

Esper 401

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Chapter 401: Submitting Homework

"Thank you for reminding me, Eric," Rize said with a smile on her face and sat on her desk. "Everyone, come here one by one and place your homework book on the table."

"Eric, you asshole! Why did you have to remind her!" Someone from the class yelled.

"Language!" Someone named Steve remarked.

Everyone in the class had begun talking with each other. Some had finished the homework, but most hadn't. Rize had given too much homework, but if the students had started working on it on Saturday, they would have finished within five hours like Eric did.

"Ma'am, you gave too much homework."

"Yeah, ma'am. It was humanly impossible to do it in three days."

"Even if you sat for 2 hours a day, you would have easily completed it. Stop making excuses and bring your book here!"

"Ma'am, I have only done half. I need more time."

"Same, ma'am."

"Me too."

'Shut up, you bitches! If she gives me more time, I will have to wait for more days!' Rudy yelled inwardly.

"No. No one is getting more time. If you have completed half of it, you can stay in the school after the teaching hours end and complete the homework. Whatever happens, I want it done by today. Now, I won't say for the fourth time. Bring your books here."

'Ah... this is the scary Rize I knew... so beautiful....'

Alice shot a glance at Rudy and shook her head in disbelief.

'I don't understand what he likes about her. Yeah, she is beautiful and all but... she is always so... bitchy...' Alice uttered inwardly.

One by one, all the students began handing out the homework book.

There were 69 students in the class, but only 30 of them had submitted the book. 20 of them needed some time to complete it, and 15 of them required more than some time to complete it. But it was doable by the end of school hours.

Two of the remaining four were absent, and one said he had forgotten his book at home. Rize asked him to submit it today, so the student was asked to go home and bring the book from home once the study hours had ended.

The remaining one student was obviously Rudy.

"Rudy, where is your book?" Rize asked.

"I... forgot."

"You forgot the book?"

"No. I forgot to do the homework."

"Not even a word?"

"Nope. It's blank."

Rize's face twitched from all the sides as she glared at Rudy.

"Alright. What's your excuse for not doing it?" she asked calmly, completely different from her facial expression.

"I just said it. I totally forgot that you gave us homework," he stated with a straight face.

Rize took a deep breath and said, "I want it done by today. Once the study hours end, go to the library and finish it."

"Okay, ma'am. But... there is a problem."

"What problem? Did you forget to bring the homework book too?"

"No. For some reason, I cannot focus on the library. I need a closed room, if possible," he uttered in a neutral tone.

"Fine. You can come to my office once the study hours end. But whatever happens, I want it done by today."

"Of course."

Rudy smirked at Alice from the corner of his lips and said, "Did you see my acting?"

"Does that mean I will have to go home alone?" she asked with a gloomy face.

"Well... you can wait for me, but I wouldn't suggest that." He handed a note to Alice while saying, "I can teleport you home if you truly want to go home with me. But I can't walk you home. Sorry. But it's only for today."

"No, it's fine. I had to stop by a stationary store on my way, so I guess I will just walk my way home," Alice responded.

She opened the note to read what was inside, only to see a doodle of breasts.

"..."

The study hours ended, and the time had finally arrived. While the other students went to the library to do the homework, Rudy made his way to Rize's office.

KNOCK! KNOCK!

He knocked on the door, but no one replied, so he slowly opened the door to find it empty.

"Is she in the staffroom?" he wondered.

Rudy closed the door, but it had no lock. None of the rooms in the school had a locking mechanism for obvious reasons.

Rudy sat on the couch in a relaxed manner and took out his phone.

'I have already done the homework, so I don't have to worry about anything. Let's just hope that Rize comes here soon so I can make some moves on her. Otherwise, there would be no meaning in me doing all this, and my plan will fail miserably.'

DING!

Rudy received a message from Maria that said: [I just reached home. What about you? If you are sleepy and this message woke you up, feel free to slap me the next time we meet.]

"Heh!"

Rudy scoffed after reading that and replied to Maria with: [Yes, I was sleeping, and your message woke me up.]

[I am so sorry!] she responded with an 'exclamation' mark at the end.

[Now, you will have to take responsibility.]

[Yes. You can slap me when we meet again.]

[No. That won't do. I want something else.]

[What?]

[Let me spank you.]

[What?!]

[That was a joke, relax.] A few seconds later, Rudy sent: [But I do want something from you.]

[And that is?]

[What if we finish what we were going to do before your brother interrupted us?]

[You mean the kiss?]

[Yeah.]

Maria typed for a few seconds, which eventually turned into a minute.

"What is she typing all this time? Must be a long message," Rudy muttered.

A few more seconds later. Maria sent: [Ok.]

"..."

Rudy's ear twitched as he heard footsteps approaching Rize's office.

[Okay, I will talk to you later. Have to sleep.]

[Yeah, me too. Good night.]

The office door opened, and Rize walked in.

"Yo, Rize. You are late."

"Call me, Miss Rize. We are not the same age, and I am your teacher. Stop treating me like a friend," she said in a disdainful tone.

"So harsh." Rudy touched his lips and said, "Even though we shared an amazing kiss."

Rudy expected Rize's face to flush after hearing that, but instead, he got a frowned face.

"I know you are going out with Alice."

'Uh oh. It seems that my plan had failed even before I made it.'

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Chapter 402: Alone with Rize in her Office

"I know you are going out with Alice."

"Who... told you that?" Rudy asked with a judging look on his face.

"I did."

"..."

"You two are always together. You come to school together, leave school together, and are together all the time. Even a stupid would realize what's going on," she stated.

"It's not nice to judge someone like that, miss," Rudy remarked quietly. "Alice and I are childhood friends, and it's normal for childhood friends to be that close."

Rize raised her brow and folded her arms below her bosom. She stared at him and asked, "You are also childhood friends with Eric. I don't see you coming with him to school, like ever."

"Okay. First of all, Eric's house is not on the way to school, and he comes in the car. Alice's house is on the way, so I pick her up. And obviously, if the school has ended and we are going home, we both go the same way, so it's completely natural for us to go home together.

And before you say anything, I usually eat lunch with Eric. But sometimes he doesn't eat, or he has to go out. That's not my fault."

