

## **Ex-Wife 1841**

### Chapter 1841

Meanwhile, Renee had arrived at the place for the children's kindergarten graduation photos.

It was a beautiful island, and they needed to ride on speedboats to get there.

The children were very excited and could not stop talking during the journey.

They happily discussed how to spend their two days and one night there.

Adie and Abby had grown up on an island, so this place felt like home to them.

Adie held Renee's hand and said confidently, "Mommy, you and Abby should just enjoy yourself.

I'll catch some fish and prawns so I can make a seafood feast for you both." "Okay, I look forward to it!" Renee touched Adie's head and said gently.

Both Adie and Abby had great survival skills because they had grown up on an island.

They were good at swimming and diving, and were probably even better at it than many adults.

The kindergarten children and their parents reached the island in batches, and Renee, Adie, and Abby were among the last to arrive.

The island was large, and didn't seem to have many shops or facilities.

The children and their parents either had to bring their necessities or find them on the island.

At first, the children were excited and eager, but it soon became quite clear that almost all of the children there had come with both their parents.

Only Adie and Abby were there without their father, but nobody seemed to notice as the two children were quite charming on their own.

Adie and Abby's teacher walked over, then looked around and sighed.

"Ms.

Everheart, you didn't manage to speak to the kids' father, did you? We've got other activities today besides the photoshoot, and I'm afraid it might be tiring for you if you join them on your own." "It doesn't matter." Renee looked cold.

"The three of us can beat the other families no matter the activity.

We don't need another person." Adie said firmly, "Don't worry, Ms.

Watermelon.

I can protect my mommy and sister well.

I'm the man of the house!" The teacher felt sorry for the cute and sensible boy.

"Okay, just tell me if you need anything then.

All of you stay safe." All families of the kindergarten soon gathered near the principal, who was carrying a loudspeaker to make the opening remarks.

" Our days here are going to be full of activities.

Every family has to set up a tent to rest here on the island.

You also need to find ingredients to cook on your own, as well as the treasures in The map we'll give you.

The family that finds the most treasures will win a mystery prize.

Are you looking forward to it?" "yes!" The children's eyes brightened.

They were eager to find the treasures even though it was sunny and hot on the island.

"Mommy, I think it's best we split up.

You and Abby should go and find the treasures, and I'll find the food and set up the tent What do you think?" Adie suggested authoritatively.

"Can you do it on your own?" Roneo became worried.

She noticed that the others were either setting off with one of their parents or working as a team, and it filled her with regret. She should have tried to get Stefan here.

They could have just pretended to be okay on the surface for the children's sake.

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However, it was too late to regret it.

Renee shook her head and decided to stop being pessimistic.

"Okay, Adie.

You can find food and set up the tent while Abby and I go look for treasures.

Let's see if we can nab the mystery prize!" "Okay, Mommy.

We'll work hard!" Adie carried the fishing tools to the beach to catch some fish and prawns.

Renee smiled, her worries fading when she saw how enthusiastic Adie was. Adie had always been a smart kid, and Renee knew he would be fine since he even managed to get to Beach City from Sun Island on his own.

"Let's go look for treasures, Abby!" Renee watched Adie briefly, then held Abby's hand as they set off to look for the treasures.

Based on the map they were given, the treasures were hidden in a small karst cave on the island, and it was quite a hike to get there.

Renee squatted down to Abby's level and asked gently, "Are you scared, Abby? If you're scared, you can stay at the campsite and wait for me.

I can do this on my own too." Renee was more gentle with Abby than Adie.

Adie was tough and could go around without Renee worrying about him, but Abby was different —she was a soft and adorable little princess who needed others to protect her.

"Mommy, I'm not scared.

Trust me I'm as awesome as Adie!" While talking, Abby raised her hand and said proudly, "See? I've got muscles! I can fight the monsters guarding the treasures!" Her face looked cute, flushed from the sun.

"Haha! Good, then you can come with me." Renee's heart softened, and she hugged and kissed Abby.

Once they were ready, she set off for the mountains with Abby.

There were other families heading there too.

