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“Do you

want to stay in the study?” Evan walked towards her and caressed her hair.

He did it so gently that Anya suddenly felt some love for tim..

Then, she suppressed the feeling and said, “Yeah. I’ll go downstairs soon.”

“Okay.” Evan didn’t force her to stay with him. “I’ve been rough just now. I’ll do it tenderly next time.”

Anya didn’t want to talk about it with him, so she said with a blush, “Please help me.”

“I know it,” Evan caressed her hair again and said it as if he wanted to give her the whole world, “Even if you don’t ask for it, I’ll do it for you.”

He added, “But you didn’t tell me about it in the past.”

“I was afraid that you wouldn’t help me.” Anya found it better to exchange one thing for another. She needed to give him what he wanted before asking for a favor.

If not, he would use it as an excuse.

Therefore, she chose to reward him before turning to him for help.

Anya didn’t want to owe him anything.

“You are my woman. I’ll help you,” Evan said gently.

Anya pressed her lips and felt her heart beating faster. “Thank you.”

“Please take a rest here. I’ll take a look at the babies.” Evan took back his hand and then went downstairs.

Anya stayed in the study and rubbed her legs to relieve muscle soreness.

It was at dusk and stars began appearing in the night sky.

After getting better, Anya put her two children to bed with Ellie. Evan was still working in the study.

After the two kids fell asleep, Ellie took Anya aside.

In the evening, Ellie went to see Anya at the study and realized that she acted strangely. Though Ellie

had never married, she had had boyfriends and knew about sex.

Ellie was afraid that Anya slept with Evan. It would be troublesome if it was true.

They had already had sex once and Ellie didn’t want them to keep doing it.

She thought that Anya must have a bad reputation and that people would feel that she was Evan’s

mistress.

Thanks to Anya's bad name, Ellie knew that it would be hard for her to find a good husband.

She didn't want Anya to stay single and lonely for her whole life.

She wanted her to start her own family. Her future husband need not be rich and powerful; he just needed to bring her happiness and a sense of security.

Ellie worried that her guesses were true.

"Anya, please tell me the truth. Do you have a relationship with Evan?" Ellie whispered, who took Anya to the French window of the bedroom.

Anya was stunned to hear this abrupt question. She shook her head subconsciously and said, "No, how could this be?"

"Anya, I don't mean to be inquisitive...But what did you talk to him in the study this evening?" Ellie sighed and looked at her worriedly. "You...You've talked for too long. I am afraid that he..."

Ellie didn't finish the sentence, since she worried that what she said would humiliate Anya.

"I asked him to give me a hand." Anya got anxious at Ellie's question. But no matter what happened, she could not admit that they had just had sex. Then, Anya forced herself to calm down and explained, "I want him to help me get back my mother's heritage.

"Only he can help me. Jamie is searching for evidence, but it has long been removed. I don't know when

I could get back my mom's heritage.

"We can't wait here without doing anything, right?"

"Did you tell him about it?" Ellie was surprised.

She had thought that Anya wouldn't tell Evan about it.

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Anya nodded quickly, "Yes. I wanted to ask him for help. We talked a lot about the MacMillan family and my mother. And he had work to do. I waited for a moment.

"So it took a long time," Anya replied evasively.

Ellie was silent and dubious of her explanation.

"Ellie, don't worry. I remember your words. I'll protect myself. Don't worry about me."

"Anya, I don't doubt you. I worry about you," Ellie said, "You're my only family. I don't want to see you and the kids suffer."

Anya was moved and hugged Ellie, "Ellie, I understand. Don't worry, please."

"OK. I believe you." Ellie hugged Anya, too.

It was a quiet night. But Amber couldn't fall asleep because she was fired by Jake and she couldn't attend the show tomorrow.

Amber couldn't bear it.

She could not reconcile herself to failure. So she drove to Carol's place.

Amber knew Carol could help her.

She drove very fast to Carol's place.

Amber parked her car and headed for Carol's apartment.

After getting there, Amber kept ringing the doorbell. The security door opened after a moment.

It was obvious that Amber was not welcome. Carol knew Amber was fired by Jake and she thought Amber was of no use to her.

But Carol couldn't break up their relationship openly. She was afraid Amber would tell others that they collaborated to frame Anya.

Carol was cold and calm when she saw anxious Amber. She said hypocritically, "Ms. Melton, what's the matter?"

"Carol, you know why I come here," Amber went into her apartment and said anxiously, "I need your help."

Carol poured her a glass of water, "Ms. Melton, don't worry. Have a drink and take a rest."

Amber was so anxious that she was not in the mood to drink water.

