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Robert replied, "Someone is working on it."

At the mention of the surveillance, Melanie suddenly felt suffocated. Knowing she would be found out sooner or later, she'd rather confess first "Dean Ludden, it was me who posted the exam papers."

As soon as Melanie's words fell, Robert stared at her in astonishment while Christopher shot her a resentful glance in disbelief.

Only Hera remained untazed. She had guessed it from Melanie's provocative gaze the moment they entered the office.

Calmly sitting down on the couch, Hera turned on her phone and continued playing Fip-and- March.

Christopher loathed Hera's poor manners, yet at the same time, he gloated over the reprimand she would receive for that.

However, Andrew seemed oblivious to Hera's behavior without a hint of displeasure.

"Melanie, you're a teacher, after all. How could you do something so out of line?" Robert questioned,

"Out of line?" Melanie laughed, letting herself go. "I pointed out a student's cheating behavior, upholding discipline at Cavenridge. What's wrong with that? You, on the contrary, gave me a demerit, deducted my salary and bonus, and defended the cheating student. It's against professional ethics!"

"Sure enough, I was right to give you a demerit! Robert reproached her. "This matter is not clear yet. We haven't investigated it. Now that you posted the exam papers and the reporters photographed them, it'll affect Cavenridge's reputation. Your actions are extreme!"

"What's not clear about it? Christopher is Cavenridge's top student while Hera is a bumpkin from a rural village. It's obvious who copied whose exam papers. What else is there to investigate?" Melanie asked rhetorically.

"shut up!" Andrew slapped the desk

Melanie and Robert immediately stopped arguing.

Andrew looked at Melanie. "Melanie, what's your purpose for doing this?"

Melanie was overjoyed to hear this. As expected, Andrew wouldn't tolerate cheating.

"Dean Ludden, my purpose is simple. As a teacher of Cavenridge, I should maintain the discipline and authority of the academy and prevent cheating and plagiarism. Students who violate the rules should be severely punished," Melanie said sonorously with her head up, looking upright.

Andrew nodded. "cheating should be punished."

As these words echoed in Christopher's ears, his heart skipped a beat

Dad...

"Call me Dean Ludden at the academy!" Andrew snapped.

"Dean Ludden..."

Apologize!"

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Christopher's legs went weak at Andrew's authoritative command.

Melanie was secretly thrilled. Andrew was angry Hera was done for!

The next moment, Christopher lowered his head.

Melanie and Robert were both shocked

"Christopher, why are you looking guilty? Shouldn't it be." Melanie turned around, only to see Hera sitting on the couch, nonchalantly playing games on her phone.

This... Robert looked bewildered. Although he criticized Melanie's behavior, he did think that Hera cheated. After all, she was transferred from a poor school with a lack of educational resources.

When did it begin?" Andrew asked sullenly.

Christopher gazed at the floor with a miserable look, his eyes red. His lips parted and closed, but no words came out

Are you mute?" Andrew snapped.

'F—Five years ago...' Christopher lifted his head, his expression timid.

"You! "Andrew raised his hand, wanting to hit Christopher. But considering outsiders were present, he could only put his hand down

te uttered with disappointment, "You've let me down!TM

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It turned out that Christopher had not been a top student since childhood.

Before entering junior high school, his grades were always in the middle range. His grades wouldn't improve no matter how many tuition classes he attended.

He found several sets of completed exam papers in Andrew's study by chance.

The papers had no names, but the solutions were clear and innovative, opening up a new world for him.

Christopher imitated the mysterious academic prodigy's problem-solving approach, and his grades instantly rose from average to the top of the grade.

As a result, he received approval from his usually strict father, praise from the academy's teachers, and admiration from classmates.

This sense of honor ignited his wandru.

Christopher also discovered that the mysterious academic prodigy would mail completed exam papers to Andrew at a fixed time each month.

He only needed to take photos of the papers in advance while Andrew was away and then make some slight modifications to continue maintaining his grades.

He had maintained his grades until now, and this was a secret that no one knew about.

He had never been caught for five years, so he became complacent. He even copied the academic prodigy's papers in secret and then shared them with a few good friends to show

Unexpectedly, these papers were posted!

"I'm sorry." Christopher apologized shamefully when he saw Andrew's disappointed expression.

