were a dime a dozen. How could she compare to the smart and inventive Mavis?

*Bella* was Mavis's minion. If Mavis became Mrs. Crawford, then her future career would be smooth sailing.

**Right after** Bianca sat at her desk, Bella came over to her and criticized loudly, "Do you think that T Corporation is your home, Bianca? I've warned you not to take any more days off, but you've ignored my warning! Look at your attendance records this month. You've been absent for half of the days. Don't think that you can do whatever you want just because the boss is your **boyfriend!"** 

The other colleagues could be heard gasping.

They did not know whether Bella was brave or stupid.

**Bianca was** the boss's woman, and Bella had openly criticized her. Was Bella not afraid that Bianca would tattle on her and get herself fired?

Bianca was not bothered by Bella's criticism and her colleague's gossip. She did what she felt was right.

looked straight into Bella's eyes and said calmly, "Ms. Sloan, there is no rule in T Corporation that states that employees cannot take days off, nor is there a rule restricting the length of each leave. Even when I'm on leave, I fulfill all my tasks. I've completed all the work you sent to me through my mailbox, and I've sent it back to

she had decided to be together with Luke, she knew that rumors about her would spread in the company. How was she going to stand next to him if she was not strong enough to endure

at a loss for words against Bianca's

on her computer and started working. Bella's face was ashen; her anger did not achieve its covered her mouth and giggled when she saw

grunted coldly, shot a glare at Sue, then walked back to her desk on her

quickly sent a message to Mavis, who was still in Western Europe. If Mavis did not come back soon, Bianca would replace her position as Luke's

she lost her support in the company, she was afraid that Bianca might take revenge on

Sue, and Tom were seated together, discussing the collaboration project with Vivi

perusing the information in her

Chapter 352 Nice to Meet You, My Name Is Bianca

When Bianca was reading the documents, the department lead brought several people into the office.

"Let me introduce everyone. This is the design manager from Vivi Group and the core design team."

Bianca observed them carefully.

The female design manager was in her late thirties, while the others were a lot younger.

"Nice to meet you. I am Sue Carter, the design team lead from T Corporation. It's a pleasure to be working with you," Sue said with a smile as she stretched out her right hand.

"Yanis Fuller," The female design manager said briskly and lightly shook Sue's hand.

Tom also shook hands with Yanis and introduced himself.

When it was Bianca's turn, she stretched out her right hand and said, "I am Bianca Rayne. Nice to meet vou."

Unexpectedly, Yanis glanced at Bianca coldly and did not shake her hand.

Bella was feeling rather smug about it.

when she had the opportunity, she had slandered Bianca in front of Yanis. She said that Bianca had gotten into the design department because of her relationship with Luke, the CEO, and that she was a talentless

that Yanis was an honest woman who hated useless people who got to where they were because of their

her slander, Ms. Fuller would not treat Bianca kindly, and Bianca would be the subject of

not know that her department lead had been talking behind her back. She felt a little dejected by Yanis's treatment, and the smile on her

She looked at Sue helplessly.

looked at Bianca encouragingly and helped her alleviate the situation." Ms. Fuller, Bianca might be new to the design department, but she's very talented. Earlier, we had a difficult client who rejected all the designs from the other designers, but he accepted Bianca's design and praised it endlessly. I believe that she will be a great addition to the

not say anything. She shot a glance at Bianca and said, "Let's go into the conference room for

from T Corporation and Vivi Group went into the conference room on a higher

the way, Yanis did not say a word

the other designers from Vivi Group were being distant to her. Bianca was helpless; all she could do was to play

felt uneasy as the people from Vivi Group judged her

The assistant design manager from Vivi Group was a man named Gerald Murphy. He seemed to be about thirty years old. He looked quite stylish, and he smiled like a gentleman.

One of the designers was a beautiful lady named Michelle Boyd.

Michelle had an attractive face and a curvaceous figure. She was young and charming.

There was another young man named Macauley Jones. He was the leader of Design Team Two.

He looked quite handsome but shy, and he did not look like a man of many words. He gave people the impression of a refined *gentleman*.

Bianca remembered their names well. After all, she had to work with them.

Of course, while Bianca observed the people from Vivi Group, they were observing her as well.