"Carol, you have to help me. Only you can help me." Amber didn't take the glass but grabbed Carol by the sleeve nervously.

Amber didn't want to lose her job. And she was exposed to the media.

She lost face in the design community.

How could she continue to work in the design community?

Amber didn't want to ruin her career. She dreamed to become a famous designer. But the dream couldn't be realized because of Anya.

It was difficult for Amber to enter other design companies.

She was driven desperate.

"Amber, I think you are too impulsive. Why don't you control yourself? You know Anya has a good relationship with Mr. Hanson." Carol put aside the glass.

"It's no use to talk about this. I want you to help me." Amber was more anxious as she understood Carol didn't want to offer help. Amber walked up to Carol and grabbed her by the collar, "Are you going to help me?"

"You don't want to help me, do you?"

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Amber pulled wildly at Carol's collar and almost choked her. Carol was scared and conciliated Amber,

"Can you calm down? I don't say I won't help you."

Carol added, "I'll help you."

Amber looked at her in disbelief, "Are you going to help me?" Amber was driven to despair.

If she hadn't encouraged me to deal with Anya, I wouldn't be fired..

It is Carol's fault. She has to pay for it.

“Yes.” Carol tried to conciliate her, “Let go of me first. Let’s talk about it.”

Amber was hesitant and glared at Carol. She released Carol after a while and sneered, “You have to help me get a job in EU Designs and I must rank higher than you. Otherwise, I’ll tell Jake about what you did to Anya.”

Carol thought her request was ridiculous.

Carol got the position of senior design director with much difficulty. She couldn’t let Amber rank higher than her.

Carol wouldn’t allow Amber to be a threat.

Carol frowned slightly and smiled, “Amber, I can’t command the senior officers of the EU Designs, I have no right to get the same position for you. You have to do the work of an ordinary designer if you

want to join EU Designs.”

Amber was furious and threw the glass to Carol’s feet. She screamed, “Are you insulting me? We’re on the same level. Why do you let me do the ordinary work?”

“Are you kidding me?”

Amber was agitated. Pieces of glass scratched Carol’s ankle and blood came from it. Carol got angry and slapped Amber in the face, “I have told you I can’t command the senior officers. If I can command them,

I’ll arrange a senior job for you.

“It’s no use forcing me. Don’t be crazy at my place!”

Amber felt a burning pain in her face and was more furious, She slapped Carol, “You bitch! You use me to deal with Anya. Now I’m fired. You want to be a bystander.

“Fine! If I lose my job, I won’t let you join EU Designs. I’ll tell Jake about what you did to me and Anya.

You’ll see!”

As Amber finished her words, she turned to leave.

Looking at Amber’s back, Carol took a glass vase from the table and walked up to Amber.

Carol lifted the vase and hit Amber hard on the back of her head.

Amber suddenly fell to the ground,

Carol was afraid Amber regained her consciousness. She kept hitting Amber’s head until she was sure

that Amber fell into a coma.

Then Carol went to the kitchen for wet tissue and wiped out the bloodstain and fingerprints. She changed into a black tracksuit and wore a black mask and hat.

She was going to fake a scene that someone committed a burglary and beat Amber’s head.

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There was no camera outside Carol’s apartment. But there were cameras on the first floor and in the

elevator. Carol secretly went down the stairs and took the elevator to her apartment.

She lowered her head and covered her face with the brim of the hat. The camera in the elevator caught her figure, but not her face.

Carol got out of the elevator and went into the apartment.

Amber was not dead. But Carol thought she might be unconscious forever or in a vegetative state.

Carol wouldn't be afraid Amber would inform against her or threaten her.

To destroy evidence, Carol burned her clothes and flushed them down the toilet. Then she used the glass vase to hit the back of her head until she felt dizzy. She tottered to call the police.

Five minutes later, the police and the medical staff arrived at the scene and sent them to the hospital for emergency treatment.

Jake, Anya, and Evan quickly knew about the matter.

They were employees of Welton Group.

There was an important show tomorrow. If the media knew their employees got attacked, it might affect

the development of JK Couture. Jake came to the hospital without hesitation as he got the news.

Hayden also told the news to Evan.

But Evan didn't want to show up at the hospital. He arranged for Hayden to go to the hospital with Jake.

After hanging up, Evan told it to Anya.

Anya was shocked for a while and felt it a little strange, "Why do they get attacked at the same time?"

Anya wondered why Amber and Carol stayed together at night.

Evan flipped the phone and narrowed his eyes, "It might be related to tomorrow's show."

JK Couture was a small design company of Welton Group. Evan tried to make it well-known.

But it was a small brand and not essential to Welton Group.