At first, the children were excited, but halfway through the hike, they cried and complained that they were tired.

Abby was the only one who gritted her teeth and followed Renee, determined to find the treasure.

"Come on, Abby! The cave is only a few hundred meters away!" Renee was a little tired, but she took a deep breath and cheered Abby on energetically.

Abby picked some flowers by the road and mumbled vaguely, Com Mammy, it would be great if Daddy was here.

We would find the treasures faster if he was here." "It's okay, we can still find the treasures without him." "Mm, I want to pick some flowers to make garlands-one for you and one for Daddy.

He must be sad that he can't be here." Abby was. conflict between the adults, and just betweenaware wanted to bring back something nice for Stefan.

Renee just sighed helplessly.

Meanwhile, Adie had quickly caught a lot of fish because he was experienced in fishing.

The other families of three or four could not defeat him even though they worked together.

Some of his classmates admired him while some were secretly jealous of him.

The waves came one after the other, and Adie had no idea that a hidden danger was slowly approaching...

Chapter 1843

A plump boy kept jumping on the beach, trying to catch some fish but failing to get any. "This isn't fun at all!" The plump boy named Tubby grabbed the fishing tools and threw them onto the sand angrily. He grabbed his father's hand and wailed. "Why can't our family catch any fish? What are you both doing? If

this goes on, we won't have any dinner. We might even be in last place! Hurry up and think of something!"

"What can we do, son? We're not professional fishermen, so it's only normal that we can't catch any fish. Maybe there aren't any fish here either. Don't worry, we can get food from others later." Glenn Bardot, Tubby's father, was rather laidback about the whole thing.

However, Camila Bardot, Tubby's mother, became restless. She pinched Glenn. "How can you say that? The minute something becomes tough, you immediately give up! No wonder our boy is always lagging." Camila looked around and was surprised to see Adie catching a lot of fish nearby. Camila said to Tubby, "Look at that boy-he caught so many fish! Why can't you catch fish like him?"

"What's the big deal? I just wasn't being serious. If I am, I'll catch more fish than him." Tubby was always greatly jealous of Adie, and his envy only grew when his mother compared him to Adie.

While everyone was busy catching fish, Tubby ran to Adie and pointed at him. "Adie, are you catching fish alone? Where are your parents?"

Adie was quietly waiting for an eel to leave its burrow. He looked up at Tubby with a glare, then whispered, "Speak softer. Don't scare away my eel."

At that moment, Tubby noticed the eel slipping out of the stones. His eyes brightened and he quickly grabbed it. "It's mine! I got it first."

Adie was not a boy who admitted defeat easily. He had been waiting for the eel to come out for such a long time because he had wanted to grill it for his mother and sister that night. He couldn't accept that Tubby had beaten him to it. "What do you mean it's yours? It's mine." Adie acted tough and said rationally, "I've been waiting here for around ten minutes and placed so much salt here to lure the eel out. Technically speaking, I caught it!" Then, he tried to snatch the eel away from Tubby.

When Camila saw the two boys, she hurriedly rushed over and yelled at Adie fiercely, "Whose ill-mannered child is this? How could you snatch others' things?"

"I'm not. I lured this eel out, so it should belong to me." Adie faced Camila calmly as he spoke, not letting the eel go.

"I saw you snatching my son's eel. You're rude and you're a liar! Where are your parents? Let gg!" Camila had long noticed that Adie's parents weren't around, and so she became even bolder. She felt it was easy for her to handle this kid without any adults around.

"Mommy, he has a mother but no father. That's why he's so rude!" Tubby yelled eagerly, finally brave enough to bully Adie since his parents were here.

"What did you say? Say that again, I dare you." Adie sneered coldly.

Chapter 1844

"I said you're ill-mannered!" Camila snapped haughtily. "I was wondering why you're so fierce and rude, but now it makes sense. Hmph, isn't there a rule in Monte Perry that they won't accept kids from single-parent families? How did you manage to get in? You're tarnishing the image of the kindergarten and its students!" Tubby was a transfer student, so Camila didn't know about the uproar that happened when Adie and Abby tried to register there. Besides, Renee always kept a low profile and purposely hid the background of the two children, so Camila didn't know who Adie's parents were. She assumed that Adie's parents came from new money, since the truly rich families would not easily get a divorce for their image's sake.