He shrugged.

"So, are you saying that you are not going out with Alice?" she asked with a curious yet calm look on her face.

"I wouldn't say that."

"So you 'are' going out with her!"

"That's not exactly correct, but you are not entirely wrong. However, we are indeed in a relationship."

Rudy was purposely trying to make Rize confused to divert her anger to something else.

"Even though you kissed me that day..." she muttered.

Of course, Rudy heard it crisp and clear. He smiled from the corner of his lips and said, "By the way, Rize. I wanted your help?"

Rize glared at Rudy for a few seconds before letting out a long sigh. She sat on the couch beside him and asked, "What is it?"

Rudy opened his bag and took out the book. He flipped through the pages and pointed his finger at a question.

Rize read the question and raised her brow in confusion. She hadn't even taught that to anyone yet.

"You see, Alice and I are kind of going out, but I am still not confident about making a move on her," he said while looking at the book.

Rize's face twitched as she pulled Rudy's cheek and asked, "Why did you take out the book then?!"

"Otherwise, you wouldn't have listened to my question."

"And why are you asking my help for a relationship?!" she hissed.

"You are so beautiful and cute and sexy and hot! I am sure you have a ton of experience in this field," Rudy said with a resolute expression on his face.

Of course, he knew better than anyone that Rize had zero experience in relationships.

"I don't..." she muttered.

"You don't? Why not?"

"I can't have..." Rize shook her head and asked, "If you wanted relationship advice, then I am the last person you should ask."

"I see."

"Yes." Rize puffed her cheeks a little and muttered, "Even if I knew, I would never tell you. How dare you ask me that."

"Then..." Rudy held Rize's hand in his hands and said, "If you can't give me advice, at least help me out with the other thing!"

"What... another thing?" she asked reluctantly.

"Kiss and stuff."

"No!" She hissed with a flushed face.

"Why not?" he asked with an innocent face.

"I am your teacher! You can't ask such stuff to a teacher!"

"But you are an intern."

"That doesn't matter. I have to get a real job after my internship ends. And if someone finds out about my immoral affair with a student, I will never get a job." Rize pushed Rudy away and pulled her hand from his grasp.

'You won't get a chance to do an actual job anyway...'

"So as long as no one finds out, it's okay, right?"

"I didn't say that!" she retorted.

"Come on, Rize. Help me out. If I suck at kissing, Alice will dump me on the spot. You wouldn't want that to happen, right?"

"What's that has anything to do with me? I am your teacher. It's none of my business to care what happens in your personal life," Rize uttered while averting her gaze, seemingly lying to Rudy.

"It has everything to do with you." Rudy closed the book and said, "If Alice dumps me, I will be sad. Alice's seat is next to mine, so whenever I come to school, I wouldn't be able to pay attention to the classes. Even at home, I wouldn't be able to focus.

That would lead to me not studying anything. Hence, my grades will fall, and I will fail. If I fail, I will have to repeat the year, which would eventually lead to my doom. My entire future would be destroyed, just by one thing."

"..." Rize gulped down nervously and asked, "Really?"

"Yes. I love Alice so much that I can't live without her. She is the school's idol, and everyone admires her. If she dumps me, I will be no one. Not only that, once she dumped me, she will eventually get a new boyfriend, and I would rather die than see that happening." Rudy felt furious to say that, but he had to make it sound convincing in front of Rize.

"Do you understand how serious this is?" he asked in a calm voice. "As a teacher, you wouldn't want to see the future of your student getting destroyed like that, right? Especially when you can prevent it from happening?"

"Well..." Rize pondered for a few seconds with a troubled look on her face and said, "Is there any other way I can help?"

"There is," he nodded in response.

"Oh! Then let's do that!"

"That is to practice on another girl. But unfortunately, I am not good at talking with girls. And you are the only girl I talk with in this school."

"...!"

"And I want to practice with you."

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Chapter 403: Rize and Rudy || R & R

"I want to practice with you!"

Rize hugged herself and muttered, "I hate it..."

"Hmm?"

"I hate it that you are using me as a practice..." she murmured.

Rudy smiled wryly and said, "I am not."

"You just said you want to practice with me!"

"I didn't mean it that way." After a brief pause, he said, "Rize, look me in the eyes."

Rize looked Rudy into the eyes and puffed her cheeks a little.

"I wouldn't just pick up a random girl and practice with her. I am asking you because I want you," he uttered while looking into Rize's eyes.

Rize's face flushed a little, but she couldn't understand what Rudy was trying to say.

"What do you... mean by that?"

'Let's just get this straight!' Rudy decided.

"I don't want to twist it and make it complicated, so I will just be honest." Rudy held Rize's face in his hands and said, "I am choosing you because I want to do that stuff with you."

"I still don't understand..."

SIGH!

"I have hots for you!"

"Wha—! But you have a girlfriend! Are you going to cheat on her?!" she exclaimed in shock. "Didn't you just say that you love her so much?!"

"I do. I love her. But I want you too!"

"What's that supposed to mean?! You want to cheat on her with me?! And you expect me to help you with that?!"

Rize's reaction was just as Rudy had expected. He initially thought of telling everything to Rize, but he realized that wouldn't work on her. She was a slave to her parents, both physically and mentally.

Rize was raised in a strict environment and parents. They didn't allow her to do anything she wanted and used her as a tool to gain fame in society.

They didn't want her to study. In fact, they didn't even want to send her to school as they considered that a waste of money and time. However, her parents came running to take the credit when she scored the top.

They wanted to raise Rize as a housewife and marry her to a wealthy and well-renowned family. And that's why they didn't allow her to talk or meet with the boys. So much that they had sent her to an all-girls boarding school.

However, Rize never complained. She considered everything her duty and responsibility. She followed everything her parents said and did to her.

'We gave birth to you, fed you, gave you shelter, raised you, so you are our property. If you don't do as we say, we will kick you out of the house.'

That's what her parents always told her when she asked to do something of her own. She was merely seven years old when they first said that to her.

She grew up scared and meek because of her parents, and they thought they were doing her a favor. She never dared to fight for herself. Even more when they did the same thing to her little sister, who was five years younger than her.

