

THE BILLIONAIRE'S SURROGATE

THIRTY-ONE

DEAN'S PLEAS

After spending the latter part day with Gianna, Andre decided to go home,
He needed to have a word with Jasmine about this whole pregnancy shit.

But on a second thought he decided to not ask her,
What if Jasmine just said those words to irritate Gianna and get her to leave me?

What if Gianna had gotten a wrong notation?

Instead of talking to her about it, he only went to greet his grandfather but
unfortunately, she was there with the man.

“Andre you're back, I thought the meeting ends by next weekend?” The man asked
his grandson,

Since he'd retired, he only knows bit of what's going on in the business.
Everything's left for Andre to handle.

“Yes, grandfather but a more urgent work came up, so I'd to hurry back home.” He
said,

“A more important work?
Which work is more important than being in Germany?” The man asked,

Andre didn't reply,

“And Jasmine here told me you haven't been for home some days now rather you're
spending time with one slutty actress, who's she?” The man asked,

He frowned,
Jasmine has so brainwashed his grandfather that the old man barely thinks of
anyone if not her,

“Andre, when will you stop flirting around and settle down with Jasmine,
You both have been engaged for years but yet you still procrastinate the wedding
date,
Don't you think people will begin to talk and rumors will have it she's just your
fiancé by name?”

“Well, I don’t care what people think or say.” Andre retorted

This is more the reason he loves staying away from home,
To avoid his grandfather’s bickering him on getting married to Jasmine.

“Andre, you should know that your grandpa is well old and advanced, I just have a few years left for me,
My only wish is to see Jasmine be the young mistress of this family and that’s one wish you should grant me...”

“Then why don’t you make her your mistress?” He spat,

Jasmine and the old man frowned,
They never expected Andre to be that vicious,

Seeing them not talking again, he headed for the stairs,

“Andre you should listen to me or else I’ll withdraw you from the family’s wealth.”
The old man threatened, he’d never been so angry at Andre before,

He turned to his old man,

“Do you think the business would still stand if you take me out,
Taking me out of the Empire is like waiting for its bankruptcy,
So, I dare you to do it.” Andre was very discreet when it comes to business and what he just said is all true,

The De Marco Empire won’t be able to stand Andre’s absence.

The old man didn’t even mean his words but seeing Andre challenge him, he felt humiliated.

“You unfilial son, you dare challenge me because of a woman, humph.”

Jasmine pretended to be nice and consoled the old man,

“Grandfather take it easy, Andre didn’t mean those words,
All this is because of that low life actress, she has casted a spell on him.” She said to him, patting his back.

The man was still I’ll and shouldn’t be going through stress like this.

“Don’t worry Jasmine, grandpa will make sure no woman comes in to take your place.

You’re the mistress of this family no one not even Andre can change that.” The old man assured the girl, she nodded.

Gianna can't take her place because she has got the backup of the most important person in the family.

Gianna couldn't go to Denver Tower the next few days because of what happened, Most of the set instruments were destroyed and Director Selden is still at the hospital for the severe injury he got when he was pushed by Andre, Secondly, Dean still isn't feeling well, so everything was put on hold for the main time.

Since she wasn't going for the shoot, she decided to spend time with Reid and her father.

On several occasions she went out with Andre.

After two weeks of idling around at home and getting laid by Andre, she got a call from the director that everything has been settled,

Unknown to her, Andre had gone behind and issued that the only reason he was going to allow the movie shoot continue is that there would be no kissing scenes for Gianna,

"But President De Marco, this movie is supposed to be a romantic movie." Director Selden had argued,

"There should be no kissing scenes of hugging or any intimate scenes for Gianna." He repeated,

Since the movie was a very big investment for them and Andre's support means a lot to them, so they just had to accept his condition.

Since the first scene had involved kissing, Director Selden changed the script, instead of kissing, they'd to just hold hands and look at each other in the eyes for five minutes straight,

Gianna found it difficult cause she isn't use to looking at an opposite sex straight in the eyes,

"Cut! Gianna stay focused," Director Selden reprimanded her,

"Okay Sir." She muttered and they Reid the scene, This time she did fairly well, since the director found it a bit better than the former, He decided they go to the next scene after a short break.

During their short break, Dean dragged Gianna into her changing room and shut the door behind him,

“Dean...” She slowly called,

“You’re his woman, right?” He asked, she knew what he meant but didn’t have the courage to answer him,

“What so special about him?

Is it money? Fame? Name it Gigi, anything you want, I’ll give it to you...” He said,

“Dean...” He placed his index finger on her lips,

“GiGi, you don’t have to say anything just accept, I’ll love you and I’ll care for you...please.” He pleaded, wanting to claim her lips but she dodged,

“Dean, it’s not as easy as you think,

There’s a lot more to this than you’re seeing...” She didn’t want to tell him the deep connection between herself and Andre.

She wouldn’t want Dean to know about her sons and Andre being their father.

“Dean, I can’t choose you.” She slowly said, he frowned,

“Why?” He asked,

“Because I just can’t. Pleas....” Dean left her opened the door and walked away from the room.

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CHAPTER THIRTY-TWO

REID’S SECRETS

Over the next few shoots, Dean avoided Gianna,

She noticed it and tried to settle issues with him but he never gave her the chance to,

When the both of them have to act together, he acts so indifferent like she’s a stranger to him.

One time she'd she bought water for everyone in the auditorium cause they'd to shoot under the sun for long,
He'd refused her water and went upstairs,

It'd really upset her, she wanted to pull him back but decided against it.
He has every right to be angry,
Nobody gets happy when the person they love is loving another person,
That shit really hurts.

Andre came to take her home later that day,
He'd made it the habit of coming to pick her from the venue when she's done shooting.

"Are you busy tonight?" He asked her as his driver drove the Bentley into the nighty dark road,

"Yeah, I'd promised Reid I'll be home to eat the dinner he'll prepare for me." She said looking out the window,

The evening was cool and serene, taking a deep breathe, she turned to Andre,

"Can I ask you for a favor?"
Andre looked at her and smiled,

"What's it?" He said,
He loves it when she asks for favor, something she hardly or better still never does.

"Would you mind if I get the chance to see my son?" She asked barely looking at him,

"Justin?" He asked,
She nodded.

He smiled mischievously,
Now he's going to get her,

"It's no big favor but.... I'll grant you that on a condition." He smacked both lips,
Gianna frowned,
She knows what he meant.

"Does anything sensible and sane runs in your head if not sex?" She asked him frowning,
He leaned close to her,

"It's not sex Hun, we're making love." He kissed her lips full,

“And nothing good runs in my head with you around.” His hand went under her skirt and she moaned,

The chauffeur heard her moan then looked through the rear mirror to the back seat.

When Gianna saw him looking at the mirror to the she pushed Andre away from her,

“Andre please get control of yourself. “He frowned,
Following her gaze, he saw his driver smiling from the front seat,

” Luther, are you watching us?” He asked the driver,
The man swallowed hard and shook his head,
“No sir.” He said with fear,

“Get out of the car.” Andre orders the man,
He stopped driving after parking the car by the side of the road and he went outside.

Andre closed the partition between the front and back seat,
Then he automatically closed all door and glass,

“Can’t we wait till we get home” she asked fearing the evil glint in his eyes,
“I want you here and now.” With lips curving into a very mischievous smile,
He claimed his woman.

When they got home the whole house was quiet and the light were all turned off.

“Like dad and Reid isn’t home yet.” Andre said to her,

She was still checking the house when she heard some clicking sound coming from Reid’s room.

“Let’s go and catch some fun.” Andre said naughtily,
Oblivious of the sound from the room,
He walked to her and wrapped his hands around her slender and petite body.

She slapped his hands off,
“There’s a sound coming from Reid’s room.” She whispered to him,

He frowned,
Why must that son of his home by this time?
That boy is sure a killjoy.

Tiptoeing to the boy’s room, they heard his voice talking to someone,

“Those bloody loser, they think they can pass my coastline without no blocking,
Now they watch their precious system being hacked by an eight-year-old.”

Andre was surprised at the boy's word,
Hacking?
Coastline?
What's this son of mine up to again?

He pushed the door and went inside,
Reid seeing them pressed the window button of his laptop,

"Mommy, you're back." He stood up,
"Reid what were you doing?" Gianna asked not smiling,
"Mommy, I was playing a video game." He lied boldly,

"Video games that hacks people's system or the ones that give unauthorized permission to...."

He boy went closer to her,
"Mommy that's the game, you hack your opponent's system and make sure they don't pass your lines,
I do call the lines coastal line just trying to imagine how it will be if it is real." He lied,

This boy's a greater liar than I thought,
Andre pinched himself.

"You sure?" Gianna asked,
She'd no reason to doubt him though,
The boy nodded then she left the room,

You guys should come for dinner soon." she said before leaving.

Andre walked towards his son with a big frown,
"Who are you?" He asked the boy,
"All those lie you just told your mommy, they don't work on me,
Now tell me who you really are or just watch me find out and have me tell your mommy that her precious and sweet son is not who she thinks he's.
He's something greater than that, maybe a demon or so." He said to the boy on a more serious tone.

The boy frowned,
Is this man just threatening me or does he mean what he just said?

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CHAPTER THIRTY-THREE

" SHE'S BLEEDING"

A few days before the boy's birthday,
Gianna decided that she was going to get Justin a gift,

"Andre, do you know what the day after tomorrow is?" She asked him lying in his arms,

"Nope, what day is it?" He asked her, she frowned and looked at him,

"It's the boy's birthday, remember."

How can someone forget his son's birthday?
He's so irresponsible,
Wonder how Justin had been able to cope with him?

He hits his head slightly,
"OH, I forgot."

Yeah, you sure did.
On the real terms, he'd never remembered his son's birthday,
He only find out if the boy tells him and he just buy whatever the boy asks for.
No surprise gift,
No birthday parties.
Just get him expensive gifts and toys and the whole birthday shit is out.