At first, Adie did not want to lower himself to Tubby and Camila's level, he just wanted to take his eel and leave, but he couldn't let go of the things they said. It wasn't like him to let something like this go. Hence, he put the fishing tools on the ground, stood on a large rock and stared straight into Camila's eyes with a sneer. "I won't tell you about my parents, but I'm sure you must be an orphan. If you had parents to raise you properly, you wouldn't be this rude to a child!"

"How dare you..." Camila's face grew red, not expecting such a response from a child.

"Madam, if you're this ill-mannered and rude, I'm sure the boy you raised is even worse. He is the one tarnishing the image of the kindergarten," Adie said calmly, feeling better after saying those words. "I did grow up with only my mommy around, but she taught me love and kindness. She even taught me how to do a lot of things. Even though I'm from a single-parent family, I feel like I'm more well-rounded than your child, who grew up with both his parents around. Your family is mentally ill, and I'm so much

happier than all of you. You all are the pitiful ones in this situation!" Adie clapped his hands in satisfaction, about to get down from the rock to

continue fishing.

"You're annoying! How could you say that about my mommy? I'm going to beat you up!" Since his parents were around, Tubby felt confident they would back him up, and lunged at Adie to beat him up. Adie, however, dodged Tubby's attack, and Tubby slipped and hit his head on the rock. Blood poured down the side of his head. "Mommy, it hurts so bad! Mommy!" Tubby cried loudly.

"Oh, son! My poor son!" Camila rushed over to help Tubby up. When she saw her son's bloody face, she lost her mind and threw herself at Adie. "How dare you beat my son up! I won't let you go!"

Adie easily dodged Camila's hits, and asked helplessly. Are you blind?

Your son fell on his own. It had

nothing to do with me

It seemed that both Tubby and Camila were no match for Adie, but at that moment, a sturdy man walked over angrily...

Chapter 1845

The sturdy man was none other than Glenn, Tubby's father.

"Daddy, Daddy!" Tubby cried and ran to Glenn. He pointed at Adie and sobbed, "This boy bullied Mommy and me. He beat US up... You have to help us!"

Adie couldn't help but laugh. "You're not only useless, you're a coward too! Unfortunately, even if you bring your parents here, you can't win against me. " Even though he was young, he took after his mother. He had great IT skills and was good at fighting; even if he couldn't fight against professionals, he was confident he could take on Tubby and his family.



Glenn was a sturdy and plump man, and spoiled his son terribly. He couldn't handle seeing this little boy bullying his wife and son. Enraged and humiliated, he grabbed Adie and roared, "Did you bully my son? Say sorry to him now, or I'll teach you a lesson you won't forget!"

Adie looked up at the giant man calmly. "Firstly, I didn't bully your son. Your son is crazy-he insisted on provoking me, then fell on his own. Secondly, I would like to see what you're going to do."

"You've got some nerve, boy! How dare you challenge me?" Glenn clenched his fists and said coldly, "I can still hit you even if you're a kid. If you ignore my advice, I'll just let my fists do the talking."

"You're going to let your fists do the talking?" Adie sneered and said, "Are you going to beat me up, sir? A big man like you is going to beat up a boy? What a hero... Come and watch, ladies and gentlemen-this great man is trying to beat up kids!" Adie yelled, attracting the attention of the children and parents who were fishing nearby. Quickly, they all came over.

Glenn's face turned red in indignation, and he really wanted to beat Adie up. "You're really good at talking, kid! I'll teach you a lesson on your parents' behalf. I'm sure they'll thank me!" Glenn rolled his sleeves up, puffing his chest out.

Instantly, the onlooking parents started to talk.

"What's wrong with that man? It isn't a big deal. Why is he yelling at that boy?"

"If I'm not mistaken, that boy seems to be... Master Hunt's son. That man's got some guys to try to beat up Master Hunt's son."