She lived in a family of five. A mother, a father, and an older sister— Emma, herself, and her little sister— Grace.

Emma, who was two years older than her, rebelled against her parents and ran away from the house to elope with her lover. However, her parents weren't just nobody.

They were also one of the renowned families in the country, and they had a good and well-respected image in society. So they used their connection and tracked down Emma.

They framed the boyfriend as a kidnapper and a r*pist and got him locked in jail. The police and the court didn't hear what Emma had to say; her parents claimed that she was brainwashed and affected by Stockholm syndrome.

The main excuse they used in court was their ages. Emma was only a few days away from turning eighteen, while her lover had turned eighteen not long ago. They charged him with grooming an underage girl.

To make things worse, it turned out that Emma was pregnant. The case had become so against her lover that his testimony was considered invalid. Of course, corruption had spread everywhere.

Her parents aborted the child and got Emma married to a forty-year-old wealthy businessman once she turned eighteen.

They had completely destroyed her life, and they planned to do the same thing with Rize and Grace; for money and fame to keep their image intact in society.

When Rize wanted to study after she completed high school, her parents obviously refused and set her up to marry as soon as possible. But Rize managed to get a scholarship and convinced her parents to let her study.

After completing her university, she was asked to stay home, but she chose to take an internship and become a teacher. Even though her parents were totally against it and they were constantly harassing her, whenever Rize received her paycheck, they came to take it.

Rize knew that if she tried to rebel against her parents or got herself a lover, she would meet the same fate as Emma. But she didn't know that she had a guardian angel named Rudy, who was ready to go to any length to save her from her inhumane parents.

"Rize..." Rudy caressed Rize's face and smiled gently at her. He locked his eyes with her and calmly uttered, "I am here."

"What are you..."

"I am here," Rudy repeated himself. "You are not alone. You don't have to be alone. When I said, I need you... I wanted to hear 'I need you too' from your mouth."

"I..."

"You don't have to worry about a single thing. I am here, and I will always be there for you. That might sound like a cheesy line from a movie, but I truly mean it. It's your life, and only you can make decisions in your life. Don't allow anyone to hold the torch of your life.

Rize, you are you. Don't become who or what they want you to be. You are not a caged bird. You are a free bird, so fly as much as you want. I will be your air and guide you."

"..."

"I will say it again. Rize, I need you. I want you." He tightened his grip and asked, "What about you?"

"I..." Tears rolled down Rize's eyes as she said, "I need you too!"

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Chapter 404: A Pest

"I need you too!"

Rudy moved his face close to Rize's face and kissed her on the lips, or he would have if he hadn't heard someone approaching the office.

He jerked his leg and made the book fall from his lap. And the moment her office door opened, he picked up the book and pretended to be oblivious.

However, he wasn't happy after seeing the person at the door. It was the teacher who had insulted Rudy when he was in the vampire world.

"What's going on here?" the teacher asked.

Rize was facing her back to the door, so she had time to wipe her tears.

"Miss Rize was helping me out with the studies," Rudy responded.

"You can do that in the staffroom too."

"Indeed. But some people in the staffroom don't know how to mind their own business," Rudy remarked.

"I didn't ask you," the teacher retorted. "Miss Rize, you should know that you are not allowed to use your office for such things, right?"

Rize turned around and said, "I am."

"So what's all this? Do you want me to report this to the principal?"

"I don't see any issue here. I am simply helping one of my students."

"That's not the issue. But... well, whatever." He diverted the question and asked, "Why are you sitting on the couch beside him? You have a chair and your desk."

"The chair is broken," Rize replied instantly.

"Why are 'you' here?" Rudy suddenly asked.

"I was just here to check up on her," the teacher responded while glancing at the hallway.

"And why would you do that?"

The teacher glared at Rudy and said, "You don't get to ask me such questions. But I will answer it anyway."

Rize is an intern teacher, and I am a veteran who is also her adviser. I have to check whether she is performing her duty properly or not. It's an adult matter. Poor kids like you won't understand."

"Oh, I see." Rudy nodded and calmly said, "Then you have nothing to worry about. Rize is young and far better than you."

(Translation - Rize is nothing like you. You are a piece of shit!)

The teacher frowned his face and asked, "What did you just say?! Do you want me to get you expelled?!"

"Oh, my bad, Sir. I should have said it properly." Rudy cleared his throat and said with a smile on his face, "I was trying to say that Rize is young while you are an old man. She is far younger than you and has much time to gain wisdom and experience."

(Translation- Rize is young and beautiful. Even though she is strict, almost all the boys in the school like her because of how hot she is. While you are old and an ugly bald bastard. No one in this school likes you, and they hope that you get into some kind of accident.)

The teacher gritted his teeth and said, "You won't get away with this!"

"Oh, I don't plan to go anywhere, Sir. I will be here. Now, please, if you would excuse yourself so I can study in peace," he said calmly with the same gentle smile on his face.

(Translation- Get the fuck out of here, you baldy! So I can flirt with Rize!)

The teacher left the door wide open and left with heavy steps.

Rize and Rudy waited until the sound of the footsteps faded away. They stared at each other and giggled.

"You shouldn't have said that," Rize said while holding her laugh.

"You are laughing too. And come on, that baldy deserves to be treated like that."

"Still, he is an adult and your teacher. You should talk to him with respect."

"I don't even remember his name."

"His name is Andrew."

"All the students call him 'ugly ass, baldy, fatter, chimp, and shit'. What do the faculties call him?" Rudy asked curiously.

"Well... no one actually talks with him. No one enters the staffroom when he is the only one in there. They all avoid him. Even in the meetings, they call him 'hey' and 'you'. As for the teachers gathering after school when sometimes they go out to eat, no one invites him," Rize stated with a slight smirk on her face.

"I kind of pity him for how he is..." she snickered.

"Look at you..." Rudy squinted his eyes at Rize and said, "You asked me to be respectful, and here you are making fun of him."

"No. I was just stating facts," Rize shrugged.

"Honestly speaking, I wholeheartedly agree with the thumb rule of the society."

"What's that?"