"What are you going to get for Justin for his birthday?" She asked him,

For her, Reid's birthday is very special to her and she never forgets it.
Surprise gifts and toys,
Birthday parties (even though they aren't extravagant) and outings.

"Well, I get him what he asks for." He replied,
She sat up,

"No surprise gifts?" She asked him,
He shook his head,

“Andre! You’re such an irresponsible father.
Don’t you know kids love surprise gift?
It’s just like given them what you want and not what they ask,
Giving them something you love them to have....” She grunts,

“But no one ever told me that.” He sat up too,

“Justin never told me he wants a surprise gift...” She slapped his arms,

“He doesn’t have to tell you; you just have to figure it out.” She corrected,

“Is it necessary?” He asked when she stood up from the bed and started getting her clothes,

“Yes, very necessary and you’re accompanying me to get gifts for the boys.” She took her clothes and walked into the bathroom.

“Andre gets ready fast.” She shouted from the bathroom,
He stood up from the bed,

Women are such babies,
What’s so special about birthdays one has to go through all this long process to celebrate one?

He stood up from the bed and went to the closet to get some clothes.

When she came out, he was already dressed in a black impeccable suit,
Seeing him dressed in the suit, she began to laugh,

He frowned,

“Why are you laughing?” He asked her, she didn’t reply rather she continued to laugh.

“Why are you laughing?” He looked at himself in the mirror again,

Nothing odd, in fact he looks super good,
Then why’s this crazy woman laughing like she just saw a joker?

“Why are you laughing, you crazy woman?” He frowned moving towards her,
Seeing him moving closer, she puts her palms on her mouth to stop laughing but she couldn’t.

He came to her and pinned her to the wall,

“What’s amusing you?”

She shook her head and made a throaty whisper,

“Nothing.”

He licked her lips and whispered to her hearing,

“If you don’t tell me now, I won’t hesitate shredding your clothes into pieces claiming you right here and now.”

He meant every word of it and she knew it,

Can’t take the risk,

She’s quite tired and sore from their previous lovemaking and isn’t going to take the risk of another.

“It’s just that....” She laughed, it’s so hard controlling her laughter,

“We’re going for shopping and not a business meeting so you don’t have to wear a suit to go shopping.” She blurted amidst laughter,

He moved from her and went back to the mirror,

“What else can I wear?” He asked himself,

He’s always on suit, so he’s now used to wearing it almost on daily basis.

“Wait let me get you something else.” She pushed the door of the closet open and started ransacking the whole place in search of a simpler outfit.

It was very hard to get a simple outfit,

So she came out with Swiss Polo T-shirt and an Emperor Jean trouser,

“Here you go, try it on.” She threw the clothes on the bed and turned to him,

Andre started taking the buttons of his shirt off,

“No not here! Go to the closet and get dressed.” She said,

Was this man trying to undress in front of me?

Hmph, shameless.

“Like you haven’t seen me naked before.” He took the clothes and went into the closet.

She was lying on the bed when he came out of the closet,

“Is it good?” He asked feeling uncomfortable in the clothes,

She got up from the bed and walked towards him,

He’s looks more handsome and godly in this.

“You should wear more of this; they make you look less scary and cold.” She said,

He frowned,
He was expecting a nicer comment from her, like
Gosh, you're handsome.
You look super-hot.
But no, she just had to criticize his personality again.

"Let's get going Andre." She snapped him from his thoughts and walked out the door.

When they got to the mall, it was already afternoon,
So he'd asked to go inside while he parked his car.
She left him and went inside.

She was standing at the jewelry shop when she saw Ruth,

Ruth was her colleague at her former workplace,
The girl doesn't like her and she doesn't like her too.

Seeing Gianna, Ruth walked toward her,

"Hey Gianna, is this you? How have you been?" She asked with a pretentious smile,

"I'm fine, you." Gianna replied haughtily,

"Well, I'm good. Just got promoted to the Assistant Manager at the office,
It's hectic but it worth it though." She said,

Gianna sighed,

Now she's just trying to camouflage.

"You see, I'm getting married soon and I came to get some Jewelry with my fiancée."
She pointed to the man who was at the other side of the counter,

"Baby!" She called the man, he looked up and walked towards her,

"Baby, I want you to meet my friend and my former colleague Gianna,"

"Gianna, this is Authur my fiancée."
She Introduced the two of them,

Gianna felt awkward when she saw the man eyeing her,

He took her hand in a handshake and kissed the back of her palm.

"You look beautiful." He commented, not wanting to let go of her hand,

“Sir, you’re still holding me.” I muttered slowly and he let go, Ruth who was busy talking didn’t notice what happened,

“Gianna what did you come here to get?” She asked her,

“Don’t tell me you came to get a jewelry here cause they’re way too expensive...” She added not giving her the chance to answer,

“This one,” she pointed to the golden bracelet on her wrist,

“It cost fifty thousand dollars and this...” She pointed at the necklace around her neck.

“I bought it here a few days ago and it cost a hundred and fifty thousand dollars...”

Everything she was saying, Gianna’s eyes were fixed on a particular earring,

It was a diamond earring, very small but magnificent, It has starry shape and glitters,

“How much does that cost?” She asked the saleslady,

“Gianna that’s cost a fortune and you can’t buy it.” Ruth said, She was just saying all this to humiliate the girl,

“It’s nine hundred and fifty thousand.” The lady said, “And like your friend said, it way out of your reach.”

Mere looking at Gianna she doesn’t look like a rich girl, so the shopkeeper thought she can’t afford it.

While she was still talking, Andre walked in, “Anna, here you’re.” He came and wrapped his arms around her not minding the people present,

“I was looking all over for you.” He kissed her hair,

Ruth, her fiancée and the shopkeeper were surprised to see the wealthy and handsome man that was holding her,

“Let’s go get what we came for.” She said, trying to pull him away,

“You wanted those earrings, right?” He asked pulling her back.

“No, we didn’t come for that remember,”

“Okay, you don’t want it but I want it for you.” He said,
Ruth couldn’t control her jealousy,
Why must Gianna always have the good thing and not her?

“Miss, you said it cost nine fifty, right?” He asked the shopkeeper, the woman
nodded,

Andre brought out his Black Card and handed it to the woman,
Ruth gasped,
Only Wealthy and Powerful men possess Black Card,
For this man to possess this card it means he’s a very wealthy man.

The shopkeeper took out the earrings and brought out his box to put it.

“Don’t worry, just give it to me.” He took the earring from her and turned to Gianna,

Signaling her, she came closer and he help her out it on,
“Its looks so beautiful on you, don’t take it off.”
She smiled a thank you and he took her hands, walking out of the jewelry shop.

“Miss, I want that earring too.” Ruth turned to the shopkeeper, seeing the couple
leave,

“That’s the only one of it piece and bet me you can’t afford it.” A wave of hot
jealously flushed through her, she left her fiancée and went outside.

Andre and Gianna got a GPS Bluetooth Watch for the boys,
The watch has special features too like tracking someone and taking calls, it also a
water-resistant watch.

After doing some more shopping for clothes,
She was hungry,
So Andre decided they go have lunch together.

They settled for the close by restaurant and Andre opt for the VIP area,

“Sir someone else has ordered this place....” The manager said as the couple came in,

“Well tell the person that President De Marco wants the place.” Andre said to the
manager,

The manager went inside and came out again,
“President De Marco come in,” The manager showered them in,

They entered inside and he placed their order,
Since he was eating, he only did order for Gianna.

“Why aren’t you eating?” Gianna asked him seeing him taking only water,

” I’m not hungry.” He replied her,
She knew he was lying,
It’s not that he wasn’t hungry but,
He doesn’t just eat from any restaurant.

“Okay.” She said not wanting to push further, she just focused on her meal.

A female’s voice was heard outside yelling,

“How come I made a reservation and you’re here telling me someone else had to use it,
What nonsense?
Where’s that person?” She rushed into the VIP area and saw Alexandre De Marco.

“Oh President De Marco, it’s you.” The lady said more calmly,
Andre and Gianna looked up to see the person that just came in,
Tamera Judson.

“Good day.” She greeted the man eyeing the woman sitting beside him,

“Are you the one that they reserved this place for?” Andre asked her, she nodded,

“But since you’re here, I’ll excuse you both.” She nodded and left the room.

Immediately she left, Gianna looked at Andre who was still looking at the door,

“Do you want to go with her?” She asked him with a tinge of jealousy which was very obvious.

“Are you jealous?” Andre asked turning to her, she shook her head,

“Why should I be?” She said now focusing on her food.

After eating a few mouthfuls, she felt a slight discomfort in her lower abdomen,
She adjusted herself on the seat when she felt the pain again.

When she felt wet and warm, something strikes her mind.
Andre had just looked up from his phone when he saw her pale face.

“What’s the matter?” He asked,
She couldn’t say a word to him,

Seeing her not talking, he moved his seat beside her and stretched his hands to her,
“No! Don’t touch me.” She said quickly,

He frowned then forcefully scoop her up from the seat,
In the process his hands felt something warm and wet,
He withdrew his hand and saw stains of blood on it,

“Are you bleeding?” He asked her, her face drained of color.

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CHAPTER THIRTY-FOUR

” THE LUCKY ONES”

Andre gently scooped her up from the chair,

“Anna what happened to you?
How did you get hurt?” He asked extremely worried,
While she couldn’t say anything to him cause of the pain,
It was so overbearing.

“Let’s get you to the hospital.” He picked the shopping bags to leaves but she
stopped him with a faint cry,

“Andre...you don’t have to...”

“No Anna, you’re hurt and clearly in pain, you’ll have to go see the doctor.” He said
adamantly but she pulled his collar,

“Andre just take me home please.”
He was so confused,

She’s bleeding and still telling him to take her home,
Is this woman insane?
Does she want to die in his hands?

