

# **The Billionaire Alpha's Contract Lover by Caesar Erickson**

## **Chapter 1681**

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“Griffon, you’re acting so strange today. Why did you distribute the shares like this? And why train me to be in charge, and have us protect Taya?”

Griffon crossed the office and sat down on the leather swivel chair, then looked up at a puzzled Preston.

“In a month, I have to go somewhere and I might not be able to contact you for a while, so I had to make these arrangements. As for why I’m training you to be in charge...”

He paused for a moment, and his long, thick eyelashes twitched slightly.

He originally had two more months, but this morning he received a message...

This message forced him to move up the timeline.

With that in mind, Griffon looked up and continued in a cold voice:

“You and Taya both have a 30% stake, but Taya can’t be involved in the company, so I’m entrusting you with the power. You and her need to work together, with the help of your

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brothers, to help Taya and balance the power of the Knight pack.”

Griffon could predict that once he's gone, both Dominic and the rest of the Knight pack will likely shift their focus to Taya.

To ensure that Taya was financially secure for the rest of her life, he needed to help her receive dividends from the Knight'

shares and found a way to eliminate any obstacles for her.

And that could only be achieved with the support and loyalty of his brothers, especially Preston, who had been by his side since pup period.

"Where are you going then?"

Preston frowned and asked, understanding his intentions.

"Is it NASA again?"

Every time he goes to NASA, he hands over his phone and loses contact with them.

"No," Griffon denied, interrupting Preston before he could.

Speak again.

"I'll tell you before I leave."

There's so much more he needed to explain.

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Preston hesitated, wanting to ask further, but Griffon became impatient.

"Ms. Duke is pregnant, go back and spend more time with her."

He had no choice but to close his mouth, leaving the president's office with a heart full of questions.

As Preston left, Griffon's gaze darkened and he took out his phone, opening the message.

[Griffon, it's Tara.]

Below the message was a photo of Taya sitting in the study, diligently drawing design sketches.

This meant that Tara, who joined Erebus with Mr. Ben, was monitoring them at all times.

It also meant that she was using Taya as leverage against him.

**As** for her purpose in threatening him, he didn't know...

All he knew was **that this** time at Erebus, besides uncovering the mastermind, he also needed to find a way to **eliminate** them completely.

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With that in mind, Griffon tightened his grip on the phone, and his eyes, shining like stars in the night sky, gradually became covered by a cold mist.

After handling these matters, Griffon left the company ahead of schedule and quickly returned to Blue Bay Island.

Taya was drawing design sketches, and on the opposite couch, Neil was throwing French fries into Grace's mouth.

Grace was like a little puppy, catching the fries wherever they were thrown. But after catching for awhile, she hadn't caught a single fry, and her drool had made a mess on the floor.

When Taya saw this, she glared at Neil, "Neil, can't you treat my sister's pup better?"

Neil didn't care at all and continued to throw peanuts into Grace's mouth, "I'm cultivating her reflexes."

Taya was speechless, "If you want to cultivate her reflexes, take her to play basketball."

Grace, hearing this, protested, "Auntie, I don't want to play basketball. I like playing these kinds of games."

With Grace's support, Neil immediately spread his hands, "See, she's doing it willingly, not because I'm forcing her."

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Taya said, "Wait until Grace's uncle comes back and sees how you treat her like this. He'll definitely break your leg."

Neil scoffed, "Hmph, he's worse with Grace than I am. If he breaks my leg, I'll break his leg too."

Before he could finish his sentence, the study door was

pushed open by a servant, and Griffon, emitting a cold aura, walked in from outside as if he owned the place.

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Hearing the distinctive footsteps, Neil, lying on the couch, immediately sat up straight. "I'm feeling a bit dizzy, so I'll head

back home first.”

Taya: “Neil, didn’t you say that if I couldn’t finish all the design drawings today, you would stay at my place?”

Neil waved his hand while getting up. “Oh, I have my own place. Why would I stay at your place? I’ll come back tomorrow. See you later...”

But just as he got up, a fair hand suddenly rested on his shoulder and gently pressed him back into place.

“Whose leg are you planning to break?”

Neil glanced at Griffon, who had a blank expression, and quickly forced a stiff smile, revealing a perfectly symmetrical

smile.

“Of course, it would be my own leg that I would break!”

A playful smile appeared in Griffon’s cold eyes.

“I just heard that you were planning to break my leg.”

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Neil foolishly smiled.

“I definitely didn’t say that.”

Neil, like Preston, was able to adapt easily. He automatically fetched a wet wipe and handed it to Griffon.

“Mr. Knight, wipe your hands.”

Taya had never seen Neil being so tactful before and couldn't help but raise her hand, propping up her chin to watch him perform.

Griffon stared at the bizarre face in front of him for a few seconds before taking the wet wipe, wiping his hands, and then looking away.

"If you talk about me behind my back again, I'll saw off your leg."

After staring at Taya for a while, Griffon walked around the desk and picked her up.

Taya, who was suddenly lifted up, let out a scream and instinctively hooked her arms around the back of his neck.

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"Where are you taking me?"

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Griffon didn't answer her, he just lowered his eyes and looked at her with deep affection.

With just one look, Taya knew what he wanted to do.

"How about waiting until I finish the drawings?"

"Forget about the drawings for now."

Having a pup was more urgent.

Originally, Griffon didn't want to have a pup, but...

If he were to face any danger, having a pup would give

Taya something to hold onto, and maybe she wouldn't be so devastated.

Of course, this was only a possibility. His own plan and determination were to survive in Erebus.

Taya couldn't lose him, and he couldn't lose Taya. For each other's sake, they had to come back alive.

Watching her uncle's figure, Grace, who was crouching on the ground, asked with a hint of curiosity:

"Every time my uncle carries my aunt upstairs, it takes a long

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time for them to come back down. What does he do with my aunt?"

"Do you want to know?"

After Griffon carried Taya away, Neil sprawled back on the couch.

"Yes, I want to know."

Curious Grace eagerly nodded, like a puppy.

"If you want to know, give me \$5,000."

Grace: ...

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On the top floor, in the romantic room, Taya leaned against **the** wall, panting, with her hands resting on Griffon's broad shoulders.

"What's gotten into you?"

Not only did he leave work early today, but as soon as he came back, he wanted to make love. Did something happen to him?

Griffon, who was holding Taya, lifted his chin slightly, revealing a distinct jawline, and looked at her flushed face....

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"I'll tell you after we're finished."

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When Griffon made love, he was strong but also understood how to take care of her feelings.

She thought it would be a one-time thing, but little did she know that Griffon went crazy and it happened again and again until she couldn't take it anymore and he carried her to the bathroom.

Griffon used to be cold and ungentle before, but ever since.

they got mated, he became tender and even took it upon himself to personally wash her in the bathroom.



As Taya watched Griffon carefully washing her hair, her heart filled with love.

“Honey, you said you would tell me as soon as we were done, why didn’t you?” she asked.

Griffon paused his fingers slowly and seemed to be weighing something in his mind. In the end, he didn’t say anything and only said, “Preston sent two messages, which one do you want

to hear first?”

He would tell her before they left, telling her now would only cause panic.

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Taya, enjoying the service from her husband, closed her eyes in comfort. “Either one is fine.”

Griffon leaned down and kissed her forehead before softly saying, “First, he won back Ms. Duke and they got mated.”

Upon hearing this news, Taya was shocked and opened her eyes wide.

“Preston and Harper got mated, when did this happen?”

Seeing Taya’s surprised expression, Griffon smirked and revealed a faint smile of indulgence.

“Yesterday!”

Taya quickly sat up.

“I’m going to ask her.”

But Griffon stretched out his long fingers and pushed her back into place.

“There’s another message I haven’t told you yet.”

Taya laid back in the bathtub, using her eyes to urge Griffon  
to speak quickly.

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“In ten months, Preston is going to be a father.”

Taya blinked her eyes twice, still not processing the information.

“He’s going to be a father, what does that have to do with mateing Harper?”

Taya said this with disbelief, her eyes wide open.

“Could it be that Harper is pregnant?”

With a smile on his lips, Griffon nodded lightly.

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It took Taya a while to come back to her senses and she took a deep breath.

“No wonder they got mated so quickly, it turns out Harper is.  
pregnant...”

After muttering to herself, she seemed to think of something  
and looked up at Griffon.

So he was stimulated by Preston and hurried back in a panic?

Thinking of this, Taya lowered her long eyelashes and looked at her own belly.

Sensing her emotions, Griffon quickly lifted her out of the

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water and held her sitting on his lap.

“Babe, don’t worry, we don’t have a pup and it’s okay.”

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Although he wanted to give her something to hold onto, not being able to have pups was also okay.

Anyway, he would always keep his lifelong promise, come back safely, and accompany her for the rest of their lives.

