

## HACKER 2531

MY WIFE IS A HACKER CHAPTER 2531-As they chatted, their conversation grew livelier, until a secretary knocked on the door, breaking.

“Come in,” Nicole called out as she turned to look at the entrance.

“Miss Riddle, here’s a document from the Legal Department,” the secretary said as she handed a file to Nicole with a grimace on her face.

She could not help but cast a glance at Lulu when she was doing so.

“Does it have anything to do with my case?” Lulu anxiously asked, understanding what the secretary was trying to convey.

“The results... aren’t very favorable,” the secretary replied, her tone soft and hesitant.

Lulu’s face turned pale as she turned to look at Nicole. She waited until Nicole was done reading the document, so that the latter could explain to her what was going on.

Nicole flipped the document open, and her eyes narrowed as she read the details.

“They want \$300,000 and a public apology from Lulu!” Nicole yelled.

Not only had they falsely accused Lulu; they were also greedy enough to demand that much from her.

“The Legal Department suggests that if we want to resolve this quickly, these are their terms,” the secretary explained in a low voice.

Still, the demands from the accusers were ridiculous.

“I won’t agree to that.” Lulu’s pale face turned red as she clenched her teeth, feeling visibly upset.

After she was done, Nicole placed the document away and looked at Lulu. “If that’s the case, then let’s follow the proper procedures and find conclusive evidence.”

She had initially thought about resolving the matter calmly to avoid putting pressure on Spencer and Lulu before their wedding. However, Nicole did not expect that the siblings would be so disgustingly greedy.

Nicole would have let the siblings off the hook if they turned themselves in and admitted their mistakes, as all she wanted was for Lulu and Spencer’s wedding to go smoothly. But since the siblings were not willing to cooperate, she had decided to handle it through the legal, official route.

“Got it,” the secretary replied and left the room.

Meanwhile, Lulu was sitting there, her face tensed up in a grimace as she thought about the situation.

Noting this Nicole attempted to comfort her by saying, “Don’t worry, we will definitely get you through this.”

“They are clearly trying to humiliate me. They want to ruin our wedding. Urgh! I’m sure we’ll be able to find one eyewitness at least,” Lulu said with determination, her hands

clenched and balled up into fists.

“The Legal Department has already sent a bunch of people out to investigate this. Just give it some time,” Nicole reassured her.

“What?! Didn’t you say earlier that if they admitted their mistake, we would forgive them?” Lulu asked, surprised that Nicole had made such a decision.

“That was done in an attempt to resolve things quickly and prevent it from affecting your wedding. However, we need to be prepared in case they don’t cooperate,” Nicole explained.

If they had agreed, Nicole would definitely not escalate, but since they had opted not to, Nicole would see them in court.

MY WIFE IS A HACKER CHAPTER 2532-“Mr. Lincoln needs to get some rest now. If you’re worried, you can stay here and take care of him. I’ll be leaving now,” Spencer stated upon noting that Icyln did not want to leave.

He knew that Peter would not be able to take his nap if he did not leave, and that was why he was firm on leaving.

Reluctantly, Icyln agreed, “Fine.”

There was no point in her staying behind if Spencer was going home anyway.

“Mr. Lincoln, we’ll come to pick you up tomorrow,” Icyln said, pretending to be considerate.

“Sure, you should both go home and get some rest too,” Peter said, smiling at the two of them.

Spencer and Icyln left the hotel soon after, and on the way out, she saw her assistant who was approaching. She quickly shot her a look, and that was when her assistant immediately stopped in her tracks.

Satisfied, Icyln turned her gaze to Spencer and casually asked, “Spencer, where are you going?”

“Home,” Spencer uttered and headed towards his car.

Instinctively, Icyln held onto Spencer’s arm and said, “Wait for me, Spencer.”

“Do you need something?” Spencer stopped and looked at her with confusion in his eyes.

“I don’t have a car. Can you take me home?” Icyln grimaced as she asked him.

In response, he looked around as if searching for a cab for her.