The criminal couldn't be the enemy of Welton Group. Therefore, they might be attacked by a thief or the

enemy of JK Couture.

This was Evan's speculation.

The police would find out the truth.

"Amber is fired by Mr. Hanson. Then she is attacked at Carol's place." Anya thought it was strange.

"What do you mean?" Evan asked.

“They hate me when they were in JK Couture.” Anya didn’t know the truth. But she could tell Evan about her previous experience.

“I suspect one of them poisoned me. But I don’t have evidence. I only tell you about my suspicion.”

Evan kept investigating this matter, but he didn’t figure it out. “To be honest, I have been looking into the poisoning. But the criminal is so cunning that I find nothing.”

“She knows how to destroy evidence since she can poison me in JK Couture.” Neither Evan nor the police could find out the truth.

Anya thought the criminal was a crafty devil.

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“Do you mean it’s not that simple?” Evan came to her and asked tenderly.

“It’s my speculation. Amber is going to attend the show, but she is fired by Mr. Hanson. She goes to Carol’s place and wants Carol to help her, but...”

Anya suspected Carol. She thought Carol was sinister and merciless.

Anya also suspected it was Carol who poisoned her, but Anya didn’t have evidence.

Amber wanted Carol to help her. But Carol couldn’t offend Jake for Amber. They might come into conflict.

She thought it was strange that Amber and Carol were attacked at the same time.

It was not that simple.

“The police will deal with the matter. Let’s leave it alone. If we get involved in it, it might be more difficult to find the truth.” Evan understood Anya. He rubbed her shoulder gently.

It was the first time that they exchanged ideas.

That was a good start. Evan became more concerned about Anya.

At first, maybe Evan wanted to have sex with Anya.

But since he knew Anya bore him two children, he changed his mind unconsciously.

Evan began to treat her as his girlfriend and wife-to-be.

That was good.

Evan was reasonable and Anya didn’t contradict him. These were her speculations. She didn’t know the truth.

Let the police investigate it.

Otherwise, it would be tricky if they got involved.

“Well, go to bed early. Tomorrow is your first show. I’ll go to the scene to encourage you.” Evan didn’t want to talk about Amber and Carol.

Evan didn’t care about them.

He only cared about Anya.

“Are you going to the show?” Anya was stunned.

It seemed that Evan would trouble her.

Evan touched her nose and said softly, “JK Couture is my company. It makes sense for me to cheer for you.”

Anya nodded awkwardly.

Anya was a little nervous. She thought if Evan did something intimate to her in public, others would know their relationship.

But Anya thought it was impossible.

Evan couldn't make their relationship open..

She calmed down and replied, “Yes.”

“Go to bed early.” Evan didn't sleep with her tonight.

He was afraid Anya would be tired.

Anya didn't want to stay with him. Evan liked to do something intimate, which made Anya feel awkward. She nodded and went for Ellie and the babies. Evan glanced at his watch and went to work in the study.

The night seemed to be quiet.

Amber and Carol received

scandal in the show.

in the hospital. Sydney planned to expose Anya's

Sydney tried to make trouble for the emerging designer.

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Sydney didn't want to ask the media for help. She was afraid she would be exposed. This time she asked

Zachary for help.

Although Zachary was stupid, he majored in computers.

He knew about the media and other software.

Besides, he knew hackers.

Sydney sent the pictures to Zachary and told him to ask a hacker for help, in case Evan found out they were behind this.

Zachary was busy finding a way to kidnap Anya. He was not in the mood to help Sydney.

But Sydney kept persuading him. Zachary finally went for a hacker.

Zachary asked the hacker to project the pictures on the screen at the end of the show. Then the people all over the world would know about Anya's scandal.

After determining the plan, Sydney went to bed.

Jake was sleepless in the hospital. Although the matter had nothing to do with him, he was a little guilty because he fired Amber today.

When Amber's family came to the hospital and asked how she was, Jake was speechless.

He felt guilty.

The police were investigating the matter. They had to wait for the victims to wake up.

After half an hour of emergency treatment, Carol regained consciousness. But Amber remained in a critical condition. She was badly injured.

The back of her head was seriously damaged. It could lead to paralysis.

Since Carol woke up, the crowd came to her and asked how she felt. But Carol said she felt dizzy and

didn't want to say anything.

The crowd continued to wait for Amber to wake up.

An hour and a half later, the first-aid treatment for Amber was over, and the doctor went out from the

emergency room. Jake and the family of Amber came up to him and asked about her condition.

The doctor shook his head with a sad look, "Are you the family of Amber?"

Amber's parents nodded, "Yes, we are."

