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"Family? Important little brother?" Mason suddenly sneered, "Then what is Daniel to you, someone you like?"

A shy and embarrassed expression appeared on her face. Did she like Daniel? She wasn't sure if she really liked him, after all, they hadn't spent much time together. But she couldn't deny that she had a good impression of Daniel.

Her current expression made her stand out even more. "You can't like Daniel," he said firmly, "If you want to like someone, you can only like me!"

She stared at him blankly, not understanding what he meant until his lips kissed her cheek. She tried to turn away, "Mason, don't do this!"

"Veronica, you don't have to like Daniel, you just have to like me!" he whispered.

"I don't dislike you, it's just a different kind of liking! I like you as a family member, but as for Daniel..."

"What kind of liking do you have for him? Do you like him as a boyfriend?" His lips approached the cheek where she had been slapped by her father this morning.

Although the redness from the slap had faded somewhat.

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"Who hit you?" he suddenly asked, his voice tinged with anger.

"Not much," she said.

"Who hit you?" he couldn't tolerate it.

"My dad," Veronica said. "I talked back to him this morning."

His eyes grew angry. "Even if it's him, he can't hit you!"

"He hasn't dared to hit me for many years," Veronica said. "He was probably just angry today and lost control."

She guessed that he regretted hitting her now.

But she knew that even if her father really regretted it, it was probably only because he was afraid of making Mason angry.

"Mason, let go of me first. It's hard for me to talk to you like this," she said. The current position, coupled with his kiss just now, made her feel even more dangerous.

But he seemed not to hear her, just leaned in and licked her swollen cheek gently. "Lick it, it won't hurt so much."

She shuddered and her hair stood on end, then she almost

pushed him away with all her strength.

He didn't expect it and was caught off guard when she pushed

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him, causing him to stumble back two or three steps.

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Veronica gasped and said in a slightly panicked tone, "Don't do this."

"Do you hate me?" He stared at her. "But when we were kids, didn't we do this all the time? When I got hurt, you would lick me, and when you got hurt, I would lick you."

Veronica pursed her lips tightly. Yes, that's how they were back then, especially before Mason found his roots. They were like two lonely little animals, cuddling up to each other for warmth.

But now things are different. They are no longer children.

They have grown up and some of their actions are no longer appropriate.

"I...I just need to apply some ointment. There's no need to lick it like a child!" she said, as if trying to prove something.

She reached into her pocket and quickly pulled out a tube of ointment. "See, I have ointment."

Mason's expression turned even more unpleasant when he saw the ointment in her hand. "Did Daniel give this to you?"

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"Huh?" She was taken aback, and then suddenly remembered that he had previously thrown the ointment Daniel gave her,

which was the same as this ointment.

Her expression let him know that he had guessed correctly!

"It seems that you prefer to use the ointment given by Daniel. Do you like Daniel that much?" He approached her again and

asked.

"I-" Even if she really likes Daniel, it may only be 3 points, but now in his mouth, it seems like it's worth 10 points.

His hand took the ointment directly from her hand.

“Mason, what are you doing?” She urgently wanted to take back the ointment, but now he was half a head taller than her, and his agility was much more flexible than hers. She couldn’t get the ointment back at all.

“I don’t want you to use his ointment,” said Mason, as he held the ointment in his hand and suddenly closed his hand, squeezing the ointment in his palm.

In just a moment, the ointment from the tube flowed out of his fingers, indicating that he had accidentally squeezed the tube and caused it to burst

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“Why can’t I do this?” he asked back with a cold tone. “If I do this, Veronica won’t be able to use this ointment anymore.”

In an instant, she felt a chilling sensation.

It’s like... once something doesn’t meet his expectations, he chooses to destroy it.

He made her suddenly feel a sense of unfamiliarity.

Even though they used to have some disagreements, she never felt this sense of unfamiliarity before. And now, she doesn’t know what to say to him!

Is this unfamiliar feeling because he has grown up?

He is no longer the little brother who always followed her and listened to her, but the second son of the Reed family!

Veronica and Mason are in a cold war. Since Mason destroyed that ointment, Veronica hasn’t spoken to him.

And Mason, unusually, hasn’t actively sought reconciliation.

The two of them are just cold to each other.

However, the Barlow family members have keenly sensed this.

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When Archer had a chance, he said to Veronica, "What's going on between you and Mason? I warn you, if you make Mason angry and leave the Barlow family, I won't spare you!"