Taya saw the concern and love in his eyes and knew that **he** truly didn’t mind.

But she could feel that Griffon also wanted a pup, even **if** he didn’t want to, he would be influenced by the people around

him.

She raised her delicate white hand, cupped Griffon’s

extraordinarily handsome face, then lowered her head and deeply kissed his thin lips.

“Honey, let’s do it again.”

Griffon was afraid that her body couldn’t handle it, but Taya didn’t care and reached out to embrace him.

She buried her head in his neck, like a little cat, and kissed his neck.

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The touch of her red lips on his skin made Griffon's abdomen tighten, and then a wave of excitement arose.

"Honey, are you done?" Taya whispered in his ear when she saw him pretending not to react.

Unable to resist, Griffon grabbed her slender waist and pressed her down forcefully.

Two hours later, Griffon lifted Taya's chin and looked at her teary eyes.

"Are you satisfied?"

Blushing, Taya lowered her head.

"You're...so good."

After being taken care of by Griffon, Taya went downstairs and let Frank make a herbal medicine for her.

She obediently drank the medicine for the night, and by then, it was already dark outside.

She had wanted to go find Harper or call her to **ask** when she got pregnant, but considering that the newlyweds were probably busy getting to know each other, she decided not to

disturb them for now.

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On Harper's side, she didn't feel it was formal to send a message or call Taya. She planned to wait for Preston to come back and personally tell Taya after he let her out.

While thinking about it, Harper saw a beam of headlights. outside the French windows, followed by the sound of wheels rolling on the ground.

Not long after, Preston, tall and handsome, opened the car door and slowly got out.

It was the first time she had waited for her husband to come home, and she couldn't help but feel a bit awkward, but she didn't show it on her face.

She got up from the sofa and walked towards Preston. Preston took off his coat and loosened his tie, intending to hand it over to the servant, but Harper reached out and took it, as *if* she had been his wife for many years.

Preston, who was immersed in the Griffon incident, gradually

**felt** better when he saw Harper's warmth. "You don't have to do these things."

He took the coat and tie from her hand, threw them to the

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servant, then held her hand and walked towards the dining room.

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Seeing the untouched dishes on the table, Preston knew that Harper had been waiting for him, which warmed his heart even more. "If I come back late in the future, you can eat first

and don't wait for me."

She was still carrying their baby, so she shouldn't let herself go

hungry.

Harper didn't intentionally wait for him, she just didn't have much appetite.

But seeing Preston's touched expression, she didn't reveal her little thoughts.

After he helped her sit down, Harper picked up a piece of beef and put it in his bowl.

Although they didn't speak, her actions moved Preston deeply. "Honey, you are so good to me."

In reality, Harper had accidentally put too much salt in the beef while the servant was cooking, and she wanted him to

taste if it was too salty.

Preston, who was completely unaware, happily ate the salty beef, with a pair of bright eyes looking at Harper with a smile.

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"Although the meat is salty, since you served it to me, I will finish it all..."

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Harper felt a little guilty when she heard this and lowered her head to drink her porridge.

After they finished dinner and took their baths, they returned to the master bedroom wearing their pajamas.

Harper was about to turn off the lights, but Preston stopped her, then opened a drawer and came out with a safe.

In front of Harper, he entered the password, opened it, and then took out all the bank cards inside, handing them all to Harper. "This is all my wealth, all for you."

Harper stared at the bank cards for a while, reached out and took them, and then put them back into Preston's safe. "I have money, I don't need yours."

Her income from the night market was very high every year, and she would be fine for a lifetime. She didn't need Preston's

money.

Preston, however, didn't care whether she had money or not, he just gave her all of his things without hesitation. "Whether you use it or not, I have to give them to you."

This was the duty of a husband. After saying that, Preston

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took out a pile of property certificates, car documents, and other properties and stuffed them into Harper's hands. "I will transfer these to you tomorrow."

Surrounded by a pile of real estate, Harper was a little dazed, looking at Preston. "I really don't need them..."

After Preston smiled at her, he put all these things back into the safe and handed the safe to her. "Keep it here for our baby in the future."

The phrase "our baby" warmed Harper's heart inexplicably. She didn't know what the pup would look like, whether they would resemble her or Preston.

As she fantasized about what the pup would be like, Preston's expression gradually became guilty... "Babe, what would you do if our baby had a bad name?"

"I wouldn't do anything." Hearing this, Preston suddenly felt relieved.

But before he could fully relax, Harper added, "As long as it's not Ben or Barbie." Preston swallowed his saliva

subconsciously when he heard

that, **then** gathered up the courage to ask tentatively, "What if we really named the pup. That hat?"

Harper, closing the safe, raised her eyes filled with a chilling

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aura and stared at Preston- "If you dare to give our pup such

a name, I'll kill you!"

Preston:...

He regretted boasting in front of Griffon. Now, his life was in danger...

"Don't worry, how could I give our pup such a name?"

"That's about right." Harper closed the safe and handed

it back to Preston. "Put it back where it belongs." Preston wanted to say something, but Harper interrupted him.

"Anyway, now that we're mated, these things are inseparable.

It doesn't matter where they are kept."

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"Babe, I really want you!" Preston passionately and eagerly kissed Harper's **red** lips, his restless hands wandering on her skin.



"I told you before, I'm pregnant, so we can't." Harper, almost suffocating from his kiss, felt her body wanting to respond but maintained her rationality.

"I know we can't, but can you at least..." Before he could finish his sentence, Harper immediately pushed him away.

"If you keep acting like this, we'll sleep in separate rooms." Preston instantly became obedient.

"No, please don't make me sleep in a separate room." Preston, controlled by her words, got off Harper and pulled her into his

arms.

"Harper, after the pup is born and your body has recovered, let me have a few nights with you." Harper, nestled in his embrace, looked up at him.

"After the pup is born, the one-year agreement will be over. Whether I stay or not will depend on my mood." She tightened her hands around his, then loosened her grip.

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Preston felt a little upset, turned to the side, and stared **at the** table lamp in a daze. Harper hesitated for a few seconds and then approached him from behind and hugged him.

"I promise you, is that not enough?" Her gentle expression

meant that she would stay, but Preston didn't understand her implied meaning.

"What's the use of your promise if you're still going to leave?"

Harper thought he was being stubborn, so she didn't argue with him and instead pressed her cheek against his back.

“You have to go to work tomorrow, so go to sleep...” After holding it in for a while, Preston turned to the side and stared

at her.

“Harper, I want to give you a grand mating ceremony.” Then, he would announce to the world at the mating ceremony that he, Preston, had mated her, and Harper would be his forever,

unable to escape.

After staring at Preston for a while, Harper nodded gently. “Okay, I’ll do as you say.”

There shouldn’t be any obstacles between them anymore. So if he wanted a mating ceremony, they would have a mating

ceremony.

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With his consent, Preston embraced Harper tightly again.

“Babe, let’s go to sleep.”

Smelling his familiar scent, Harper closed her eyes and fell

asleep peacefully.

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The next morning, Harper went to the dressing room, took out her bag, and pulled out a voice recorder from it. She handed it to Preston. “Your mother probably doesn’t know she was recorded. Destroy it.”

Since they were mated, it was better to not keep something

that could easily cause distance and misunderstandings.

Let Kate know nothing, especially since Elsie was already in

prison.

Preston took the voice recorder and looked at Harper. "My mother always takes decisive actions. If you think she's not good, you don't have to meet her in the future."

Harper shook her head at his words. "I understand your mother. If I were born into a wealthy pack, I wouldn't be happy if my pup mated someone who wasn't a suitable match. After all, who wants their pup to suffer? Besides, she only said a few things to me, it's not a big deal."

For Harper, Kate mostly spoke the truth. She really wasn't born into a good pack, had a low education, and worked at a nightclub. She wasn't a good match for Preston.

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Harper knew it very well and didn't mind. In the future, she would treat Preston's mother as her own mother and live a good life together as a family.

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Seeing Harper not arguing with his mother, Preston felt that she was kind-hearted. "With you as my daughter-in-law, my mother is lucky to have you."

Harper, who was drinking her tonic, glanced at him. "You'll be a parent too. Don't speak ill of your own mother."

Preston knew that Harper respected her elders, so he stopped. "Okay, I won't talk about her anymore. I'll go destroy the voice recorder."

By giving him the voice recorder to destroy, Harper was telling him that she wouldn't let his mother's actions affect her anymore since they were mated.

It seemed that even with the existence of the agreement, Harper was ready to live a good life with him. Once the mating ceremony was held and the pup was born, he would be able to keep Harper forever.

With this idea in mind, Preston happily took out the chip from the voice recorder, inserted it into the computer, and swiftly operated on the keyboard...

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Taya took Grace and planned to find Harper, but Harper, arrived at the door first. The two hadn't seen each other for over a month, but now they coincidentally met at the door and couldn't help but smile at each other.