“No, we’re getting you to the hospital and that’s final.” He repeated,

She clutched to his shirt’s collar,

“Andre no need to take me to the doctor,” she was very ashamed to tell him that this is her monthly flow.

It’s her time of the month.

Doesn’t this man know about Menstruation and Menstrual cycle?

“Just take me home and everything will be alright.” She said clutching his shirt tighter,

He paid their bill with his Black Card and carried Gianna to the car.

Instead of driving to her house, he drove to his mother’s house.

The house had been his mother’s recovery home but since her death, he’d renovated it and made it his only memory of her.

This particular house means a lot to him and he hasn’t brought anyone here since her death,

Not even his son or Jasmine,

But he took her there cause she’s the only one worthy to be called his woman.

Pulling into the drive way, he rushed out from the car and carried Gianna out from the passenger’s seat then took her inside.

Her cramps were mostly like contractions,

When it tightened her, she held him tighter and only releases him when it releases her.

Since he’d no idea on what’s wrong with her,

He was more confused than ever,

He’d never tend to a sick woman before but seeing her in this pain,

His heart tightened.

He took her to his bedroom and lay her on the bed but she protested,

“Andre bathroom. Take me to the bathroom.” He scooped her from the bed and heads to the bathroom,

“What else?” Andre asked her after turning on the water,

“I need sanitary pads.” She said,

She was quite embarrassed but deep down, she felt very happy.

She was drowning in the wave of happiness,
Seeing how she shows great concern for her.

“Only that?” He asked,
He know what sanitary pads are,
He’d seen Jasmine keeping those ladies diaper a few times.

“Go to the mall, they’ll have it there.” She mouthed amidst pain,

Leaving her in the tub, he ran to his car and drove to the mall with great speed.

Having spent twenty minutes in the Toiletries
Andre came out with more than fifteen different designs and makes of sanitary pad.

Seeing him the shopping for almost all the sanitary pads in their shop,
The woman began to laugh.

“Check all this for me.” He ordered the woman and started to Bing out all the pads in
the trolley,

“Sir I don’t think you might want all this.” The woman said, seeing how frustrated
and tired he’s.

“Wait let me get you what you need.” She left her counter and packed back the back
into the stroller,

She left him and headed to the Toiletries while he wait by the counter.

Taking care of a woman is more difficult that I thought.

Gianna was in the bathtub when he came back, he rushed to her,
“Anna.” He called as he helped her out of the tub,

“Let’s get you dried up.” He carried her naked body to the bed, even in all her
protest.

Laying her on the bed, he handed a bag to her,
She opened it and awed,
The bag held three packs of sanitary pad and a set on new undies.

She blushed amidst pain,

“The shopkeeper said you’ll need them too.” He said innocently,

“Thanks a lot.” She carefully got up from the bed and walked into the bathroom to
clad herself.

Andre insisted they stay at the house that day since she was still having her cramps. They went back to her house the next morning, while she got dressed and headed for her shoot while he went to work.

That evening when she came back Reid was in the living room with Tony, "Mommy you didn't come back home last night, where did you go to?" Reid asked her,

She couldn't tell him she was with Andre because she'd lied to her dad that Andre is her boss at work, So the man might get suspicious if she tells her son the truth, so she lied,

"Mommy went to Aunt Janine's house, since it was already late, Mommy had to pass the night there." She touched the boy's cheek,

"Mommy I prepared dinner for you, let's go eat now." Reid took her hand while Tony followed behind

Reid talked through dinner and after dinner, Gianna knew what he was waiting for,

His birthday gift from her, She has the habit of giving him his gift the night before his birthday.

But when she said nothing about it, the boy became sad but didn't show it,

Seems like ever since that father of mine came into our lives, mommy's slowly forgetting about me.

I'm no longer her only sweetheart anymore, My father has stolen my spot and soon my twin brother would come in and do the same.

"Mommy do you remember what tomorrow is?" He asked his mommy as she followed him to his bedroom,

"She shook her head, "No, what's tomorrow?" She asked, His face fell and it was very obvious he was disappointed.

His mommy that doesn't ever forgets his birthday before, Now she doesn't even remember it all He wanted to let down a few tears but he stopped right on time.

"Mommy don't you know tomorrow is my birthday and I'll be eight." He said sadly,

She smiled and hugged him,
“I always do son, I always remember your birthday and would never forget it
That’s why I got you a very special gift.” She brought out the wrapped box and
handed it to him,

He looked at her in exasperation and excitement,
“Mommy what’s inside?” He asked her,
“Open and see for yourself.” She said,

He tore out the wrapper and what lay before him was a GPS Bluetooth Watch and
the funniest part is that Reid was the person that made it.

Seeing the watch, he smiled.
“Happy birthday sweetie.” Gianna said to him while the boy threw himself at her in a
deep and warm embrace.

After hugging her, he went to his school bag and fished out two VIP tickets to Dream
Fair and gave it to her,

“Mommy let’s go to Dream Fair for my birthday please.” She looked at him then at
the tickets in her hand,

This were no ordinary tickets,
They’re VIP,
How did he get hold of this?

“Reid, how did you get these tickets?” Gianna asked him,

The boy smiled at her,
Actually with just a phone call he can get whatever he wanted and these tickets were
no exception,

He just had to call that he needed two VIP tickets and they sent it right to him.

“Mommy, Principal Lee gave it to me for my birthday.” He lied, she smiled,

The man must be very nice,
Countless times he’d helped them,
He’s very nice.

“Okay, I’ll thank him when I see him next time.” She said,

“So, mommy are we going?” The boy asked in great anticipation,

Seeing his cute smile and happy face, she couldn’t resist him, so she nodded.

The kid threw himself at her happily.

Meanwhile when Andre came back home, he met his grandfather and Jasmine downstairs,

Seeing the both of them irks him a lot, so he just greeted the old man and left,

The old man signaled to Jasmine follow him and she did.

In his room, he was getting ready to go and see his son when the door opened and Jasmine walked in.

Seeing her his anger rose,

“Jasmine what do you want?” He asked her,

She didn’t say a word until she got right in front of him then she let her robe fall down,

Leaving her stark naked before him.

“Andre, I know you hate me and my guts but grandfather asked me to do this.” She whispered to the man who looks at her sigh disgust,

Andre leaned forward to her, her heart leaped,

Was he going to actually touch me?

He came to close them whispered to her hearing,

“Don’t ever use him as an excuse to get to me because it makes me hate you the more,

Now get those clothes on and get out from my room.” He walked away from her, then she frowned,

“What did I do to you Andre?

What?” She was on the verge of tears,

“You accepting to be my fiancée was the worst mistake you’ve ever done in your life, Now get lost before I lose my temper and drag you out.” He was enraged by the sight of her.

Jasmine was still picking up her clothes slowly when the door opened,

“Sorry I didn’t knock.” Justin’s voice came out as a whisper,

Seeing the boy, she pulled her robe over her faster and left the from in shame,

While the boy walked inside,

“Daddy why’s mommy naked?” The boy asked him father,

He smiled and ruffled his hair,
“She was so hot and needed to cool off.”
The boy nodded,
He knew it was a lie because he’d overheard his great grandfather telling Jasmine to try very hard and seduce his daddy,

So, he’d come over so his daddy won’t fall into their trick but seems like the man is strong willed than he thought.

“Justin, daddy got you something...” Andre said to the boy,

He brought out a nicely wrapped box and handed it to the boy,
“What’s inside daddy?” The kid asked,
He’s never received a wrapped gift before, so he found it hard to opened,

“Find out yourself.” Andre said,
the boy began to take out the wrappings and a small box lay in front of him,

He looked at his father,
“Please tell me what’s inside?” He pleaded but the man shook his head and gestured him to go further,

Opening the box, he found a watch,
A GPS Bluetooth watch.

He turned to his father and smiled,

Not like he doesn’t like the gift,
Far from it.
But he doesn’t know how to react to such surprise so trying to be more manly, he just smiled a thank you to his father.

“Daddy, can you take me to Dream Fair tomorrow please?” The boy asked his daddy,

“No son, daddy has to work tomorrow but I’ll ask the driver to take you there.” He said, the boy felt do disappointed,

Everyone has to work,
Mommy,
Daddy,
Everyone,
While I just get to seat at their mercy,
Wish I had a more caring woman as my mommy.
Like that kid and his mommy,

Wish my mommy was her or that beautiful lady at the Met Gala, I would have been happier.

He slowly bows his head so no one sees the tears that were falling from his eyes,
Then walked out and headed to his room.
His lonely Dom.

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CHAPTER THIRTY-FIVE

ATTEMPT ON THE BOY'S LIFE |

Seeing the boy leave in sadness, Andre wasn't happy,
Not that he didn't want to take the boy to the Fair, just that he wanted Justin to go
meet Gianna and Reid,
He wanted his son to meet his mother and his twin brother.

He'd promised Gianna, he will let her meet the boy, so he wanted to use their
birthday as a great opportunity to reunite mother and son.

But since the boy want to go to the Fair, hell allow him,
He left his room and headed to the boy's room.
The door wasn't locked, so he opened it,

Justin was sitting on the floor, with back facing the door.
"How dare you enter my room without knocking?" Justin asked the intruder,
Thinking it was one of the maids.

He picked his dart and threw it at the person not looking back.
Andre seeing the dart come towards him, he caught it with his hand right before the
dart hit him.

"Is that how you welcome your father into your room?" Andre asked the boy turned
and saw his father,

He stood up immediately and went to the man,
“Daddy.”

The man placed his hands on his son’s head,
“You want to go to the Fair?” He asked him,
The boy shook his head,

“Don’t worry, I’ll take you there tomorrow.” The boy’s face lit up,

“Keahi’ll come back home early tomorrow and we’ll both go there.” He announced,
The wrapped his arms around his father in a tight hug,

“Thanks daddy.”