"And then? Are you going to slap me like last time?" Veronica retorted.

Archer paused for a moment and then said, "Anyway, you need to quickly appease Mason for me!"

When Veronica heard the word "interfere", she felt a bitter

taste in her mouth. "Mason is my brother, and I will handle things between us on my own. I don't need you to 'guide' me,

Dad."

"You... Have your wings grown stronger? Do you think that

leaving the Reed family makes you something special? Have you ever thought about why you can live in such a house,

have luxury cars to pick you up, teachers who treat you well at school, and people calling you Miss He with respect?" Archer said unkindly.

Even if her father didn't say it, Veronica knew very well why.

"Dad, have you ever considered the fact that Mason is the second son of the Reed family while you're using him?"

Veronica asked.

"What do you mean?" Archer stared at his daughter.

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"The second son of the Reed family is staying with the Barlow

family and being used by them. Are you really so easily fooled, Mason, or is the Reed family just easy to manipulate?" Veronica mocked, "Dad, the Barlow family has had their good days, and now you should be thinking about how to use the

resources you have to become self-sufficient, instead of trying to keep Mason at the Barlow family forever! Did you really think the people of the Reed family were so easily controlled?"

Veronica's every word at this moment is a great irony to Archer. "As long as you treat Mason well, how could Mason

leave the Barlow family? He is so attached to you, as long as you are in the Barlow family, he won't leave!"

Veronica said, "That was when we were kids, Dad. Mason and I are growing up, we can't stay the same as we were back then forever."

In short, you are not allowed to have any conflicts with Mason. If you do something that upsets him, you must apologize to him immediately. If Mason decides to leave the Barlow family,

don't blame me for disowning you as my daughter! Archer threatened firmly.

During dinner time, Archer took the initiative to say to Mason,

"Mason, Veronica wants to apologize to you. If she did something wrong, please don't blame her!" Then he turned to

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Mason? Hurry up and apologize!"

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Veronica looked at her father and understood his intention. He planned to force her to apologize by driving the ducks onto the shelf.

But...

Veronica kept her lips tightly sealed and didn't utter a word.

At this moment, stepmother Rosalind also said, "Hey, Veronica must be feeling embarrassed. We are all family, what's wrong with apologizing?"

Meanwhile, the youngest son of the Barlow family, Lionel,

was looking at his sister Veronica and then at Mason, his eyes darting around as if he was thinking about something.

Veronica looked at her father and stepmother who kept

urging her and said, "Whether or not I should apologize is my own decision, not my father's decision to make. Besides, I

don't think I have anything to apologize for!"

"You...", the three words "dead girl" got stuck in Archer's throat.

"I'm full, so I'll go back to my room first," said Veronica, getting

up and walking towards her room.

Archer and Rosalind looked at each other in confusion, and quickly started saying all sorts of nice things to Mason, afraid

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he might get angry.

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Mason's gaze was fixed on Veronica's back as she walked into the room. He only looked away when she disappeared inside.

He then lowered his eyes and ate his dinner mechanically, one bite at a time.

Lionel's eyes sparkled as he witnessed this scene.

In the middle of the night, Veronica couldn't sleep, so she got up and decided to come to the living room to pour herself a glass of water. However, when she opened the door, she found Mason sitting by her room's doorway.

She was taken aback and asked, "What are you doing here?"

This sentence is the first one she said to him in the past few days.

"I can't fall asleep," he said.

"I can't sleep, so you're waiting outside my room? It's already late, you should go back to your room," she said, walking out of the room and heading to the water dispenser in the living room.

He followed behind her.

"Are you still angry with me?" His voice suddenly sounded cold.

back angry – or rather, scared. It was fear of

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Because they grew up, even though she always treated him.

like a younger brother, he was not one. He was the second son of the Reed family, and should have been a prominent figure.

If he wanted to, he could easily destroy the things she cares about, and she is powerless to stop him.

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Just like that ointment!

At this moment, as Veronica looked at Mason in front of her, she suddenly felt a heavy feeling in her heart.

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Moonlight shines through the window and onto his handsome

face. He doesn't show any expression, but the way he looks at her makes her feel like a pitiful puppy, gazing at its owner with pleading eyes.

Oh my goodness, what is she thinking! Veronica quickly shook her head. Anyway, Mason wouldn't be an abandoned puppy,

and she certainly wasn't his owner.