Back inside the castle, after Frank prepared some food for pregnant women, Taya took Harper up and down for a few rounds, then extended her hand and gently touched Harper's flat belly.

"Harper, do you remember what you promised me before?"

"Of course, I remember."

Standing, Harper gently touched Taya's hair.

"When I give birth, I'll let you be the godmother."

Upon hearing this, **Taya raised** her head and smiled sweetly at Harper.

"I'm starting to look forward to it."

The joy and delight in her eyes were all for Harper, without a trace of pain for her own inability to conceive.

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She acted well, always hiding her worries in her heart, but Harper could still sense her emotions.

“Taya, your pup will come soon too.”

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Harper sat down, held her hand, and gently patted her hand.

“When your pup is born, I’ll also be the godmother.”

Harper amused Taya, and the heaviness in her heart quickly disappeared.

“Then I’ll take your good words, and let you be the godmother of my pup as soon as possible.”

Harper extended her fair fingers and tapped Taya’s nose.

“Sharing my good luck with you.”

Taya leaned in closer, her high nose bridge almost touching.

“Do it a few more times, so I can have more pups.”

Harper couldn’t help but laugh, tapping Taya’s nose ten times in a row.

“Let’s see if you can have ten.”

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“Two is enough, preferably one boy and one girl. Then **my** life will be complete.”

This was a loving couple’s most common hope, and Harper shared the same sentiment, but she didn’t force it.

After chatting with Harper for a while, Harper felt tired and Taya quickly asked her to rest in the guestroom.

She originally wanted Harper to have a good sleep, but little.

did she know that Preston couldn’t find his wife and rushed to

Blue Bay Island.

“Taya, where’s my wife?”

When Preston entered, Taya looked around, but he didn’t even give her a glance, which made her find it amusing.

“I’ve locked up your wife. If you want to see her, pay me fifty thousand.”

Without hesitation, Preston took out his phone and prepared to transfer the money, but Taya stopped him by pressing the screen.

“So you’re actually transferring.”

Taya smiled.

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“I was just joking. Harper is sleeping in the guest room. Maybe you can wait for her to wake up and take her home.”

Preston glanced at the sleeping Harper in the guest room,  
then went to the kitchen.

“Taya, how about tonight Harper and I have dinner at your place?”

Taya had already  
wanted to invite them for dinner, so when Preston showed interest in their chef, she smiled and nodded.

“As long as you don’t mind having dinner with Griffon.”

“I’m not afraid.”

“I am!”

Just as Harper reached the living room, she quickly interjected upon hearing such a terrifying topic.

Taya put  
down her phone, propped her forehead with one hand, and looked Harper up and down.

“Why are you so afraid of my husband? He’s not a ferocious  
beast.”

Thinking Harper would give a reason, they both said in unison:

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“He is a ferocious **beast!**”

“He is a ferocious beast!”

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Taya: ...

"I always thought my husband was gentle."

Harper walked over, picked up her bag from the sofa, and responded to Taya's words.

"That's only towards you."

Preston nodded in agreement, lowered his head, and kissed Harper's hand.

"Harper, come home with me. I'll hire a good chef to make you a delicious meal."

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Harper reluctantly agreed when Preston asked her to kiss him. "There are still people around," she said.

Harper used to call Taya her BFF, but now she referred to her

as just a person. Even the usually patient Taya couldn't help but roll her eyes.

"Don't mind her," Preston said. Just as his words trailed off, a tall figure walked in from outside the castle.

Preston quickly bent down and brought his handsome face close to Harper's. "Give me a quick kiss," he urged.

Unaware that Griffon had entered, Harper tilted her head back and quickly kissed him on the face.

Preston's face lit up with a smile as he held Harper and turned to face the seemingly cold-hearted Griffon. "Griffon, you're back?"

Facing the secretly

triumphant Preston, Griffon glanced indifferently at the two of them before walking over to Taya. "Don't let mentally unstable people in here anymore."

After a brief moment of confusion, Taya spoke up for Harper.

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“Harper is perfectly fine.”

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Griffon sat down on the sofa and gave Preston a sideways glance. “I wasn’t talking about Ms. Duke.” Preston responded, “So you’re talking about me then?”

Raising an eyebrow, Griffon replied, “Since you identify with it, then yes, I am talking about you.” Preston fell silent.

Preston took Harper by the hand and walked towards the door.

Then, as if remembering something, he turned to look at the couple who were already embracing each other.

Even though Preston had seen them together several times before, he couldn’t help but feel shy.

Unable to control himself, Preston reached out to cover Harper’s eyes.

With her eyes covered, Harper glanced at Preston with a smirk.

“In three days, Harper and I will have our mating ceremony. Remember to prepare a gift,” Preston announced before quickly leaving Blue Bay Island with Harper.

Taya and Griffon watched their backs and exchanged a smile.

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Three days later, Preston and Harper’s mating ceremony place on a **luxury** yacht.

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The yacht, numbered 37-1314520, was purchased by Preston at a huge cost.

Taya found the number to be quite special, as if it symbolized

Harper and Preston's lifelong commitment. The mating ceremony was grand, with everyone from the Knight pack in attendance, including Dominic, whom Rebecca had managed to persuade to come.

Of course, Dominic appeared unwilling, mainly because he believed that people like Taya and Harper were not worthy of his two outstanding grandsons.

However, there was nothing he could do about the business of the conglomerate, and meddling in the mating of the younger generation was even more out of his control, so he had to endure it. Next came Preston's parents. Edward didn't

mind who Preston mated, but Kate did, and she wore a sour expression throughout the mating ceremony.

When Preston noticed, he reminded Kate, "Mom, I invited the media to the mating ceremony. If they capture you with an ugly face, don't blame the public for saying you're ugly."

Kate's face finally softened, and she occasionally smiled at the

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camera, mainly to avoid people saying she looked ugly.

The mating ceremony would sail at sea for several days, meaning that Preston's close friends and family would witness their love together.

Before all the guests boarded the yacht, it remained docked by the shore. The media was capturing moments of the bride and groom, while Griffon sat in the car, not in a rush to board.

It wasn't that he was afraid of being photographed, but rather that he had spotted a few unexpected guests in the

**car...**

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Tara, surrounded by a group of black-clad bodyguards, paused as if by chance at the pier, glanced in the direction of the ship, and then turned around to scan Griffon's car.

Through the thick car window tint, Griffon saw her face, with a cross-shaped scar that glowed red in the intense sunlight.

Tara didn't deliberately cover it up or avoid it, but intentionally lifted her face for him to see, as if reminding him that he had

left that scar.

With Mr. Ben and Elder by her side, she appeared openly in

front of him, just to let him know that Griffon, one day, I will avenge this scar!

Griffon had a special identity and had never publicly revealed Taya as his she-wolf. In public situations like this with the media present, they would separate and go their own ways. Taya had already boarded the ship.

Seeing Tara board the ship with so many people, Griffon understood Tara's goal was Taya. With this in mind, Griffon immediately pushed open the car door, but Tara changed direction and walked away...

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Griffon abruptly stopped, Tara suddenly turned back. and gave him a mysterious smile. That smile meant she wasn't targeting Taya today, but rather testing him.

A hint of killing intent flashed in Griffon's cold eyes. Without hesitation, he quickly caught up with Tara, accompanied by his bodyguards.

Last time, he didn't personally deal with Tara and handed her over to Zack. But Zack, being busy, handed her over to Mr. Ben, which led to Mr. Ben's betrayal. This time, Griffon must personally end them!

On the ship, Taya had already recognized Tara when she turned around, but from a distance, she couldn't see the scar

on her face.

Since The Thorin Group was acquired by The Knight's, Tara and Elder had disappeared. When Taya **saw** them, her heart skipped a beat. If she didn't know her own identity, she wouldn't have felt anything. But now she knew that Elder was her biological father and Tara was her half-sister.

Of course, what made her even more complicated was why Griffon was following Tara?

After everything Taya had been through with Griffon, she didn't think he was still involved with Tara. She **was** just puzzled by it.

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At this moment, Silas boarded the ship and saw her standing on the deck, gazing into the distance. Her pale face regained

some color. "Taya."

Hearing Silas's voice, Taya snapped out of her thoughts and turned to look at him. Silas was still sitting in his wheelchair.

Taya glanced at the direction Griffon had disappeared in again, suppressing her worries, and walked towards Silas. "Silas, how are your legs?"

Silas touched his leg. "I can feel pain now. The nerves seem to be recovering. I believe I'll be able to stand after

rehabilitation."

Harper had already told her that Silas would be able to stand, but hearing it from Silas himself, Taya felt relieved. "I wish you a speedy recovery then."

Silas nodded and there was nothing else to say between

**them.** From being dependent on each other to becoming strangers over the years, only memories were left.

Even the memories were **Silas's** alone. The woman before him

was already occupied by another man in her heart and mind.