"Treat others the way you want to be treated— or something along those lines. That's an obvious thing to do. But even though that piece of shit is over 40 years old, he doesn't understand that.

He lives alone with no lover or family. He never had a past relationship. He doesn't go out. He doesn't even have a single friend, and he never had one when he was in school or university.

Given how ugly his personality is, I am sure he was the same when he was my age. Seriously, he is the best example of a worthless and pathetic petty adult.

He envies those who are happy and better than him. He finds a way to berate them. Eric, for example, he is smarter than the average, he is good-looking, and most importantly, he is rich.

On the first day of school, Andrew tried to pick up on Eric, and since then, Eric hates his guts."

"I didn't know something like that had happened..." Rize muttered. "What exactly did he do?" She asked with a curious look on her face.

"It's a long story, but I will explain it in short." After a brief pause, he said, "Basically, Andrew thought Eric was one of those spoiled brats who flaunt their parents' money to act cool in school.

So he taunted Eric about it and even insulted him for no reason. Do you know what Eric did?"

"What did he do?"

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Chapter 405: Defenseless Rize

"What did Eric do?" Rize asked with a curious yet calm look on her face.

"First of all, let me tell you that the money Eric uses is his own."

"Uhh... like pocket money?"

"No. His mother owns many franchises, and he helps her with that. So he gets paid. Also, he is the one who comes up with ideas to increase popularity. He comes up with the marketing schemes and everything.

He is basically the manager. He also invests in stocks and makes some money from them. So when Andrew taunted him for his money, Eric wasn't really offended. However, Andrew then crossed the limit and spoke against his parents.

Eric snapped and punched him in the face in the middle of the classroom."

Rudy uttered nonchalantly.

"What?!" Rize exclaimed in shock. "Just like that?"

"Yeah. And Andrew didn't come to school for a week after that."

"He didn't do anything to Eric?" Rize asked curiously.

Rudy shook his head and said, "There was nothing he could do. Eric's mother is the top contributor to this school. She can have Andrew kicked out of the school if she tries to. But apparently, that poor shit didn't know that."

Rudy scoffed and continued, "Then, he changed his target from Eric to me, the poorest student in the school. He started to insult me and told me how tough adult life is. He thought I was some trash until he saw my results. That was enough to shut him up.

You would expect that shit to treat those— who are the same as him— with sympathy or even empathize with them, but no. He shits on people like or worse than him, and he shits on people better than him.

I am telling you, he is bad news."

"Why is someone like him still teaching in this school...." Rize muttered quietly.

"While he may be absolute shit, he has a brain and knowledge. We live in a town, and there aren't many educated people like him. They can kick him out if there was a good replacement for him," Rudy shrugged.

"I used to think education brings maturity..."

"That's not entirely true. It depends, honestly. And I don't want to get into this topic."

"Oh, by the way. I have never seen or met Eric's parents. Now I know what his mother does, but what about this father?"

"Uhh... I am not sure if I should tell you this. It's kind of a personal matter for Eric, and he..."

"Oh, it's okay." Rize shook her hands violently and said, "I was just curious. You don't have to tell me if it's something sensitive."

"It's not like that. I can tell you if you promise to not tell anyone..." He brought his face close to her ears and whispered, "It will be our little secret."

"If you are fine with sharing it..." she uttered in a low voice with a flushed face.

Rudy whispered everything into Rize's ears and then said, "There you have it."

"So it's like that?"

"Yeah."

"I can see why that's a triggering topic for Eric."

"Yeah. Eric is a cool and nice dude. He is friendly with everyone and very open-minded. Everyone in the school likes him. Even earlier today, when he reminded you of the homework, no one did anything except that one guy who had forgotten his homework book at home.

He never even curses. And personally speaking, he answers my every message and call. Even if I call him at 3 AM and ask him something, he would help me out. He gets angry on my behalf, or actually, he would get angry at anyone's behalf as long as they are innocent."

Rize smiled at Rudy and said, "I can see you care for him."

"Well, he is like a brother to me, so I got to have his back."

"Eric is your childhood friend, and he is like a brother to you, so shouldn't Alice also be like a sister to you?" Rize asked with a judging look on her face.

"Putting all that aside, you better be careful of Andrew and make sure he doesn't pull any weird stunts on you."

Rize chuckled and said, "You don't have to worry about me. I go to the gym every day, and I am very fit. I also know self-defense, so I can fight too!"

"Oh?" Rudy raised his brow and asked with a judging look on his face, "Then where was this fighting spirit when I pushed you against the wall and stole your kiss that day?"

"Err..." Rize averted her gaze and said, "What are you doing? You are here to do homework. Get working on it! I want it done by today!"

"Wow. Changing the topic when being cornered, huh?"

"Shut up!" she hissed.

Rudy opened his bag and took out his homework book that he had completed a day before. He handed it to Rize and said, "It's already completed, my darling."

Rize ignored what Rudy said and flipped the pages on his homework book.

"It's really finished..." she looked at Rudy in confusion and asked, "What's this? If you already had everything finished, why did you..."

Rize stopped when she noticed a familiar smirk on Rudy's face.

"So I could have some alone time with you, my darling~"

"Stop calling me that! I am your teacher!"

"Oh? Weren't you going to kiss me before that badly interrupted us?" he asked with a knowing look on his face.

"You are mistaken!"

"Oh, am I? Well, that doesn't matter much." Rudy licked his lips and got closer to Rize's face.

Rize retreated far back to the edge of the couch and placed Rudy's homework book on her face.

Rudy gently pulled it from her and said, "Why are you so shy?"

"Stay away, or I will scream!"

"Go ahead. And what happened to that self-defense? You can kick me in the guts and scream and run away and report me and get me expelled," he said in one breath.

"Sto...p. You have a girlfriend. You can't cheat on her..."

Even though Rize said that, she closed her eyes and waited for the kiss.

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Chapter 406: Kissing Rize in her Office

Rize waited for the kiss, but she never received it. Curious and confused, she opened her eyes and saw Rudy smirking at her.

"What's wrong, Miss Rize? You look disappointed." He grinned and said, "Were you perhaps expecting something?"

Rize bit her lips and said, "Nothing. If you are done, then please leave my office."