"I'm not angry," said Veronica, she just didn't know how to face him.

She finished speaking, poured a glass of water from the water dispenser, and after drinking it, she said to him, "It's already very late now, you should go to bed early and stop squatting outside my room."

After speaking, she walked back to her room, but Grace followed closely behind her all the way to the door of her room.

turned around and looked at Mason with a hint of

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I feel like even if she closes the door, he will still continue to squat outside her room.

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She sighed and asked, "What exactly do you still want to do?"

"Can I apologize?" he murmured softly.

She was taken aback, clearly not expecting to hear such words from his mouth, "You want...an apology?"

"If I apologize, can we go back to how things were before? Will you still talk to me every day like you used to?"

These days, she's not talking to him, which makes him feel

like every minute and every second is becoming particularly unbearable.

Veronica's heart softened, "Mason, what I want is not your apology. I just hope that you can also respect me, instead of using force just because you don't like something."

His eyelashes trembled slightly and the gleam in his eyes flickered. "Okay, I will respect your wishes. From now on, I won't use forceful methods anymore."

"Really?" She was surprised that he gave in so easily.

"Yes, really," Mason said. "So, can we go back to how things were before?"

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She looked at him and smiled slightly. "Okay."

The two of them seemed to have reconciled, "Okay, it's late.

You should go back to your room and sleep," she urged him. again.

"Can I sleep in your room tonight?" he asked.

"Huh?" She looked hesitant, after all, they were not children anymore.

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"I'm afraid you'll ignore me again tomorrow morning," he said.

"I won't," she promised.

"Well, then let me stay outside your room, I won't be able to sleep in my own room anyway," Mason said.

Veronica hesitated for a moment before finally saying, "Okay...just for tonight. Tomorrow, you need to go back to your own room and sleep."

"Okay," Mason agreed readily.

Veronica then let Mason into her room, and the two of them lay on the bed together like they used to when they were kids.

Veronica's room was not small, and the bed was also a 1.8-meter bed, so even with two people lying on it, it was quite spacious.

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But Mason still snuggled up to Veronica, his body slightly curled up.

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His body language was like he was trusting her with all his heart, which made her feel a sense of nostalgia and emotion.

Thinking about it, many people change as they grow up, but he is the only one she knows who hasn't changed.

He still sticks to her like he did when they were kids, and when expressing his emotions, he is still as direct as ever.

She felt that he didn't respect her when he casually threw away and crushed the ointment Daniel gave her, but from another perspective, wasn't it also his way of expressing his emotions directly?

In front of her, he never hides his emotions.

And she, who could accept it when they were kids, can't accept it now, so...actually, she's the one who has changed!

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The next day, when the Archer couple saw Mason coming out

of Veronica's room, they were both very happy, knowing that the two children had made up.

Apart from that, they don't care about anything else. If Mason really did something beyond the boundaries of siblinghood. with Veronica, they would probably be even happier and feel that the Barlow family and the Reed family are inseparable.

After learning about Mason and Veronica's reconciliation, Lionel's eyes darted around and a mischievous smile appeared on his face. He secretly approached Mason and whispered, "Bro, my method worked, didn't it? Actually, my sister is the type who responds better to kindness than toughness. As long as you're willing to be gentle with her, she'll definitely let go of any grudges."

Mason looked at Lionel with his dark eyes, but didn't say anything. Lionel, on the other hand, felt a bit uneasy under

Mason's gaze.

"Bro, why are you looking at me like that?" Lionel timidly asked.

"You are not allowed to repeat what you just said to anyone else. If I hear it from someone else, you may not be able to

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"Of course, of course, I definitely won't say it!" Lionel quickly smiled and replied.

He wants to curry favor with the money tree in his own family. Although he is still young, he knows very well that he needs to please Mason if he wants to have a good life in the future.

And now those older people who are mixed up in society and bow down to him outside, isn't it all because of Mason's connections that they can easily get a large amount of pocket money from his mother?

So, of course, he is going to work hard to make sure Mason stays with the Barlow family!

Since Mason only cares about Veronica, all we need to do is to reconcile her with Mason.

And his advice to Mason was clearly successful. So, if he continues to offer advice to Mason on his sister's affairs, Mason will value him more.

Will he be better off then than he is now?

Thinking about this, Lionel felt quite proud.

When Mason returned to the living room, Veronica asked,

"What did the kid say to you just now?"