Silas tightened his fingers

on his knee and smiled at Taya. "Taya, I'm going to give Harper a mating gift. I'll take my

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leave."

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The words “take my leave” sounded distant. Taya thought there was no need to deliberately maintain a distance, but her heart was with Griffon, so she had no intention of comforting Silas at the moment. She just nodded at him.

As Silas left, Taya quickly turned around, facing the direction of the pier, clutching her hand and standing still. When the medical had left and the ship was about to leave, Griffon still hadn't

returned.

Griffon had a special identity and often had mysterious missions to attend to. Taya knew not to disturb him when he was working, but she was very worried about him. Afraid that something might happen to him, after hesitating for a few seconds, she disembarked.

Harper

had just walked over, wanting to take a few more photos of Taya. When she saw Taya getting off the ship, she quickly followed. “Taya, are you going to call Griffon to board the ship?”

Taya was about to say yes when she saw Griffon,

accompanied by bodyguards, appear in her line of sight. Seeing his cold and noble figure, Taya's heart, which had been in her throat, finally relaxed.

**She** lifted her dress skirt and ran towards Griffon,

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disregarding everything, and the man quickly stopped his

**steps**, raising his strong arms to catch the woman throwing

herself into his embrace.

Taya nestled in his arms, smelling the faint scent of cedar

emanating from him, her tense body gradually softening.

“From now on, please let me know wherever you go, okay?”

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Griffon nodded and lowered his head **to** kiss Taya’s hair. “I’m for worrying you,” he said.

sorry

Taya lifted her head from his embrace and looked up at the man with a well-defined jawline. “I just saw Tara. Is there something you need to talk to her about?”

Griffon tensed

up, surprised that she had seen Tara. After hesitating for a moment, he spoke softly, “She has **a** list of St

members. I want to deal with her.”

He actually intended to kill her, but he failed. Everyone around Tara was part of Erebus, and if he went after her as Griffon, they would suspect him. Fortunately, before he rushed **out**, he saw the identification badge on the other person and canceled his plan.

But he still had a question. Why didn’t Tara or Mr. Ben tell

Erebus about his identity? Or perhaps Erebus already knew

and was just leading him into a trap. After all, Erebus was formed to take down the leader of S. Since they already knew who the leader was, why didn’t they capture him?

Taya quickly believed him. “Did you get the list back?”

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Griffon shook his head gently. "There's a person named Mr. Ben with her. He memorized the list. Unless Mr. Ben dies, I won't be able to get it back."

Taya wanted to ask who Mr. Ben was, but Griffon had a serious expression, as if he had encountered something difficult.

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At times like this, Taya didn't want to bother him. After a moment of contemplation, Griffon bent down slightly and lifted her up in his arms. "I'll take care of my business. Don't worry, Let's go to Preston's mating ceremony."

Griffon always brought peace to Taya, never any worries. Even though he had a heavy heart now, he didn't want her to

worry.

Understanding his intentions, Taya reached out and wrapped her arms around his neck. She obediently replied, "Okay."

Her gentleness had always been a soothing balm for Griffon's soul. Just a simple word from her could sweep away his troubles and make him fearlessly move forward.

Silas, who had witnessed this scene, lowered his eyelashes slowly, hiding his endless desolation. Edith, who had been observing him from afar, casually took a glass of champagne from a waiter and walked over.

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"Stop staring and have a drink to lighten up."

Edith interrupted Silas's thoughts with the glass of champagne she handed him.

He glanced at the champagne and a hint of coldness appeared in his eyes.



“Do I need to remind you about not drinking during the recovery period? Should I, as a patient, remind you?”

He knew the dietary restrictions himself, but it wasn't a big deal. The problem was that when he was undergoing rehabilitation, she would read books and treat him at the same time, treating him like a guinea pig.

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Silas wanted to dismiss her, but Edith said something that made him agree to let her stay for another month. If she couldn't cure him by then, she would leave. After all, she was hired by Taya. Silas reluctantly nodded.

It hadn't been a month yet, but Silas was already hoping for her experiment to fail so that she would leave quickly. Otherwise, if she stayed by his side, not only would he not be able to stand up, his good gastrointestinal condition might also be ruined by her.

Edith glanced at Silas and awkwardly smiled. “Oh, come **on**, A. little drink won't **hurt**.”

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Silas ignored her and asked Camille to push him further away.

Edith followed.

“You really won't drink?”

Silas, who usually avoided crowds, hid among the people to prevent Edith from finding him.

Watching his figure hidden in the crowd, Edith raised her champagne glass and drank it herself.

Silas suffered from depression, and Edith deliberately took this treatment approach, which actually made it easier for him to emerge from the abyss. But Silas didn't understand. However, Edith didn't care about the patient's misconceptions about her. As long as the final result was good, it was enough.

From a distance, Anthony watched Edith drinking alone. He hesitated, raised his foot, and then put it back down. In the end, he just watched Edith, who even refused him in his dreams, from a distance...

Kate came out of the banquet hall and saw Anthony looking at Edith with a longing but hesitant expression. It made Kate feel a little sorry for him. After hesitating for a moment, she walked towards Anthony. "Mr. Carmine, why don't you go say hello to Edith?"

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Anthony just smiled, "If she's doing well, I won't bother her."

He knew that Edith no longer loved him, so he forced himself to approach her, only causing her distress. Having the chance to just catch a glimpse from afar was enough for him.

Feeling guilty for the pain he caused Kate, Anthony apologized softly, "I'm sorry, it's my fault that I hurt you and Edith."

Anthony smiled faintly, "If you agree to Preston mating Ms. Duke, consider it a compensation for us."

His demeanor was so impressive that Kate couldn't even look directly at him. "Sorry."

Anthony didn't say anything, **just** raised his eyes to the mating ceremony hall. "Kate, the mating ceremony is about to start. You must be busy, right?"

Watching the polite Anthony, Kate suddenly remembered that he had never said anything hurtful to her. Even when she hit him or yelled at him, he always maintained his manners and politeness.

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After realizing this, Kate felt that her past self was truly cruel. But time wouldn't give her a chance to regret, the damage had already been done, and no amount of apologies could change that.

She stopped apologizing and turned to Edith. "Edith."

Kate wanted to help Anthony persuade Edith again, but when Edith heard her voice, she didn't even turn around and walked away directly...

Watching that figure, **Kate** sighed heavily. It seemed that her daughter still couldn't forgive her...

After Griffon boarded the ship with Taya in his arms, he affectionately patted her head and said, "I need to take care of something with them. You go inside first."

The "them" he referred to were S's people, the members disguised as bodyguards following him. After Taya glanced at them, she nodded at Griffon, "I'll wait for you at the entrance of the mating ceremony hall."

Griffon responded with a grunt. After watching her turn and leave, his gentle gaze disappeared, replaced by a stern look as he turned to S. "Tara **just** entered the Lakeview Hotel. You guys stay here and secretly follow her. Report to me as soon as you have any news."

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**After** exchanging glances, the members frowned and asked Griffon, “And what about you?”

Zack went to accompany Gigi, Andrew returned to the Sinclair

pack, and Mr. Greyson’s two strong arms were not here at such a critical moment. Now even this team had to be sent **out**.

Who would ensure Mr. Greyson’s safety?

Griffon, however, didn’t care at all. “Don’t worry, with Peter

here, no one dares to make a move.”

But even if Peter could handle ten opponents alone, the members were still worried. “Just afraid that what happened earlier was a trap set by Erebus to lure us away.”

While Griffon pondered in silence, the team leader said, “Alpha, I will follow them and leave some of my team members to protect you and your **wife**.”

Griffon had sent everyone away because he was afraid that he alone couldn’t handle Erebus’s people. He asserted strongly, “You all go together. My command is only given.

**once**.”

Knowing Mr. Greyson’s temperament, the team leader didn’t dare to persuade further. After giving them members a signal, he quickly left the ship.

Griffon watched **their** figures, his brows tightly furrowed, and

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he couldn’t shake off his uneasiness. Ever since Tara and Mr. Ben joined Erebus, S’s members frequently encountered trouble, either being exposed or disappearing.

With a heavy heart, he turned and walked towards the mating ceremony hall. Taya said she would wait for him here, and she had been standing here obediently without moving.

Seeing her well-

behaved appearance, Griffon's gloomy mood lightened slightly. He approached and affectionately kissed her forehead, then held Taya's hand and walked into the mating ceremony hall. However, at the entrance, they coincidentally bumped into Silas being pushed out by Camille.

Behind Silas was Edith. He had come out of the mating ceremony hall to avoid her, but ended up encountering Griffon and his she-wolf.

Griffon and Silas, seeing each other face to face for the first time in a long while, were both tall men, with one standing and the other sitting. After briefly sizing each other up, they quickly looked away. Griffon's gaze landed on Edith, while Silas's gaze fell on the couple holding hands.