Seeing the boy happy, his mood lightened,
Wish Reid is as soft and nice as his brother.

The next day, Andre went to the office like always but came home earlier.
The boy was waiting for him at the gazebo and immediately the man came out from
his car,
He rushed to him and both father and son went inside not minding stares from The
Old Man and Jasmine.

Awhile later, the duo came out with matching outfits, clutching his mini bag, Justin
took his father’s hand and they both got into his Bentley and was driven away.

People couldn’t take their eyes off them as they walked through the VIP pass.

“Such a handsome pair.”

“Is he married? I don’t mind be his mistress and he sire me some cute offspring.”

Women and ladies were drooling as the father and son passed.
Andre paid deaf ears to all the comment, taking his son closer,
They swayed their way past the crowd.

As they walked around looking for what best to do there,
Justin spotted two familiar figures walking towards them and he frowned,

Why can’t I just enjoy a peaceful birthday without these two witches coming to ruin
it before it starts?

“Uncle!” The younger of the girls ran to Andre, he scooped the girl of about six years
up while the older girl who’s eighteen watched as the man carried her sister with
great happiness.

The girls are his father’s cousins from his maternal side.
Their father and his grandmother were siblings before the latter passed away.

The girl, Enya and Enxi Smith are the only daughters of Smiths family and were treated with great care and showered lot of love.

Andre was very fond of Enya because she looks a lot like his mom and had been his greatest solace when she passed away.

“Justin, I heard today’s your birthday,” The older girl said while Justin looked at her and her sister with great disdain.

“Happy Birthday boy.” She ruffled his hair.

“Uncle, I want ice cream then I want to play with those plushies.” The younger girl pointed to the Plushies at the arcade shops,

Seeing her being carried by his father made Justin so angry and jealous.

“Hmm, let’s go get your ice cream first then I’ll get you those plushies.” Andrea said to the girl,

The trio walked towards the Ice Cream Parlor while Justin slowly walked behind so that his father would notice him and call him but Andre was so engrossed with the little girl and her sister he forgot about his son.

I hate these girls.

Seeing his father walk away without calling him, Justin hastened his step and caught up with them as they got into the Ice Cream Parlor.

“Justin, you stay here with Enxi, I and Enya would get you guys some ice cream.” Andre said, keeping the lil girl on the chair,

Why can’t the demon take care of herself?

The adults left before he’d a chance to answer,
Him not wanting to talk to the girl, took out a seat farther from hers and sat down there staring at his watch.

“Let me have a look at your watch.” Enxi stood up and walked to him,
He ignored her completely,

She frowned,

“I want to have a look at it.” She forcefully dragged his hand,
Feeling annoyed at her rude behavior, he took his hands from hers forcefully.

“Let go of me you monster.” He blurted,

“Go and get your....”

Hearing him say those hurtful words and calling her a monster, she got angry,
Then rushed forward and bit his arms,

“Aargh!” Justin pushed her away and she fell down, hitting her head on the table’s
feet’s.

Andre and Enya came back to see Enxi wailing uncontrollably on the floor while
Justin stood by and watched in confusion too.

The bitten area had a sore and very painful mark but he didn’t want to cry like this
girl,

But soon, he wished he’d cried like she did,

‘What happened here?’ Andre asked, taking the child up,
The more he consoled, the louder she wailed.

‘What happened to you?’ Enya asked her sister,
The girl pointed at Justin,
“He pushed me away.” She said,

Justin frowned,
What a little liar?
Why isn’t she telling them she’d bitten him earlier?
She’s a liar.

Andre turned to his son,
“Did you push her away?” He asked the boy,

“Dad.... she.”

“Did you push her? Yes or no.” Andre asked more sternly,

The little guy wanted to lie but he knew his father,
Eventually, he’ll find out and will punish him severely for telling a lie,

So, he nodded,

“Yes.”

“Uncle let’s call the ambulance, Enxi had sustained a head injury and it’s bleeding.”

Enya said,

Her sister might be a troublesome pest but that shouldn’t have warrant Justin
pushing her to the floor and making her hurt herself.

Enya brought out her cell and called the Emergency,
Soon after, the ambulance came and Enxi was carried to a stretcher.

“Uncle please go with me, I’m scared.” The girl cried,

As Andre walked into the ambulance, he caught sight of someone,
Principal Lee,

What’s the man doing here?

“Manager Lee, someone’s looking for you down there.” A man rushed up to the
principal and told him, Andre overheard the conversation.

“Who’s that?” He asked the staff,

“Well, it’s a little boy, says his name his Reid.” The man replied,

The principal froze,

“The boss is here.” He muttered as he followed the man.

“Boss?

Who’s this boss?

And which Reid are they referring to?

He wanted to get down from the ambulance and go confront the men but Enxi’s little
hands pulled him back,

“Uncle, you’re not leaving me, right?” The girl asked him, he turned to her and
smiled.

“No.” He sat beside her.

“Justin, come in side let’s go.” He said to his son who stood outside the ambulance
and looked at them like they were strangers.

“No, I’m not going with her, she’s bad.” The boy blurted pointing at Enxi who was
lying on the stretcher with a white cloth wrapped around her head.

“Justin get inside.” He ordered firmly but the boy stood his ground

Why was he given two hardhearted sons?

“No, you chose her over me, so I’m not going with you.” The boy turned and left,

Andre came out immediately the boy left, seeing him get blend in the crowd,

He called two staffs,
“Keep a close eye on my son for me till I get back.” He ordered then got back into the ambulance as it drove away.

Not that he didn't care about the boy,
He trusted the boys' abilities.
He might not be a genius like Reid but the boy's strong and smart, he can defend himself anywhere.

When Justin was sure the car had left, he sat by a corner,
I hate birthdays,
What's the use of having one when your father chose another kid to you.

He picked up a pebble and threw it to the empty space in front of him.

His watch beeped, he looked at it
His watch was pairing with another via Bluetooth Connectivity.

He checks the second party with his GPS tracker and it shows the person was in the Fair and very close by.

Justin stood up from the seat and looked around,
He saw no one suspicious but his watched continued beeping.
He was about turning it off when his eyes met a mother and son duo not far from him.

The boy looks exactly like him from far.
He stood up quickly and went in the direction the mother and son duo had taken.

CHAPTER THIRTY-SIX

ATTEMPT ON THE BOY'S LIFE

Gianna and Reid went to the arcades shop cause of the long queue there,

“Maybe they're doing something very interesting there.” She said as she fiddled with the boy's finger.

They were Muppets, Plushies and Stuffed toys in every counter,

“Shoot ten balls in five second and get one Plushies.” The man in the arcade shop announced to all and sundry.

“Mommy I want that one.” Reid pointed to the big white Plushies that hung in front of the shop,

“You want it?” She asked the boy and he nodded,

“Sir, I want to try it.” She handed her ticket to the man while he slots it through his payment machine.

“You go in.” He showered her to the shooting box,

The Boys Bolster gun was a bit heavy, so it took her time to raise it up,

“Three...”

“Two...”

“One.”

”Go!” The man said and she began to shoot,

It wasn't as easy as shed earlier thought,

The balls were slippery, so most times the fake bullet slip through them and they don't get punctured easily.

At the elapse of time, she only burst seven balls.

“Miss you tried but you busted only seven balls.” The man smiled at her and have her back her ticket,

“Reid sorry mommy couldn't get you that Plushies.” She apologized to her son as they walked away from the shops.

Justin had seen the anticipation in the boy's eyes when his mother was playing and having her lose, the boy was disappointed but didn't show it.

When the mother and son duo left, he stepped into the shop and gave the man his ticket.

“Hey boy where are your parents?” The man asked him,

“They're talking with college mate down there.” He randomly pointed outside,

“Okay.” The man allowed him inside,

“Three...”

“Two...”

“One.”

“Go”

Instead of shooting first, Justin disassembled the gun, then setting the gun to a faster frequency,

When his time elapsed,

He'd shot twelve balls,

“Awesome!” The man exclaimed seeing how efficient and fast the child was,

“Now give me my Plushies.” He said to the man when another man walked inside the shop,

“I want that Plushies.’

Immediately he said it, Justin frowned,

” Sir, I already have it.”

“And who're you?” The man asked Justin,

The boy's lip curved in a smile.

“Who I am doesn't matter, what matters here is my Plushies.”

“I don't think you can have it boy, go tell your daddy to get you another one.”

The shopowner turned to the man,

“The boy already played the game and he shot twelve ball Sir, so I think the kid have it.”

“How can a little boy like this shoot twelve ball under five seconds, lies.”

“Sir he actually did it.” The shop keeper convinced but the man was adamant to believe him,

“Since you claim he just shot twelve balls under five seconds, let the both of us play a challenge.

Whoever gets the highest point has the Plushies.” The man suggested,

Justin nodded,

He was going to get his look alike that Plushies and that's a must.

He accepted the challenge,

“I accept but on a condition that if I win, not only will I get the Plushies, you'll give me another to compensate me for wasting my time.” He said,

The man nodded,
“Alright.”

He wasn't going to lose in front of a mere kid
When his girlfriend is waiting for him and expecting him to come back with the
Plushies.

The game began and like the other,
Justin reset the Boys Bolsters,

Why he does that is that, the gun is being adjusted to a low frequency, when it's shot,
the bullet got no force and mostly slips away but whenever it's brought to its highest
frequency,

The bullet comes out with great force and with one aim, it can burst two or three
ball.

When their time elapsed, the man and Justin came out from their respective boxes.
The man was confident he was going to win the little boy.

The owner of the shop came out,
“And here's the result for the challenge,
This Mister here just scored twenty-seven points under ten seconds,” The man
leaped in joy,

He was sure that the boy can't score up to that,
“While the little boy here scored thirty-eight points under ten seconds.” Everyone
yelped,

Justin smiled and looked at the man,
“You've just lost to an eight-year-old boy,
What a shame?”