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"I didn't say anything," said Mason calmly.

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"If he asks you for any favors, don't agree easily," she said, afraid that her younger brother might come up with various excuses to ask for money or help.

She doesn't want her younger brother to end up like their father and stepmother, who only use Mason and eventually become parasites of the Reed family.

"Mmm, I know what to do," said Mason.

For him, this was indeed Lionel's suggestion that brought him and her back together, so even if he had to give Lionel some benefits, he didn't mind.

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These are also some words from Lionel that gave him a sudden feeling of clarity and relief.

Actually, sometimes achieving a certain goal doesn't necessarily require a tough approach. Veronica actually responds better to a more gentle approach.

If he lowers his attitude, she will be more likely to accept.

Since she always refers to him as her "little brother", he will comply with her wishes and be a good little brother.

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As for her desire for "respect," he can give it to her. Even if she truly likes Daniel, he will find a way to make her stop liking him.

The only one she could like is him.

"Veronica, can we stop giving each other the silent treatment from now on?" Mason said softly, with a slight hint of pity in his voice, his eyebrows and eyes drooping.

Veronica felt a sudden pang of sympathy for Mason, and said, "Okay, let's stop giving each other the silent treatment from now on."

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her drink.

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However, being watched by him so quietly made her feel even more uneasy and nervous for some reason.

"Why... are you staring at me while I drink?" she asked with a pout.

"He just felt that when Veronica was drinking her milk tea, it seemed like she was enjoying something very delicious," he said.

"Actually... it's not too bad," she said awkwardly. After all, the milk tea that Daniel had bought for her was from the school's convenience store, and the taste was actually quite familiar.

"What kind of feelings does Veronica have towards Mr. Cross?" Mason asked.

Veronica's face suddenly showed a hint of shyness, "It's just the feeling of a senior."

"Oh really? I thought Veronica liked him," said Mason. As he spoke, his face remained expressionless, as if he was just casually making a comment.

Veronica's heart lifted up suddenly, but when she saw Mason's seemingly indifferent expression, she breathed a sigh of relief and simply said, "No, you're overthinking it."

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Mason's eyes caught a glimpse of the blush on her face, and his gaze gradually darkened. So, Veronica really has fallen for Daniel, hasn't she? And for her, he's just a younger brother.

Even if she also likes him, this kind of liking is completely different from her liking for Daniel.

However... he won't let anyone have Veronica, even if that person is the one she likes in her heart!

If she really falls for Daniel, then... he will destroy that feeling!

Daniel's visits to Veronica's classroom became more and more frequent, and people from both classes began to speculate about their relationship.

The rumors about Veronica and Mason, which were once rampant, were now quelled because of this phenomenon.

Some even said, "Veronica and Mason have a sibling relationship. If there really is anything going on, Mason would have beaten up Daniel for constantly going to Veronica's side."

"Exactly!" someone chimed in, "Besides, Veronica isn't even that pretty. Mason is the second son of the Reed family! How could he really be interested in Veronica? They just grew up together and see each other as siblings."

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So, the girls at school also started to pursue Mason one after another.

Every day, there are girls who give love letters or gifts to Mason, but he always throws them away.

However, those girls are not discouraged. After all, he is the second son of the Reed family. If they can really catch him, their destiny could be changed forever!

Look, isn't Veronica the perfect example?

If Mason only treats Veronica as a sister, Veronica can live such a good life. If there is a chance to become Mason's girlfriend, wouldn't it be better than Veronica's current situation?

After school, Veronica watched as Mason packed his backpack. Another love letter fell out of his drawer, along with a beautifully wrapped gift box. It must have been a carefully chosen gift from some girl.

Mason simply picked up the love letter and gift, and threw them directly into the trash can at the back of the classroom.

Veronica looked and couldn't help but say, "Why don't you
this girl could be someone

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"You haven't even seen the love letter the other person wrote,
let alone met them. How do you know you won't fall for them?"

She asked.

But he looked at her with unwavering eyes and said, "I am
certain that I won't fall for this person."

Because for him, there was already someone he liked, and this person was the most important person in his life, someone he would never give up to anyone else!

Even if he had to resort to any means, he would get this
person!

Under his gaze, her heart suddenly fluttered, and she quickly avoided his eyes and said, "Okay, let's go."

Mason didn't say anything and just picked up their backpacks and headed towards the school gate.