“How is Amber?”

The doctor said regrettably, “She is not good. Her head is badly injured. There’s a lot of extravasated blood blocking the nerves. If she can get to the hospital ten minutes earlier, she might regain

consciousness. But now... We have tried our best.”

“What do you mean?” Amber’s parents didn’t understand.

“She might never wake up, which means she’ll be in a vegetative state,” The doctor looked at them, “please be prepared for it.”

Then the doctor left.

Amber’s parents collapsed and began to cry.

They didn’t figure out why their daughter got attacked.

Jake was shocked. He couldn’t believe that an alive person would come into a vegetative state today. But he could do nothing.

The accident had nothing to do with Jake.

Even if he fired Amber, he was not responsible for this.

But Jake felt sad.

He sat on the bench and calmed down. After Amber was transferred to the intensive care unit, Jake gave

Amber's parents a bank card worth 16 thousand dollars on behalf of the JK Couture.

After he left the hospital, Jake sat in the car for a long time. When he recovered, it was midnight. He took out the phone and texted Anya, [Amber is not good and in a vegetative state.]

Then he calmed down and drove home. Jake hoped that the police would catch the criminal soon.

He would not remove Amber's designs on tomorrow's show.

He would let models show Amber's designs. That was the only thing Jake could do for Amber.

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When Anya received Jake's message, it was 1 a.m. Anya was shocked about the news.

Although Amber was unfriendly to Anya and frame her, she didn't hate Anya like Carol.

Firing Amber was a punishment.

Anya didn't expect Amber to be in a vegetative state.

Amber would never stand up or wake up. Her life was ruined.

Anya had mixed feelings.

Then Anya lost sleep.

She didn't fall asleep until 3 a.m.

As Anya woke up, Evan was playing games with the children in the living room. He had known about the

news.

Carol was fine, but Amber might never wake up.

That was surprising.

But Evan paid little attention to them. He asked Hayden to give Amber's parents 83 thousand dollars as compensation on behalf of Welton Group.

Anya went downstairs sleepily and came to them. Evan poured a glass of juice for her and said, "Have you known about Amber?"

Anya took the glass and was stunned, "How do you know that?"

"There's nothing I don't know." Evan sat opposite Anya.

Anya sighed, "She'll be in a permanent coma."

Ellie heard her words and asked curiously, "Who?"

Anya took a sip of juice and said, "My former colleague. She is attacked by a thief."

Ellie was stunned for a while, then continued to cook breakfast.

"I give her parents 83 thousand dollars. Don't think about it. You should pay attention to your show today," Evan said gently,

Then he pinched Anya's cheek as Ellie didn't look at them.

Anya blushed.

Nathaniel and Eudora looked at them confusedly.

They didn't understand why Evan pinched Anya's cheek.

They stared at them with eyes wide.

Evan didn't stop until Anya pushed his hand away.

Anya gave Evan an angry stare.

Nathaniel and Eudora didn't understand what they were doing. But they were happy to stay with Anya

and Evan.

They hoped they could stay together forever.

Abroad.

Gina was curious about the happy event that Mdm Welton told her. But nobody told her what it was.

Gina planned to call her son Evan to ask about it.

Then she called.

Evan and Anya went downstairs outside the mansion. They were going to go to the show.

The phone was suddenly ringing.

Evan took out his phone and saw it was his mother.

He frowned. Evan knew that Gina seldom called him because she didn't want to bother him. He didn't

know why she called him.

He answered it in front of Anya, "Hello, mom. What's up?"

"I'll return home at the end of the month. And your grandma says there's a happy event. Do you know what it is?" Gina asked tenderly.

Of course, Evan knew what it was.

Evan had a girlfriend.

But Evan knew that Gina might look down upon Anya.

Evan kept silent for a while and said, "There is a happy event. You'll know it when you come back."

"Are you going not to tell me?" Gina complained.

"It is a surprise." Evan smiled and stared at Anya. Anya was too embarrassed to look at him.

Anya heard his words and thought.

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Evan talked with Gina for a while, then he drove Anya to the show.

The models and designers were busy preparing for the shot.

Except for models, the designers and Jake looked unhappy. Amber's injury was bad news for them. They argued here yesterday.

But today Amber was in a vegetative state.

The designers and Jake seemed to be in a bad mood.

Since the accident had happened, they could do nothing but hoped Amber could wake up.

Anya went for Jake after she came in.

Jake knew what she wanted to say. He frowned and said first, "Do you want to ask about Amber?"

Anya nodded, "How is she?"

"Not good. She becomes a vegetable," Jake sighed, "it's all very sudden. No one could have foreseen it. Fortunately, Carol is fine."