“Why are you apologizing to me? You should apologize to Hera and ask for her forgiveness!” Andrew scolded him.

*Hera?

All three of them looked at Hera in disbelief.

Hera felt their gazes and looked up from her phone.

Her cold gaze carried a hint of annoyance as if she was asking, “Why hasn’t it ended yet?”

“How could Hera be the mysterious academic prodigy!” Christopher stood up. “She copied the test papers I lent to Giselle!

He had seen Hera’s test papers and confirmed that the handwriting was different!

Although both were written with a pen, the academic prodigy’s handwriting was bold and vigorous while Hera’s was delicate and neat.

“You’re impenitent!” Andrew couldn’t help but slap Christopher’s head. “Go reflect on yourself until you realize your mistakes!”

Christopher was very resentful, but he didn’t dare to disobey Andrew’s orders. He glared at Hera and then tamed to reflect on himself.

“Are you happy now?” Andrew turned to Melanie with a stern face.

“I” Melanie looked at Hera as if he had seen a ghost.

Melanie just wanted to expose Hera for cheating. How did she end up stirring up trouble for the Ludden family?

Who would have thought that even the top student for five years was a cheater?

So, she was wrong from the beginning. She shouldn’t have underestimated Hera

“Mr. Larkin, I don’t want to see this person in the education field in the future,” Andrew said with a stern face.

After giving his orders, he turned to Hera. “Hera, I’m really sorry about it.”

He poured her water politely, and his tone was gentle, devoid of the hostility from earlier.

Robert was surprised by the sudden change in Andrew's attitude. He was secretly relieved that he hadn't offended Hera before. Otherwise, his fate would be the same as Melanie's

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He was perceptive and wasted no time in dragging the despairing Melanie away

Christopher, who was reflecting on his actions, was also shocked to hear Andrew's tone,

In his memory, Andrew had always been serious and never used such gentle language.

"Tara wouldn't have been so much trouble if I had personally come to pick you up back then, I'm truly sorry. Please accept my apology!" Andrew said while pouring himself a cup of water, but a fair and slender hand stopped him

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"Dean Ludden, it's been a while." Hera put away her phone. "How did you know those exam papers were mine?"

From Christopher's confession just now, she learned that the exam papers her mentor made her do ended up with Andrew.

"I noticed that your handwriting is different when you use your left and right hands. You use your left hand naturally, but you also trained your right hand," Andrew said.

Hera looked at him as he continued, "Rest assured, I won't talk about this matter."

"Did you send those textbooks and exam papers?" Hera asked.

Andrew nodded. "Yes, but someone else asked me to send them."

"Who was it?" Hera asked immediately.

"Hebe, I'm sorry. I promised him that I wouldn't leak his information." Andrew looked embarrassed

Hera understood Andrew's words. Her mentor's influence was indeed extraordinary since Andrew was cautious about it.

“It’s okay, I’ll take my leave.” She didn’t want to trouble Andrew anymore and stood up suddenly.

“Wait, Hera.” Andrew hurriedly stopped her and asked her with some embarrassment, “Can you let Christopher go for cheating? After all, this matter involves the Ludden family’s reputation”

Hera glanced at Christopher who was standing in the corner reflecting Christopher stood rigidly when he felt her gaze.

“You must remember that the Ludden family owes me a favor.” Hera finished speaking and turned to leave.

Outside the CEO’s office at XS Corporation, the company’s senior executives were lined up. They entered one by one to give their quarterly reports.

Inside the office, Bernard was playing chess with the CEO of XS Corporation, The Smith.

Bernard’s slender fingers were holding a chess rock

When a senior executive finished his report and asked for instructions, Theo didn’t immediately respond but glanced at Bernard’s expression first

In the eyes of outsiders, XS Corporation rose to prominence in the past two years by getting hold of a large order from Killian Corporation.

In just two years, XS Corporation became one of the top ten domestic companies, and this was all under Theo’s leadership.

However, no one knew that the man calmly playing chess in front of them was the true boss of XS Corporation.

Upon seeing that Bernard had no objections, Theo nodded to the senior executive and said, “Triplement the plan according to this. Next.” All

At this moment, Douglas took the opportunity and whispered in Bernard’s ear, “Bernard, I just received news that there’s a problem with Hera’s grades.”