Icyln’s eyes widened, and with her face blanching, she began swaying as though she was about to fall over. “Oh, I feel really dizzy, Spencer,”

Seeing this, Spencer reached out to support Icyln at once.” Low blood sugar? Maybe I should take you to the hospital.”

“No, I’ll just go home and get some rest,” Icyln replied with a weak and pitiful look as if she might collapse at any moment.

Seeing that she was in such a poor condition, Spencer furrowed his brows. He was worried that she might pass out if she took a cab in this condition.

“Let’s go.” Spencer said, left with no choice but to take Icyln back to her apartment.

Hearing his reply placed a smirk on her face, a gesture which Spencer did not notice.

Soon, they got into Spencer’s car, and he drove her back to her apartment.

And even when they were already at the apartment lobby, Icyln was still hobbling, so Spencer had to prop her up, not wanting her to tip over.

Once they entered the apartment, Spencer helped Icyln to the couch and said, “Rest here. There should be some chocolates under your coffee table.”

“Spencer, you remember that I always keep chocolates under the coffee table?” Icyln’s eyes glistened with tears, looking genuinely moved.

“Mr. Lincoln told me that you have a habit of doing that, especially when your blood sugar is low,” Spencer replied calmly.

What Icyln did not seem to notice was Spencer’s detachment as he made that observation. Spencer was only fulfilling his duty as a senior who had been entrusted by their teacher to take care of his junior.

However, Icyln did not share the same perspective. She watched as Spencer searched for the box of chocolates and out of the blue, she hugged him.

“Spencer, you do care about me, don’t you?”

Spencer was momentarily stunned, and his mind went blank for a moment.

And when he did come to his senses, he tried to gently push Icyln away. “Icyln, I’m just your senior, and we share the same teacher.”

But the harder he resisted, the tighter her embrace became.” Spencer, don’t be so cold to me. I know you care about me.”

Spencer’s brows furrowed deeply, and in a split second, he broke out of Icyln’s hands and stood up.

“Spencer, why are you treating me like this?” Icyln began to cry.

“I already have the woman I love, and we’re getting married soon. Please, have some self-respect,” Spencer firmly said, looking at Icyln with complete sternness in his eyes.

MY WIFE IS A HACKER CHAPTER 2533-He hoped that Icyln could see the truth, that there was absolutely no possibility of them being together.

“No, she clearly isn’t good enough for you. What’s wrong with me?” Icyln protested loudly.

Spencer’s eyes turned cold as he indifferently said, “There’s nothing to compare between the two of you at all.”

After having spoken his mind, Spencer turned around and left Icyln’s apartment.

He even began to regret taking her home. If he had known that things would turn out the way they did, he would have just left her to go home on her own.

“Spencer!” Icyln stuck the couch angrily, but Spencer did not look back.

Right after Spencer had left, her assistant waltzed in. “Icyln, are you alright?”

“I can’t accept this. I’m better than that Lulu in every way. Why won’t he give me a chance?” Icyln’s eyes became bloodshot as she clenched her teeth.

“It’s not your fault. Spencer must have been misled by Lulu,” the assistant consoled.

“Yes, it’s all Lulu’s fault,” Icyln’s eyes gleamed with malice as she looked at her assistant. “How is the task I’ve assigned you going? Why haven’t we seen Lulu’s downfall yet?”

Why is Lulu still acting like she’s all that in front of me?! Why is she still happily together with Spencer?! They’re even being all affectionate with each other!

“Don’t worry, Icyln. The siblings have already promised to tear Lulu’s name down,” her assistant replied.

“Get them to make haste. I can’t wait any longer!” Icyln urged.

“Yes, I’ll go and urge them to speed up right away,” the assistant said before turning to make a phone call.

Icyln sat on the couch, her chest heaving with anger.

Her eyes were burning with malice as she thought, ‘Just you wait, Lulu...’

It was a sunny day with a gentle breeze and clear skies.