The designers from Vivi Group had met Sue and Tom before and have collaborated more than once. They did not have any doubts about Sue's capabilities, but they were surprised that T Corporation included a new employee in their **team.** 

**The** woman named Bianca Rayne seemed very young, as though she had just graduated from college. Would she be able to handle such a major **project?** 

**They also** heard that Bianca was employed because of her relations, and that had made them treat her with disdain.

The meeting lasted for more than an hour.

that, Yanis handed a thick stack of documents to Bianca. "These are all the relevant documents for this project. I hope that you can memorize everything in the next few days, and well officially go into the details of the project the day after tomorrow. Do you have any more questions?" "No.' Bianca frowned when she took the two-pound stack

that Ms. Fuller was being deliberately harsh

course, as a new employee, she was not in the position to

In the CEO's office.

lifted his head from two laptop screens. The past quarter profits of T Corporation had increased by several

lips curled up into a satisfied smile when he saw Bianca's

slightly worried when he saw Luke's smile. "Mr. Crawford, you've made Bianca a public target by tasking her with such an important project. Moreover, Ms. Fuller from Vivi Group is known to be a perfectionist when it comes to designs. Would Ms. Rayne be able to handle

knew that Yanis Fuller from Vivi Group was an outstanding designer. She was even better than Mavis Laviere of

desire for perfection had made her overly critical and gave her a bad temper. She was an intimidating said that she often scolded her designers

would not be able to handle her bad temper, not to mention the sensitive Ms.

Chapter 353 The Man She Loves IsOutstanding!

When Bianca was imagining her children's smiling faces, Sue abruptly patted her shoulder.

"Hey, look at the silly grin on your face. Were you talking to the boss earlier? You should've seen how gentle your smile was. I'm so jealous!"

Bianca knew that Sue was almost thirty years old but remained single. She guessed that Sue must have experienced some trauma in her previous relationship.

Many men tried to court her, but she rejected all their advances.

Sue was an intelligent and capable individual. Bianca did not know that

Sue had an ulterior motive when she tried to be friends with her.

However, when Sue got to know more about Bianca, she found out that Bianca was full of personal charm and design talent. Eventually, they became true friends.

"It's not him. I was on the phone with Lanie and Rainie earlier."

always had a good impression of the carefree Sue. Not only Sue had a good personality, but she had also helped Bianca when she was in a pinch. Bianca was grateful to Sue for

that she had been marginalized when she first entered the company, and she had no friends other than Nina. Sue was the one who had made friends with her, and that had made her life in the office more

and Bianca chatted happily as they

they turned a corner, they bumped into Gerard Murphy and

was dressed impeccably as usual, like

on the other hand, had messy hair. Her cheeks were blushing red, and her lips were

was shocked when she saw Bianca and Sue appear in front

a superficial smile, greeted the two, and pulled Bianca

thought that it was best to keep her mouth

Bianca did not know what was going on. She was pulled by Sue toward the elevator.

After the other two people disappeared from view, Bianca could not help but ask, "I didn't greet them, Sue. I wonder if they would think that I'm rude."

Sue rolled her eyes and whispered into Bianca's ear. "Don't be bothered about them. Something is going on between Gerard and Michelle. When I was in the washroom, I happened to see Gerard pinning Michelle on the washstand. Tsk tsk, Michelle's underwear was already on her knees. You should know that Gerard is a married man with children..." "Huh? He's having an extramarital affair? What a scumbag." Bianca's eyes opened wide with shock.

Sue nodded. "You're still too naive. We're in a big company, so naturally, there will be a lot of scandals. It's not something that you or I can manage. Why else would you think that Michelle can become a department lead when she's so young? She's an ambitious woman, and she is willing to pawn herself to her superior so that she could climb higher in her career. You shouldn't be too close to Michelle. Don't get yourself involved." "Mm, I know. Thank you for your reminder, Sue." Bianca *nodded*.

With her busy schedule, she never had the time to care about gossip.

**Moreover,** she had always kept to herself. All she wanted was to do her job the best she could. Other people's personal lives were none of her business.

After picking up the two children, Luke drove the family of four to Blue Honors.

Blue Honors was one of Mallory Corporation's properties and a famous landmark in A City. It was a place for relaxation, entertainment, and fine dining.

It had a uniquely exquisite exterior and interior. Luke had a hand in the design of the building.

Honors was in the prime commercial area of the city. Three of its four sides faced a lake, and the walls were made of bluestone and adorned with glass. One could see the beautiful lake scenery from almost any

cold outside, but the plants thrived in

the furnishings in the private rooms were hand-carved from native hardwood, blending modernity and antiquity. That had given Blue Honors an exquisite

while holding the children's hands, said to Luke, "I've heard that Blue Honors is a famous landmark in A City, and that you're part of the design team. This place is amazing, and you're

as a student of architectural design, had heard of Blue Honors before, but she had only been able to regard it from

were the prices in Blue Honors very expensive, but only people with certain social status could enter. A poor peasant like her had no chance of

exterior had already impressed Bianca, not to mention the interior

was proud that the designer had become her significant other. That way, she could share his

has always been amazing! It's just that he's always too busy to have dinner with us or keep us company," Lanie mumbled as he held onto

Chapter 354 Where Did Lanie Learn That?