Bernard was prepared to move the took and win the game, but his movements halted when he heard what Douglas said. “Hmm?”

He turned his head to look at Douglas.

“The academy announced that she got a full score yesterday, but just received news that Hera cheated by copying Christopher’s exam papers, and it was caught by the media..”

As Douglas spoke, he couldn’t help but picture Hera’s cold and distant face. He was unable to imagine her cheating

“Handle it” Demand put down the chess piece and suddenly stood up.

“Understood,” Douglas replied.

Seeing Bernard about to leave, Theo also stood up quickly, “Berard, is there something urgent? There are still two investment projects here that haven’t been reported.” “Yeah. I’m going to Cavenridge for class. Douglas, you can decide for the rest of the projects,” Bernard said before leaving the office and driving away in his black Audi Theo rubbed his chin, and there was a sly glint in his eyes as he looked at Douglas.

“Bernard has been holding the position of professor at Caventidge for two years, but he hasn’t attended a single class. Could there be something fishy now that he’s suddenly

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Douglas scratched his head. “Is it because of love?”

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The cheating incident at Cavenridge had come to light, and Hers had just come out of the dean’s attice when a black Auch stopped in front of her.

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Hera checked the date on her phone—it was Wednesday.

She had promised to treat his illness on the weekend, so she asked absentmindedly, “Why are you here? Didn’t we agree on a weekend?”

Seeing her cold expression, Bernard thought she was upset about her grades and said, “Get in. I’ll take you to eat something delicious.”

Hera fel puzzled but didn’t refuse she walked to the back seat and was about to open the car door when Bernard said, “Sit in the fron

She wasn't convinced and tried the door handle, only to find it locked. Finally, she resigned herself to sitting in the front

Bernard took her to a high-end restaurant.

There was only one long table in the middle of the spacious restaurant,

There was piano music, flowers, and wine. It was a candlelight dinner with rows of servers preparing to serve on the Hera had never been in romantic relationship, but she knew that this kind of atmosphere was meant for couples.

the side.

She hesitated for a moment. "Uncle Bernard, did you bring me here to witness your date with your girlfriend?"

"I'm still single. It's just the two of us, so enjoy the meal freely. Eating can get rid of all your bad mood." Bernard gestured, and the servers began to serve the dishes one after

other

Hera gave him a puzzled look

Did she really look like she was in a bad mood?

Well, the incident caused by the Everett family at the academy was indeed a bit annoying. She needed to find time to clear some information from the internet.

"I heard about your grade. Don't worry about them. Exam scores don't mean anything." Demand said as he cut the steak

Hera was speechless.

Was he trying to combat her by inviting her to a meal?

"You don't have to study if you don't want to take care of you in the fire." He put the sliced steak in front of her.

"Considering your position in the Killian family, I'd better study hard so that you wouldn't need to worry about me," Hera said.

In other words, she wanted him to care for himself and not meddle in her business.

Hera had seen Bernard's information as well as the information of every member of the Holon family. She remembered it all.

In the eyes of outsiders, Bernard was a distinguished son of the Killian family, but in reality, Bernard was Albert Killian's illegitimate child in Albert's later years.

After being brought back to the Killian residence, Bernard was attracted by the Killian family

Before Albert passed away, he gave out of his shares to Bernard, making Bernard second only to the new head of the Killian family in terms of shares.

However, Bernard could only inherit them after getting married. Otherwise, these shares would all be donated to charity.

Bernard's goal was to make the Killian family approve of Bernard, but it backfired

and was even more stracized

At the age of 18, he was sent to the army by the new head of the family under the pretext of training

Two years later, he retired from the army and turned to the Killian family, only to be arranged by the Killians to be the general manager of a small subsidiary under Killian Corporation.

As long as he didn't get married, he couldn't get the shares of Killian Corporation, and the Killians could order him around freely.

In such a situation, Bernard should retaliate by getting married as soon as he reached the legal age, inherit the shares, and slap those who bullied him in the face.

However, he was still single at the age of 24 this year.

It was really incomprehensible.

Seeing Hera's pitying gaze, Bernard said, "Actually.."