Nicole knew about Spencer’s arrangements, so she gave Lulu a few days off, allowing her to spend time with Spencer and Peter without any worries.

Spencer and Lulu went to pick up Peter and took him around the capital. Spencer used Icyln’s supposed health issues as an excuse to avoid Icyln’s presence, and just like that, they had a great time together.

Nicole, on the other hand, had gone to work alone. Although Lulu was not there, she had gotten everything well organized and consequently, running smoothly. She was quite capable in handling her work on her own.

If anything, Nicole was busy with paperwork when she heard a string of raps on her door.

“Come in,” she casually said.

The door opened, and that was when she noticed that the footsteps she heard were not her secretary’s. Nicole’s eyebrows furrowed slightly, and she looked up.

“Leo, when did you return?!” Nicole asked, surprised to see Lawrence.

“I just arrived in San Joto,” Lawrence replied and placed a box on Nicole’s desk. “I brought something for you and the twins.”

Seeing the gift box, Nicole knew it contained a special product from Crescent Island, something that was not available anywhere else.

She already knew that Lawrence had not been to Crescent Island this time around, and had gone to Mecrounia instead. However, he had intentionally brought something from Crescent Island when he came back.

Had it been the old Nicole, she might have thanked him and happily accepted his gift. But now, everything had changed.

Lawrence did not tell her where he was going when he left, but he had deliberately returned with a gift from Crescent Island, which was a testament of his attempt to make her believe he had been there.

“Thank you.” Nicole gathered herself and accepted the gift.

Feeling a sense of coldness and distance in Nicole’s attitude, Lawrence furrowed his brows almost imperceptibly. However, he could not detect anything unusual upon careful observation.

“Is everything going smoothly here?” Lawrence asked as he took a seat.

MY WIFE IS A HACKER CHAPTER 2534-“Everything is fine,” Nicole replied. “What about you? Did everything go smoothly during your trip?”

Lawrence smiled and replied, “Yes, everything went smoothly.”

“That’s good,” Nicole nodded with apparent indifference, as if she was just casually asking.

“How were Nolan and Lana doing after I left?” Lawrence asked, searching for a topic about which they could discuss, feeling that Nicole’s attitude was somewhat strange.

“They are both doing well. I took them out over the weekend,” Nicole looked at Lawrence and said. “You’ve just returned, so you should get some rest.”

She was dealing with a cocktail of mixed feelings, and she did not want to engage with Lawrence any further at the moment. She needed some time alone to collect her thoughts.

Momentarily stunned, Lawrence gathered himself before responding, “Alright, I’ll head back now.”

After standing up, Lawrence shot a glance at Nicole and left the office.

Nicole sighed quietly, her eyes revealing a hint of weariness. She could not understand why Lawrence, who had once saved her, was now against her. She could not grasp what had happened to him.

After Lawrence left, Nicole’s calm demeanor turned somber.

Outside the DillCorp building, Ian approached Lawrence and asked, Mr. Lawrence, how did it go?”

Lawrence’s eyes narrowed as he replied coldly, “Find out what happened in San Joto while I was away these past few days.”

“Yes,” Ian immediately agreed, realizing that something was amiss.

When they had gotten into the car, Ian made a phone call to get someone to investigate the recent events in the capital before driving away slowly.

“Mr. Lawrence, did something happen to Miss Nicole?” Ian inquired.

To him, only Miss Nicole’s affairs were able to affect Lawrence’s emotions.

“Something must have happened; I can sense that her emotions and attitude are off,” Lawrence said in a low voice, seemingly talking to himself.

Ian hesitated for a moment and fell silent. He knew this was not the right time to disturb Lawrence.

They would have to wait for the investigation results.

Perhaps once the results were out, they would understand what had gone wrong.

Lawrence leaned back in his seat, gazing out of the car window as he pondered. From the moment of his departure to his return, it seemed like he had not left any clues that could link him to Everett. It was unlikely that Nicole had discovered his involvement in Everett’s disappearance.

After a moment of consideration, Lawrence concluded that something must have happened to Nicole, an event that had nothing to do with him.