He took the Plushies from the shopkeeper and walked away to look for that boy and
his mother.

Reid and Gianna were entering the dark tunnel when the boy spot something
moving towards the tunnel,

How come this Plushies is walking?

He left his mother's hand and walked towards the person who seem to be walking to
his direction.

The Plushies was coming faster towards him and he was walking slowly towards it,
Rubbing his eyes at interval to see he wasn't day dreaming of a walking Plushies.

“Reid!” Gianna called, the boy turned back and saw his mommy calling him, he ran back to her,

Mommy’s call is more important than anything.

Seeing the boy leave and walled towards the woman,
He felt a pinprick of jealousy.

He rushed towards them and were just right behind them when they went into the Dark Tunnel,
The attendant seeing him thought he was with them, so he allowed him inside.

The tunnel was a bit dim, so he just followed them from a little distance,
The boy and his mother were still walking down the tunnel when he saw another figure follow them.

He increased his pace to be closer to them and slightly caught a glimpse of something,
The man was holding gun and he’s hiding it under his shirt.

Who’s this man and why’s he with a gun?

He ran towards the man and brushed passed him to get to the boy and his mother before the man does but the man shot at him,

Luckily, he dodged the bullet using the Plushies as his armor.

With the sound of the gunshot people started running helter smelter, he ran towards the boy and his mommy,
He pulled the boy beside him,
“Someone wants to hurt you and your mommy.” Justin told Reid,

“What?” The younger boy shouted,
Justin nodded,

“The man just shot at me thinking it was you, so you have to...
” Dodge! “Another shot came from behind them,

Fortunately, Justin saw it on time and pushed his brother down,

“What’s happening?” Reid shouted in the commotion,

“I don’t know.” He dragged the boy with him,

“Wait let me get my mommy.” Reid wanted to pull off but Justin’s grip was tighter,

“No, the man’s back there and will get you if you go back.” The dragged the boy and they began to run.

The man getting a sight of the boy’s running went after them

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CHAPTER THIRTY- SEVEN

” I WON’T LET YOU GO BROTHER.”

The boys continued to run around the tunnel,
Reid stopped, it was obvious he was tired,
“Are you tired?” Justin asked the boy seeing him stop running,

The boy nodded,
Justin came back to him and held him up,
“Hop on my back.” He bent in front of the boy,

Reid hopped on the boy’s back,
He could have said no but he’s too tired to argue.
Reid was lightweight, so Justin found it very easy to continue running with his brother.

He doesn’t know the way around so Reid directed him from his back.
“Going through that door, we can get outside but that killer might be waiting for us there.”

“So, what do you think we do?” Justin asked,
He was tired but didn’t want to show it,
He’d to protect his twin brother first.

“There’s an emergency exit over there, going through it we’ll get out to the Ferris Wheel, we can get up to it then the man won’t see us there and we can get someone to help us.” Reid said to him,

“How do you know all this place?” Justin asked him surprised that this little boy knows all the places in the tunnel,

“Cause I’m smarter than you’re.” Reid retorted the boy frowned,

“Who told you I’m not smart?” Justin was annoyed as the boy demeaned his IQ,

“I know you’re not smart,

So what’s is $3+4+5+3+7$?” The asked Justin, the boy began to count with his fingers while Reid came down from his back and stood in front of the boy arms in akimbo,

“Don’t bother counting, even if I borrow you my fingers and my toes, you aren’t going to get it right.” He said,

“Now let’s go, I won’t want to waste my time here.” He grabbed the astound Justin and pulled him towards the emergency door.

The boys came out to the Ferris Wheels and got inside, immediately they got inside the man spotted them there, so he ran to the control room and pulled out the power plug causing a major power breakdown.

“There’s some issue with power failure, everyone should remain calm and steady.” The microphone boomed,

Gianna had just come out of the tunnel when she noticed two kids in the Ferris Wheel,

Before she could say a word, another woman yelled,

“There are two kids up there!” Everyone looked up and saw the two children in the Ferris Wheel,

“Call the Maintenance, someone should help those kids!” Another announced, People started murmuring loudly as some staffs went to call their manager and the Maintenance men.

“We’re stuck!” Reid cried to Justin,

“You caused all this, if you hadn’t pulled me from my mommy, I won’t be hanging up here 60ft from the floor.” He said rudely to Justin,

The older twin was surprised, he’d expected this younger brother of his to be thankful but here he’s blaming him for saving him.

“I did that to save you from that....”

” Did I ever ask for your help?

I could have saved myself but no, you just had to involve yourself,

Now see the mess we’re in.” He walked to the door of the Ferris and looked at Justin’s hand,

“Who gave you that watch?” He asked the boy, seeing it similar to his,

“My dad gave it to me for my birthday.” The boy said sadly,

“It has a Bluetooth Connectivity, right?”

Justin nodded,

“Disable it.”

“Why?”

“Just disable it.” Reid ordered,

Justin didn’t know why his younger brother had ask him to disable the watch but he did any ways.

Reid sensed something was amiss,
The Ferris Wheel was taking time to rotate.

He looked through the capsule door to the crowd looking up at them,

“Wait.”

The Ferris Wheel is malfunctioning,
If not, it should have rotated now.

“What is it?” Justin asked nicely,
“We’re in a great mess the....”

The metals holding the wheels made a very creaking sound and Reid bent to look
but unfortunately,
The door of the capsule opened forcefully and the boy fell out.

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Justin leaned forward immediately and caught the boy’s hand.
Reid was aghast at what happened,
He thought he was going to fall off and die but Justin saved him,
“Don’t let go.” Justin said,
“I don’t want to let go.” Reid said with fear taking over him.
He held unto his brother’s hand tightly.

While the crowd shouted as the capsule door pulled opened,
A child fell out from it but was held up by the other,

When Gianna saw the boy's clothes, her first thought Reid,
"Reid!" She called,

The up midair wanted to turn but Justin stopped him,
"Don't! If you look down, you'll get more scared." Justin advised,

"Just look at me and only me.
Focus on me." He said,

"I won't let you fall brother, I'll never let you fall down."
Justin's arms were hurting but now his brother was his most priority and he
wouldn't let him get hurt.

"Can you hold onto my one hand with both your let me get hold of that rein and pull
you back." Justin said to Reid,

"But if you do, your arm might dislocate?" Reid said frightened but Justin nodded,

"Don't worry about it, I'll get treated but I need to get you up here as fast as
possible." The older twin said.

"On the count of three, I'll let go of your one hand, then you use it to hold unto this
one okay." He said,
Reid nodded.

"One."

"Two."

"Three... Go."

Reid slowly let go of Justin right arm and slowly he held unto the left while Justin
slowly turned to the pipe rein but his hand couldn't reach it.

"Justin the capsule is still bending slowly, can you be a little faster." He was getting
scared by the minute,

What if the capsule falls and the both of them get hurt?

"It's just a little more push, my hand will get to it." Justin said, his left arms is really
hurting badly but he just has to get the rein and pull his brother up.

After trying for almost five complete minutes,
Justin grabbed the rein with his right hand,
Then pulled up his brother with his left hand.

Slow and steady, he pulled with his left hand holding the rein with his right hand to support himself too.

Gianna couldn't help but marvel at how Justin held his brother tightly as he pulled him up.

But how come Justin is here but Andre isn't here with him?

She walked to the Maintenance men,

"Sir please how long will it take to bring them down?" She asked the man,

"Well, in the next couple of minutes, the machine will rotate once or someone will have to climb up and bring them down." The man said,

Her heart churned,

What if Justin can't hold further?

Mere looking at the boy, she can tell he's tired already for having to pull up Reid and hold unto whatever he's holding unto for support.

Soon after the wheels rotated but stopped again,

"It can't go further, the lever has been destroyed." The Maintenance man said,

"Someone has to go up there and bring them down." He said to his team,

"Let's call the Fire Service," Gianna suggested,

"That's a very good idea." The man said,

The man called for Fire Service and in the next ten minutes the truck was in the Fair,

They pulled up their ladder.

Meanwhile, the boys were safely in the capsule when they saw the ladder come up to the already bent capsule.

"Justin!"

"Reid!"

"Climb down from the capsule with the ladder!" The Maintenance man voice boomed from the microphone.

The boys looked at each other,

At least they're safe now.

Justin helped Reid to the ladder first,

Making sure the boy was safe,

He got on the ladder and carefully took his step downward.

Seeing the two boys safe,
Gianna ran to her sons and hugged the both of them.

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CHAPTER THIRTY- EIGHT

" MOMMY"

The boys were driven to the hospital while Gianna came alongside them,
Justin suffered a dislocated arm joint while Reid,
Though didn't suffer much casualty like his brother but was taken along too for his
injured arm (Where a metal has scratched his skin)

After some severe treatment for Justin, both boys were kept in the same recovery
room while Gianna sat between the two.

How come Justin was at the Fair alone?
Why did Andre leave his son at such crowded place?
What if something worst had happened to the boys?

She checked her watch,
It was already seven PM but Andre still hasn't called or even come go see his son,
Is this how irresponsible he's as a father?
She couldn't take her eyes off Justin who was fast asleep with a bandage wrapped
around the joint between his left shoulder and his arm.

Reid slowly opened his eyes and saw his Mommy's full attention at Justin,
He felt jealous,
How can she be looking at him and not me?

He let out a loud cough and the woman turned to him,
"Reid are you alright?" She touched his forehead to the sure the boy doesn't have a
fever,

Justin woke up with the commotion and seeing the woman care for his brother, he became jealous too,
He let out a loud cry holding his bandaged arm,
“Aargh!”

Gianna turned to the boy,
“Justin are you okay?”
“Does it hurt a lot?” She helps him sit on the bed while the other boy frowned,

Is this boy trying to compete with him for his Mommy’s attention?