Neither of them said anything, only Edith sheepishly stuck her tongue out at Griffon. "Griffon, I'll go check if the bride is ready..."

Edith slipped away, leaving only the three of them. Griffon

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and Silas didn't really have any emotions towards each other, but Taya felt awkward.

As she was thinking about how to break the silence, a loud voice suddenly sounded from behind her, "Taya, I've come to give your sister a mating gift-"

Taya turned her head and saw Johnny in a black suit, walking steadily up the deck. Following behind him were Herb, Zack, and Gigi.

At the moment these inappropriate individuals appeared, Griffon's eyes darkened.

Silas attending the mating ceremony, he could understand.

Zack coming with Gigi, since they were acquainted, he could

understand.

But why did Johnny, who secretly loved Taya, and Herb, who was trying to pursue Taya, come here?

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Johnny walked with three people to the entrance of the mating ceremony hall. His eyes glanced past Griffon and landed on Taya standing next to him.

Taya looked up at the same time and their eyes met briefly before Johnny quickly looked away.

Griffon, holding Taya's hand, couldn't stand the way Johnny was sneaking glances at his she-

wolf. Subconsciously, he let go of Taya's hand and instead tightened his grip around her waist. He tilted his head slightly and looked down on Johnny

with disdain.

Johnny noticed this and clenched his fist. Then he looked towards Zack standing beside him.

Zack quickly stepped forward and tried to defuse the situation. "Alpha," Zack said, "Johnny says that no matter what, Taya is considered part of the Carmine pack. Her sister is getting mated, so of course they came to give their congratulations. That's why I brought them along."

After explaining, Zack flashed a big smile, awkwardly laughed. at Griffon and Taya, and his facial expressions and forced **gaze** indicated that what he just said was all a lie.

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In reality, Johnny and Herb overheard that Zack was bringing Gigi to the mating ceremony and they shamelessly followed along.

Griffon didn't bother with them and pulled Taya to leave. But as guests, Taya couldn't let them feel too embarrassed. "The

groom and bride are in the lounge, Zack. Take them to give their congratulations..."

Zack held Gigi's hand and looked at Johnny. "Let's go inside..."

For the sake of Gigi, Zack always either flattered or appeased Johnny. He treated Johnny with more care than he did Gigi. Finally, Johnny acknowledged him as his brother-in-law, and only then did Zack dare to call him "Johnny."

Johnny glanced at Zack and then quickened his pace towards

the mating ceremony hall. However, as he passed Griffon standing at the door, he purposely bumped into his shoulder.

But there's a difference between those who exercise regularly and those who don't. Johnny not only failed to push Griffon away, but he stumbled himself.

Griffon caught Johnny, who was about to fall, and looked down on him with contempt. "Mr. Brook, if your body is so weak, remember to take more supplements. Don't end up ascending to heaven before mating your wife."

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Johnny's face turned red with anger, and he wanted to retort to Griffon. But then he accidentally caught sight of Taya beside them, who was staring at his waist, as if questioning why he couldn't find a wife because of his weak waist.

With so many people at the entrance, Johnny couldn't justify himself. He could only shake off Griffon's hand on his arm and raise his index finger. Through gritted teeth, he pointed at Griffon and turned around, quickly walking into the mating hall.

After Johnny went in, Herb approached Taya with a bouquet of flowers. "Sister, long time no see. Flowers for a beautiful

lady. I wish you eternal youth, health, and beauty."

Just because they first met, Herb had been calling her sister.

Even after finding out she wasn't part of the Carmine pack, he **still** called her that.

Taya found it quite heartwarming and reached out to accept the flowers. "Thank you."

Herb smiled and replied, "You're welcome."

After saying that, Herb provocatively glanced **at Griffon**, whose face darkened visibly.

Griffon clenched his powerful finger into a fist, but Taya

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quickly spoke up to refuse. "No need, my husband gives me a bouquet of litchi roses every day. One bouquet is enough."

However, Herb didn't mind and raised an eyebrow. "No problem, if not flowers, then I'll give you something else. As long as my sister is happy."

Taya awkwardly smiled at Herb. In her impression, Herb was the kind of carefree and rebellious young man. How did he become greasy all of a sudden after such a short time?

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Taya didn't respond, so Herb touched his greasy, shiny

pompadour and strutted past both of them into the mating ceremony hall.

Beside him, Zack nervously led Gigi to Griffon and said, "Alpha, my wife's pack is a bit strange."

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Before Griffon could

react, Gigi slapped Zack on the head and said, "Who are you calling strange?"

Zack held his head and looked at Griffon with a pitiful look

that seemed to say, "Do you think they're normal?"

Griffon averted his gaze, pretending not to see, and Zack

knew what he meant. He had chosen his path, and he would

have to bear **it**.

Zack's face gloomy, Gigi dragged him into the mating ceremony hall, saying, "Wow, this place is so beautiful, Zack. I want a mating ceremony like this, no, I want a mating ceremony even more beautiful than this..."

Despite being slapped, Zack still fulfilled all of Gigi's demands, saying, "Okay, whatever kind of mating ceremony **you** want, **I'll** make it for you, as **long** as you're happy..."

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Gigi hugged Zack's arm, smiling with great happiness, saying,

"I knew you would be the best to me."

As Griffon watched Zack and Gigi walk away, his cold expression gradually softened. Zack had found his place, Andrew took his wife back to the Sinclair pack, and Preston got mated too. The important people in his life had their own bonds, and he could finally let go, but...

Griffon raised his long, powerful hand and touched Taya's

hair. He wondered if the assets he left behind were enough, if his 30% stake was sufficient, and if he had made the right arrangements for Peter to protect her. He also wondered if her brothers would keep their promises and take care of her...

Taya sensed that something was off with Griffon and hugged his waist, nestling into his embrace, saying, "Honey, Johnny

and Herb are just trying to provoke you. Don't let it bother

you."

Griffon didn't say anything in response. He moved his hand down and gently patted her back, saying, "I'm a bit

possessive."

After he left, if Johnny and Herb dared to have any intentions. towards his wife, he would come back and teach the man a

lesson!

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Taya couldn't help but laugh when she heard him call himself possessive. "My jealous husband, the mating ceremony is

about to start, let's go inside..."

Griffon not only didn't mind Taya calling him possessive,

but he also indulged her. He embraced her, kissed her, and then let go, intertwining their fingers as they walked into the mating ceremony hall.

Inside, the carpet was covered in red roses, leading all the way to the mating ceremony stage, which was adorned with numerous flowers. The atmosphere was fresh and full of

romance.

Above the hall, crystal chandeliers in the shape of wind chimes hung, emitting a sparkling glow. The sound of the wind occasionally created a pleasant tinkling sound as it passed through the windows.

Everyone who saw this elegant and romantic mating ceremony venue couldn't help but exclaim how beautiful it was. Preston not only put effort into it but also used computer technology to create two AI models.

One was Harper, labeled as number **33**, and the other was

Preston, labeled as number 77. These two humanoid AIs stood

inside the mating ceremony hall, welcoming each guest that entered...

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However, Harper didn't like these two Als, to be precise, she found them so ugly that she couldn't bear to look at them.

Preston, on the other hand, thought his creativity was excellent and insisted that Harper hug them.

Wearing a mating ceremony dress and delicate makeup, Harper reluctantly hugged each of them, thinking about her.

own mating day.

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Taya couldn't help but laugh when she remembered Harper's

speechless expression after being **teased** by the two robots. "Honey, why can't the robots developed by your company be a

little more attractive?" she asked.

As Taya spoke, Robot Number 77 was bowing and nodding to Griffon. "Welcome, welcome, welcome..." it began, but Griffon interrupted and shut it off. The robot's mouth was wide open, revealing a jumble of messy wires.

Upon seeing this, Griffon's expression turned serious. "Preston. didn't even bother to properly construct the basic structure because he was in a rush. Yet, he still had the audacity to put the Knight Group label on it."

Taya thought it was ugly on the outside, while Griffon believed the internal structure was n't well-made. They didn't see eye to eye on this, so Taya didn't say anything. Instead, she just took his arm and said, "Well then, honey, you should make another version of yourself."

Griffon looked back at Taya and asked, "Why?"

Taya stood on her tiptoes and playfully poked his cheek. "Because I also want a husband who bends over and

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welcomes me every day..."

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Griffon chuckled affectionately, "If I were to make one, I would make it so that even you wouldn't recognize me."

Taya didn't think he could actually do it, so she casually replied, "Okay."

At that moment, the emcee took the stage and announced that the sea mating ceremony was about to begin. The guests

were instructed to take their seats and wait for the bride and groom to make their entrance.

After telling Griffon that she was going to find Harper, Taya turned and headed towards the dressing room. Harper was sitting in front of the mirror, continuously taking deep breaths. in an attempt to calm her nerves.