Rudy pulled Rize's cheeks and uttered, "Why are you so cute, dammit!"

"Stop it!"

'I was planning to use this spell anyway, so let's use it on Rize first,' Rudy uttered inwardly.

He kissed Rize on the lips and released the spell on her.

'This spell will kill anyone who touches Rize with ill intents. It will shred them into pieces and burn their bodies to ashes!'

After the kiss, he looked at Rize and said, "Sorry, I slipped."

Rize squinted her eyes and stared at Rudy with a judging look on her face for quite a while. But suddenly, she pulled Rudy close and landed a kiss on his lips.

"..." Rudy was genuinely surprised by Rize's action. Never in his wildest dream had he imagined Rize would kiss him on her own.

But then he recalled how she had given him the first and the last kiss in his past life. However, when she had kissed him that time, she was already broken from inside. She had lost all hope, and she wanted to bid farewell to Rudy with that case as she knew they were never going to meet again.

Rudy realized that Rize had reached that point, but she wasn't bidding farewell but expressing her love to him this time.

After a few kisses, Rize stopped and looked him in the eyes before saying, "You should leave now. The other students will start coming soon to submit their homework."

"Yeah." Rudy kissed her for the last time and said, "Let's practice more kisses every day."

Rize placed her finger on her lips and said, "You are already so good at kissing, though."

Rudy walked to the door after saying, "You are mistaken."

"Hey, Rudy..." Rize called out to him and quietly uttered, "I..."

"Hmm?"

"Even if it's a practice, you are cheating on Alice with me. But I don't mind being a partner in crime. So if she catches you or dumps you, you can come to me. I will..." She averted her gaze to the side and continued, "I will take care of you..."

Rudy chuckled softly and said, "Okay."

Rudy left Rize's office and walked into the long hallway that had glass windows on one side and a line of classrooms on the other.

Angelica came out of Rudy's body and asked, "That went well."

"Yeah. It went better than I expected."

"What will you do now?" Angelica asked curiously.

"I honestly want to visit Rize's parents and trash them, but that's not a good idea. I have no other choice but to wait. Otherwise, they won't arrange that party where they sold Rize to a businessman."

Rudy clenched his fists and muttered, "I can't let that motherfucker live. And besides, I probably shouldn't even go near Rize's parents."

"Why?"

The glass windows of the side shattered as Rudy walked through the hallway, but his restoration ability restored them the moment they shattered.

"I might kill them!"

Rudy turned to the stairs and teleported near his house.

"You should have told me you were going to teleport..." Angelica muttered. "I noticed it when you stopped walking and entered your body at the right time."

"I knew you would notice it."

Rudy went to his house and took a bath with Angelica. Rebecca was still sleeping while Lucy had just returned home from the market.

He had nothing to do, so he thought of helping Lucy out with the dinner, but she kicked him out of the kitchen and asked him to do something else.

Angelica wanted to watch a new anime, so Rudy bought a subscription and played the anime she wanted to watch. Of course, he watched with her, but he got bored and fell asleep.

He woke up a while later and left something heavy on his chest. At first, he thought it was Angelica sitting on him as he had taken over the entire couch, but when he opened his eyes, he saw Freya sitting on his chest.

"..."

'What the fuck! Is she here to kill me in my sleep!'

Rudy glanced around and saw Angelica sitting on the other side of the living room but watching the same anime.

'Going by logic, animals, and kids can see the ghost. So Freya should be able to see Angelica, but I haven't seen Freya react to her yet. Maybe Freya thinks Angelica is just another family member since she acts freely around me?'

Rudy grabbed Freya and placed her on the ground.

"Looks like she likes you," Lucy said while wiping her hands with a towel.

"I beg to differ."

Lucy picked up Freya in her arms and said, "I know her better than you do. She wouldn't even come near you if she hated you."

'That's what happened in my past life. I don't know why it's different here,' Rudy uttered inwardly.

"Why don't you pat her?" Rudy asked calmly.

Lucy patted Freya, and Freya rubbed her head against Lucy's hand with a happy face.

"Now watch what she does when I pat her."

Rudy patted Freya, but Freya did nothing, and there was no change in her reaction.

"See the difference?"

"But she is letting you pat her, at least," she remarked.

"Wow, thank you."

Lucy looked at the television and asked, "What are you watching?"

"Just some anime," Rudy responded while signaling Angelica.

"Oh..." She turned to Rudy and asked, "You like this stuff?"

"Umm... yeah? What about it?"

"I am not judging, but... aren't you too old to--"

Rudy stopped Lucy and said, "I wouldn't complete that sentence if I were you. You will get hated."

"I wasn't going to say anything offensive. Some anime are good, while some are just..."

Lucy pointed her finger at the television screen and said, "Fan services."

The anime Angelica was watching was a harem anime filled with fan service and Lucy pervert moments of the main character.

'What the fuck do you think you are watching, you ghost!' Rudy yelled inwardly. 'This is not something you should watch in the living room!'

[Oni chan no hentai!] the girl said.

"..."

Rudy facepalmed himself and swore that he would never let Angelica touch the television again.

Lucy shot a weird stare at Rudy and said, "What is that brother doing to his sister?"

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Chapter 407: Step-Sister

"Why is the main character sniffing his sister's panties?" Lucy asked with a judging look on her face.

'I don't know either!' Rudy glared at Angelica and used telepathy to connect with her. 'What the fuck are you watching?! Since when did anime become so bold to show this stuff?!'

Angelica averted her gaze and turned up the volume even more.

'You bitch! So you are doing this on purpose!'

Rudy had forgotten that Angelica always liked when Rudy was in trouble. And now she took advantage of the situation and played a suitable anime.

"Uhh..." Rudy turned off the television using his electrokinesis and said, "Oh. Why did it turn off all of a sudden?"

He used the 'play-dumb' card.

He smirked at Angelica and said, "Maybe we are experiencing a power outage again."

"Oh, no. What should we do?"

"Don't worry. Some appliances would still work. It's a problem with the voltage, and this television seems to be taking a load on the power," Rudy stated calmly without looking suspicious.

"Oh, I see. Does this happen regularly here?"

"Not so often, but sometimes, yeah."