Seeing that Justin was being helped up while he was still lying on the bed.
He tried to get up,
“Mommy I want to use the rest room.” He said in his most charming child-like voice,

His mother turned to him,
“Can you wait a little while let me help your brother tie back his bandage,

“It’s coming out mommy, I’m really pressed.” He cried from the bed,
Gianna ran to him and helped him up,
“No mommy carries me,
My leg’s hurting.” He cried to her.

Gianna carried him and they walked toward the restroom’s door when he turned to Justin and stuck out his tongue at him.

Justin frowned,
Wait.
Was this boy just pretending now?
This brother of mine is so cunning,
I should have known that.

Meanwhile, Andre was still with the Smith sisters at the hospital and didn’t know about the accident at the Fair.
The rest of the Smith’s Family came to see their youngest daughter and sister at the hospital and they were not happy with what happened.

“Why would Justin push Enxi like that?” Eric, Enya’s and Enxi’s older brother asked Enya,

“Brother, you need to discipline your son Justin for this act or else I’ll do the disciplining myself.
Now your Enxi has to get a bald spot for her injury to be treated,
She would be happy if she ever finds out she now has a bald spot on her hair.” Eric said to Andre,

Since the girl was treated like a princess alongside her sister,
She became very vain and only cares about her beauty,
And that was the reason she got very mad when Justin called her a monster.

Andre got pissed off,
Everyone was just blaming Justin,
But he knows his son well,
Justin wouldn't have pushed the girl for nothing.
She must have done something to warrant such harsh treatment from the boy.

He looked at Eric,
"Did you bother ask you little sister what she did to make my son angry before
coming out here to spill nonsense in front of me?"

Eric frowned,
Did this man just said I'm spilling nonsense?
Andre walked past him and entered the room where Enxi was being laid,

"Enxi!" He called the little girl who was still shedding tears,
The girl and everyone else in the room turned to him,

"What did you do to Justin that made him push you?" He asked the girl,
Everyone frowned,

Why don't he go ask his son why he pushed our little Enxi?
Why scold the girl instead?

"I didn't do anything," She lied,
Andre frowned,
"Enxi if you don't tell me the truth, Uncle won't play with you again and don't come
to uncle's house anymore." He said angrily,

"Andre she's...." Enxi's mother wanted to speak but his glare made her shut,

"Don't interfere." He warned her.

Looking at the girl still crying and looking confused, he turned to leave,

"Uncle wait..." She whispered,
"I bit him first and he pushed me away to stop me biting him." She continued in her
whisper,

Andre didn't say a word, he only turned and left the room.
Enya who was with his phone saw the phone vibrate,
It was ringing,

Photo of a very beautiful woman flashed the screen,
Who's this woman?
She checked the caller's ID,
"Anna."
She accepted the call,

"Hello Andre,"
Enya frowned,
Why would she be calling him by his name,
Who's she to him?

"Andre, I don't know where you are and I don't care to know where you're,
I just want you to come to Central Hospital ASAP,
Justin and Reid had been admitted there."

Before Enya could say a word,
The woman hung up.

Who's this woman and why did she speak with him so rude?
No one had ever spoke with Uncle like that not even his fiancé Jasmine
And now this woman spoke to me in a rude way not knowing it wasn't him.

She took the phone and left the room to give it back to him,
"Uncle here's your phone,
You left it inside." She said,
He took the phone from her and kept it in his pocket,

"Uncle, I'm sorry for what Enxi did and for how I reacted with Justin earlier at the
Fair." She apologized to him,
Though he still a cold and high-profile person but he accepted,
"It's nothing."
She hugged him tight hearing him say the word,
He could do nothing than just tap her back,

But immediately he held his head up,
Gianna was right in front of him looking at him hug Enya.
The pain visible in her eyes gave him one notation,
She has gotten the wrong idea.

"Enya, let go." He slightly pushed the girl away and went after Gianna.

"Gianna." He called,
She heard him but didn't stop or even turn to listen to him.

How dare him?

Leave his son the Fair and came to the hospital with his girlfriend?

I've been so stupid all along thinking he was.....

"Aargh!"

She went into the boy's recovery room and packed Reid's things,

She turned to Justin who was looking at her confusedly,

"Your daddy's coming to take you home okay." She kissed the boy's forehead,

Then took Reid's hands,

"Gianna please wait." Andre said coming inside the room,

He was surprised to see Justin in bandage and Reid too in the Hospital too,

She took her son's hand and walked pass him,

"Gianna..." She was out of the door with Reid.

Justin ran to the door to see his mommy and brother leave,

"Mommy..." He whispered to the air,

Like a telepathy,

She turned to the boy and waved,

He couldn't wave back,

His heart was heavy.

Turning to his father,

He got his things too and left this room while Andre followed him.

That evening Agent Lee called Reid and told him that the assassin was caught,

Though the other one escape.

"Has he told you the name of the person that sent him?" Reid asked the man,

He was bent on knowing the bastard that had tried to hurt him and his mommy today,

"No, he's isn't saying a word." The man replied,

"He's a serial killer and has refused to tell us who sent him no matter what we do to him." The manager complained,

"Okay, tell them to hold him tight and you, come pick me up from my house." He said,

The boy got off the phone, then went to his mother's room.

She was fast asleep.

He went inside and sat beside her,

Mommy, I'm going to protect you with all I can,
No one's going to hurt you, not even God himself,
Because I'll fight him for you.

Pecking her slightly on her forehead,
He pulled the duvet over her and left the room, shutting the door quietly behind
him.

His manager came and the boy tiptoed outside, got into the car and was driven
away.

The car stopped in front of his warehouse in the outskirts of the city.

"Let's go in Sir." Agent Lee showered the kid inside the warehouse.
They got to another large room, inside five able bodied men stood then another was
tied to a seat,

"Is he the one?" Reid asked the manager,

"Yes Sir." The man nodded,
He walked towards the assassin,

"So, you're the one who tried to hurt me and my mother right?" He asked,
"If you hurt me from now till eternity little boy,
I won't say a word." The assassin spat in disgust,

"You won't speak?" Reid asked again,
"Never." The man was adamant,

"Okay, why don't we play a game, just the two of us..." He said coolly,

"Get him out of the seat." Reid ordered the men,

"Sir, this man's very dangerous." Agent Lee said but the boy frowned,
"Just do as I say."

The men untied the man and let him out of the chair,

"Tie him to the wall." He said,
The assassin frowned,

Is this boy trying to play mind games with me?

The men came and tied him to the wall.
Seeing him defenseless,
Reid smiled,

“So, are you going to tell me or should I do what I want to do?” He asked the man again,

The man was on the notion that the boy could do nothing serious, so he still refused to talk.

Reid brought out a dart from his pocket and showed it to the man,

“You see this dart?” He said to the man,

“It’s been coated with a special mixture of chemicals that once it comes in contact with your skin, it can cause it to pull off.”

The man didn’t still say a word,

Reid moved away from him and sat comfortably on the floor,

“I’m going to be the player and you’ll be my dartboard.”

He aimed the dart at the man and threw it to him,

The dart pinned at the man’s chest and immediately his skin starts to pull off.

It was very slow but deadly and a hell painful.

“Please take it off!

Please take it off me!”

The man cried but Reid just sat back and laughed,

“Are you willing to tell me now?” He asked the man, he nodded,

“Yes, I’ll tell you. It was Jasmine De Marco who sent me, she was the one who sent me to kill your mommy and you.

Please take it away.” The man confessed,

“Jasmine De Marco.” He turned to his manager,

“You know what to do.”

He turned to the assassin who was growling with severe pain,

“Sorry Sir, I can’t help you now.”

“Manager Lee, please come take me home now.” The man nodded,

Seeing the boy that vicious had just scared shit out him,

“You and you, get rid of him once he dies.” He said to the other men then left the place with his manager,

“Sir don’t you think you were too vicious back there?” The manager asked him as they left the place,

“When it has to do with my mommy, I can get more vicious and heartless than this.”
He replied the man as they drove back to his house.

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CHAPTER THIRTY-NINE
COMPETING FOR MOMMY’S ATTENTION

Reid tiptoed back into the house,
The light was off so he carefully opened the door to his room but immediately he got
inside,
The lights of his room came on,
He froze,

“Where are you coming from?” A male voice asked him,
He turned and saw his father standing by the switch, he frowned,

“How did you get into my room?” The boy asked his father, heaving a sigh of relief,

“That is not your problem,
Where are you coming from by this time of the night?” Andre asked again taking a
glance at his watch,

“I won’t tell you.” The boy retorted and started to climb on his bed,

“Then have me tell your mommy you snuck out, then she’ll have you grounded.” He
threatened,

This son of mine is something else.

“I went outside to get some fresh air.” He lied,
Andre moved closer to him,
“Why do you lie?” He asked the boy,

“I’m not lying, I was at the garden.” He said, making sure his voice doesn’t give him
away.

“Who really is Principal Lee or should I say Manager Lee?” He asked,
The boy was shocked,
Does this man know who I am?

“He’s my principal at school.” He said,
Andre half smiled,
This is the first times he has seen his son scared.

“Your principal or your manager?” He asked,
Seeing his secrets were about to be leaked,
He feigned ignorance and went to the bed,

“Do you think I don’t know who you’re?”
The boy halted,

“You’re Dunnex Toy top shareholder and you hold about five to seven coastlines
responsible for ship passage and so many dealings with Hurricane Group,
All this, your mommy knows nothing about them.”

“How do you know all this?” The boy asked,

“I have my ways.” Andre replied,

The boy sat down quietly,
“Why did you do it?” Andre asked the boy,
He held up his head,
“Why did you do it?” He asked again,

He’d expected his son to be great but not to the extent of having illegal dealing at
eight,
He’s too young to be hacking and controlling a business Empire.

Seeing that his father knows his secret and might tell it to his mommy,
Reid was super scared,
What if his mommy hates him after she find out what he has been doing?
What if she decides to get rid of him?