Upon seeing Taya enter, she couldn't help but say, "I've been mated once before, so I should be used to this, but why am I still so nervous?"

Taya was amused by Harper's comment and walked over, taking her hand. "Harper, you're nervous because you're mating the person you love the most, and you're doing it in front of his pack, walking down the aisle, exchanging rings, and making vows to each other."

Harper found her words reasonable, but she still couldn't

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control her nervousness. "Do you think I'll trip on my mating dress and fall on stage later?"

Taya comforted her, "No, even if you do fall, Preston will be there to catch you."

Harper furrowed her brow, "You think so?"

Indeed, Preston didn't catch her. Instead, they both fell down together. It was a struggle for them to help each other back up. When Preston pulled his hand back from Harper's waist, **it**

accidentally caught onto her veil. Unaware of it, he proceeded to cover Harper's face with the veil, only to have it abruptly pulled off...

Seeing this scene, the guests were momentarily stunned, but then burst into laughter.

The mating ceremony had a few hiccups in the beginning, **but** overall, **it** went smoothly. It was like the journey Harper and Preston had taken together, filled with twists and turns, but

with a good outcome.

The media couldn't enter the mating ceremony venue, they had taken some footage of the ship before the ceremony. It had already made headlines, and people online were discussing it.

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The initial public opinion was that as long as someone **is**

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attractive enough, even an orphan can mate into a wealthy

pack. Then, someone revealed that Harper had been unmated before, leading the public opinion to shift to the ideal that as long as someone is scheming enough, even a unmated

person can mate into a wealthy pack.

The public opinion wasn't favorable, but Preston seemed

prepared. When everyone was attacking and insulting Harper on Twitter, he posted a timed message: "[We've been together for three years. I proposed to her and spent two years

trying to make her mate me. Now, I finally succeeded. Next, I will spend a lifetime trying to convince her to spend the rest of her life with me.]"

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Netizens never expected that Preston, known as a playboy, would spend such a long time chasing women.

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Everyone couldn't believe it and thought Preston's words were unreliable. However, his final statement, "spending a lifetime pursuing one person," was quite shocking.

After finishing reading the news, Damian was incredibly shocked. He stared at the glamorous Harper on the screen, thinking he must have made a mistake. He desperately rubbed his eyes and stared at Harper, carefully examining her features.

Only then did he dare to confirm that his ex-wife had indeed mated into the wealthy Knight pack, a pack as rich as a country!

Damian could hardly believe it. After the unmate, he had been living a miserable life, burdened with debts and constantly being chased by creditors.

On top of that, he had to take care of his wife and pups, not even having five minutes of rest each day. He was exhausted and worn out.

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Meanwhile, Harper was flourishing. Not only did she open a nightclub, but she also made a fortune from it. And now, she



had become a high-class lady in a wealthy pack. How could Damian accept this?

He angrily vented his frustrations online, accusing Harper of

mating into wealth and abandoning her ex-husband.

He even claimed that she had been involved with Preston

during their mating. Surprisingly, some netizens believed him. and started asking what happened.

Finding some solace online, Damian began spreading

malicious rumors about Harper using the most vicious words.

Just as he was getting carried away, he saw someone posting

that he was spreading lies and that he was the one who had cheated and deceived others. They accused him of mating for money, housing, and financial gain.

Damian was about to respond with words when a piece of

**solid** evidence, like a pair **of** iron hammers, appeared online and instantly became a hot topic. Not long after, his post **was**

**drowned** in a flood of criticism.

**Soon**, public opinion online started to view Harper as an independent and strong-willed girl. They sympathized with her for being deceived by her ex-husband but admired her

hard work and success. Although she couldn't compare to the

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wealthy pack, she had earned her own money and would **never** have to worry about her livelihood.

Anthony, who was manipulating everything behind the scenes, put down his phone after seeing the change in public sentiment. He turned around and looked at Preston, who was standing on the deck admiring the sea with Harper. Preston also glanced back at him, and the two friends exchanged a smile.

The mating ceremony was over, but the cruise ship continued sailing. The older generation gathered on the second floor, eating and chatting, while the younger ones gathered on the top floor to play games.

This suggestion came from Herb, who **said** that Griffon had previously lost to him in a motorcycle race, so this time, no matter what, they had **to** win it back. He gathered a few young people and went upstairs.

Preston and Harper called Anthony, along with their brothers. and Edith, Edith was worried that Silas would feel depressed **if** he was left alone, so she pushed him **to** go upstairs as well.

Therefore, on the open-air deck of the **top** floor, a group of familiar but not-so-familiar people sat in the sofa area, staring at Griffon, who was sitting in the main seat, with wide.

**eyes...**

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Facing the icy Griffon, the members of the Knight pack and the Carmine pack were fine, but Silas felt awkward.

He didn't know how to face Griffon and Taya, feeling like his presence would affect them and make him stand out.

Seeing Silas sitting in his wheelchair, silent and with his head lowered, Harper, who had already changed clothes, voluntarily sat beside him and talked to him.

With Harper around, the loneliness emanating from Silas gradually lessened, and he dared to lift his head and look at Taya, who was sitting quietly across from him.

Her hand was held by the man's long and big hand, placed on his thigh, and their intimacy was evident, indicating they had done it countless times to be so natural.

Sensing the warm gaze, Taya hesitated for two seconds before slowly raising her head. In that moment when her gaze met Silas's, she curved her mouth, revealing a gentle smile.

Seeing that pure smile without any impurities, Silas understood that Taya had let go and no longer felt awkward, so he didn't need to feel embarrassed either.

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After bitterly smiling in his heart, Silas also smiled back.

The process of the two exchanging smiles was noticed by Johnny, who occasionally glanced at Taya.

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He couldn't help but wonder what the relationship between Silas and Taya was and how they dared to exchange looks in this kind of situation.

As he pondered, a thought suddenly rushed into his mind: Could it be that Griffon is being cuckolded? Thinking of this, Johnny curled his lips and smiled, but because he couldn't hold it in, he laughed out loud.

In the incredibly quiet cabin, an unexpected burst of laughter suddenly erupted, and everyone turned to look at him...

Johnny instantly suppressed his smile and, expressionless, lifted his foot and kicked Herb hard. "Didn't you ask me to help **you** defeat Griffon? What are you hesitating for?"

Herb, who was inexplicably kicked, looked wronged and glared at Johnny before instructing the waiter to bring the

cards.

Herb, who received the cards, skillfully shuffled them like performing magic, then held them in his hand.

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He closed the cards, placed them on the table, and provocatively looked at Griffon. "Let's play something simple today, not relying on intelligence or physical strength, **just** luck. Purely drawing number cards, how about it?"

Griffon glanced indifferently at Silas, then coldly looked at Johnny before finally turning his disdainful gaze to Herb.

"What's the wager?"

"If we lose, we'll give you a private jet, two limited edition

supercars, and three mansions in the city

that never sleeps," Herb said, sweeping his gaze around before focusing on

Preston.

"If we win, the Carmine pack will own this ship."

Preston:... Wait a minute, the members of the Carmine pack are gambling with Griffon, so why is his unlucky ship involved?

"Plus two robots downstairs."

"Deal."

Preston didn't have time to stop them, and the deal was

already made. Preston could only put all his hopes in Griffon,

“Griffon, we must win!!!”

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Preston grabbed his suit sleeve and cheered Griffon on. “As long as you give the order, even if it’s cheating, I’ll help you.”

Herb, who was shuffling the cards, rolled his eyes. “So the Knight pack relies on such despicable methods, no wonder they took away so much of our business.”

As soon as this statement was made, it ignited a challenge.

Immediately, the members of the Knight pack stood up and confronted Herb.

“What did you say?”

“Say it again if you have the guts!”

Herb looked up and saw a row of well-dressed, big-sized men in front of him. He immediately backed down. “I mean, there are too many of you in the Knight pack. It wouldn’t be fair if we all fought together. Let’s draw lots and distribute the

teams.”

Initially, it was supposed to be a battle between Griffon and Herb, but others also wanted to participate, leading to the current situation where members of the Knight pack were facing off against members of the Carmine pack.

However, there were too many members in the Knight pack, while the Carmine pack only had four, and Zack could only be

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counted as half, so the numbers were overwhelmingly against them. It was completely unfair.

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“We’re not going to be with the Carmine pack.” The Knight pack and the Carmine pack have a feud. For the sake of Taya, they will temporarily coexist peacefully, but joining the Carmine pack’s team? Impossible.

“Well then, Taya is a member of my Carmine pack. Ms. Duke is her sister, so she’s also part of my Carmine pack. Mr. Sterling is neither from the Knight pack nor the Carmine pack, so he can be on my side for now. And Anthony...”

“Stop! Anthony is my good friend, why do you have any ideas about him?!”