Melissa instantly noticed Bianca.

She held onto Xavier's arm tightly and grunted audibly. "Why do I see that woman everywhere? How unlucky!"

Not only had she failed to frame Bianca in the luxury fashion store, but she had also lost a diamond necklace worth almost a million dollars. She was scolded when she got home, and her elder brother had docked her allowance.

Melissa had been troubled by that incident.

Of course, Bianca was not too happy when she saw the capricious and unreasonable Melissa.

She was about to hold the children's hands and turn in the other direction when Lanie suddenly looked at the woman and blinked. There was a mischievous glimmer in his eyes.

He tugged the hem of Bianca's shirt and said childishly, "Mommy, I've seen that woman before..."

Bianca looked at Lanie curiously. She did not understand how the little boy would recognize Melissa.

"Where have you seen her, Lanie?" Bianca asked.

Melissa was also surprised.

She looked at Lanie and racked her brain, but she could not remember where she had seen the cute little boy.

do you remember the picture book that Daddy got for me for my birthday? She's the ugly witch in the fairy

turned to look at Melissa. "You look like the ugly witch in my picture book. I would've asked for your autograph, but I don't like that character at

people around him burst

little boy was so cute and adorable, but why were his words so

realized that Lanie was only making fun

was not very beautiful, but she was not ugly either. It was very different from the witch in Lanie's

Lanie get his sharp tongue

a glance at Luke. At the same time, Luke looked at her and shrugged as though saying that he had nothing to do

that he did not have a great personality, but even he did not speak so harshly. Perhaps Lanie's genes had mutated on his

might not be the sharpest tool in the shed, but she also realized that Lanie was insulting her. Her face turned red with anger, and she pointed at Lanie and yelled, "Who taught you to speak like that, you unmannered brat? You need to be

anger, Melissa seemed to have forgotten who Luke was. She wanted to step forward and teach Lanie a lesson, but Xavier held her

The young woman was too capricious. She did not understand how terrifying Luke could be.

If she laid a finger on Luke's son, he was sure that the news of Melissa's family's bankruptcy would appear on the papers tomorrow. Even his family might be affected.

Luke glared at Melissa. There was a hint of killing intent in his cold gaze!

The host of the clubhouse had just arrived. Before he could speak a word to Mr. Crawford, he had witnessed that comedic scene.

'That woman has a death wish!

'How dare she insult Mr. Crawford's son in public, like a mad dog?' "Don't hold me back, Xavier. That woman stole my diamond necklace. Give it back to me!" Melissa ignored the tense atmosphere and yelled at Bianca with a vicious expression on her *face*.

"Excuse me, Miss, I would advise you to leave if you are not feeling well.

*Not* only have you insulted my guests, but you are accusing my guest of stealing your diamond necklace. Do you have any evidence of that?" The host said sternly with his eyes narrowed dangerously.

"Who do you think you are? Stay out of this! It's none of your business!" Melissa was intimidated by the host's dangerous aura, but her anger had overridden her **reason**.

Her elder brother and Xavier had warned her not to cross Luke, but she had been spoiled since she was young and did not **respect anyone**.

**She** was used to getting whatever she wanted when she was overseas. Of course, she would have already forgotten their *warnings*.

Xavier dragged Melissa's collar and warned her sternly once more. "Stop embarrassing me, Melissa! Do you have a death wish?"

thought that Xavier was holding her back because he still

Xavier's vice-like grip, she could not move a

gaze met with Bianca's eyes. When she saw that the woman was looking at her contemptuously and that her cousin seemed to be looking at Bianca with pity, her anger rose to

her cousin Xavier treated her so mercilessly. It was because of

realization was like a sharp sword that had pierced Marie's heart.

chest heaved as she gasped for air, then she growled at Xavier. "Aren't we family, Xavier? Why aren't you on my side? Bianca is the one who stole my diamond necklace, and that guy is an accomplice. And that brat too, they're all

brows were furrowed tightly. The killing intent in his eyes

at Melissa as though she was already a

You don't know anything at all!" Xavier shoved Melissa away and roared

tantrum caught the attention of everyone at

Melissa's face turned pale.

Chapter 355 Sorry for the Disturbance, Sis

The host of the clubhouse glared at Melissa coldly. His tone of voice was like Arctic ice. "Miss, we do not tolerate such behavior here. This is a high- end place, and we do not welcome any guests who do not behave themselves. No one can insult any of my honored guests. You keep saying that my guest is a thief, but what you have lost is only a 900,000 dollar item. Anything of Mr. Crawford's presents to his

woman would have cost at least millions. Would she be bothered about your diamond necklace? What nonsense!"

The other guests in the clubhouse exclaimed in surprise.