"Okay."

"Putting all that aside, how was your relationship with Paul?" he asked in an emotionless voice.

Rudy wanted to ask this question to Lucy in his past life too, but he was afraid to know the truth. But this time, everything was different.

Lucy furrowed her brows in annoyance and asked, "Why do you want to know?"

'Judging by her reaction, she sure doesn't like Paul.'

"I was just curious. Joe had said that Paul is missing, so I was wondering if you are worried about him."

'Please say no!'

"Of course not. Why would I worry about him?" Lucy made a disgusted face and said, "I don't care where he is, and even if he dies, I won't shed a tear."

'Holy fuck! Her answer was better than I expected!'

Rudy couldn't hide his excitement after learning Lucy's thoughts on Paul. However, he was curious as to why Lucy hated Paul.

"If you don't mind, can I ask why you hate him?"

"Father already told you what type of disgrace he is. Do I need to tell you more?"

Rudy clenched his fists and asked, "Did he... ever try to do... anything to you?"

'Paul was a.. is a piece of shit. And if he had even touched Lucy, I would—'

"No."

Rudy had never been as relieved before after hearing Lucy's response.

"I spent most of my time with my mother, and after my parents split up, it was only father and me in the apartment. I would often go to mom's house on weekends too. But I always had my guard up whenever Paul was in the apartment.

He was out most of the time anyway and returned at night when dad was around. When dad was on business trips, I lived at my friend's house, so it was never a big deal.

However, there was one night when..."

Lucy paused and bit her lips.

Rudy furrowed his brows and asked, "What happened?"

"Dad had something urgent to do, so he was doing a night shift at the office. I was sleeping in my room and suddenly heard moaning and screams from the living room. I opened the door a little and peeked to see Paul had brought four of his friends.

They had called prostitutes and were having sex openly in the living room. I immediately closed and locked the door, but one of Paul's friends noticed it and started banging on my door.

The others also joined him and asked me to come out. I didn't reply and hid under the blanket. They kept passing nasty remarks, and Paul never stopped them. I called my dad immediately and told him everything.

He came home with the cops and got everyone kicked out of the house."

She stated in a calm voice but finished the last sentence with a sigh.

"As long as you are okay." Rudy finally sat up on the couch and asked, "By the way, do you know the names of Paul's friends?"

"No... why would I know that..."

Rudy placed his hand on Lucy's shoulder and said, "Joe said Paul is missing, so I wondered if they would know where he is."

Lucy shook her head and muttered, "I still remember their faces, but I don't know their names."

"Well, that's fine." Rudy changed the topic and asked, "How much time for dinner?"

"I am making chicken curry and a few other side dishes. So it can take up to an hour at the least," Lucy responded and glanced at the kitchen to check if the stove was still on.

"Oh, okay." Rudy got up from the couch and said, "I have something to do, so I will excuse myself."

"Are you going out again?"

"Yes."

Lucy bit her lips and asked, "Can't you go after eating dinner? I am making so many dishes for you."

"Hmm?"

"And your mom," she shortly added.

"I will be back before dinner. Just going to walk around the town and... maybe buy something for dinner tonight?"

"I have already bought everything."

"Okay. Then I will be back soon."

Lucy puffed her cheeks and said, "If you don't return by the time of dinner, I am never making you breakfast, lunch, or dinner again."

Rudy left the house, and Angelica came rushing after him.

"Where are you going?"

"I am just going to clean some trash. You can stay here if you want as I won't take that long."

"You are going to hunt Paul's friends?" Angelica asked to confirm.

"Yeah."

"But you know nothing about them, so how will you find them?"

"I touched Lucy when I asked her about Paul's friends. It was to read her mind and know their faces," Rudy calmly responded.

"Uhh..." Angelica hopped in front of Rudy and asked, "And... how will you know their name by their faces? Forget that. How will you get their addresses?"

"Did you forget about my ability to interfere with the signals? I can hack into any database and find out everything I want."

"In fact, I already found them," he said with a proud look on his face.

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Chapter 408: Cleaning Trash

"You already found them?!" Angelica exclaimed out of a sudden.

"Yeah."

"But even if you can access the database, finding someone just by their faces seems... impossible..." she muttered in a thought.

"Not really. In the future, they created an AI that could remember people by their faces and even narrow down their pictures from others. I just used the same method, but I have full control over it."

"Umm... correct me if I am wrong, but..." Angelica raised her brow and asked, "Can't you use the same technique to find your girlfriend?"

"No. Elise never used any social media in her life, so there is no data of her. And just to be sure, I had already checked as soon as I got this ability."

"Well, well, isn't that too convenient," she remarked.

"I don't have any social media either. And this is 2008. Facelog and other social media platforms weren't as popular as they were in the future."

"In fact, 80% of the world doesn't use any social media currently," he shortly added.

Angelica shrugged her shoulders without saying anything.

"Now, hop on me. We are going to fly, and we are going to fly fast," he smirked from the corner of his lips.

"Before we go, can I ask what you are going to do with them?" Angelica asked curiously.

Rudy took out a coin from his pocket and said, "If it's 'heads' then I will kill them. And if it's 'tails' then I will beat the shit out of them."

Rudy tossed the coin in the air and waited for it to land on the ground. He could have caught it in the air, but he wanted Angelica to see he wasn't trying to change the results.

The coin flipped on the ground and stopped straight with no sides.

"..."

"Uhhh..."

"It's neither heads nor tails, so what will you do now?" she asked.

"Beat the shit out of them and then kill them?"

Angelica couldn't help but chuckle after hearing Rudy's answer.

"I am just kidding. I am not going to kill them, nor am I going to beat them. I have different plans for them, and I think you will like it too."

Rudy grabbed Angelica by the waist and jumped into the sky.

"Actually, I think you should go inside me," Rudy suggested.

"Okay."

Angelica went inside Rudy and said, 'Let's see how fast you fly.'

If Rudy had walked to the first target's place, it would have taken him three hours. If he had run, it would have taken him two hours. And if he had run really fast but still within the limit, it would have taken him at least forty minutes to get there.

That's why he chose to fly. But even when flying, it would have taken him twenty minutes. However, he flew fast as he had promised and reached there within a matter of three seconds.

