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"What's wrong with experiencing life as a normal person?" Yolanda challenged.

"Besides, I'm just a regular student in Riverdale now. This is my only option if I want to actually return to Creybia."

"Hmm..." Rowan fell silent for a moment, then realized Yolanda had a point. "So you'll be able to come back in a year? That's great!"

"It'll take a year at most. It could be sooner if we track down the people who are trying to kill me."

"I'll do my best!" Rowan became determined again after hearing Yolanda's words. "Just wait for my good news!"

After hanging up, Rowan immediately started using his hacking skills to investigate Shadowthorn's movements. Meanwhile, Yolanda took a shower and went to bed early.

but stayed in her room. Around ten, she

allowed to see Aunt Diana yet. But the situation isn't too bad," Skylar

for your help." Joe seemed relieved to hear his wife was not being

phone, she received a text. Vic had given orders to have Diana

it isn't the Henderson family's failure," Alice mocked when she saw Yolanda. "Sleeping in again? Are you planning another day

you're not going anywhere today! Stay home and

talk to people like Alice. The more attention

Paul and the others about finding a lawyer for Diana. After a whole night, they still knew nothing about Diana's situation.

squealing outside the Henderson mansion. Then Diana walked

you're finally back!" Everyone jumped up from their seats in joy. Yvonne was the most excited.

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Paul also approached Diana with a smile. "Did they treat you badly?"

"Not at all!" Diana replied cheerfully.

"I'm perfectly fine. They were quite stern at first and asked loads of questions. But maybe they figured things out later on. They stopped questioning me and actually treated me quite well."

"See? That's all thanks to Skylar's help!" Joe and the others gave Skylar grateful looks. They all assumed Diana's release was due to the Sheriden family's help.

"Diana, you got out so quickly because of Ms. Sheriden's help. Look at Eleanor; she's still locked up! This shows how serious the situation was. You shouldn't ever buy fake medicine again!"

to defend herself but swallowed her words when

knew Joe's company had some troubles recently and they

really

sighed. She then turned to hold Skylar's hand and thanked

is my business..." Skylar was bewildered. Her parents had refused to help yesterday and said it was not

Skylar quickly put on a smug expression. "My parents can always handle

changed their minds about talking to Vic. Skylar basked in everyone's praise and gratitude. She felt

family members. That was why she often got scolded by her parents and grandparents. Being praised and admired by Paul's family

proper family celebration!" Joe said, reaching for his coat. "Paul, reserve a table

it! Skylar has a VIP card, so we can skip the queue!" Paul rushed to make the reservation while the living room buzzed with happy chatter and celebration. No one paid any attention to Yolanda sitting on

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"Wait for me, Ms. Henderson, I'll come to pick you up from your house myself!" Vic hung up before Yolanda could respond this time.

Putting her phone away, Yolanda felt that Vic was quite an anxious man.

Meanwhile, Joe and his group had arrived at Crystal Palace. During the drive, Joe kept telling Paul, "Book the best private room, and call Grandma and your aunts too. Let's have a proper family gathering today!"

"I've called Grandma and the others." Paul seemed cheerful as well.

Crystal Palace was one of Riverdale's finest restaurants. Paul had always wanted to go but never had the chance. Even after dating Skylar, who was a VIP member, he had felt too awkward to let his girlfriend treat him. So, he still had not managed to dine there.

entrance,

a reservation for a VIP private room!" Paul announced confidently

has been rented out today. We're not accepting any other guests," the hostess replied with a polite smile, but it was less deferential than one might expect for VIP guests. "If you'd like to

out? Diana and the others were stunned. Did that mean they couldn't eat at Crystal Palace today? Paul's face changed instantly as he demanded, "Why wasn't this mentioned when I called to

VIP card.

boss." The hostess' smile grew fainter. "Crystal Palace has a policy that regular VIP reservations must be canceled when a Platinum VIP books the entire venue. We're very sorry, but please come back

indeed Crystal Palace's policy, which was designed to emphasize the prestige of Platinum VIP members. But Paul was unaware there even was such a thing as Platinum VIP. He thought the staff was just being

I'm a VIP here who spends hundreds of thousands each time we dine here!" He pulled out Skylar's membership card and

and her smile completely vanished. "Sir, that's just a mid-tier membership card. We have hundreds of members with that card, so it hardly qualifies as VIP status. Please don't

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"How can we just let it go? We're customers!" Alice persisted. She felt more confident now that her son was dating the Sheriden heiress.