He could not let anyone know about his dealings with Everett for now, at least not until he had the upper hand. Otherwise, both he and Everett would be left in a tough spot.

Back at the DillCorp, Nicole could not figure out what had gotten to Lawrence, so she decided not to dwell on it and focused on her tasks instead.

Unbeknownst to her, it was already lunchtime.

All of a sudden, someone knocked on her office door, and Nicole, assuming it was her secretary delivering lunch, casually said, “Come in.”

“Aren’t you supposed to be having lunch?” Jared’s voice blared out, prompting Nicole to look up in surprise. “Why are you here?!”

“I was passing by, and it just so happens to be lunch hour, so I came up to have lunch with you,” Jared said as he walked over with a lunchbox in his hand.

At that point, Nicole stopped working and sauntered over to the couch.

After taking a seat, Jared opened the lunch box, and the office was immediately filled with an aromatic scent.

Nicole could not help but smile when she saw that those were none other than her favorite dishes. “Smells amazing.”

MY WIFE IS A HACKER CHAPTER 2535-“Eat up, dear.” Jared said, his eyes brimming with affection.

“Okay, you too,” Nicole replied as she reached out to scoop some food for Jared.

The couple then enjoyed their meal.

Perhaps it was because Jared was with her, or maybe it was because she had been busy all morning and was genuinely hungry, but whatever the case was, Nicole's appetite was voracious. After she had eaten her fill, she leaned back against the couch, rubbing her belly in satisfaction.

Seeing her like that softened Jared's eyes.

"Do you have any other plans?" Nicole asked, looking at Jared.

"Nope." Jared raised an eyebrow slightly. "Why do you ask?"

"Nothing, I was just thinking... If you're free, could you perhaps stay here with me?" Nicole beamed, her eyes filled with anticipation.

Jared stroked her hair softly as he replied, "Of course, I can."

"Thank you," Nicole said sweetly, leaning directly into Jared's embrace.

Holding her, Jared glanced at a box on the office desk and asked, "Lawrence came here, didn't he?"

"Yes, he did, and he even brought me a gift," Nicole replied, knowing that Jared had seen the box.

Then, she continued, "Lawrence came back, and just visited me."

"And he told you he went to Crescent Island," Jared said, his eyes darkening.

"Kinda," Nicole shrugged, knowing how obvious Lawrence's intentions were.

Lowering his gaze to meet Nicole's, Jared asked, "Max has some updates. It's likely that Everett has left the capital for this reason."

"What reason?" Nicole frowned. 'Did Everett get into some trouble that made him seek refuge with Lawrence?'

"Everett was the one who sent the doctor away. After that, he kept the doctor under surveillance because he was probably afraid that the truth would come out. The doctor probably felt he had no freedom and wanted to escape. Everett might have had murderous intent, and when the doctor escaped, Everett realized that the truth would be revealed anyway, so he had no choice but to leave," Jared explained.

"I see." Nicole's eyes turned cold. So, everything that had happened was orchestrated by Everett, who had later pinned the blame on Dillion.

Now that the truth had seen the light, he had fled San Joto almost immediately, unwilling to face the consequences.

"The doctor has confessed to everything. Once he admits guilt, Max will take him to the police station," Jared informed, his gaze slightly grim.

"As for your grandfather, how do you plan to tell him?" Jared continued.

"I'll tell him the truth," Nicole said calmly.

There was no point in hiding the truth any longer. It was better for her to let her grandfather know and be prepared.

Now, Everett might have fled, but he was definitely not going to settle for a life in exile. As for Nicole, Jared patted her shoulders gently, trying to comfort her.

Nicole looked up at him and nodded, "Don't worry, I can handle it."

Jared smiled when he saw how confident she was, and he lowered his head to plant a kiss on her lips.

Nicole was momentarily stunned as she was caught off guard. Then, she blushed and glared at him.

Jared's eyes were filled with great amusement. Then, he pressed Nicole against the couch and their passionate kiss began...