'Did we just teleport?!' Angelica asked in astonishment.

"Told you I was going to fly fast." Rudy landed near the target's apartment and said, "I just don't like flying that fast. You kind of lose the sense of direction. And the loud zapping sound as I fly makes one think an alien space jet is passing by. In short, it catches people's attention, and there is a high chance of it becoming a national level issue."

Rudy rushed to the target's apartment and knocked on his door.

'He should be living alone.'

"Who is it?" a male voice asked from the other side of the door.

"Pizza delivery!"

"But I haven't ordered any."

"Can you come out and confirm the name and the address for me?"

"Fuck off!"

"Please, sir. I will lose my job."

"Why should I care?"

'Yup. A true bastard,' Rudy sighed.

"You can have it for a 69% discount."

"Coming!"

A few seconds later, the door opened, and a young man walked in. He looked at Rudy's hand and asked, "Where is the pizza?"

Rudy grabbed him by his neck and said, "You are the pizza."

As soon as Rudy said that, the target disappeared from his sight.

'Where did he go?!' Angelica asked.

Rudy quietly closed the door and walked away while saying, "I sent him to his friend. Now, time for the second target. He is living around this block with his roommate."

A while later, he knocked on the second target's house and did the same thing he did with the first.

'This is super easy. I thought I would see some chase and drama...'

"That will happen once we have captured all four of them."

'Where is the third target?' she asked with a hint of curiosity in her voice.

"There is no actual address of him. He freeloads from one friend's house to another. However, his latest post on his social media was this morning, and it was from the front of a car.

So I got the car's number and hacked into another database to see whose car it was. It turns out it belongs to the target's father. Regardless, I used the car's GPS history to figure out his location, and the last updated location is most probably our home."

'I don't know if I should be admiring your skills or be afraid of them. And this is not just because you have all these powers. What scares me is that anyone can do this if they know hacking and stuff,' Angelica stated. 'And you have infinite resources.'

"Heh." Rudy chuckled softly and mumbled, "It feels weird when you praise me outside of sex."

Rudy flew to the third target's house, but it turned out he had the wrong address.

"Hmm..." He placed his hand on his chin and wondered, "I don't think I am that far off. The home should be around here."

Rudy used his see-through ability and activated it once again to make it a double see-through ability that granted him the ability to see through multiple things.

He sharpened his senses and heard every minute sound from the neighbor.

BANG! BANG!

That's when he heard the sound of the door banging and a voice that said, "Come on, open the door. Let's have some fun."

"That's our target."

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Chapter 409: Punishment of Pleasure

Rudy walked to the source of the voice while keeping his see-through ability to confirm the target was the same person. He didn't want to get involved with something else for no reason.

And indeed, Rudy had found his target.

"There he is."

BANG! BANG!

"Come on, open the door. Let's have some fun while your boyfriend is away~"

'Is he living with a female classmate?' Angelica asked.

"No. I think the classmate lives with his girlfriend, and this motherfucker is freeloading there," Rudy responded without taking his eyes off the target.

'Shouldn't you go save the girl?'

"Let's wait and see what he does."

"Hey~ Come on~ What's taking you so long? Open the door already~"

"Go away!" a female voice replied.

"Why are you so upset today? Didn't we have fun last week? You even said you want to do it again~"

"That was a one-time thing. And it was a mistake. I am to apologize to Alex for cheating on him!"

"Eh? You don't have to do that, you know? You can keep it a secret, and we can keep having fun behind his back. I did the same with the other girls; they all said it's more exciting that way."

SIGH!

"I expected something like this," Rudy muttered under his breath.

'What do you mean?' Angelica asked curiously.

"The way he was talking wasn't aggressive. It was more like he was requesting instead of demanding. Well, it doesn't matter because he is going down."

Rudy knocked on the door without saying anything.

"Oh~! Looks like your boyfriend is back. What should I tell him? Or should I fuck you in front of him? You will then realize how exciting it is!"

Rudy didn't even wait for the door to open. He kicked it open, but his kick was so powerful that the door broke the door into pieces and spread across the room.

He then walked to the target and teleported him to a secret location.

After that, he grabbed one of the pieces of the door and used the restoration ability to restore the door before leaving.

SIGH!

He stretched his hands in the air and said, "Finally, done."

'Isn't there one more target?' Angelica wondered. 'Could it be that you couldn't trace him?'

"You would be surprised to know who the fourth target is."

'Is it someone we know?'

"Yes. We know him very well, and it's none other than Scott," he declared.

'Oh... so birds of a feather do flock together.'

"I have already dealt with Scott, so those three are the only ones to be punished."

'I am still wondering where you sent them.'

Rudy teleported to the far away inhabited mountains and glanced around as he asked, "Do you recognize this place?"

Angelica came out of Rudy's body and muttered, "Isn't this the place where you... where Paul is?"

"Yeah. Didn't I say I sent them to their friends?" Rudy laughed out loud and said, "They haven't met each other in a while, so I thought there should be a 'touching' reunion."

"But..." Angelica pondered with a confused face for a while and asked, "Paul has lost his mind, and he is no different than a horny ape. Why would you.... oh!"

Angelica gasped in realization and said, "Don't tell me you..."

"You guessed it!" Rudy smirked.

"That's so... inhumane..."

"Let's go and watch the show."

Rudy searched for Paul and his friends and found them near a cave. His friends were lying naked on the ground with wounds and bruises all over their bodies. And Paul was using their bodies to satisfy his lust.

"Wow. It hasn't even been five minutes since I sent the first target, and he is already on the third."

"..."

Rudy glanced at Angelica and asked, "What do you say? Isn't it a very 'touching' reunion?"

"I doubt he even remembers or recognizes his friends."

"That doesn't matter." Rudy grabbed Angelica and jumped to the peak of the tallest mountain.

"Are we going to watch the show from here?"

"Lucy gave us one hour, and only around five minutes have passed." Rudy looked up at the moon in the starry sky and said, "We have too much time to waste."

"Then let's go home. I want to resume watching that anime."