"We're definitely eating here today!"

"That's impossible!" the hostess repeated. "We're offering vouchers and complimentary signature dishes for your next visit as compensation. Please try to understand."

Other guests with reservations had come by earlier, and most understood after her explanation. Even those who were unhappy left quickly after learning about the compensation. The Hendersons were the first to make such a scene at the entrance.

They clearly were not VIPs with any real influence, which was starting to irritate the hostess. Still, she maintained her composure as a professional and simply repeated the policy.

should we?" Paul glared at her and yelled, "We're only asking for one thing, and that's to eat here

you all inside yet?" Just then, Skylar walked up after parking

out

stepped forward and addressed the hostess, "I'm Skylar Sheriden from Sheriden Corporation, a

company like Sheriden Group meant little to them. Most diners here were from top-tier families, and the Sheridens

darkened. "Get your

supervising the private room setup. He's preparing scented candles and utensils suitable for Ms.

as she slapped the hostess across the face. "Who do you think you are to act so high and mighty? Get the manager out here

the Hendersons, Skylar felt humiliated being refused by a mere hostess. To salvage her dignity, one slap was not enough. She even

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"So what if I'm causing trouble? Go ahead and complain to my father if you dare!" Skylar grew even more arrogant. "Do you want the phone number to the

president's office of Sheriden Group?"

How dare these mere waitresses challenge a noble heiress like her? They must be tired of living.

"You..." Both waitresses were furious.

"Stop wasting time and get your manager out here, or I'll tear this lobby apart!" Skylar stood tall. She flaunted her status as a young socialite. In front of Paul's family, she had to establish her authority over these waitresses. If not, how would she be respected by them?

"Ms. Sheriden, aren't you being quite brazen?" Just then, a middle-aged man walked out with several others.

"Mr. Turner!"

who were being harassed immediately greeted the man. It was

eighty percent of Crystal Palace's shares,

look good if word got

him completely. So what if he was from Doxcon Group? He was

the way. Let

arrogant!" A fierce glint flashed in Liam's eyes. Though he could not touch anyone from the Sheriden family, Skylar's arrogance really

mean what I say! If you don't have our private room ready in five minutes, I'll have people come tear this

tear down Crystal Palace. After all,

about some mere security head like Liam.

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"As the Head of Security at Doxcon Group, why else would I bring my team here if not on Mr. Seinfeld's orders?" Liam's words hit hard. Not only did Skylar's face fall, but it also made Paul and everyone behind her feel defeated.

They had really hit a wall this time. None of them would dare go against Vic no matter what!

Though Skylar regretted her stubbornness, she kept up appearances in front of Paul and his family. "So what if Mr. Seinfeld is coming? Our family has excellent connections with him too!"

"That's right!" Hearing that, Paul found some confidence. "The Sheridens and Mr. Seinfeld are close. When Skylar's parents called him, he released my aunt from detention immediately. That shows he respects our family!"

"Really?" Liam narrowed his eyes and smirked. He said, "So the Sheridens reached out to Mr. Seinfeld?"

and eat somewhere else." Skylar finally conceded. Trying to save face, she said, "Uncle Joe, Aunt Alice, I know another restaurant where

Alice acted as if she was a regular at Crystal

As soon as Skylar suggested leaving,

leading the way, followed by a stretch Lincoln. When the Lincoln stopped at the entrance, an elderly man in a suit stepped out.

sharply into his radio,

at the old man opening the door. How could he

were puzzled by Vic's actions. Given his status in Riverdale, whoever he was opening the car door for must be

speculated. He craned his neck to see who would emerge. What happened next

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Joe and the group had speculated about who could command such respect from Vic. Maybe it was a Riverdale official, someone from a powerful Creybian family, or even an underground kingpin.

But no one imagined it would be Yolanda. Having been out of juvenile detention for less than a month, she was just a worthless piece of trash in their eyes. How could Yolanda possibly have connections to Vic?

Paul's family and Skylar were not the only ones bewildered. Even Joe and Diana could not believe this. The same Vic who would not even grant Joe an audience was now personally opening the car door for his disowned daughter.

The shock was overwhelming for Joe.

"I must be dreaming..." Paul pinched himself hard and yelped in pain. It was not a dream. This was real! The girl who he was just mocking half an hour ago was now Vic's honored guest. He could not process it.

But regardless of their shock and disbelief, they could not change reality.