Although his personal information was not entirely true, he didn't want to scare Hera as she had been living in the mountains since she was six and had limited knowledge. With this in mind, he changed the words that were about to come out. "You found out about

Hera was speechless,

The two ate in silence. After finishing the meal, Bernard drove her back to Cavender

she thanked him and was about to unbuckle her seatbelt when he stopped her. "Wait a moment, All

Heated around and saw him take out a booked High School Entrance Exam Simulation on the back seat

“Since you want to study hard, take this workbook back and do it I’ll assess your level first and then deviate a study plan for you later,” Bernard said.

Hera was speechless,

He must have prepared this workbook for her from the beginning

She had finally managed to finish the university exercises her men gave her, and now she had to go through this “Thank you” she forced a smile, took the workbook, closed the car door decisively, and entered the academy’s gate.

The Everett family banquet incident had become a joke throughout Cenige after things happened in the morning.

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As a member of the Everett family, Giselle used her advanced acting skills to exclude herself completely from this joke

She appeared gentle and weak on the surface as she said to those who mocked her, “I’m sorry, please don’t talk about it anymore. My dad just didn’t expect Hera to do something so outrageous. He’s very sad about this as well_”

However, she was posting anonymously on the academy’s forum.

“The Everett family’s annual attention-seeking spectacle is truly an unprecedented joke.”

“It’s bad enough that the country bumpkin cheated, but the parents also have no brains. I hope the dean expels such students directly.”

After she finished posting, she saw that Christopher had replied with his personal account!

Christopher wrote, “There was a misunderstanding in this matter. It’s already in the past. Please don’t post such things in the future.”

With the top student making a move, no one replied to the post anymore.

Giselle was puzzled. Christopher’s exam papers had caused such a stir. Why was he still defending Hera?

Just then, Hera, who had disappeared all morning, returned to her class.

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“Hera, you’re finally back. What did Dean Ludden say? Giselle approached with a worried expression. She thought that Hera had been in the dean’s office all morning,

Hera walked around Giselle, placed her books down, and began to pack up her things.

Giselle persisted by catching up to her. “Why are you packing up? Did Dean Ludden expel you?”

The surrounding students burst into laughter upon hearing this.

“Cheaters should be expelled!”

“Get lost! Don’t humiliate us at Crvenridge.”

“Get as far away as possible. Hey! Why are you pushing me... Professor Killian!”

The classroom, filled with curses, suddenly quieted down. Everyone turned to look at Bernard, who had suddenly appeared at the classroom door.

After a minute of silence, the scene was chaotic.

“Oh my goodness! Professor Killian! It’s Professor Killian!”

“He’s so handsome! I can’t breathe anymore! Quick! Give me some oxygen.”

“I’ve finally seen Professor Killian in real life. I have no regrets now.”

“Why did Professor Killian suddenly come? Who is he looking for?”

*He must be looking for Gigi remember Gigi saying that she saved someone from the Killian family. Oh my goodness! Could it be Professor Killian?” “He must be looking for Gigi Otherwise, how could he appear here?”

“I envy Gigi so much.”

Upon seeing Bernard’s appearance, Giselle was stunned by his handsomeness. He was a hundred times more handsome in person than in photos.

When she first added the phone number Christopher gave her, she checked it and confirmed it was Bernard’s number.

Upon hearing the discussions of her classmates, she couldn't help but feel excited, thinking that Bernard was here to look for her.

The next moment, she watched as Bernard walked steadily toward her while exuding an air of nobility, causing her heartbeat to accelerate instantly. Bernard was really here for her!

Giselle took a deep breath subconsciously, raised her head, straightened her back, and revealed her sweetest smile confidently

Under the envious pares of everyone, Bernard arrived in front of Giselle.

"What's your name?" he asked.

Giselle looked at his perfect face. Her cheeks were slightly flushed as she extended her right hand. "Frodessor Killian, I'm Giselle Everett Hello" "Excuse me, Ms. Everest. You're blocking my way." Bernard looked at Hera, who was behind selle

Hera was speechless.

After lunch, Bernard said he happened to have something to do at Cavenridge and would give her a ride back. She didn't expect him to come along as well. Giselle's outstretched hand froze in mid- air. Her face was frozen in a stiff smile, looking very awkward.

Wasn't Bernard here to look for her? Was he...

Giselle suddenly turned around, only to see Hera leaving through the back door with the books she had packed up.

Bemand also walked past her, leaving behind a group of onlookers with puzzled expressions.