Rudy's face twitched as he remembered what Angelica had done in the house. He grabbed her by her waist and tightened his grip on her before asking:

"Thank you for reminding me. Now that I have punished the rest, it's time to punish you."

"Is that so?" Angelica looked up at Rudy with a seductive smile and uttered, "I know you will punish me with your hot rod, so I am ready any time."

"You are half-correct. I am indeed going to punish you with my hot rod, but it's truly going to be a punishment," he stated with a wide smirk on his face.

Rudy was well aware that punishment was more like a pleasure to Angelica, so he came up with a new idea he got when he went super rough on her the other day.

"Don't... tell me..." Angelica gulped down anxiously and said, "You are going rough on me like that day?"

"Rougher than that."

"No! I will die!"

Rudy stripped Angelica and plunged his snake into her cave in one go after saying, "As I have previously said before, you are already dead!"

"No~!" Angelica let out a loud moan and enjoyed the pleasure.

Even though Rudy had said he would go rougher on her, he still made sure to not hurt Angelica in any way. Even though he said it was a punishment, he was giving her nothing but pleasure.

However, he was still rough on her, which was more than Angelica could take.

The last time he went rough on her, the round lasted over six minutes, but that was only one round.

This time, Rudy railed Angelica for fifty minutes and had made her orgasm over sixty-nine times. She had reached the state of Zen where the only thing in her mind was an unbearable pleasure.

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Chapter 410: A Failed Strategy

Rudy railed Angelica roughly by turning his piston. Still, he was nowhere near his full strength and couldn't use his full strength in sex with any girl; not even the vampires would be able to endure that.

When Rudy stopped, Angelica was drunk on pleasure, and she asked Rudy for more.

"Do you think you will be able to hold onto me?" he asked calmly.

"No. I can't even feel my body right now."

Angelica went inside Rudy's body and said, 'I will rest for a while.'

"Okay."

Rudy looked at Paul's friends, who were getting violated by Paul.

"I guess that's enough punishment."

He landed near Paul and punched him in the stomach, sending him into the air. Then, he grabbed his friends and wiped their memories of him. After all, he couldn't afford to be seen by anyone.

Once he was done with that, he teleported them back to where they were.

"They won't remember anything other than being violated. Paul's face is already unrecognizable, so it shouldn't matter. They might even think it was a nightmare, but they will remember the pain... or pleasure if they enjoyed it. Regardless, this experience will haunt them for eternity."

He walked away while saying that.

Soon, Paul's body dropped to the ground and got squished with a splat. But of course, Rudy had cursed him to suffer forever so he couldn't die.

"See ya, Paul. I am having fun with your family." He licked his lips and said, "Lucy is the same as ever. Hiding behind her cute face and innocent personality. If everything goes the same as it did in my past life, some 'events' will happen soon."

Rudy teleported near the house and walked the rest of the way.

"Today was a great day. I got to spend some time with Rize. I even made moves on her and kissed her, so that was progress. I got to shit on Andrew— although now he will try to find dirt on me to insult me— which will be fun. Especially with the sports weeks coming soon."

As soon as Rudy entered the house, Lucy looked at the time and said, "You are late. Now you won't get any food."

"Is that so?" Rudy pretended to not care and walked towards the stairs while saying, "Alright then. I guess I will sleep with an empty stomach."

Lucy came running after him and stopped him by pulling his clothes.

"I was kidding..." She puffed her cheeks and said, "I didn't know you would take it seriously."

'That's because I know all your tricks well. Even the other day, when we went to fetch Freya from the vet, you purposely phrased 'Will you go out with me?' to trick me. And you did manage to trick me in my past life. While it's happening sooner than in the previous life, it's the same tricks.

The same with the rain thingy. We made a bet, and I lost, but not this time. I will make sure you fail at all your tricks. This will be my revenge on you for teasing me. Remember, you are not the one who is pulling the jokes; it's me.'

"Oh. So you were joking?" Rudy played dumb once again. "You looked so serious, so I thought you were serious. My bad."

Rudy washed his hand and walked, and sat at the dining chair.

"Where is mom?" he asked while glancing around.

"She is taking a bath." Lucy placed all the dishes on the table and said, "She woke up a while ago and asked me where you were. So I told her you went to hit on girls."

"I believe that's a joke too?"

Lucy squinted her eyes and said, "I guess now that you know I joked once, you won't fall for them again."

"It depends. If you say something convincing, then who knows, I might believe it."

Rudy waited to eat dinner until Rebecca joined them, and then they all ate together. While eating, he couldn't take his eyes off Rebecca. Sure, it wasn't that weird, but now that he had realized his feelings for her, he was looking at her as a woman.

When Lucy noticed Rudy's gaze, she made a confused face and asked, "Why are you staring at her like that?"

"Hmm?"

"You have been staring at her like a... I don't know. Weirdly, maybe?"

"Oh, no. I was just chewing while looking in this direction. I am not staring at anyone," Rudy retorted and averted his gaze to avoid suspicion.

After a while, Rudy finished eating. Lucy asked if he wanted more, but he denied it, not because he didn't like her cooking, but because Rebecca was almost done eating.

"I will eat some more before sleeping," he said to Lucy.

Rebecca got off her chair with dishes and walked into the kitchen.

"Uhh... mom." Rudy also got up from his chair and said, "You don't have to wash the dishes. I will do it."

"It's fine."

"By the way, I have something to buy at the convenience store, so let's go together."

Rudy was trying to make moves on Rebecca, but he had to make it look natural. Since he has gone with Rebecca to the convenience store many times, he thought that would be the best way to spend some alone time with her.

"Oh, I am taking a day off today. Can we go tomorrow morning?"

"Is that... so? Sure, we can go tomorrow." The disappointment was visible on Rudy's face, and he didn't even try to hide it.

Rebecca went to her room after washing her dishes while Rudy sat on the chair again and started eating again.

'Dammit! My plan failed. Well, I shouldn't call it a failure since I didn't even get a chance to do anything.'

SIGH!

'This is going to be hard. And after the kiss that day, mom has been keeping her guard around me. But at least she is acting normally and not avoiding me like the last time.'

Rudy ate dinner while having various thoughts and making different plans for the future.

'Hmm~ I see.'