After helping Yolanda out of the car, Vic stood beside her and graciously gestured to her to go first.

most feared business tycoon,

devoted to his mother. Since Yolanda had saved his mother's life, opening doors was the least he could do for her. He would gladly be at

to greet

"Welcome!"

guests. You and Ms. Henderson won't

Vic smiled,

excessive, she understood Vic's caution. He had many enemies, and he had to

they might not be able to secure

others ogled at Yolanda and Vic. Behind them, their entourage including Blake and Jeremy were also making

Burning with anger and refusing to be stepped on by Yolanda, Alice shouted as they passed by.

Yolanda's connection to the Savage family and assumed Vic was just being courteous because of that. So

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Alice had never faced such intimidation before. Her legs gave out and she collapsed. She even started trembling uncontrollably. "I... I was just disciplining my niece..."

Vic's eyes grew even colder at her words. "Mr. Seinfeld, I'm sorry! My mother spoke out of turn. Please don't take offense." Paul quickly stepped forward as he tried to smooth things over.

Joe and Diana rushed to apologize as well, "Mr. Seinfeld, she didn't mean it!"

"Mr. Seinfeld, these are Henderson family members. I know them." Though Yolanda hated Alice, she would not want her to get killed. No one could predict what Vic would do when he lost his temper. While she knew these people, she had no desire to associate with them anymore.

softened slightly. Sensing Yolanda's indifference toward

walking inside. "Ms. Henderson, the private room

Hendersons. However, she stopped when she passed the hostess

dress had a hole torn by Skylar's heel. There was

the hostess stammered. She was too afraid to mention

Yolanda could see right

Sheriden!"

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Perhaps in her past life, Yolanda had sympathized with those less fortunate and would donate some money to charity. But her privileged environment had prevented her from really understanding their struggles.

Her experiences from the past month had taught her something valuable. True leaders would never step on others to feel better about themselves, nor did they prey on the weak.

If Skylar dared to abuse her power, she should have anticipated that someone with even greater influence might one day do the same to her. She had brought this upon herself.

"Skylar is my girlfriend, and I absolutely won't let you touch her!" Paul had completely forgotten his girlfriend's horrible behavior moments ago when she had struck someone. Now he was playing the hero by standing between Skylar and Yolanda.

"Yolanda, stop this nonsense." Right then, Joe said coldly, "Ms. Sheriden is the reason your mother made it back safely."

own daughter without even knowing the full story. "Skylar is my future daughter-in-law, and I won't allow

moments ago, suddenly found her courage and confronted Yolanda angrily. "Don't

this. "Ms. Henderson would have the right to do whatever she wants even if she didn't know

only felt grateful toward Yolanda. But watching her stand up for a waitress had earned his admiration. He knew that narrow-minded people in power were destined to fall from grace, while those capable of great things possessed rare and valuable

faces grow pale. He was clearly supporting Yolanda. At the same time, his bodyguards moved menacingly toward Paul, Alice, and the others. With their weapons at the ready, it was as

white with fear. Despite their desire to protect Skylar, they

Seinfeld... you..." Skylar was speechless with shock. Vic was actually willing to humiliate her for someone she considered worthless. Clearly, the Sheriden family's name held no weight

cautiously at Yolanda. Then, as if gathering her courage, she approached Skylar. Without hesitation, she slapped Skylar hard

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Joe had totally lost his appetite after the scene caused by Alice and the others.

They could have simply chosen another restaurant to celebrate, but Harold's family just had to try throwing their weight around only to end up humiliated. It was karma at its finest.

After Joe's family left, Paul and his group skulked away under the watchful eyes of Liam and the security team. The incident had left a deep impression on all of them.

How could Yolanda have such good luck? How could a piece of trash like her be having lunch with Vic? But their complaints and dissatisfaction were pointless as nobody would care. It only highlighted their own inadequacies.

Paul still had to explain to Vivian and other relatives why lunch was canceled. To save face, he would have to think of some plausible lies to cover up how their family had been humiliated. The whole ordeal left him exhausted.

stepped out, Yolanda noticed a man in chef's attire with a toque standing

the elevator before the doors closed. At that moment, the man in

in the hallway dive for cover as bullets

is still out there!" Vic tried to open the elevator doors but

can't open the doors now. Besides,

silent for a moment before pressing the door open button. "She's our family's lifesaver. I won't abandon

the doors slowly opened, everyone was stunned

gun had skittered away across the floor. Standing calmly to the side,

you alright?" Vic rushed out of the elevator to her

action as they pulled the fallen