“He’s just your friend, not a blood relative. Why does he count as a member of the Knight pack?”

“He was my sister’s first love, so of course he counts as a member of the Knight pack.”

and

When Preston said this, Anthony suddenly looked up and glanced at Edith. She sat next to Silas, as if she hadn’t heard anything, showing no reaction as if the term “first love” didn’t mean anything to her anymore. Anthony’s lips also showed a hint of **bitter** smile. Preston seemed to realize that he had said something inappropriate **in** his haste and quickly changed his

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words. "Regardless, Anthony is my friend and I will never help anyone from your Carmine pack go against me."

When the two sides were deadlocked in a struggle for numbers, Harper stepped forward to speak up for her husband. "Mr. Carmine, Taya is already mated to Griffon. Therefore, she is a member of the Knight pack, I also mated Preston, making me a member of the Knight pack as well. As for Mr. Sterling, he is my brother, so naturally he's on my side."

"Alright, you can team up with whoever you want. We four can defeat you anyway," Herb said, then turned to Johnny and raised his eyebrows. "Right, cousin?"

Johnny gave him a cold glance. What luck was he playing? Didn't he know he had bad luck?!

From his angry eyes, Herb could see a sense of determination, which made him not afraid at all. He raised his fair hand and patted the table. "Alright, everyone, let's start betting!"

Miles loved playing this kind of game, so when he heard the word "bet," he immediately threw his gambling chips onto the table, "I bet one million that I will win!"

Christopher glanced at him. "You only play video games usually. Can you even play this kind of gambling game, let alone bet on yourself to win?"

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Miles crossed his arms confidently and flicked his stylish.

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bangs. "Christopher, today I'll show you what it means to be the gambling king."

The gambling king lost in the first round. Miles silently turned.

around and left, while the others continued...

This game was quite simple. It was just about drawing numbers and matching them in order. If you drew the specified matching number, you could move on to the next round. A

s Herb said, it was purely based on luck. Those with bad luck would be eliminated quickly, while those with good luck could continue playing from number 1 to 10 and beyond.

Silas had extremely good luck, drawing the specified number every time. He couldn't stop playing even if he wanted to.

Besides him, there were Griffon, Taya, Preston, Harper, Herb, and Johnny, who had terrible luck but surprisingly did well this

time.

"This time it's drawing an A, and whoever draws it has a chance to reach the final round."

As soon as Herb finished speaking, Johnny drew an A, leaving him somewhat incredulous. Preston suddenly hugged his cards and shouted, "I didn't draw it, it's up to you guys now! I have to protect my hip!"

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Silas, who also didn't draw an A, breathed a sigh of relief.

It was finally over. He put down his cards, pushed his wheelchair, and left the crowd, sitting quietly in a corner, watching Taya.

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When he saw the smile on her face, he couldn't help but smile

too...

**But** then he caught a glimpse of Griffon's handsome face in his line of sight, and his smile instantly froze. He quickly averted his gaze, avoiding Griffon's scrutiny, while Griffon...

Besides.



Silas, there were Johnny and Herb. Of course, he didn't need to pay attention to a kid like Herb, but Johnny... Throughout the game, Johnny's eyes were always uncontrollably focused on Taya.

Griffon frowned, thinking about how he would deal with Johnny later. He threw his cards onto the table. "When will this end?"

This boring and childish game kept going round after round. He didn't know what possessed him to accept Herb's challenge.

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Herb glanced at Griffon, who seemed uninterested, with a hint of malicious intent in his eyes.

"Alright, let the Carmine pack surrender this round first, but whoever reaches this stage must finish the final round, with new rules for winning or losing. How about that?"

Before Griffon could respond, Preston immediately slammed the table.

"I agree, that's settled then!"

No matter what, they had to protect his ship and the two robots!

Griffon didn't have much of a reaction, he simply reached out and pulled Taya closer to him, then lifted his cold gaze towards Johnny.

"Shall we continue?"

Johnny's gaze briefly flickered over the hand placed on his waist before quickly looking away.

“There is no winner **yet**, of course we should continue.”

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Griffon moved his hand from Taya’s waist up to the back of her head and gently pressed, causing her to nestle into his arms.

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“Then let’s continue.”

Although it was a bit embarrassing to embrace each other in front of so many people, Taya obediently cooperated with Griffon.

She nestled in his arms, looking up at him, which Johnny found inexplicably irritating.

He clenched his fist, averted his gaze, and stopped looking at Taya.

After all, Griffon had warned him multiple times of his sovereignty, and it wouldn’t be good to keep looking.

But he couldn’t control himself from looking at her, he certainly couldn’t gouge out his own eyeballs.

Herb couldn’t see the hidden tension between Griffon and Johnny, he was only focused on the ongoing gambling game.

“Alpha, for the final round, let’s raise the difficulty level, shall we?”

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Harper frowned disapprovingly at Herb.

“What kind of tricky idea do you have now?”

Herb drew two jokers from the deck of cards.

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“Mr. Knight, you and I will draw cards first. Whoever draws the big joker gets to set the rules for winning and losing, and the rewards and punishments can be announced after the game.

ends.”

After speaking, Herb raised an eyebrow at Griffon. “What do you say, Alpha, do you dare to gamble with me?”

Harper felt that things were getting a bit excessive. “Mr. Carmine, with the rules you’re setting, won’t the loser end up losing everything?”

Herb looked at Harper. “Taya’s sister, don’t worry, the stakes won’t exceed ten million, I know my limits.”

Pausing for a moment, Herb’s gaze shifted to Griffon, who was as steady as a rock. “Besides, with both sides having a 50% chance of winning, how do you know Alpha will lose?”

This statement left Harper speechless. Griffon had an overwhelming presence and luck, who knows, maybe he could draw the big joker and she wouldn’t have to say anything

**anymore,**

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The others

who had been eliminated felt a mix of excitement and worry, but Griffon remained calm and raised his head.

“Let’s start.”

Seeing Griffon enter the game, Herb smiled and hurriedly collected the two cards on the table, wanting to shuffle them

himself, but Preston snatched them away. "Let me do it."

Herb was taken aback. "Let me do it instead."

Preston sneered, "I noticed something off about you earlier. Are you cheating?"

Herb became angry. "I didn't shuffle the cards just now, so how could I be cheating?"

Preston countered, "Even if you didn't just now, you're eager to shuffle the cards now, isn't that a clear sign of cheating?"

Herb's hidden intentions were exposed, but he still insisted, "I'll shuffle them behind my back..."

Preston interrupted, "It doesn't matter where you shuffle them, it's useless."

Herb retorted, "You..."

"Both of you, shut up!"

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Johnny impatiently shouted, "Give it to the waiter."

The waiter standing by was startled, "..."

He was about to say "I dare not," when Preston forcefully handed him the cards.

Trembling, the waiter took the cards from Preston, turned

around, and continuously swapped their positions before placing them back on the table.

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"Don't move!"

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Griffon was about to casually draw a card when Herb suddenly shouted.

"Let me go first!"

Without waiting for Griffon to react, Herb jumped to the front of the table and crouched down, a bit nervous, reaching out his hand...

After five minutes, Herb's fingers **were** still flipping through the cards, picking from left to right and then from right to left...

"Are you going to draw or not?"

Impatient Johnny kicked Herb's leg again.

Trembling, Herb reached out to draw a card.

Then without even looking at **it**, **he** hugged it to his chest and

motioned for Griffon to draw a card.

Bored Griffon extended his powerful fingers and randomly drew a card.

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He also didn't bother to look at it, just flipped it over and threw it on the table...

Griffon didn't draw the big joker, he got the little joker.

When Herb saw that little joker, he jumped up from the ground with joy.

"I got the big joker!"

Herb was so happy he couldn't stop smiling, while Preston rolled his eyes in madness.

"I explained the rules earlier, the final round will still be played with number cards, and drawing the jokers counts as two wins for the players who got them, while others are eliminated."

Preston didn't understand.

"Why do two people have to win?"

Herb smirked.

"You'll find out when the game is over."

Herb drew the big joker, as agreed beforehand, and he would set all the rules.

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Now there were five people left: Griffon, Taya, Harper, Johnny, and Herb.

In addition to the two jokers, three more random cards were placed on the table by the waiter who had shuffled the deck

with the game participants facing away, and then the waiter left after touching the cards.

The eliminated onlookers, each betting on one of the five players, nervously and expectantly watched them draw lots to determine the order, and then draw and reveal the cards

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Number 1, Harper revealed first, it was a 2.

Number 2, Herb, got a 10.

That left Griffon, Johnny, and Taya. As long as Griffon drew the big joker, he would win, and it didn't matter who the other

winner was.

Griffon was casual and drew one of the remaining three cards

As everyone's breath momentarily stopped, watching those clearly defined knuckles slowly flip the card over—

**"K!"**

Herb, who was more nervous than anyone else, breathed a

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sigh of relief when he saw that the card wasn't a joker.