Indeed, Luke Crawford was richer than some countries. Any of his woman's accessories would have cost millions. Would she be bothered about stealing a 900,000-dollar necklace?

The woman had been yelling that Mr. Crawford's woman was a thief, but she did not have any evidence.

She must have lost her mind for accusing Mr. Crawford's woman in public.

Melissa had been slapped first by Xavier, then by Luke. She was like a trapped beast, ignoring the fact the people around her were important figures in A City.

All her manners were gone at that instant.

She gritted her teeth audibly, as though she wanted to tear Bianca and her family into shreds.

Meanwhile, Percy walked over while being escorted by a small group of people.

The man was dressed in a plain white button-down shirt, but his appearance was dazzling.

The top two buttons of his shirt were undone, which revealed his snow- white skin and sculpted collarbones.

had already told him what happened. He gently tugged

knew him knew that he was

soft light illuminated half of his handsome face. The other half was shrouded in shadows, which gave him a sinister aura. His subordinates around him were already drenched in cold

host of the clubhouse quickly went up to him. "You don't have to come down yourself, Mr. Mallory. I'll handle

Percy said nothing.

his hand was a lit

rising smoke added to the feminine charm of his

was undeniably beautiful, but at the same time eerie

host stammered because of Percy's

Percy interjected the host with his clear voice. "How long have you been working in

paused and sheepishly lowered his head. "Half... half

Percy laughed out loud. His laughing face was beautiful, but it sent chills down

"Very well. You've been working here for half a year, but you can't handle something minor like this. I think it's time that you retire!" The man's mocking laughter caused Manager Claude's knees to go weak.

"Mr. Crawford is my honored guest. You should know what will happen if you show the slightest neglect."

Percy walked in front of Luke, and they exchanged glances. Then, he nodded at Bianca as a sign of greeting.

When he turned to look at Melissa, he took a drag of his cigarette and said impassively, "Who let this dog into Blue Honors? Why hasn't anyone driven her **out yet?"** 

At first, Melissa was charmed by the man's hauntingly beautiful looks.

However, Percy's harsh words were like a bucket of cold water over her head and snapped her back to her senses.

'How dare this man say that I'm a dog! How arrogant!'

In her single-minded anger, Melissa did not notice that the other people were looking at Percy with fear.

She laughed out of anger and did not relent. "Do you have any manners? You say that I'm a dog, but you're lesser than a dog! I'm here to spend money, and the customer is always right. What right do you have to drive me away? Sure, I'll leave, but I want a full **refund!**"

Everyone was shocked. They could feel a chill in their hearts.

'Is this woman fearless, or is she just irredeemably stupid?'

In A City, Percy was more feared than the devil.

no exaggeration to say that anyone he wanted dead would not live to see the

was almost losing it. Nothing good would happen whenever he went out with that stupid cousin

swore that he would not bring her out again, no matter what his parents told

as Melissa finished speaking, a dagger with a paper-thin blade sliced obliquely past the right side of

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left on her scalp was the white-colored skin. It was cleaner than using an electric

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'What amazing skill!' Bianca thought.

was Percy to shave off the hair in one stroke without hurting the

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Percy is so cool!' They were

Melissa was dumbfounded.

Chapter 356 Shock and Disbelief!

In the private room, a purebred Persian cat was sleeping lazily on the snow- white fur carpet.

The Persian cat's long fur blended perfectly with the carpet...

Bianca did not notice it. She nearly stepped on the cat's tail with her high heels, which caused the sleeping cat to suddenly pounce.

As it pounced, it bared its teeth and hissed at Bianca, which gave her a huge shock!

She instinctively took a step backward, and she lost balance. If not that Luke supported her in time, she would have fallen on the floor!

"Are you OK?" Luke held Bianca in her arms while staring daggers at the "perpetrator."

The Persian cat was not intimidated by the man's imposing aura.

It shook its fur and started at the family of four with its sky-blue eyes. It looked like an arrogant but graceful noblewoman.

Rainie could not help but fall in love with that cute and furry creature.

She excitedly crouched down and stared at the cat while petting its soft fur. "Wow, Mommy, this cat is so pretty!"

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"You can't do that," Bianca spoke before Luke opened his mouth. 'This cat belongs to someone else. If we take it home without saying anything, their owner will be very sad when they can't find it. Also,

taking things without permission is theft. That's not only immoral but also illegal. Lanie, if you and Rainie like cats, Daddy and I will buy one for you." "But Great-Grandpa doesn't allow pets in the house." Lanie seemed disappointed.

"Don't worry. If Great-Grandpa doesn't like pets, we'll keep it in another house." Bianca winked and patted Lanie's head.

"Yay! Mommy is the best!"

