Desperation 27

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Ashley stood barefoot on the stage, spun several times, and waved her slender arms.

She performed the grand jeté again.

Spontaneous applause erupted from the audience.

This was because Ashley's dance movements were incredibly graceful and light, yet powerful, achieving the perfect combination

of strength and beauty!

On the stage, after completing a difficult move, Ashley suddenly leaped into the air, executed a perfect split, and lightly landed on

the floor.

Surprisingly, she managed to execute another perfect split while landing.

Upon witnessing this breathtaking scene, some excited audience. members in the back rows couldn't help but stand up.

Ashley's dance moves were truly stunning, and the dancing was. undeniably difficult!

Even the judges on the judging panel had their eyes widened in

amazement.

Megan fixedly stared at Ashley on the stage and looked irrepressibly astonished.

Executing a sequential split required not only profound dance skills but also exceptional aerial control. Ashley not only

accomplished these feats but also managed to maintain a sense of aesthetics.

When she landed on the floor with a split just now, she was like a drop of rain dropping into the lake, creating a diffusion like a

ripple on the lake's surface, incredibly beautiful and breath-taking.

Without exaggeration, Ashley's skill reached the pinnacle of dance...

Even after Ashley finished her performance and answered the curtain. call, the audience below was still immersed in the

previous awe, unable to recover for a long time.

The barrage in the livestream was flooded with comments.

[Oh, my! Grand jeté! And a perfect split in the air! Ashley, you always

surprise me!]

[That is seriously amazing! Especially when she landed on the floor lightly, the scene looked like a painting!]

[I thought the grand jeté could only be seen in TV dramas but didn't expect someone to be able to make it...]

[The perfect split in the air is quite difficult. Very few dancers can do it!]

Backstage, Jessica was so angry that she clenched the water bottle in her hand, almost deforming it.

"The grand jeté... I never expected that Ashley would have a trump card. My performance just now suddenly seemed worthless

after Ashley's show! She thought.

Jeremy looked at Ashley on the stage with a complicated expression.

Even though he disliked Ashley, he had to admit that she danced really well. She completely outshone Jessica.

'Bribing the judges to make Jessica a winner... Is it a bit unfair to Ashley?" He couldn't help thinking.

"Jeremy..."

Upon hearing this, Jeremy turned around and saw Jessica's eyes tr red. She looked so aggrieved that he immediately hardened

his h "Jessica, don't cry. Ashley danced horribly. She's nothing compar you!"

Jessica shook her head, tears hanging on her eyelashes on the verg falling. "Jeremy, don't say that. I think Ashley danced really

well. I c compare to her at all. Even if she gets first place today, I'll be happy i her. I just don't understand why Ashley dislikes me

so much..."

Jeremy felt a pang of heartache. "How could she compete with you? Ashley just knows she isn't as good as you and is jealous!

Jessica, you're. definitely going to be the winner in today's finals. The judges are about start scoring. You'll be able to go on

stage and receive your award soon!"

On the stage, the judges began scoring.

The four judges Jeremy had bribed exchanged a few whispers, hesitant.

"I initially wanted to give Ashley the lowest score, but her performance today was just too good. Giving her a low score would

easily arouse

suspicion among the audience."

"How about we don't give Ashley the lowest score? She really danced well. this round. I don't bear to give her the lowest score."

"Hey, are you smitten with Ashley just because she looks good?"

"Enough. Let's get on with it!

We've taken the money and have to do the

job!"

"Exactly, we've already taken Mr. Ramos' money and can't just give it back, right?"

"Then let's just score Ashley lower than Jessica."

After a brief discussion, the four judges raised their dry erase paddle.

[9.2 points.]

[9.3 points.]

[9.1 points.]

[9.2 points.]

Seeing these scores, online audience was bewildered.

[What's going on? 9.1? So low?]

[What? How did they score? It seems a bit too low. I remember Jessica got 9.9!]

[The judges must have their reasons. They're professionals. We're just the audience. How can we understand as much as the

judges?]

[Exactly. The judges must know more than we do!]

Seeing these scores, the host was also stunned for several seconds. Then, in a hurry, he raised the microphone and said, "Next,

let's have Ms. Rice. give her score!"

Megan had already set her score and raised her dry erase paddle.

[10 points.]

She gave Ashley a perfect score again!

The host quickly asked, "Ms. Rice, can you explain the reason for giving Ashley a perfect score?"

Megan glanced at the four judges and then at Ashley on the stage. She said calmly, "The highest score is only 10, so I could only

give you 10. Ashley

As Megan finished her words, the whole venue was in an uproar.

Although Megan gave Ashley a perfect score, after the program team's. calculation, Ashley's total score was 46.8, Jessica's total

score was 49.2, and Miranda's total score was 41.6. The other five contestants had even lower total scores.

Therefore, the contestant with the highest total score for this round was. Jessica.

The host invited all the contestants onto the stage, preparing to present the trophy to the first-place winner.

Miranda walked to Ashley's side, feeling indignant for her. There must be something shady going on. Ashley clearly danced

better than Jessica. but she only got lower points. It was too abnormal, Miranda thought.

However, the judges had already finished scoring, and as a contestant, she had no right to question.

With her head held high, Jessica glanced in Ashley's direction arrogantly, feeling incredibly proud.

"So what if you danced well? The first place is still mine, she said inwardly.