Soon, evening came, and the sun set in the west, casting a warm afterglow on the horizon.

After work, Nicole and Jared left DillCorp and were about to pick their kids up.

MY WIFE IS A HACKER CHAPTER 2536-"Mrs. Johnston, the doctor confessed to everything. He's already been taken to the police station," Max reported in a solemn tone.

"Yes, I know," Nicole replied softly. "Once he's confessed, we'll leave it to the authorities to handle."

"Understood," Max responded.

After picking up Nolan and Lana from the nursery, Nicole and Jared took them to the family manor.

"Oh, it's Nolan and Lana!" When he saw the children, Mr. Riddle Sr. smiled so widely, his eyes became slits.

"Great grandpa!" Nolan and Lana greeted sweetly as they approached him.

Mr. Riddle Sr. held the two adorable children, and they chatted and played together.

Jared glanced at Nicole. "No wonder Mr. Riddle Sr. is so fond of you. You truly have a way with people."

Knowing that Mr. Riddle Sr. would be saddened by Everett's actions, Nicole had brought Nolan and Lana to visit the elderly man, hoping to brighten his mood.

"Well, he's getting older after all. Besides, being harmed by your own grandson is something no one can bear," Nicole said. Since it was said that a child's smile was the greatest cure, Nicole hoped her children could have some positive effect.

After playing for a while, Mr. Riddle Sr. invited everyone to have dinner. Nolan and Lana had already eaten at the nursery, so the butler took them to play in the courtyard.

After dinner, Nicole turned serious. "Grandpa, there's something I need to tell you."

"Go ahead." Mr. Riddle Sr. seemed to have known all along, and his eyes were calm.

Nicole did not hesitate and told Mr. Riddle Sr. directly, "Actually, the poisoning incident with the medicine back then was orchestrated by Everett."

Mr. Riddle Sr. fell silent for a moment before sighing softly." So be it."

To him, it no longer mattered who did it. After all, these people were still his family, and anyone's actions would hurt him deeply.

"Everett is missing for now, but I believe he'll come back sooner or later," Nicole added.

Mr. Riddle Sr.'s expression froze for a moment. He could only sigh softly in the end. "I'll just leave all these matters to you in the future. I'm old. I no longer want to worry about such things."

He understood what Nicole was implying. While Everett had temporarily escaped from San Joto, he would most likely return eventually, and it could lead to more turmoil.

"Sure. Then I won't trouble you with these things in the future, Grandpa." Nicole felt sorry for her grandfather as she knew that this hurt him.

Since her grandfather had decided not to be involved in these issues, Nicole will not bother with it anymore. She wanted her grandfather to live the remainder of his life in peace.

"Great grandpa!" Nolan and Lana cried, rushing in.

Lana proudly showed the peony flowers she had picked, smiling brightly. "Great grandpa, look at these beautiful flowers!"

Nicole saw the flowers in Lana's hand. Her lips twitched slightly. Those were rare peonies, and it was extremely hard to cultivate them in San Joto, yet Lana had just plucked them like this!

"Lana..." Nicole wanted to explain the significance of these flowers to Lana and educate her not to do this again.

However, Mr. Riddle Sr. spoke before her. "These flowers are truly beautiful, Lana. Do you like them?" he asked.

"Yes!" Lana nodded vigorously and looked at the flowers with a big smile.

"In that case, Great grandpa will have more of them planted," Mr. Riddle Sr. said. He turned to the butler. "Find a way to transplant more and bring in the best horticulturists to take care of them."

"Yes, sir," the butler responded respectfully. He was worried about how to explain Lana's actions to Mr. Riddle Sr., but it seemed like he did not mind at all. The old man really doted on Lana.

MY WIFE IS A HACKER CHAPTER 2537-"Grandpa, please don't spoil her too much." Nicole sighed, somewhat helplessly.

Mr. Riddle Sr. took Lana into his arms and said, "Well, Lana likes them, and it's not something impossible."