"Professor Killan just left like that?"

"Wasn't he here to look for Giselle?"

"Clearly not."

"Why did Professor Killan come, then?"

"I guess he's just passing by?"

Hera's arms. She was shocked!

Giselle was unwilling to give up, so she ran out and happened to see Bernard preparing to take the books from Her

Bernard was really here to find Hera!

How could that country bumpkin.

She suddenly remembered the embroidery pattern on the strip of cloth that day and realized that the pattern on the sing dress Hera had worn before was somewhat similar!
“Bernie,” Giselle called

out

She was slightly out of breath as she rushed out in a hurry,

Hera’s beautiful eyebrows furrowed lightly, feeling a little displeased with how Giselle addressed Bernard.

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“Professor Killian, goodbye.” Hera took back the books she was about to hand over and turned to leave.

Bernard watched coldly as she walked away, and a faint smile played at the corner of his mouth. Was she jealous?

“What’s the matter?” He turned back, and his handsome face exuded an air of chilliness in an instant.

Giselle was scared by his sudden coldness, but she managed to hide her inner trembles very well.

“Dernie, didn’t you say we could stay in touch? I called y
you, but t

t your phone was off, and you didn’t reply to my messages on WhatsApp either..”

Giselle’s eyes were slightly moist, and her voice sounded aggrieved, making her look pitiful.

Usually, any man would feel sympathetic at the sight of her like this.

However, Bernard's handsome face showed no trace of compassion as he looked at her coldly.

Unaware that her number had long been blocked and her text message on WhatsApp had been ignored, Giselle continued,

ed, "Don't get me wrong. I'm

lme wrong. I'm not asking for any i

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from you

"You asked Mr. Ludden to ask me if we could stay in touch, so I thought I'd reach out to you. I also wanted to ask if you're feeling better now?"

As she spoke, she reached out her hand to touch Bernard, but he stepped back to avoid her touch.

"Are you the young lady from the Everett family?" Bernard asked.

Giselle didn't understand why he suddenly asked this, but she nodded affirmatively: "Yes."

"I see," Berard replied, then turned and left

Giselle stood there with a bewildered expression. What did he mean by that? Did that country bumpkin tell him something?

No! She needed to find a way to get Hera to leave Norburgh!

Hera entered class with the book in her arms, accompanied by the new homeroom teacher.

Some students in the class protested, saying that Hera should be expelled for misconduct. However, they didn't dare to be arrogant in front of the homeroom teacher.

Hera didn't care about the students' comments. She scanned the class with her cold gaze, and her gaze finally landed on a girl sitting alone at the back. All

The girl was slightly chubby, with a stiff bob haircut and a bunny hair clip on her ear. She looked somewhat timid.

Her seat had clearly been moved to the back deliberately. Someone was obviously bullying her.

Hera walked over, and the class bully, Janiya Figueroa, laughed sarcastically.

“It seems that people from the countryside are suited to sit together. Haha...”

The whole class burst into laughter.

Janiya was expecting to see Hera embarrassed and angry. She enjoyed seeing others frustrated and helpless.

However, Hera arranged her books calmly and then started playing with her phone, acting as if she hadn't heard them at all.

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Janiya suddenly felt that her tactic was useless, and she started to hate Hera

“Hello, I'm Isabella Young”

Isabella was being bullied at the academy, and no one wanted to sit next to her. She didn't expect Hera to sit next to her without hesitation.

Hera glanced at her, nodded, and then returned her gaze to her phone screen.

She quickly typed on the small keyboard area, and codes flashed rapidly on the screen above.

Isabella's cheeks flushed slightly. She had thought Hera was very beautiful when Hera entered the classroom, and now, Hera looked even more beautiful up close.

Her new deskmate was really beautiful and elegant, albeit a bit aloof.

Isabella couldn't concentrate in class while sitting next to a beauty. From time to time, she glanced at Hera, only to find that Hera was playing with her phone the whole time with a cold expression.

Hera used a privacy screen protector, so Isabella couldn't see what Hera was looking at.

Was she looking at the content of the academy's forum?

She had also heard about today's scandal involving the Everett family's banquet on the forum, and the comments there were harsh.

“It—ideza, don't believe what they say on the academy's forum. I believe that you didn't cheat,” Isabella said timidly.