But when they reached the bottom of the teaching building, they ran into Daniel.

Daniel looked at the two of them, seeming hesitant.

"What's wrong, Mr. Cross?" Veronica asked.

Daniel felt a bit embarrassed and said, "Actually, I just wanted to ask if you're free this weekend to come watch me play basketball. Our school team has a game against No. 3 Middle

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Veronica remembered that she had promised Daniel that she would go watch him play a game, but for this weekend... She looked a bit embarrassed and glanced at Mason standing next to her. After a moment, she said to Daniel, "I had originally planned to go to the bookstore with Mason this weekend."

"I see." Daniel's expression seemed a bit disappointed, but then he said, "If you don't mind, how about coming to watch me play basketball? After the game, I can accompany you to the bookstore to buy books. The game won't take too long."

Although Daniel had conflicts with Mason in the past, he naturally hoped to have a better relationship with him because Mason is Veronica's "brother".

"Hmm?" Veronica furrowed her brow upon hearing Daniel's suggestion.

After all, she knew that Mason didn't like Daniel. He had even destroyed the ointment that Daniel had given her twice before. They had even had a cold war for several days because of Daniel's relationship. So it was clear that Mason

would never agree.

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Veronica was thinking of refusing, but Mason beat her to it and said, "Okay, then I'll come watch the game with Veronica."

Veronica stared at Mason in shock, her eyes filled with surprise.

Mason... wants to go watch Daniel play ball?!

"Okay, that's settled then," Daniel smiled and said goodbye to the two before running off.

Veronica looked at Mason and asked, "Were you serious earlier? Are you really going to watch the game?"

"That's not what you said, Veronica. Do you mind if I spend more time with other people? Now, I'm going to watch a game. Is that okay with you, Veronica?" said Mason.

This... is hope, but why does she have a strange feeling about it? Veronica said hesitantly, "But don't you dislike Daniel?"

"But he is Veronica's friend, and since he is your friend too, I will get along with him well. This is what you want, right?" He respected her wishes, as this was what she wanted.

In front of her, he would play the role of a good younger

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things can never be the same as before.

He is just her younger brother, after all. It's just her self-deception.

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And he won't easily argue with her anymore. He will show her in his own way that he is the most indispensable person in her world!

"Veronica, whatever your hopes are, I will do them for you because you are my Veronica, the most important person to me."

He spoke to her in this way.

And in that moment, her heartbeat suddenly became unusually intense!

On the weekend, Veronica and Mason went to watch Daniel's game together.

The game was held at the opposing school's gym, and because they didn't want the Reed family's car to attract attention, Veronica chose to take the subway.

Mason didn't object to this.

As the two walked into the subway station and Veronica was but ask Mason again, "Are

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"Of course I am. I came here with you, Veronica. Is that not enough?" he replied.

"And what about Daniel..."

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"I've already said that he's your friend, and I'll get along with him just fine," he said, his gaze falling on her face. "Don't you believe me, Veronica?"

"No, it's just..." She hesitated for a moment before saying, "You seem to have changed, and you're not quite the same as before."

He smiled lightly. "So like this, Veronica doesn't like it?"

The smile on the corner of his lips softened his originally cold face.

She liked to see his smile. When he smiled, it gave people a pure feeling, as if this world had never been polluted, pure as

white paper.

And this purity is something that many people have never had.

“What’s wrong, Veronica?” He looked at her somewhat absent-mindedly and couldn’t help but ask.

She came back to her senses and quickly replied, “Nothing, I just think you look really good when you smile.”

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She shook her head. “A good smile has to come from the heart. You can’t just smile whenever you want! Alright, let’s go!” She said, taking the initiative to hold his hand and walk towards the subway checkpoint.

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After getting on the subway, due to the weekend, there were a lot of people. Everyone inside the train was squeezed like

sardines.

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Veronica was also squeezed. Suddenly, when they arrived at a station, a large group of people rushed in. Veronica was pushed by the person next to her and her body swayed to the other side. Just as she was about to lose her balance, a hand grabbed her waist and the next moment, she was buried in someone else’s arms.

It was...Mason’s embrace!

She was very familiar with his breath.

She tried to move her body to grab the handle, but he suddenly said, “Don’t move. There are too many people now. Even if you raise your hand, it’s hard to reach the handle.”

“But...”

“It’s okay. Just lean on me like this. I’ll hold the handle. We’ll be getting off soon anyway!” His voice continued to sound.