"Thanks, Great grandpa!" Lana handed the flowers to Mr. Riddle Sr. "Here, these are for you. Great grandpa should always be happy from now on."

With that, Lana used her chubby little hand to gently tap the space between Mr. Riddle Sr.'s brows. "This part has to be relaxed. Now it means you're happy."

Lana's actions amused Mr. Riddle Sr., and he burst into laughter.

Nicole could not help but smile. Perhaps children really were the best healers.

After staying with Mr. Riddle Sr. until bedtime, Nicole and Jared bid farewell to him and took Nolan and Lana with them.

In the car, Lana nestled in Jared's arms. "Daddy, I'm tired."

Jared held Lana gently in his arms and said softly, "Then go to sleep, sweetheart."

"Okay." Lana closed her eyes and smiled contentedly. She fell asleep almost immediately.

"She's really tired," Jared said with a gentle look in his eyes.

Nicole glanced at Nolan. "What about you? Do you want to take a nap too?"

"No, I'm fine." Nolan shook his head. Then he looked at his mother and asked, "Mommy, was there something you wanted to talk about with Great grandpa?"

Nicole was a bit surprised. "Why do you ask?"

"I just feel like Great grandpa's not in a good mood, probably because of something sad." Nolan shrugged and pretended to sigh like a little adult. "It must be something that makes him very upset."

Nicole looked at Nolan, amused. 'This little guy seems to have seen through his great-grandfather's feelings.'

"It's some problems with work, but there won't be any problems in the future. Great grandpa will be happy from now on," Nicole explained to Nolan.

"Oh, did the company go through trouble?" Nolan furrowed his small eyebrows.

"Not too much." Nicole ruffled her son's hair affectionately. "We can handle it."

Nolan hesitated as he looked at her and then seemed to make up his mind. "Is it related to Godpa?"

Upon hearing this, Nicole's eyes narrowed briefly. "Do you know about something?"

They had not mentioned Lawrence at all, so why did Nolan

suddenly bring him up?

Nolan continued, "I don't really know much. I found out

Godpa was going to Mecrounia, and someone on his side was planning something against Riddle Corporation, so..." That was why Nolan figured that Nicole and Mr. Riddle Sr.'s conversation might have something to do with his godfather.

"How did you find out?" Jared's tone grew cold. They would handle this. He did not want Nolan to get involved and potentially be in danger.

“During a video call with Godpa. I happened to hear someone mention Riddle Corporation, then Godpa suddenly ended the call,” Nolan explained. “When he called back, he said it was due to a signal interruption, so I didn’t ask further, n

“Are you sure he didn’t know that you overheard?” Unconsciously, Jared sounded even colder. If Nolan had truly heard, could it pose a risk to him?

“I don’t know for sure, but I didn’t bring it up again. Godpa didn’t mention it either.” Nolan shook his head, answering honestly.

“In that case, does Lawrence know you’re aware of his visit to Mecrounia?” Nicole’s eyes narrowed slightly. After all, Lawrence had not told them anything about his trip and was creating an impression that he had gone to Mecrounia.

MY WIFE IS A HACKER CHAPTER 2538-“He probably doesn’t know. When we were on the video call, I heard an alarm sound from his end, and that sound is only from Mecrounia.” Nolan had speculated, but he did not say this to Lawrence.

Nicole took a deep breath and looked at her son seriously. “Remember what I just told you. Don’t mention this to anyone else. And next time you see Godpa, make sure to thank him for the gift he brought from Crescent Island.”

Nolan gritted his teeth and nodded carefully. “Okay.”

Although he did not fully understand what was happening, he rarely saw his mother being so serious. Maybe things were more complicated than he thought.

Nicole patted Nolan’s shoulder lightly and spoke softly, “Nolan, a lot has changed since our time on Crescent Island. The situation may not turn out to be what you expected, but it happened, so we need to accept and adapt to it.”

“Did Godpa change?” Nolan raised his little head, his eyes holding a hint of disappointment.

Nicole sighed. “I can’t answer that question for now.”