"What are you talking about? I heard that Master Hunt was probably dead. He hasn't been seen in ages, and Jovan Hunt has seized almost all of the family's assets!"

"Yeah, that's right. If he was alive, he'd be here for his kids graduation."

"So, this kid doesn't have a father then... How pitiful!"

Glenn, however, didn't seem to have heard them. Infuriated he gripped

Adie's collar and lifted him...

Chapter 1846

However, Adie was not frightened. His mother had taught him how to escape from such a hold. Using a tactic called Horseyre, he forcefully kicked Glenn's head with the tip of his foot, then flipped over and landed on his feet steadily.

Glenn's eyes bulged in rage, but before he could make a move, an icy voice came from behind him, "Let go of my son!"

Adie's eyes lit up, and he turned around excitedly. "Daddy, it's you!" Adie couldn't believe his eyes. The person he had been missing for so long was actually here!

"Mr. Hunt?" The gathered parents were filled with disbelief. None of them expected a man who was rumored to be dead to show up.

The blood drained out of Glenn's face and he immediately let go of Adie, his heart pounding. He swallowed and stammered, "Mr. Hunt, I... I didn't know this boy was your son. I'm so sorry for my rudeness." Glenn was a nouveau riche who had only become rich recently, and his property relied on the products provided by Hunt Enterprise. He must have a death wish threatening the heir of the Hunt family!

Tubby had no idea what was going on, but he was unhappy that his father had let Adie go. He protested, "Daddy, why did you let him go? Beat him up! Teach him a lesson. He's always annoying at the kindergarten too. He-"

Without warning, Glenn slapped Tubby. "Brat, you've made a mess of things!" Glenn growled as he dragged Tubby over to Stefan. "Get down on your knees and apologize to your classmate and his father. We were reckless and didn't recognize him. Mr. Hunt, I hope you'll be generous and forgive my insensible son."

"But I don't want to say sorry! I didn't make a mistake. Beat him up! I want to beat him up!" As a child, Tubby had no idea what was at stake. He just wanted to show off and one-up Adie.

Sweat poured down Glenn's face, and he felt like crawling into a hole. He slapped Tubby twice. "Kneel, boy! Are you trying to make me mad?"

Adie stared at Tubby in disdain. "I'm not dead. Don't kneel in front of me."

"Umm, then... How are you going to punish me? I'll accept whatever you tell me to do. This is my fault... You must forgive me!" Helplessness washed over Glenn as he bowed repeatedly.

"You guys are annoying! Just go away." Adie sighed in frustration. He eagerly hugged Stefan, booking up at him with sparkling eyes. "Daddy, what are you doing here? Where have you been? We were worried sick about you!

Adie's

"You sent me an email asking me to come, so I did." Stefan smiled and touched Adie's head affectionately. "I had to handle something, so I had to lay low for a while. I'm sorry for making you all worry about me."

"Have you settled it yet?" Adie asked curiously.

Chapter 1847

"Now..." Stefan kept his head low, hesitant to answer.

"Adie!" Renee's anxious voice came from nearby. When she was about to reach the entrance of the cave to find the treasures or the map, she heard from some parents behind her that a family was bullying Adie. She had quickly rushed back to the fishing area with Abby.

When Stefan heard Renee, he looked over. Renee looked over too, and their gazes met. There was only twenty meters between them, but it felt like they were worlds apart. Neither of them moved, and time

seemed to have stood still. It felt like everything around them had disappeared as they stared at each other, neither making a move or saying anything.

The surrounding parents exchanged awkward glances, not knowing what to do.

Adie stood beside Stefan while Abby stood beside Renee. The siblings looked at each other and shrugged wearily. Their dramatic parents always caused a scene, so they were used to things like this. All they wanted to do was resolve this issue.

After around three minutes, Adie could no longer take it. He yanked Stefan's clothes and whispered, "Daddy, what's wrong with you? Are you going to stand here all night? You and Mommy are finally reuniting after so long apart, so why are you standing here in a daze? Shouldn't you rush over and hug Mommy and spin her around?"