“Oh.” She responded and didn’t try to grab the handle anymore. She just held onto his clothes to steady herself.

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enveloped her whole body, making her feel more vividly aware of their differences.

At this moment, one of his hands was around her to prevent others from bumping into her, while the other hand was

holding the handle, giving her an inexplicable sense of security.

Once upon a time, she gradually shifted from being a protector to being protected.

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He was already half a head taller than her, even though he was only 14 years old. He would surely grow even taller in the future, just like Uncle Reed.

In a few more years, he would shed his current awkwardness and transform from a boy into a man.

Thinking about this, she suddenly felt her face flush.

What was wrong with her?!

The subway finally arrived at their stop, and Veronica and Mason got off.

“Veronica, are you feeling hot? Your face is so red,” he said, raising his hand to touch her cheek.

“Ah?!” She was startled and instinctively avoided his hand. “I guess... um, it’s just because there were too many people on

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After speaking, she walked ahead of him.

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He glanced at his empty palm, his eyelashes trembling slightly, and then caught up with her.

When the two arrived at the entrance of No. 3 Middle School, Veronica called Daniel and he quickly came out to meet them. Together, they entered the school campus.

“I have saved seats for you in the gymnasium. They are in a good location and you should be able to see clearly. By the way, would you like some drinks? I can go buy them for you,” said Daniel enthusiastically.

“No need, I’ll buy it for Veronica later,” said Mason.

“Well... Alright.” Daniel scratched his head and looked at Mason, trying to find a topic. “Mason, do you like playing sports?”

“Mason?” Daniel looked at Mason.

Daniel said, “If Veronica can call you by this name, is it okay if call you the same?”

“You can call me Mason, or you can call me Yixue’s younger brother. Mason is a name that only my family members usually call me,” said Mason in a calm tone, but with a sense

of distance.

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"I'm not very good at playing ball," said Mason.

"Oh, so what are you good at?" Daniel asked casually.

"I'm good at fighting," Mason replied.

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The atmosphere suddenly became awkward. Veronica quickly changed the subject and asked about today's game.

Daniel then smoothly shifted the conversation to the game and introduced the situation of both teams to Veronica.

After a while, the three of them arrived at the gym. Daniel took them to his pre-reserved seats and then returned to the

court.

The players on the court were doing some warm-up exercises before the game. Someone saw Daniel running back and jokingly asked, "Didn't you say you invited a female student to watch the game? Why did you bring a guy?"

"That's her brother," Daniel explained to his friend.

"Brother? He doesn't look like her at all," the friend muttered.

"Lo's not her biological brother, they just grew up together,"

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Daniel didn't go into detail about Mason living with the Barlow family. After all, it's not something that can be explained in just a few sentences. Plus, it's a private matter for the Barlow

family, so Daniel didn't feel the need to discuss it with others.

"However, this younger brother looks quite good. Aren't you worried that your junior might be interested in him? With his looks, he should be quite popular among girls." the other person said.

In an instant, Daniel thought of the rumors he had heard in school about Mason and Veronica, but then he said, "If there was anything going on, it would have happened already. They just have a simple brother-sister relationship!"

The game started and because Veronica came to watch the match today, Daniel played more aggressively than usual. It was as if he was stimulated by something and his teammates joked that he was playing like he was cheating since the arrival of this new student.

During the game, Daniel performed well and Veronica watched attentively.

Mason turned to look at Veronica beside him. At that moment, she was focused on watching the game, with her eyes fixed on Daniel... Mason felt a discomfort rising in his heart.

And this discomfort, the feeling of being weighed down and almost unable to breathe, seems to be getting stronger and

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"Does Veronica like watching boys play ball?" Mason's voice suddenly sounded beside them.

Veronica turned to look at him upon hearing his words. "I'm fine, why do you suddenly ask?"

"I feel like you're really into watching sports, and if you like watching guys play ball, then I can start playing too," he said.

Veronica said, "You don't have to cater to my preferences. You should try something different and see what interests you."

"But if what you like is what I like, is that not a good thing?" he asked in response.

"Mason, everyone is an individual and if you only like something because I do, then that's not really liking it," she said. "However, interests and hobbies can be developed over time, so there's no need to rush. Just like how you're learning martial arts, do you enjoy it?"

She knew that he also took courses from the Reed family, especially in self-defense and martial arts, so his skills were much better than those of his peers.