**He was** ecstatic when he heard that they could have their own cat.

He ran to his sister and tugged her arm. "Rainie! Mommy said that we can have our own cat. Are you happy?"

Rainie kissed the cat in her arms and glanced at Lanie. "I'm happy, but I really want to bring this one home..."

Just as she finished speaking, the cat in her arms suddenly pounced and landed in a young woman's arms!

The woman was in her early twenties, and she was dressed in a waitress's uniform. She looked quite beautiful with her long and curly eyelashes and her big and animated **eyes**.

However, she seemed quite shy.

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Chapter 357 The Truth Behind the Adoption!

Leia knew from Allison that Luke was having dinner at Blue Honors. She dressed up and wanted to surprise him with her appearance.

She did not expect that Bianca was together with him.

'What's so good about Bianca that he loved him so much?' i

What made Leia even more disconcerted was that she had met Scarlett Quincy, a girl from the same orphanage.

Leia closed her eyes, trying hard not to think of those detestable memories.

Unfortunately, scenes from the past replayed in her mind like a movie.

When they were taken in by the orphanage at the same time, Leia was six years old, while Scarlett was five.

Back then, Leia was emaciated, and she did not speak much. She looked as though she came out of a refugee camp. Meanwhile, Scarlett was dressed in a puffy princess dress and wearing a tiara. She was as beautiful as an angel.

Scarlett had a good temperament, and she knew how to sing, dance, and tell stories. Every child in the orphanage, no matter girl or boy, liked her and constantly surrounded her.

Meanwhile, no one ignored the timidly and shy Leia.

could not understand why Scarlett would end up in an orphanage. She should have belonged in a wealthy family, where she would be showered by love

she knew was that she wanted people to pay attention to her instead

Leia looked like she was good friends with Scarlett, but she had framed Scarlett in secret: Stealing, pranking, putting bugs in the other children's beds, setting fire to public

blamed Scarlett for all

she replaced Scarlett as the most adored child in the

was branded as a "thief" and a "problem child,' and everyone hated her. Scarlett spent her next five years in

day, Jack Norman and his wife came to the orphanage to adopt a

that her opportunity to change her life had come. She had to grasp that opportunity so that she could escape

living there for many years, she knew that the orphanage was nothing but a charitable front with terrible living conditions. Not only did she not have a full meal, but certain good-looking children would disappear every year to be replaced by more children. That had made her

did not understand at first what was going on. However, she accidentally eavesdropped on the conversation between the warden and some strangers and found out about their underhanded

The orphanage was a charity in disguise. Actually, they were grooming girls as child brides.

Once the girls come of age, they would sell them to those bad guys.

**From** the conversation, Leia found out that they would groom her until she was eighteen years old, directly sell her to a wealthy man, and earn a fortune from **there**.

As for herself, the warden said that she would be sold in one or two years to a disabled tycoon who had a penchant for young *girls...* 

Leia broke out in cold sweat when she heard that. She could not imagine her fate if she were to fall into that tycoon's **hands**.

Looking at the other innocent children and Scarlett's angelic face, Leia mocked them for being naive. They did not know what would happen to them.

That was when Leia started to plan her escape.

The opportunity finally came.

**All the** children were so excited that they could not sleep when they heard that Secretary Norman was coming to the orphanage to adopt one of them. They all dressed up and hoped that they would be the chosen one.

Leia was not afraid of anyone else other than Scarlett, who was prettier than her.

have ruined Scarlett's reputation, but she was worried that the Normans might judge them by their appearances and pick Scarlett. She was not going to let

night before the Normans came, Leia sneaked a strong laxative into Scarlett's dinner. Scarlett suffered from serious diarrhea

morning, Scarlett did not have the energy to get out of bed and missed the chance to be chosen by

the biggest threat in her way, Leia won the hearts of the Normans with her beautiful appearance and intelligent brain. She was brought back to the Norman family house and lived the life of

continued to exist, and she would tremble in fear every time it was mentioned. She did not expose the orphanage's misdeeds; that was none of her business

Now, she was a Norman.

first, she was very cautious with how she acted. She did not want her adoptive parents to hate her and send her

realized that Queenie, her adoptive mother, was sincerely kind to her. Jack, her adoptive father, also treated her like his

eased into her role as Jack and Queenie's daughter, so did her

years later, Leia got the news that the orphanage had been shut down by the police, the warden and a VIP were arrested, and all the children were transferred to

Chapter 358 That's Exactly What I'm Looking For!

Leia's hand clenched onto the handbag tightly as she stared at the scene.

Even though it was as if a stormy sea was rumbling in her heart, she still had to put on a look on her face to show and pretend that there was nothing wrong.

"Scarlett Quincy, room number three.' Suddenly, a woman who looked like the maitre d'hotel called Scarlett in a hurry.