Alright, now he could start messing with Griffon.

“Alpha drew a K, so my cousin and my sister don’t need to draw anymore, they’ve won.”

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Taya, who won for no apparent reason, scratched her head in disbelief. When did her luck become so good?

Johnny, equally surprised, furrowed his brow. He had been unlucky his whole life and had never won in a casino before. What was happening today?

Regardless of what the two confused winners were thinking, Herb stood up and announced the rewards and punishments.

for the winners and losers.

“The losers don’t need to face any punishments, but the two winners must accept a reward, which **is...**”

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As the one who knew the rules, Herb shouted loudly

“Kiss each other!”

Since he didn’t get to kiss Taya last time, he would leave it to his cousin this time.

And it **would** be **even** better if he could make Griffon furious

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**with** this opportunity.

Griffon, sitting in the main seat, suddenly turned dark.



Johnny's heart skipped a beat, and he instinctively looked at

Taya's luscious, enticing lips...

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Johnny's mind was filled with all sorts of thoughts, but could he really kiss Taya?

Even if Taya wasn't mated, Johnny wouldn't dare to make a move on a woman he just liked through a game.

He wanted mutual affection, but from the moment he fell for Taya, he knew that was just wishful thinking. It could never happen in this lifetime.

Johnny suppressed his feelings, raised his foot, and kicked Herb hard. "What kind of stupid idea was that? Am I the kind of person who can kiss anyone?"

After saying that, he quickly glanced at Taya, controlled his emotions, and left. "We've already delivered Harper's mating gift. Goodbye."

Herb was reluctant to leave without getting to Griffon, but when Johnny shot him a fierce look, Herb immediately backed down and followed him.

"Stop!" A chilling voice came from behind. Herb instinctively shrank his neck. Could it be ... Griffon wasn't going to let him off the hook?

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"Mr. Carmine come over here." Herb swallowed nervously and slowly turned around.

The man sitting on the couch stared at him with a murderous gaze.

Seeing the murderous intent in Griffon's eyes, Herb didn't dare to go near. "Alpha, I..."

"Let's play another round. The rules will be announced after the game."

Herb thought Griffon would kill him directly, but he didn't expect Griffon to suggest playing another round.

Herb didn't understand what Griffon was planning. He had a feeling that Griffon would find a way to get rid of him.

He looked to Johnny for help, but Johnny didn't even glance at him and left the cabin.

Johnny left, and Griffon didn't stop him. It meant that Griffon only had eyes for him...

Without waiting for Herb's agreement, Preston placed two shuffled cards in front of him.

"There are two jokers here. If you draw the big joker, **you** can

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leave. If not..." Preston paused for a moment, then turned to show Herb the murderous intent in Griffon's **eyes**.

Everyone in the Knight pack respected Taya, except for

Dominic. Even his brothers didn't dare to look at Taya too

much, just to show their respect for her.

Herb, this little troublemaker, dared to embarrass Taya on the

Knight pack's territory.

Herb looked at Griffon, thought for a moment, and

considering his luck earlier, maybe he could draw the big joker  
this time.

He hesitantly reached out his trembling hand and picked the card on the right side...

Preston gave him a cold glance and revealed the two cards. "The one on the right is the small joker, and the one on the left is the big joker. You're doomed."

Herb's heart skipped a beat, and he subconsciously looked at Griffon, who was enveloped in a murderous aura. "What are the rules for winning or losing?"

Griffon didn't answer **him**. He just took out a pair of white gloves and calmly put them on.

**After** putting them on, the tall and imposing man stood up

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from the couch and walked towards him with steady steps.

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The man naturally emanated a sense of dominance, coupled with the intimidation from being in a high position for a long time, he felt like a mountain pressing down on Herb.

"Are you going to apologize on your knees, or should I slap

you a few times?" Although Griffon wasn't wearing his studded gloves this time, his palm strikes were still powerful.

After taking a few slaps, Herb's face would surely swell

for days. But in front of the Knight pack, if he kneeled and

apologized, he would lose all his dignity.

"My patience is limited." A cold voice mixed with anger echoed

in Herb's ears, and he felt an uncomfortable pressure from **his** older brother.

"I choose the slaps." He would rather be beaten than apologize to his enemy. This was the Carmine pack's dignity!

Griffon raised his gaze, glanced at the defiant Herb, and without any hesitation, slapped him hard a few times.

After receiving four consecutive slaps, Herb covered his swollen **face** and looked pitifully at Griffon, who was ready to continue hitting him.

"I was wrong. Can't that be enough?"

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But Griffon only paused for a moment before raising his hand to slap him again.

Herb quickly leaned back to avoid a fatal blow. After stabilizing himself with the help of his waist, he begged Griffon for mercy. "I'll never joke about Taya again. Please let

me go...

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Taya walked up to Herb.

“Mr. Carmine, you’ve tried to borrow the game twice now, not only embarrassing me but also showing a lack of respect,

Don’t call me sister anymore.”

What she meant was that brothers wouldn’t treat their sisters

like this, but Herb didn’t think about the concept of “respect or disrespect.”

He just wanted to take advantage of the opportunity to mess. with Griffon, without considering that it would embarrass

Taya. Now he realizes it, a little too late.

“Sis, I don’t know who will draw the Joker. Even if it’s me in the end, I would suggest kissing Griffon just to prank him.”

However, he didn’t expect Taya to be the one who drew the card. Caught up in the excitement of the game and thinking about his previous loss, he didn’t consider gender or mating.

He definitely didn’t mean to disrespect Taya, but who cares what goes on in his mind? By saying those words, he showed a lack of respect.

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Herb didn’t intend to say much more. He leaned his face closer, “Let’s fight, but once we’re done, let me go home...”

Griffon slapped his swollen face hard and then slowly pulled back his hand. “If there’s a next time, I’ll break your legs.”

Herb, who had been subdued, looked at Griffon and couldn’t help but think that the way he spoke was similar to how Johnny scolded him.

And why did he feel like... Griffon's eyes resembled a little girl's? Although his memories were fuzzy, this feeling seemed familiar.

As he stared at Griffon, the man took off his gloves and coldly ordered, "Throw him into the sea."

Those three cold words instantly interrupted Herb's wandering thoughts. "Griffon, why don't you keep your word?!"

Griffon put down his gloves, took out a wet wipe, and calmly wiped his fingers before looking up at him.

"Forget that the rules of winning and losing are determined by me."

In other words, he could do whatever he wanted. Herb's face turned red with anger.

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"Alpha, you're ruthless!"

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Griffon threw away the wet wipe and held Taya's hand, leaving the top deck of the open-air cabin.

Taya trembled a bit and looked at Herb being carried by several bodyguards onto the deck.

"Honey, are you really going to throw your cousin off the ship from such a high place?"

Griffon suppressed the coldness in his eyes and replaced it with a tender look as he lowered his gaze to Taya.

"Just scaring him."

Throwing someone from the top of the ship would undoubtedly result in certain death, with internal organs shattered.

Hearing his words, Taya breathed a sigh of relief. "He won't dare to do it again."

Griffon suddenly remembered something and gradually slowed his pace until he stopped, turning to gaze at Taya.

"If next time, I'm not by your side and he treats you like this again, be more ruthless and just slap him."

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Taya looked up at him with a puzzled expression, examining him.

"Where are you going when you're not by my side?"

Griffon felt a sudden pain in his heart at the thought of their upcoming separation. Unable to control himself, he raised his hand and embraced **her**.

"What I mean is when I'm not at home."

Taya, who had been holding her breath, slowly relaxed and reached out to hug Griffon around the waist.

"Don't worry, if Herb dares to do something like that next time, I'll beat him with a baseball bat."

Taya's voice, filled with gritted teeth and a grinding of her little tiger teeth, made Griffon couldn't help but curl his lips into a **smile**.

After laughing, he raised his hand and stroked her soft hair, expressing all his reluctance in the touch of his fingers.

Harper's mating ceremony night was quite unique. For **example**, when Preston held Harper and was about to kiss her, a howl came from the top floor.

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His movement paused, **and** the screaming from upstairs stopped. He lowered his head again, just as his lips were about to touch Harper's, a pig-like scream came from above.

Preston felt that Griffon wasn't torturing Herb, but torturing him.

Frustrated, Preston decided to ignore it and held Harper close, listening to the screams from above while kissing her.

After being scared all night, Herb was kicked off the ship by the bodyguards.

Johnny, who had been following the ship, caught the miserable Herb and turned in the opposite direction.

Zack, standing on the deck, looked at the massive ship and narrowed his eyes slightly. He hadn't found an opportunity to talk to Griffon alone yet.

He didn't know when he would go to Erebus. He could only go back and ask Holden for information, then quietly follow when the time was right.

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