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Hera paused and looked at Isabella with some surprise.

“You believe me?” she asked.

Even the Everetts, who were related to her by blood, didn't believe her. Yet, Isabella, whom Hera had just met, actually said she believed Hera

Isabella blushed when she was looked at by Hera. She stuttered nervously, “Y–Yes. There's a saying that the face is the index of the mind. You're so beautiful, so you must not have cheated. Is there some misunderstanding?”

Hera was speechless.

What a naive person Isabella was.

“Thank you.” Hera gave her a faint smile.

Isabella's cheeks became even redder, and she even felt a bit dizzy.

Good gracious! The aloof Hera smiled at her!

Hera was so beautiful!

Hera didn't know about Isabella's infatuation, but she was reminded of the academy's focus

She had just searched the entire Internet with her programming skills but found no trace of today's leaked video. Someone had already taken care of it before her

Was it him?

Hera thought of Bernard because he had promised to help her hide the news of her return from the Killian unly

They exchanged numbers after the meal. She was thinking about whether to thank Bernard

She opened WhatsApp and saw a message from him.

Bernard wrote, “Are you jealous? Why did you walk away so fast? I have nothing to do with her.”

Hera remembered Giselle's coquettish tone when she called him "Bernie"

Why should she be jealous?

She closed the chat box

Only students from Cavenridge could log in to Cavenridge's forum.

Hera took a glance and saw that half of the homepage was filled with posts insulting her. Almost all of them were anonymous, and the comments were filled with foul language.

They dared to insult her but dared not reveal themselves. Hmph! How childish.

Hera typed on the screen swiftly with her slender and fair fingers. All the accounts that had posted anonymously were changed to display their real names.

All the names of the anonymous posters who had insulted her were now revealed, and the entire forum immediately became lively,

In junior year Class A, Giselle was still indignant She couldn't help but write a form post insulting Hera under her desk.

Suddenly, her deskmate pushed her.

"digi, stop posting. The anonymous function of the forum has been canceled, and your name has been revealed in all your posts!"

"What!"

Giselle took a look and saw that all the posts she had posted now had her name displayed!

Half of the posts insulting Hera on the forum were all authored by Giselle!

How could this be?

The forum's anonymous function was working just fine earlier, so why was it suddenly displaying their real names?

Her image as the pure and innocent campus belle would be ruined, wouldn't it?!

Giselle panicked, but she still held onto a glimmer of hope. She wanted to delete the posts before too many people found out.

But she was too slow. Some students had already taken screenshots and posted them.

“What the heck? Am I seeing things? The posts insulting Hera were all posted by Gee?”

“You’re not seeing things I saw it too. My perspective of her has been shattered.”

“Turns out she’s evil. Danial Why did Ladmire her for the past two years?”

“The adopted daughter cheated, the father pulled strings behind the scenes, and the biological daughter turned out to be evil Birds of a feather flock together. Hahaha,” “Oh my goodness! Look at what I’ve found. The previous post about Hera skipping the exam was posted by Giselle too! I’ve attached the picture as evidence.”

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“Giselle is really wicked. She not only insulted Hera but even her lather.”

“Am I the only one who suddenly realized that Hera is quite pitiful? she was adopted by such a strange family. Maybe she was forced to cheat?”

“I have a conspiracy theory—maybe Giselle isn’t the biological daughter of the Everett family but Hera is because she looks more like Mrs. Everett than Giselle,”

post where people were insulting her.

Obelle stared dumbfounded at the post

panicked even more, especially when she saw that they even linked the matter to the identity of the Everetts biological daughter.

“I didn’t post this! Who hacked my account? Why are they doing this to me?” she scanted.

Upon seeing Giselle agitated, her deskmate began to suspect whether Giselle was truly innocent.

“Don’t just shout here Why don’t you clarity it online?” bet deskmates ggested.

Giselle immediately opened her phone but quickly realized something was wrong when she looked up and saw her deskmate staring at her.

She almost fell for it!

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“My account has been hacked. I can’t log in she said as her eyes turned red. “I’ll go look for the technical instructor at the Public Affairs Department after school”

Giselle naturally had no intention of going to find the technical instructor.

She wouldn’t participate in the online discussion on the forum anymore, so it would gradually die down.