"Got it, I'll be there soon! Excuse me, miss, I have something else to attend to." Scarlett smiled apologetically at Bianca.

Bianca smiled and nodded, motioning her to go ahead.

After Scarlett left, Luke thoughtfully picked up Bianca bridal style and walked into the private room.

When Leia saw how thoughtful Luke was when taking care of Bianca in front of her, she was deeply hurt.

'Bianca Rayne?!

'Bianca Rayne??!

'She's nothing but a plain old Jane! Why should Luke treat her any differently?'

Leia thought about all the things she had done for Luke, how much she had devoted herself to him, but he had never treated her that tenderly before. 'That's so unfair!'

When Leia saw how harmonious the family of four looked, she could not help but feel intensely jealous.

could stand beside Luke publicly, enjoying his tenderness and thoughtfulness, while she could only stand in the far corner by herself. It was totally

moment, Leia's heart was full of jealousy

that now she was Luke's woman, in any case, she must marry that excellent man. Even if she could not win him over, she must at least get her hands on him

fell on the back view of the warm family, and her facial expression

would never give up so

Leia looked at the noble-looking Persian cat in Rainie's arms, a cold sneer appeared on

put on her sunglasses and wrapped herself tightly with a wide

that, she went to the

she confirmed that there was no one inside, she quietly made a call before going

name of each private room in Blue Honors was very poetic, such as Delicate Boudoir, Azure Cloud Room, Intoxicated Dark Lane, House Overlooking The Sea, and so

of the rooms had been

room that Bianca and her family of three entered was named Clear Ethereal Stream. The room was the VIP room in Blue Honors and was a sort of duplex structure. It had a huge space, and all its furnishings and decorations made visitors feel as if they were brought back to nature. It felt as if they were really in the

the Clear Ethereal Stream room, a huge pistacia weinmannifolia that looked nearly 100 years old had luscious flowers and leaves that grew past the walls of the entire

Beneath the flowering trees was a gurgling and flowing stream of spring water.

**Among the** pebbles and algae that spread across the room, when they listened carefully, they could even hear rustling sounds of pine trees in the wind that sounded **like waves.** 

There were also old corals, antique silverware, and other ornaments that hung around the room. When a person entered the room, their gaze was met with stunning views all around **them.** 

**Bianca marveled** at the clever layout that was presented. It was no wonder the price tag here was skyhigh. Such an environment could not be found at other *decent establishments*.

"The interior here is really good." Bianca was impressed and expressed at the table again.

The layout there was so gorgeous that even the floor of their room was made of a special transparent glass material that allowed them to clearly see the fishes swimming in the *water*.

"If you like, we can come here more often in the future," Luke said dotingly.

He had been to places like this hundreds of times, not to mention his collaboration in the layout and design here. Naturally, he was not as amazed as Bianca.

Even so, as long as Bianca liked it, he was happy.

The bright and happy smile on Bianca's face was the best gift she could ever give him.

The two little kiddos sat upright at the dining table.

Luke had taught them well, and their table manners were perfect and impeccable.

The lazy Persian cat laid in Rainie's arms like a sloth.

curled up in the little girl's arms and laid motionlessly as it let Rainie gently caress its white shiny

waiter in blue uniform and white gloves served the dishes one by one. The dishes included Alba White Truffle, Almas Caviar, Crolla's Royale pizza, Seafood Treasure Pot Curry, and many more. All the food and drinks were rare and uncommon

food was placed on the table, the waiter respectfully made a professional bow and then

the two of you are still growing, so you'll need to eat

Bianca was about to pick up some of the food for the

had already picked up a portion of food and placed it on the plate in front

stuff here is pretty good. Here, try it,"

at Lanie and Rainie who were staring at her eagerly, then looked at Luke a little embarrassedly. "I'll take what I want. You're the kids' father, so you should give them the

asserted eloquently, "They have both their hands and feet, can't they do it by themselves? I only get food for my wife." "..." Rainie and Blanche were left speechless at the same

they could roar at their dad at the same time and ask, 'Daddy, how can you show favoritism so blatantly, displaying your lovey-doveyness like this in front of us? Is this really how a dad should

They were still kiddos!

perhaps they were used to the way their father pampered their mother, so the two children did not make a big deal out of it. Instead, they quietly ate their meal with their tiny

alluring aroma that wafted from the food made the Persian cat's initially closed round eyes suddenly

Chapter 359 A Familiar Face

After Leia took the item from the man's hand, she carefully stuffed it into the pocket of her jacket.

She walked toward Blue Honors.

When she passed a crossroad, a dirty hand suddenly grabbed the corner of her coat. "Miss, can you do me favor? Can you spare some change?"

Leia took off her sunglasses.