“Reid looks at me,” Andre sat beside the boy and pulled him closer to himself,

“I don’t intend to make this difficult for you,
You’re a great child and I know you did all this with good intentions,

” But I want to know why you killed that man? “He asked,
The boy moved away from him,

“I won’t tell a soul about this not even your mommy but I want you to be honest with me son.”

“He tried to kill me and mommy,
And I didn’t want to kill him at first, I just wanted him to tell me who had sent him
but he refused to say then I’d to do what I did.” The boy confessed,

“Who did it?” He asked the boy,

“He said Jasmine De Marco sent him,
Your fiancé sent him to kill mommy and I.” the boy replied,

Andre pulled close and hugged him,
“Don’t worry, everything’s going to be alright.”
The boy didn’t say a word or even reciprocated the man’s hug,
He just sat like a statue and allowed the man hug him.

Andre disengaged from the hug, then stood up to leave,
“Go back to bed son.” He said to the boy as he left the room then closed the door
behind him.

Wondering how he knew the boy killed someone?
Here the flashback.

Andre couldn’t rest when he went home,
Justin wasn’t helping matters too,
The boy was being snobbish and very gloomy.
“Justin, daddy’s sorry, tell me what happened at the Fair when I left?
He tried to talk the boy to tell him what happened but the boy just ignored him and
went upstairs.

So, he decided to meet Gianna and explain to her his relationship with Enya.
Getting out of the house, he got into his car and drove to her house.

It was very late and he’d expected her to be asleep but surprisingly when he got
there,
He saw Reid leaving the house.

Where’s this boy going to and by this late hour?
He checked his watch,
It was already after ten pm.

He saw the other man,
What’s his name again?
Principal Lee.

It struck his mind,
He'd seen the man at the Fair and he was addressed as manager,
Reid?
He recalled someone telling the man that Reid was looking for him and the man had
told the other that,
The boss is here.

Does this mean that Reid's the boss?
Just one way to find out,
He got into his car and followed the Rolls Royce Phantom as it drove away into the
starry night.

He was so shocked when they got to the place and he for once he saw how harsh and
inhumane his son is.

The next evening,
Reid and Gianna were having dinner when the bell rang,
Reid stopped eating,
For once, his heart raced.
What if his father's here to tell his mommy what he saw last night

"Who would be at the door now?" Gianna asked as she stood up from the dining,
Her father wouldn't be back till the next few days and she isn't expecting anyone for
now.

She stood up and went to see who's at the door,
"Who's there?" She asked, peeping through the glass hole to see who's there,

Outside, Andre and Justin stood outside the door waiting for Gianna to open the
door,
"Who's there?" They heard her call,

Andre didn't answer, Justin did.
"It's me Justin." He said,

Hearing the boy's voice, Gianna face brightened,

Yes, she really wants to see her son but deep down, she really misses Andre
She missed being touched by him.

She opened the door and there was Andre,
Standing in all his glory,
He was smiling at her,
She really wanted to smile back but recalling how the other woman was hugging
him yesterday,

She frowned and turned to go back inside but Justin ran to her and wrapped his arms around her,
“Mommy.” He called,
A sense of joy filled her,
Her boy called her mommy and she loved every moment of it.

Holding the boy’s hand, she showered him to the dining while Andre followed behind.

“Care to join us for dinner?
Reid prepared Baked Spaghetti and Meatball with Garlic Infused Toast.”
She didn’t wait for the boy’s reply before dishing out his meal for him.

“Is this enough?” She asked the kid,
Justin nodded.

All his life, he hadn’t been warmly treated like this,
Not even his father had made him feel this way before.

Reid on the other hand, didn’t raise his head up to look at his brother get treated specially by his mommy.
He felt very sad.

“Reid are you okay?” Andre asked,
Sitting beside the boy and getting his own meal,
“Yes.” The boy replied,
“Okay.” Andre concentrated on his meal,

While they ate, Reid continued throwing lethal glances at Justin,
Whenever the boy asks of anything, be it more water or salt,
Reid threw glances at him and it made the older boy feel uncomfortable,

Does little brother think I’m here to fight with him over Mommy’s attention?
He’s getting it all wrong.
I just want to be close to him and mommy, that’s all.

“Mommy, I want more meatballs.” Justin said,
“So do I.” Reid added immediately,
Gianna looked at him and smiled,

Is Reid trying to compete with his brother?

“Okay.” She stood up and went to the kitchen to get the extra Meatballs she’d kept.
Andre excused himself and followed her to the kitchen.

“Gianna,” he called coming from behind her,
“Gianna I’m sorry but you’re getting this all wrong.” He said but she snubbed him
and continued putting the meatballs in the bowl.

“Gianna, it isn’t like that, Enya’s.....”
“Andre please let me be, I don’t care who she’s to you, just leave me alone.” She took
the bowl and turned to leave but he took her hand,

“Gianna stop being this way,
It’s not exactly as you’re seeing it.” He whispered to her,

He would want the kids to know what a complete jerk he’s.
She withdrew her hand from him,

“How I see it or what I see doesn’t matter,
After all, I am just the other woman in your life.” She said and left,

The words hurt her bad but she just had to tell him,
She doesn’t want to be the third party or the mistress that’ll ruin his marriage.
She wanted something official, not a relationship she’ll want to hide from the world.

She’s tired of being the woman that comes after,
She wanted something more,
Something legalized and official.

“Here’s your meatball.” She kept the bowl on the table and sat down,
Slowly she was at the verge of crying,
She was losing it slowly but didn’t want to shed tears in front of her kids.

Andre came in a while later and joined them to finish dinner.
He wasn’t going to sit back and watch her stray away from him.
After dinner, he’s going to have to talk to her,
He need her to tell him the meaning of what she’d said earlier.

After dinner, Reid went into the kitchen to do the dishes while Justin followed him,

“Do you hate me?” Justin asked the boy,
Reid turned to him,
But didn’t reply

“I don’t want to fight for Mommy’s care with you,
I just want to be your older brother and protect you, that’s all I want.” He said,
Justin might look tough and overbearing to other but he wants to be a caring older
brother to his younger brother,

Only if his brother gives him the chance.

Reid looked at the boy,
Should I believe him,
Is he trying to win me over?

Justin brought out a parcel from his pocket and handed it to the boy,
“Here, have this, it’s my gift to you.”
It took Reid time before he accepted the gift and when he did,
Justin left the kitchen.

Meanwhile Gianna and Andre were in her room,
He wanted to make things clear with her but she is too angry to listen to him,

“She’s my cousin Gianna, just my cousin.” He tried to explain but she brushed past
him and walked into the bathroom.
He followed her,

“You just got to listen to me Anna, Enya is just my cousin.” He was trying to talk but
she isn’t giving him the chance.

“You don’t want to be the other woman?
You want something more, right?” He asked her,
Finally, she turned to him,

“Anna, do you trust a piece of paper over me?” He asked,
She said nothing.

“Do you trust a piece of paper over what I feel for you?” He asked again,

She didn’t know what to reply him,
She want something more,
Not just having sex and being the mother of his sons.
She want to be the only woman in his life,
She want her family to be complete.
She want a normal life,
Whether wealthy or not,
She wanted a life with a complete family
And not to be the woman he has to hide.
Deep down she don’t even know whether she can have the life she want with him.

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CHAPTER FORTY

A PLAY OF SLAPS 1

"Anna, I'm asking you something,
Do you trust that piece of paper over me?" He asked again,

"Yes Andre! Yes!" She yelled,
"I can't do this anymore,
I can't be the woman that has to be hidden.
The woman that's just there for sex and pleasure.
No!
I want to be something more important,
I want to be your woman Andre,
Yours and yours alone.
But I need to be sure of what you feel for me,
I need to be sure of mine and my son's future with you."

Andre frowned hearing all this but that didn't stop him from coming close to her,
He placed his arms around her from behind,
She flinched.

"You want a future with your son uh?
You want to be sure about what I feel for you uh?" He asked her,
She nodded

"I'll give that to you, I'll give you whatever you wish for cause ... I love you, Anna." He
said to her,
It was hard but he'd to say it,
She just need to know of his inner feelings and
He, Alexandre De Marco LOVES her, Gianna McKenna.

This is the first time he was ever telling someone he loves her and she's that one
because he loves every goddamn bit and inch of her.

“I’ll give you the piece of paper you so desire and I’ll also give you more than that,
But don’t you ever call yourself the other woman in my life,
You’re the only woman in my life.
And as for making our relationship official,
I’ll do just that but you’ve to give me time,
My family’s the tiger’s den and I would forgive myself if you get hurt by anyone of
them,”

“Hurt?
Why am I going to get hurt?” She asked him,

One thing’s that, she doesn’t know the ways of these wealthy and powerful family.

“Anna,
As everyone knows, I’m the only one in charge of the family’s business.
My grandfather gave me that responsibility as a young boy because he trusts me a
whole lot.
If any things to happen and they find out that there’s now a special woman in my
heart,
Anna, they’ll want to hurt her to get to me and that’s another reason why I never had
any relationship with any woman.”

She frowned,
“Are they that vicious and heartless?” She asked,
He nodded,
“The males in my family are much,
I have uncles and stepbrothers,
Each has eyes on the staff of authority which my grandfather has promised me
The Staff of Authority in my family, is the position of the head and everyone has eyes
on it.
If they get wind about you and Reid,
They might hurt you just to get to me and that’s one thing I can’t live with,
Someone else hurting you.
So that’s why I don’t want you to get involved in this crisis Ann.”
He kissed her hair as he spoke,
She became weak,

He’s just trying to protect me from his family,
He doesn’t want my kids and I to get hurt in their family feud.

“I’m sorry Andre.” She whispered in between his now urgent kisses,
“I’m sorry I didn’t.....” He made her face him,
“You don’t have to be Anna, you just don’t have to.” He whispered to her hearing still
savoring her body,

He really misses her,
He missed touching her,
Kissing and making love to her...