She just hoped that Zylar would be busy with competitions abroad and wouldn’t have time to browse the forum. As for James, he didn’t have an account at Genidge, so he wouldn’t be able to see the forum

Giselle held onto a glimmer of hope and pretended that nothing had happened.

However, she forgot that besides her and Hera, there was another member of the Everett family studying in Gavenridge

Giselle had just pocketed her phone just as she received a text message.

Gino: “Giselle, are the screenshots on the forum real?”

He then attached a screenshot of the forum.

What was this spoiled brat trying to do?

Giselle ignored him.

Then, another message came.

Dino: Transfer me so thousand dollars and I’ll keep this a secret. Otherwise, I’ll tell Grandma and Dad”

Giselle was shocked that Dino was threatening her!

And he asked for 50 thousand dollars right off the bat

Her monthly allowance was only 30 thousand dollars!

But when Giselle thought about the possible consequences when James saw the forum screenshots, it was nothing compared to the 50 thousand dollars.

She gritted her teeth and decided to be the bullet. She borrowed some money and transferred 50 thousand dollars to Gino

Gino saw the transfer notification and immediately went to his shopping cart to check out the latest game console he had added a few days ago.

Then, he used the same method and sent the screenshot to Hera

Gea: "I have evidence of Giselle insulting you. Transfer me 50 thousand dollars and send this screenshot to Dad to have him reach her a lesson." Five minutes passed, and there was no reply from Hera

Gino wondered if he was asking for too much.

How could that country bumpkin possibly have 50 thousand dollars?

Thinking of the grade from last night when he was given a fright by Hera with the snakes, he sent another message to her.

Gino: "Forget it. I guess you're not worth 50 thousand dollars. I'll send the screenshot to Dad if you apologize to me and give me back my room"

Hera wrote "I'll give you 100 thousand dollars if you send the screenshot"

Gino stared at the photo of the six-digit transfer and the confirmation notice that Hera had sent. His mouth was agape.

Gina "How did you get so much money?"

Her: "You ask too many questions."

Gino would never believe that a country bumpkin would have so much money. It had to be Lilith who secretly gave her so much pocket money! She was so based!

The monthly allowance James gave Gino was only 30 thousand dollars, and with the extra 20 thousand dollars his grandmother gave him each month, he only had a total of 50

thousand dollars!

How could Lilith actually give Hera 100 thousand dollars!

Lilith was abused!

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The next day, as Hera descended the stairs with her canvas bag, Giselle happened to be talking to James about the forum incident from yesterday.

Giselle looked as if she had seen a ghost, and her eyes glared at Gino warningly.

But Chino acted as if he hadn't seen anything while showing James the screenshot

Giselle showed an angry and pitiable expression when she saw this.

After James looked at it, his expression turned dark. "Giselle, how could you do such a thing?"

He had apologized and entertained the reporters last night, preventing them from releasing the news of yesterday's incident.

He returned home at 3:00 am, only to discover that Mildred had fainted upon hearing about Hera cheating. So, he had to rush to the hospital

He had stayed up all night, and Lilith only went to the hospital to relieve him in the morning,

When he returned home, he was told about yesterday's ugly incident before he could even eat breakfast. He found out Giselle was instigating things on the academy's forum,

His anger flared up. "Are you not satisfied with how big this matter has become!"

Giselle trembled in fear.

"Dad, it wasn't me who posted them. My account was hacked. I'm sorry, I didn't realize it in time."

She knew James was soft-hearted and didn't like confrontation, so she pretended to be wronged while continuing to explain, "Zee has already clarified things for me on the forum last night.."

Sure enough, James softened when he saw the look on her face.

However, the most important thing was the mention of Zylar.

"How could such an important personal account be hacked so easily? You're the young lady of the Everett family and the future daughter-in-law of the Gaskell family. You represent the reputation of the Everett family outside!

"Whether you posted those things or not, your account was used and seen by others!"

James scolded her, but his tone was clearly less angry than before.

"I understand, Dad. I'm sorry. I'll be more careful in the future."

Giselle took the initiative to admit her mistake obediently

She knew that James didn't really care about the truth of the matter, he only cared about the reputation and interests of the Everett family.

If she had known, she wouldn't have given Gino that so thousand dollars!

She glared at Gino.