She frowned in disgust when she saw a shaggy homeless person tugging on the corner of her clothes.

The homeless man was drunk and wore a shabby jacket with holes. His clothes were dirty, and his natural skin color was barely visible from all the dirt. His face was in a horrible mess and it seemed as if he had not washed his face for at least a week.

Leia could not stand his sloppy and dirty appearance.

"Piss off!" Leia rudely kicked the homeless man away with her high-heeled boots.

When she saw the stains on the corner of her clothes where the homeless man had touched, Leia's brows furrowed deeper.

It seemed that the new coat that she had just bought not long ago was about to be thrown away soon!

did not want to be bothered with him any longer because she was in a hurry, but the homeless man crawled over to her again, grabbing her legs tightly and not wanting to

stank of alcohol, and that made

homeless rascal said, "If you don't give me any money, I'm not going to let you go that was furious. She used her hands and feet together, kicking and trampling the homeless

homeless man already had too much to drink, he was still a man and had a lot of strength. Leia used up a lot of strength before she successfully kicked him away, so much so that even the thick furry scarf that covered most of her face loosened up from the wind. She did not even realize when

Suzy..." When the homeless man saw Leia's face, it seemed as if he was struck by lightning. He stared at the familiar face in a daze and suddenly became

out that her scarf had loosened

if she was a thief who got caught, she re-wrapped her scarf in a panic as her eyes darted around the place vigilantly to survey the surroundings, lest there might be hidden surveillance cameras or reporters lying in a corner somewhere. She was afraid that someone would catch and film this indecent scene

time, the tabloids about her at the bar were already

there was another headline in the tabloids that said something like 'Pure Female Celebrity Leia Abuses A Homeless Man', the saliva produced from the people talking about it would drown her. In addition to that, it would affect her good image as a well-behaved and sensible daughter in her

was definitely not the outcome she

**Fortunately, because** of the cold weather, there were only the occasional vehicles passing by on the street and a few scattered pedestrians far away from them. It seemed that everyone's attention was away from **them.** 

After all, it was the middle of a heavy winter. No one was in the mood to care about the life and death of a homeless man.

Leia cursed under her breath, and as if she was avoiding trash, she bypassed the scruffy homeless man from a far distance. She walked hurriedly and turned back to Blue Honors again.

The homeless man who was beaten up by her seemed to be walking aimlessly on the road, but he was actually following Leia.

When he saw Leia walking toward an extremely luxurious clubhouse and a door boy eagerly opening the door for her, the homeless man's cloudy and old eyes suddenly burst with a thoughtful light. 'Suzy, that woman looks so much like you. Could it be that she's *our daughter?'* 

Halfway through Bianca and her family's meal, the Persian cat suddenly smelled something strange. It was the smell of its beloved food. Suddenly, it jumped off the table and rushed over toward the direction of the *smell!* 

"Mommy, the kitty ran away-" Rainie's eyes turned red with anxiety when she saw the Persian cat running away. The little girl jumped down from the small stool and tried to chase after the cat that had suddenly run away.

"Rainie!" Bianca was anxious, so she got up and tried to stop her daughter. She grabbed and hugged her in her arms. "That kitty is probably going to find its owner. Be a good girl, let the kitty go back, alright? When we go home, I'll buy you another kitty, okay?" "But Mommy, I'm not done playing with the kitty. And Great-grandpa won't let us have pets..." Rainie bit her index finger and blinked her big eyes at Bianca sadly.

**Luke** gracefully wiped the corners of his lips and said, "If Great-grandpa won't let you have a pet, I'll let you. In a few days, the four of us will be moving out. By that time, you and your brother will be able to have your own pets, on the condition that the two of you must take care and love them."

Rainie's eyes lit up suddenly. 'Daddy, is that true?" "When has Daddy ever lied to us? He's a man of his words! If he says so, it must be true!" Blanche trusted Luke with all his heart.

Blanche heard that he could have his own cute little pet in the future, he was extremely

you think that kitty went back to the beautiful miss? The cat is so beautiful and cute. It won't be nice if someone else catches it away," Rainie said

about it and agreed. That Persian cat was indeed

though the customers who came here were rich and wealthy, no one could guarantee that there were not any other children like Rainie and Lanie who liked cats and would take it

order to satisfy her daughter, Bianca informed Luke and brought Rainie and Lanie to follow after the Persian cat to

that since it was Percy's area, the security was impeccable and nothing bad would happen, so he

The washroom.

held the can of canned cat food that wafted out a delicious fragrance. That canned food was unique and at least ten times more fragrant than normal canned

typical cat's nose was sensitive, let alone a purebred

the snow-white Persian cat was attracted to the scent of the canned cat food and was led to the cat meowed at Leia a few times, and the greedy cat salivated as it stared at the canned cat food in Chapter 360 Nip Each One In The Bud!