Anya frowned and looked at Jake, "Mr. Hanson, is Ms. Walker fine?"

"Yes, she is fine. Carol has a mild concussion, but she is not seriously wounded." Jake thought it was lucky.

Otherwise, JK Couture would lose two designers at the same time.

Although Amber was fired, she once worked for JK Couture.

Jake was glad that Carol was fine, but Anya was thinking about the thing. She thought the whole thing seemed mysterious.

Anya thought it was strange, but she didn't have evidence. It was her speculation.

"Let's go to visit them the other day." Jake sighed and looked tired.

He didn't fall asleep all night because of Amber.

Jake was mentally and physically exhausted.

But it had happened, he could do nothing but hoped Amber could recover one day.

Anya nodded.

"Let's prepare for the show. It'll start soon." Jake added.

"OK." Anya stopped thinking about the thing and paid attention to the show.

At 10 a.m., the fashion show co-sponsored by JK Couture and Star Modeling Agency began with music and applause.

Models with nice figures wore the dresses designed by JK Couture and came out one by one.

The dresses were new and fabulous designs.

The dresses shimmered under the light of the stage.

The guests were excited.

Anya's designs were gorgeous. The guests were amazed and many of them began to take pictures.

Evan sat in the VIP area and looked gently at Anya who sat beside the designers.

It seemed that he was looking at his wife.

His eyes were so gentle that he attracted female guests' attention.

Evan seldom appeared in public. The crowd didn't expect him to show up here.

They were surprised and looked at Evan.

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The female guests looked at Evan frequently, which made Sydney feel jealous. She knew Evan would

attract others' attention no matter where he was.

Sydney glared at the women who looked at Evan. When Zachary saw Anya, he remembered that Evan gave him a hard kick at the Welton Group.

Zachary lay on the hospital bed for a long time due to the kick.

He would take revenge on Anya.

Zachary thought it was Anya's fault.

Zachary stared at Anya coldly for a while. As he saw Evan, he trembled instinctively. Zachary said to Sydney, "Evan is here. Will he screw up our plan?"

"Don't worry. We have a hacker. He won't find out." Sydney thought Zachary was cowardly.

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An hour later, the first public fashion show hosted by JK Couture came to an end. Jake, Anya, and other designers of JK Couture went onstage to bow to the audience.

The audience burst into applause.

They were satisfied with the show.

After they made a curtain call, the host came out and interviewed the designers.

"Mr. Hanson, congratulations! The show is a success. Would you like to say a few words?" The host handed Jake the microphone.

Jake looked at the camera and had mixed feelings. The show was a great success and received a good response. And Anya lived up to his expectations.

But Jake felt guilty for Amber. He couldn't be too excited and replied calmly, "I want to express my thanks to our friends from the design and fashion community, the media, and the guests. Thank you for your coming. And the show's success was attributed to the efforts of our designers."

"I want to express my gratitude to our designers because they give us a fabulous show." As he finished, he began to applaud.

The audience also began to applaud.

Suddenly there was thunderous applause.

The host continued to ask, "It is said that Ms. Melton has left her job for some reason. But you still show her designs. Why?"

"Sorry. That's Ms. Melton's privacy. We can't disclose it." Jake couldn't let the media know what happened to Amber.

Otherwise, the media would disturb her.

The host didn't force Jake and asked with a smile, "I heard that Ms. MacMillan's designs are the most popular in the show. Ms. MacMillan, how do you feel about it?"

"And I heard you just graduated from college. That's amazing." The host might watch their first press conference.

The host knew what happened to Anya and might mention it deliberately.

It was embarrassing.

Although Amber clarified it for Anya, Anya's reputation was damaged.

Fortunately, Evan deleted the videos and interviews. But the host rubbed it in. Anya didn't want others to mention that she was a new graduate.

It seemed that she had no advantage except her youth.

But Anya couldn't refuse to answer the question in front of the audience. She simply expressed her thanks.

As she finished, the screen behind them went blank. The crowd screamed and looked at the screen.

They began to murmur.

After a few seconds, a video appeared on the screen. The video showed Cornelius, Anya's father lay on a hospital bed with a blurred face.

There were a few words on the video, "Anya, a new designer of JK Couture, lives a life of luxury but refuses to visit her sick father. Even if such a designer is famous and rich, she is a disgrace.

"Anya is a scum of society."

The video and words were played on the screen repeatedly. The crowd began to talk about and point to Anya.

Evan, who sat in the VIP area, also saw it. He narrowed his eyes and said to Hayden crossly, "Find out who did it."

Hayden got up to investigate it.