"Alright. Don't visit those messy forums anymore should be." James waved his hand.

"Okay, Dad," Giselle said obediently.

any more in the future. You can join more high-class banquets if you have the time. That's where the young lady of the Everett family

Hera stood at the stairwell, watching this scene of blatant favoritism and double standards.

Although she hadn't held much hope for this family from the beginning, seeing such differential treatment still made her feel somewhat disheartened.

Gino felt a little frustrated when he saw that the matter had ended like this. He also felt that it was a bit unfair for Hera

Previously, James had been so angry at the mere mention of Hera skipping the exam, and he was ready to beat her up.

This time, it was discovered that Giselle was the one spreading rumors about Hera skipping the exam. She even insulted Hera on the forum, but James merely scolded her a bit before letting the matter slide.

This was too biased!

It wasn't that he was siding with Hera, but he had taken her money and promised to let James teach Giselle a lesson.

But before the drama could even begin, it ended abruptly, which was a blow to his dignity!

"Dad, is that all for this matter? Gino couldn't help but ask

"Shouldn't Giselle be punished for insulting you and that-Hera? Shouldn't she be taught a lesson?" He wanted to say "country bumpkin," but when he saw Hera approaching, he suddenly changed his address.

“Are you also dissatisfied with how big the matter has become? James asked sternly

His anger flared up when he saw Herasining calmly at the dining table, eating breakfast leisurely like an outsider

“You still have the audacity to come down for breakfast? Go back to your room and reflect on your actions! You’re not allowed to come out without my permission!”

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“Why should I listen to you? Hera looked at him coldly.

She showed no remorse!

James was so angry that he directly clipped the dining table

“Why” if it weren’t for your cheating, would the Everett family have lost our reputation at Cavenridge?

“Would I have had to lower myself to beg those reporters? Would our villa have been mortgaged to the bank without enough money to redeem it?

“And would your grandmother have ended up in the hospital?”

Giselle was so scared that she screamed when the table was flipped, and food scattered everywhere.

Gino, covered in pasta, was about to complain when he saw Hera grab the canvas bag next to her agilely before avoiding the scattered food skillfully. He looked disheveled compared to her.

“What are you doing with your bag?” James noticed the canvas bag in Hera’s hand and asked angrily.

Hera replied indifferently, “I’m going to stay at the academy now so that you won’t get angry every time you see me. It’ll risk your health and shorten your lifespan.” James glared at her angrily. “You!”

“Hera, how dare you curse Dad” Gino said

Only Gino looked at Hera with admiration and thought, “Impressive! She dares to confront Dad!”

James had a fierce temper, and no one dared to disobey him in the Everett family!

“I’ll go to school first if there’s nothing else.” Hera didn’t bother to say much before turning around and leaving

“Stop! You beat! Who allowed you to leave? How dare you still go to school! Dean Ludden didn’t deal with you, but that doesn’t mean the Ludden family can be easily provoked You’re not allowed to go! Come back!

James was furious, but Hera didn’t return

He felt that his authority as the head of the family had been seriously challenged again, but he couldn’t do anything about it

“Dad, don’t be angry. You’ll run your health, Giselle stepped forward to comfort him

“Hera’s behavior of running away from home is too much. Since she came back, there hasn’t been a single peaceful day.. Why don’t we just send her back to the mountains... James slapped Giselle before she could finish speaking

“Dad? She covered her red cheek while looking at him in confusion.

“Don’t say this kind of thing in the future!” James reprimanded her.

Giselle wanted to use James to drive Hera out of Norburgh, but she was too impatient and accidentally stepped on his toe

James valued reputation the most Giselle was reminding him that Hera was challenging his dignity as the head of the family and exposing his ability to discipline Hera, Moreover, it would be

embarrassing if they abandoned Hera within less than a month of announcing her adoption publicly. Not to mention, Hera was his biological daughter. “Yes,” Giselle replied obediently, her eyes filled with resentment

Heca called for a cab, and she saw a car when she reached the yard.

She opened the back door, saw a man sitting in the driver’s seat, and paused.

His face was angular and extremely beautiful. He wore a pair of golden–framed glasses which covered his sharp eyes, and there was a faint smile on his thin lips

Although he was smiling, it wasn’t a genuine smile. It gave off a cold feeling.

That person was none other than Bernard