Stefan nearly choked when he heard Adie's suggestion. He leaned down and whispered back, "Who told you this?"

"That's what they do on TV! Lovers who are separated for a long time will usually hug and kiss each other, but you and Mommy aren't doing anything like that at all!" Adie complained loudly so the people around could hear him.

The atmosphere became even more awkward.

Helpless, Stefan said softly, "It's not like I don't want to hug her, but can't you see how angry your Mommy is? I'm afraid she'll kick me if I go near her." The last time they met was when Renee had entered his mansion. The conflict between them was still unresolved, and Stefan did not want to resolve it either. Hence... he had to suppress his desires. 1

Abby looked up at Renee in

confusion, holding her hand tightly. "Mommy, you've been talking about Daddy all day, and now, he's finally here. Why do you look... unhappy?"

"Am I?" Renee kept staring at Stefan, but the iciness in her voice was clear.

"Yes, it's very obvious. When you look at Daddy..." Abby frowned as she thought about it then her eyes brightened as she declared, "It looks like you want to kick him!"

The parents around them had heard

Abby, and they were trying to figure m

out what was going on between Stefan and Renee. Since Stefan and Renee weren't moving, they didn't dare to move either. Thus, everyone just stood there awkwardly.

Chapter 1848

Finally, Stefan walked over to Renee with a complicated gaze. "Why didn't you tell me about this? It's a big deal."

"A big deal?" Renee sneered. "I'm sorry for my ignorance, but I don't know what you're talking about."

"The kids are going to take their graduation photos. As their father, don't you think I should have been informed?" Stefan sounded displeased. He felt that graduating from kindergarten and stepping into elementary school was an important phase in a kid's life, and as a father, he had to be present for it.

"You were clearly busy, and I didn't even know if you were alive. I didn't want to disturb your precious time with your new sweetheart." Renee sounded jealous.

The people around them looked at them curiously. It sounded like Stefan had cheated on Renee and had gone to his mistress while he was missing. No wonder Renee wanted to kick Stefan-it seemed like he deserved it.

Stefan put his hands in his pockets, frowning. "You should let me decide what will disturb me. The kids are my top priority-nothing is more important than them."

"Ha! You want to be a good father now? How ridiculous. How many milestones of theirs have you attended? You say they're your priority, but you always put your feelings first. Can you stop being a hypocrite? Don't you have a conscience?" Renee snapped at Stefan rudely. Honestly, she was happy to see Stefan, and she was just saying those things hoping he would tell her that he had nothing to do with Briar... but he wasn't denying it. It seemed like his relationship with Briar was serious, and it infuriated Renee.

"A hypocrite? Then, I'll apologize!" Stefan suddenly pulled Renee to him, and leaned close to whisper in her ear. "I know that you resent me, but can't we resolve this privately for the kids' sake? Don't make them outcasts." Then, he hugged Renee's waist and said loudly, Dear, why are you behaving like a child? I've only been away from Beach City for a while, but you've clearly missed me so much. I know you're unhappy I left, but don't you feel shy making a scene like this?"

Renee's jaw dropped, and she

clenched her fists in frustration. She forced a smile onto her face as she jabbed Stefan's stomach sharply. "Of En: course, darling. I missed you so much that I couldn't sleep. Luckily, you came today, or else I'd have to teach you a lesson!"

"Okay, dear. I've made a mistake. Here's a kiss to make it up to you." Stefan closed his eyes and kissed Renee's forehead gently.

The parents who had gathered there felt awkward watching them and quickly left. They felt that they had been forced to witness Renee and Stefan's romance.

Chapter 1849

Renee cooperated with Stefan for the sake of saving face. She leaned into Stefan's arms and spoke softly as she smiled up at him. "Since you're here, you should be a responsible father and make their graduation a happy one."

"Of course!" Stefan looked down at Renee, returning her smile. "I don't have to act-I'm a good father."

Both Adie and Abby shook their heads helplessly.

Abby sighed deeply. "Adie, I feel like Daddy and Mommy are getting crazier,

Adie muttered, "Yeah, I think so too. I think it's better they don't talk to each other than behave like this."