Leia leaned against the wall of the bathroom and almost exploded in anger due to the Persian cat.

No matter how much she tried to tempt the cat with the canned cat food, it would not get down from the flower stand! It was a freaking cunning little thing!

No matter what, she had to inject the liquid medicine into the cat.

Otherwise, she could not go ahead with the next step of her plan!

Leia took off her high-heeled boots and climbed barefoot onto the sink.

She wanted to grab the cat from the flower stand down herself.

Unexpectedly, the snow-white Persian cat seemed to guess her intentions. When Leia had just climbed onto the sink, it jumped off the flower stand directly onto the ground.

At the same time, its sharp claws scratched Leia's white and tender flesh when it passed by her!

If Leia had not reacted quick enough and blocked her face with her arm in time, her beautiful face would have been sliced through by that time.

Leia almost fell down.

Persian cat even meowed a few times at her to show its dominance. That made Leia's face twist in anger as she vowed to catch that crazy

her tireless struggle with the Persian cat, she caught the cat and successfully injected it with the green liquid

bad thing that happened to her though, was that the back of her hand was also scratched by the Persian cat and she was left with a few bloody

the other side, Bianca and the twins were looking for the Persian

a few waiters on their way and some of them said that they perhaps saw a white cat running into the brought Lanie and Rainie along and walked toward the washroom

they went around the corner, they met Leia and her

meticulous makeup on as she wore the latest Prada pink coat, matched with a white shirt and black leather pants with leather gloves on both of her hands. Her aura was very strong and she looked just like

other hand, her assistant was ugly, slightly fat, and cowardly. It was a stark contrast

Being a celebrity assistant entailed taking care of a celebrity's life, but in fact, it was almost like being a babysitter.

**Bianca** understood that celebrities usually did not choose beautiful assistants for fear of stealing the limelight, and Leia's assistant was no **exception**.

When Bianca saw Leia, she felt a little uncomfortable.

**Although she** knew that Luke had no interest in Leia, Bianca still did not like her.

Bianca did not want to pay any attention to Leia, so she took the two twins and continued to move forward. However, Leia called out to her, "Ms. Rayne, what a coincidence that I'm meeting you here." "Nope, not a coincidence. Many customers come to eat here every day. I think occasionally meeting each other here is normal. Ms. Norman, I'm just wondering, is it really a coincidence that we're meeting here?" Bianca said with a fake **smile.** 

"Where's Luke? Why isn't he here with you guys?" Leia pretended to be surprised even though she already *knew*.

**Bianca squeezed** the two children's small hands and smiled sweetly at Leia. 'Luke came with me. He said that he has been busy with work recently and doesn't spend enough time with us. He said he felt that he owes it to me and the children, so he decided to specially spend time together with his wife and kids today. I felt bad, but he said that no matter how much money he makes, he can't compare it to the happiness he feels when he's with his family." 1

When Leia saw Bianca's sweet smile and listened to how she talked about her blessed life, she suddenly felt that the scratches on the back of her hand from the cat's attack earlier became even **more painful**.

Although she was extremely irritated, she had to show self-restraint on the outside.

"I hope that you can laugh so happily every day!" Leia gave Bianca a meaningful look, patted her shoulders as she walked past her, and snorted before walking toward a room with her assistant.

saw her inexplicable smile, she shuddered

is Leia trying to say? Is this her way of publicly declaring war on

thought of that possibility, it worsened her antipathy toward that C-lister female celebrity. If Luke had never disclosed their relationship publicly and if they were not together, then Leia could compete fairly with her. The point was that Leia knew that she was Luke's girlfriend and had no intentions of getting involved with her, but she still insisted to budge between them. That clearly showed she had major

glanced at Bianca, furrowed her delicate brows, and said, "Mommy, I don't like that aunty just now. I don't like her

grumbled, "Yeah, Mommy, that aunty has a bad attitude toward you. Does she like Daddy? She's so annoying. She acts just the same way as all the other bad aunties who chased after

always had sensitive intuitions. Although they did not understand the tit for tat in the adult world, they could sense the hostility between the

does like your daddy.' Bianca looked at the two tiny tots and asked curiously, "Did many women chase after Daddy before?" "Yes, in the words of Uncle Louis, there were plenty of women, as many as fishes in the sea. Some women even deliberately approached me and my sister in order to please Daddy. It was really annoying... But Daddy usually ignored them and drove all of them away," Lanie said with his big glimmering

heard Luke's romantic history of being chased by other women from her own son, she

was too good of a man whom many women scrambled for. If it were not for his firm will and OCD, he might have become a playboy

the future, if she married that man, he would still be popular with