“Anna, I want you.” He said hoarsely,
She felt the familiar tingle between her legs,
She wants him too,
Being angry at him was the worst thing ever she ever did,
Cause she found out a few days ago,
That she can’t live without Andre,
Maybe their lovemaking had drawn her to him,
That she did not know but one thing she knows is that,
She has feeling for him and those feeling can’t just go away.
Since the kids were together and the both of them were all alone,
They rekindled their old pleasure for each other ,made love in the bathroom,
Went back to the bedroom and went on another round,
Andres insatiable self couldn’t control him,
Being away from her yesterday made him become more greedy and selfish,
He wanted to claim her whole forgetting that she can’t stand his all.

After their wild love session, she was fatigued and very sleepy,
Andre scooped her back to the bathroom to wash her up,
Suppressing the urge to rip off her nightie and make love to her again,
While she sat in the tub obediently as he washed her clean, envying the unwavering
strength the man possesses.
While she was like more of like the lazy lover.

The next morning, Gianna’s shoot was scheduled by twelve pm noon, since Reid was
having his official break from school,
She called Andre to bring Justin over, so she can stay with both boys.

A few minutes past nine, Andre brought Justin over,
“Andre you’re late.” She mouthed,
Seeing Justin by his side, she pulled the boy over and gave him a peck on both
cheeks,
“Mommy, where’s little brother?” The kid asked,
Gianna pointed to Reid’s room and surprisingly, the boy ran past her and headed to
the boy’s room,
Leaving the both of them alone.

Did this boy just leave I and his father alone?

“Good morning, Andre,” she greeted him,
He looked at her neck and shoulder line,

Hickeys and love bite were still very much visible on them,
“How’re doing Anna?” She nodded shyly,

Most times in the past, she just love to fight with him,
To prove to him how shameless he’s and how much she dislikes him,
But now, the whole feeling had just vanished,
Now she wanted to stay by his side more,
She want to be with him and watch their boys grow up,
Go to every school functions with him,
Go to every graduation with him,
Watch the boys go to college together,
And come home to lay in each other’s arms.

She turned to come inside and Andre followed her,
“Weren’t you going to work?” She asked,
He leaned forward and whispered,
“No work is more important than being with you and the boys.” She turned red from
his words immediately,
His words have special effect on her and he loves it.

“So, you want to stay with us, why?” She knows he isn’t staying for the boys,
He’s staying just to be with her till noon when she’s ready to leave home.
“Yes of course, I want to stay with you and the boys.” He shut the door behind him as
he gently pulled her towards her room,

Wanting them to be alone gain.

“Andre stops please, I have to prepare breakfast for the boys and do some laundry,
so if you’re going to be staying,
You have to join me to do chores.” She said playfully,

He frowned,
He has never done any house chores all his life and now this woman is wanting to
make him do one.

“So, are you in or not?” She asked him, arms in akimbo,
“But I’ve never done any....”
“You’ve never done any chores all your life right?
Don’t worry, I’ll teach you to wash dishes and do laundry.” She interjected,

This woman is sure something else.
He can’t say no, because he just wants to be with her,
“Okay, I’ll help you.” He finally said, she smiled,
“That’s more like....”

He grabbed her up,
“Andre put me down, I need to prepare breakfast for...”
“That can wait,
I want to eat you first.” He said to her while she struggled to come down,
“I agreed to your condition, you just have to agree to mine too.”
With this he took her to the room and shut the door behind them.

Before noon, Andre drove Gianna to the studio, leaving the boys at home alone.
He drove to his company right after that,

Gianna had a slapping scene today,
She and Katy has a scene together and the later would be slapping her in the play.
“Good morning, Miss Gianna.” Mary, her makeup artiste greeted as she entered the
changing room,
Gianna gave the lady a hearty smile,
“How are you, Mary?” She asked,
The other woman nodded,

Amongst all the actress she has dealt with so far,
Gianna’s the best of them,
The latter doesn’t pride herself high and mighty like the others,
She’s very easy going, accommodating and very caring too.
She doesn’t demean her like the rest does,
She doesn’t discriminate between the sub artistes and the actors.
That made her lucky,
She’s so lucky to have Gianna as her artiste.

“When do I have my shoot?” Gianna asked the lady,
“Well that’s right after Dean’s and Katy’s shoot.” Mary replied,
Getting Gianna’s thing ready for her shoot,
“You’d lunch yet? I’m kind of hungry.” She strode to the busy lady,
“It’s just a few minutes now before I get to set,
Mind if we grab something to eat at the cafe before going?”

Mary smiled,
No actor she has ever worked under had ever
invited her to lunch except Gianna,

“Keahi’ll love to but I need to get your”
Gianna lulled her up gently,

“You can do that after lunch, so let’s go.” She playfully dragged the woman till they
got to the door,
And there was Katy, staring at the two women with full hate in her eyes,

“Mary let’s go.” Gianna ignored Katy’s hateful glares and dragged Mary away to the elevator.

After their twenty minutes lunch break,
Mary and Gianna came back upstairs to their changing room to see the whole room in a mess.

Clothes were scattered all over the place and the makeup box was left open and most items in it was missing,

“Gosh, who did this?” Mary asked in tears seeing the messy too.,
“Katy did this, she just want to get back at me.” Gianna was furious,
How can she stoop so low as messing up the already arranged room.

She angrily left the room and went in search of Katy.
Luckily, she met her with some of her fans,
“Katy.” Gianna walked closer to her,
Because she wouldn’t want the others to hear what she has to say to the girl,

“Can I have a word with you?” She asked politely,
Katy feeling spiteful and very prideful, walked past the girl but Gianna pulled her back with force,

“I need to have a word with you.” She said, letting a little out of her anger,
“Let me go Gianna.” Katy yelled to attract the others attention,
Everyone turned to the both ladies,
“What have I don’t to you to make you drag me like that?” Katy asked, feigning innocence,

Gianna knowing the lady’s plan, let go her hands immediately,
And put on a scared look,
“Why did you mess up my clothes to get back at me for a mistake I already apologized for?”
She voice was so calm the people present started to pity her,
Even Katy became confused too.

“Why mess up the poor girl’s clothes when she has already apologized to you?”
These actresses are all wolves in sheep clothing, pretending to be nice and sweet when they’re all wicked and callous inside.”
“What a wicked soul?”
“It’s so unfair Katy!”

The table turned immediately, she was hoping to make Gianna look like a bully but the woman just outsmarted her and she’s the one looking like the bully now,

“Apologized to Gianna now!”
“You’re so heartless.”

The comments became too much for Katy that she left the place while Gianna slowly walked out feigning tears.

Now she’ll know that I’m not the type of person one should mess with.

Katy was so furious at what Gianna did earlier,

How dare she make me a bully in front of my fans?
I’ll have to teach that girl a lesson or two
This industry is run by me, she can’t just pop out of nowhere to take my limelight,
never.

She made herself a cup of tea to calm down but it didn’t work,
Recalling what’d happened earlier, she was getting angrier and more resentful
towards Gianna.

Mary who’d just came out to get Gianna a cup of tea,
Was walking down the hallway when she saw Katy coming from the opposite
direction,
She moved to the side, so the actress can pass with ease but no,
Katy intentionally bumped into her and spilled the cup of hot tea on the lady’s body.

“Aargh!” Mary shrieked with pain as the liquid came in contact with her skin,
“OH, you should know it was an accident.” Katy said and walked away,
At least she has found someone to vent her anger on.

Mary came back to the room with Gianna’s cup of tea,
“Here’s your tea Miss.” She handed the cup to Gianna and turned to leave
immediately.
“Mary wait...” Gianna called her, she turned to her but she wasn’t looking at Gianna.
She was looking at the floor.

Gianna noticed the odd clues and the last that made her suspicious was that Mary’s
left sleeve was pulled down.

Earlier the lady had taken both sleeves up, saying it was disturbing her work but
seeing them down gave Gianna the notion that something has gone wrong.

“Mary what happened to your sleeve?
Why’s it down?” She asked, the Lady didn’t look up to her,
So she stood up and forcefully raised her head up,

Mary's eyes were teary red including her face too,
It was red from tears.

"What happened to you?" She asked,
"Nothing, I just fell....."

Gianna pulled the lady's sleeve up and saw the effect of the hot tea in the lady's skin.
"Who did this to you Mary?" she asked,
"No one, I accidentally spilled tea....."
"Don't dare lie to me, who did this?" She was very angry now,
Mary had no choice than say the truth,
"Katy spilled her tea on me."
Before she could finish,
Gianna dragged the girl out to look for Katy.

They found her in the board room with her friends,
Fanny and Keith Williams.

"Katy!" Gianna called seeing the ladies,
She made Mary stay beside her.

"Katy, I demand some apology for my assistant." Gianna said,
Katy walked up to them and smirk,
"Didn't your assistant tell you it was just a mistake?" She asked the girl haughtily,
"Then if it was just mistake like you claimed,
Apologize to her now." Gianna was firm on her words,
"What if I refuse?
Because I won't never apologize to an ordinary assistant."

"Okay, you leave me no option than letting this out on the social media,
So your fans can see how wicked you're." Gianna said and turned to leave,

Katy knows it was no threat,
CCTV surveillance camera was everywhere, Gianna can just get it whenever she
wants it and might upload it to the media,

"Wait." Katy said swallowing her pride,
She walked to Gianna and her assistant,
"I'm sorry." She muttered,
Left to Mary, she'll just accept Katy's apology and leave but Gianna's wasn't doing
that,

"What did you just say?" Gianna asked Katy again, so she can say it louder,

“I said I’m sorry. “Katy said a bit louder,
” Who’re you apologizing to?” Gianna asked mockingly,
“Mary, I said I’m sorry.” She said for the umpteenth time,
Mary nodded to Gianna,
Telling her it’s okay and they left the room.
Katy felt so humiliated and vowed to get back at Gianna.