Although everything that had happened so far had made her reluctant to accept the changes, she still could not draw any conclusions without definitive proof.

“Okay, I understand,” Nolan said dejectedly, lowering his head.

Although Nicole did not say it explicitly, Nolan could sense that something must have happened between his mother and his godfather.

As Nolan fell silent, Nicole did not say anything else. She simply placed her hand on his shoulder, comforting him with gentle pats.

She knew that though Nolan was a lot more mature for his age, he was still a five-year-old, after all. It was not easy for him to accept something like this, so he needed more time.

After a while, they arrived home.

Lana was still sleeping, so Jared did not wake her up and carried her out of the car gently.

Nicole held Nolan's hand and followed Jared into the living room. Although the lights were on in the living room, no one was there. Nicole knew that the lights were left on for them.

They went upstairs, and after settling Nolan and Lana to sleep, the couple finally returned to their own room.

"That person must be Everett," Nicole said with a serious look in her eyes.

The person Nolan heard was probably Everett. Everett had left San Joto because the doctor's involvement had been exposed, but he had left with the intention of returning.

"It's best if he does return," Jared replied calmly. He gently stroked Nicole's hair. "Go take a shower and rest early."

"Okay," Nicole agreed. She then went to the bathroom.

For now, they did not need to waste energy worrying about Everett. After all, he would not be coming back anytime soon, and now that they knew his intentions, they could make preparations in advance.

While Nicole took a shower in the bathroom, Jared called Max. "How's the situation with the acquisition of NandoCorp going?"

"It's still a bit of a deadlock right now. Mrs. Johnston has some chance of winning, but Harvey doesn't seem to be willing to let go," Max reported honestly.

"Make sure to wrap it up as soon as possible," Jared said before hanging up the phone.

With Everett stirring up trouble, it was best to stabilize the situation at NandoCorp first so Nicole could have one less thing to worry about. Once everything in Riddle Corporation was settled, things would be much easier.

Time passed quickly, and two days later, it was time for the final announcement of the auction results of NandoCorp.

MY WIFE IS A HACKER CHAPTER 2539-Companies that received the message had gathered for the final announcement of the results. They all wanted to see who would ultimately acquire Riddle Corporation's NandoCorp.

Of course, news in the industry spread easily, and everyone was here to see whether Nicole or Harvey was the winner.

After all, regardless of who won, it would add a new story for San Joto's elite circles to talk about.

People at the auction venue chatted and speculated in small groups. Most believed that Harvey would likely secure the NandoCorp. They also speculated what Nicole would do after losing the branch.

"Ah, here she comes," someone whispered as they spotted Nicole. Those who had been gossiping just moments ago immediately fell silent and greeted her with polite smiles.

Nicole, naturally aware of what they were thinking, cast a cool gaze at the crowd before making her way to her seat.

Once seated, beside her, Lulu whispered, "Are all these people just here for the spectacle?"

"Most likely." Nicole seemed indifferent. It was clear that most of them were here for that reason.

"They need to get a life." Lulu rolled her eyes. "What does it matter to them who gets it?"

"Curiosity is human nature," Nicole replied calmly.

Lulu pursed her lips but had to admit that Nicole was right.

"He's here!" someone in the crowd suddenly exclaimed, sounding quite surprised.

Nicole initially thought it was Harvey and did not bother looking up. She continued to flip through the documents, pondering what she would do if the auction did not go her way. After all, she could not allow NandoCorp to fall into Harvey's hands.

However, when she sensed a shadow looming over her, she frowned and looked up.

She was astonished to see Jared. "Why are you here?"

Jared sat beside her and said nonchalantly, "To keep you company."

"It's not necessary," Nicole said with a subtle smile. She now realized why people had been surprised earlier.

With Jared by her side, Nicole suddenly felt at ease. It was as if even if she lost, it would not be a big deal. They could figure out a solution together.

"Mr. Ellison is here too!"

Everyone lowered their voices when Harvey arrived. They went back to their respective seats.