This fake peace was just too strange.

"Kids, your father and I have talked. We've gathered quite a lot of ingredients, so maybe we should go find the treasures now. What do you think?" Renee asked carefully.

"Sure!" Abby was the first to give her approval. "Mommy and I nearly found the treasure just now... but I don't know if it's still there."

Renee checked the messages in the class' group chat. None of the parents had posted photos of the treasure yet, so it was probably still hidden. "I just checked the group chat. No one has found the first treasure yet, so we still have a chance to get it!"

"What are we waiting for then? Let's go!" Adie declared excitedly, carrying his large bucket of seafood. He had wanted to search for the treasure earlier, but knew they needed to get food first, so he had chosen to go fishing instead. Now that they had enough ingredients for the feast tonight, he wanted to try searching for the treasure.

"How childish..." Stefan scoffed. "There's no treasure, they're just saying that to trick the kids."

Renee glared at him. "Shut up. You can leave if you don't want to join us."

Stefan pouted and straightened. "No, I want to go. Kids, don't worry we'll find all the treasures now that I'm E

here... Come, let's go!"

Seeing Stefan's determination, the children eagerly followed him skipping around him happily. "Let's go! The treasures are ours."

The three of them walked swiftly towards the cave.

"Slow down! Be careful while hiking,"

Renee yelled at them, but her heart warmed as she watched them. It felt like they had returned to the time when the four of them lived together happily it wasn't that long ago, but many things had happened since then. Although Renee hated Stefan and his betrayal, she had to admit that her family seemed stronger and more complete with him around. Even the children looked happier. Married couples wouldn't divorce if they were still able to live together... Renee still couldn't understand why Stefan wanted to ruin such a wonderful thing.

Chapter 1850

The family of four set off for a cliff on the island based on the map provided by the kindergarten.

Stefan carried Abby and placed her on his shoulders while Adie tried searching for the road ahead of them.

Renee walked behind them, keeping her distance.

"Daddy, that cave is very scary.

It's dark and deep.

I heard that there are dragons that protect the treasures in it...

My classmates didn't dare to go in, but Mommy and I did.

Aren't we brave?" Abby babbled as she enjoyed the view from Stefan's shoulders, waving her arms joyfully.

"Oh, that's awesome..." Stefan smiled dotingly and turned around to glance at Renee.

Then, he added, "It's no surprise that the children she raised are so amazing." "Daddy, are you saying that Mommy is amazing?" Abby held Stefan's head and asked curiously.

"Of course." Stefan whispered, "I'm sure you and Adie don't know how amazing your mother is." He was unsure if the children were aware of Renee's glorious past and awesome skills, but he remembered them well.

"Why wouldn't we know?" Adie overheard their conversation and called out.

He eagerly boasted, "My mommy is a great hacker-she can easily destroy a country's security system.

Plus, she's good at fighting, and is ranked first on the wanted list every year.

She's even the youngest and best scholar of the top college, and participated in the design of a high-end chip too.

She..." Renee quickly caught up to Adie and covered his mouth, looking embarrassed.

"Adie, you can't say such things in public.

I'm just an ordinary person; don't get me in trouble." Although Adie was telling the truth, Renee was worried the other parents might think they were crazy if they overheard them.



"Mmph..." Adie struggled out of Renee's grip and put his hands on his waist stubbornly.

"I wasn't lying, Mommy.

You're awesome, and you taught me how to hack and fight.

Even those few moves I learned were enough to scare Tubby and his family.

That's proof of how good you are!"

"What? You fought them?" Renee's eyes widened in shock.

"Didn't I tell you to only use those moves in emergencies? You shouldn't bully the weak.

You've let me down." She was worried that her children would use those skills to bully other children; it would be a piece of cake for Adie to do so given his intelligence and skills.

Adie had always behaved himself and never bullied other children, so Renee didn't understand why the situation had become so serious that Adie had to fight others.

"No, I didn't fight them.

I just taught them a lesson." Adie raised his chin defiantly.

"I don't think I did anything wrong!"