Harvey saw both Nicole and Jared as soon as he entered, and his gaze immediately turned cold. 'Jared's here too, huh?'

Harvey walked over, taking a seat on the opposite side of Nicole. There was some distance between them, but they both occupied the front row. With just a turn of the head, they could see each other clearly.

"Mr. Ellison, everything's ready," his assistant said quietly, placing a document in front of Harvey.

"Good." Harvey cast a meaningful glance at Nicole.

He wanted to see what Nicole would do if NandoCorp fell into his hands. Even with Jared by her side, he believed there was nothing they could do to stop him.

Soon, the final phase of the auction was about to begin.

Harvey's assistant and Lulu delivered the prepared documents. The other attendees had already given up because they knew they had no chance.

Since these two parties were competing so fiercely, there was no room for others, so they might as well wait and see the final outcome.

MY WIFE IS A HACKER CHAPTER 2540-The auction organizers frowned with confusion after examining the two documents in front of them. They checked to ensure that no additional documents were being submitted, and then shook their heads, proceeding to open the documents submitted by Harvey and Nicole.

“Wait a moment.” At that moment, Max walked up to the stage and placed a document in Nicole’s pile. He informed the auction organizers, “This is supplementary material.”

Some people could not help but murmur. “Is that allowed?”

“Mr. Johnston obviously came in person to support Ms. Riddle. What’s so strange about that?” someone retorted, a bit disdainful.

“That’s right. There’s nothing against the rules, so why not?” another person chimed in.

“But...” The individual who had raised the question thought for a moment and decided to keep quiet. Although it did not violate the rules, it was an unprecedented situation.

However, he knew he could not do anything to interfere, so he chose to remain silent.

The auction organizers clearly had not anticipated such a situation. They hesitated for a moment before finally opening the supplementary materials submitted by Max.

The atmosphere in the room was tense, and everyone was waiting anxiously to hear the final outcome.

It seemed like an eternity before the auction organizers took any action.

One of them stood up, glanced at the audience below, and then spoke loudly. “Regarding the auction of NandoCorp, conducted at the request of relevant authorities, we now announce the final result...”

There was a pause, and then the auction organizer continued, “After careful consideration and evaluation, we have decided to accept the proposal from Riddle Corporation and auction NandoCorp to Riddle Corporation.”

“Riddle Corporation won, just as expected,” someone whispered, sounding relieved.

“Of course. After all, it’s all part of the Riddle family’s assets. Although they’ve split their operations, they’re all still part of the Riddle family.”

“That’s true.”

Listening to the chatter around her, Nicole remained calm and indifferent. She did not seem surprised by the result, as if she had been prepared to accept any outcome.

“Congratulations. You’ve won.”

Nicole stood up when she heard Harvey’s voice. She glanced at him with a faint smile and replied politely, “Thank you.”

“You’re welcome. If you ever feel guilty about it, why not treat me to a meal?” Harvey added, as if he did not care much about the result either.

“I won’t,” Nicole replied coldly. Then she left with Jared.

She was not fooled by Harvey's apparent graciousness. It was all an act, and she could not be bothered to play along.

Harvey's expression darkened as he watched Nicole link her arm with Jared's. The aura around him seemed to darken as well.

Sensing that, people who had initially thought about approaching him for conversation discreetly left, hesitant to disturb Harvey at this moment.

"Mr. Ellison, everyone has left. Shall we go too?" his assistant asked cautiously.

"What happened to all the preparations?" Harvey's gaze was chillingly cold as he looked at his assistant.

The assistant could not help but shrink as he explained, "Well, I really didn't expect Mr. Johnston would make a move. If

Jared's intervention with the supplementary materials had caught them off guard. For that reason, it was only normal for them to lose. However, the assistant would never say this out loud.

"Hmph." Harvey snorted disapprovingly and stormed away.

He had to pretend not to care in front of Nicole, as if he were playing a game with her. But in reality, he was quite concerned about the outcome of this auction, as it was the first step in his plan.