

HACKER 2661

MY WIFE IS A HACKER CHAPTER 2661-“Thank you, Stanley,” Tia said, biting the bullet to take the apple.

Stanley’s hand was stiff, he hated Tia’s formality.

Meanwhile, Nicole and Jared brought the kids to the Riddle family manor.

Leaning against her seat, Nicole looked out the window and smirked. She had a hunch about what was going on between Stanley and Tia. It seemed that the two had a misunderstanding, or more likely, they were facing an obstacle.

‘Stanley probably thinks Tia has a crush on Martin, so he did not express his feelings to her all this while, only secretly taking care of her. Martin also cares about Tia, and she appears more at ease with him. Maybe I was wrong? Maybe Tia really likes Martin?’

Nicole shook her head at the situation. With Cherry now involved, things would only get more complicated.

“Let them handle their affairs,” Jared suddenly said, holding Nicole’s hand.

Nicole chuckled and agreed, “Yeah.”

Nicole was just thinking the same thing. She knew she had no place to interfere with them. It was up to the group to decide their fate. She only hoped they could all find happiness in the end.

Back in the Riddle family manor, Daniel and Gloria expressed their concern as they saw the family come in. “Oh, you’re back. How’s Tia?”

“She’s fine. If nothing happens today, she could be discharged tomorrow,”

Nicole informed.

“That’s good news,” said Gloria, relieved. She then gestured to the family. “I’m sure you haven’t gotten your dinner yet.”

“Yeah, we came right back after visiting Tia,” Nicole replied.

Daniel and Gloria got up. “Come on then, we haven’t either.”

“You hadn’t eaten your dinner?” Nicole asked, surprised. They went to the hospital and came home later than usual. Nicole did not expect her parents to not have eaten yet.

“We didn’t have much of an appetite and waited for your return,” Gloria explained. None of her kids were home, and the house felt a little empty.

The family sat down in the dining room, and dinner was served.

“Is Stanley still in the hospital?” Gloria questioned.

Nicole nodded. “Yes, he stayed back to take care of Tia.”

“Well then. What’s going on with them?” Gloria’s curiosity was piqued, and her eyes gleamed with anticipation.

They all saw when Stanley carried Tia in his arms in the morning. His concern for Tia was sincere, and he even stayed in the hospital to take care of her.

These were the signs everyone saw.

Nicole hesitated but decided to come clean. “Mom, Cherry was there too.”

Gloria was stunned. “Cherry went to visit Tia?”

“Yes.” Nicole nodded. “I think we should let them handle their affairs on their own.”

Gloria could not grasp the situation. After listening to Nicole, she thought about it before agreeing. “Alright then.

Stanley already has a few close relationships with girls. I’m not that worried for him.”

“You’re scared Stanley will be a miserable old man for life?” Nicole chuckled.

“Who knows?” Gloria replied, rolling her eyes. She had no mercy in dissing her son.

MY WIFE IS A HACKER CHAPTER 2662-Nicole shook her head while chuckling. “So that’s why Mom was so eager to

introduce girls to Stanley. I never knew he left such an impression on her. Well, Mom should be happy now. Not only does Stanley have Tia, but he also has Cherry as his potential girlfriend.’

Nicole frowned slightly and thought, ‘Oh right, there’s Martin too. Things are getting ugly.’

After dinner, Nicole and Jared took the kids back to their room.

“Mommy, does Grandma like Cherry more?” Lana asked while peeking her head out of her blanket.

“Why the sudden question?” Nicole chuckled.

Lana frowned and said, “It’s just a feeling I got.”

She could not explain it, but she just felt that Gloria preferred Cherry more.

“If that were true, what do you think about it, Lana?” Nicole asked softly.

“Wouldn’t it be troublesome if Uncle Stanley only likes Tia, but Grandma likes Cherry?” Lana said, feeling conflicted.

Nicole burst into laughter. “Don’t worry. That wouldn’t be a problem.”

“Huh? Why not?”

“Because there’s no conflict between them. No matter who turns out to be Stanley’s wife, your Grandma will love her. Most importantly, it depends on who Uncle Stanley likes,” Nicole explained.

“Oh,” Lana said, sounding relieved.

Nolan shot another question at Nicole. “Mommy, is Martin your friend?”

“Yup, what’s the matter?” Nicole responded. She looked at Nolan in surprise, wondering why he was paying attention to Martin.

Nolan then turned his gaze to Jared. “And you know about it? IV

“Yes,” Jared answered blandly. He knew Nolan’s intention and found it amusing.

‘Is the kid reminding me that I have a rival in love?’

“Alright then, that’s good,” said Nolan, trying to play it cool. It seemed that he might have overthought it. It was a relief that this situation meant nothing to Jared.

Since they had found their father and Nolan was the eldest child among the next generation of the Johnston family, he ought to consider his own family’s interests. Besides that, Nicole was madly in love with Jared, so Nolan had no choice but to accept him.

Jared smirked. ‘Is this the feeling of acknowledgment?’

Finally, this kid is seeing me as his dad, an irreplaceable father.’

After watching the kids fall asleep, the couple went back to their room.

“Why would Nolan ask such a question?” Nicole looked at Jared, waiting for an answer. She was indeed friends with Martin, but she understood that Nolan did not refer to

Martin as her usual friend.

Nicole thought, ‘Did Martin even act unusually today? We had always had a regular friendship. But then there’s something different between Martin and Tia today. Although it was nothing special, Martin hardly ever showed concern for anyone.’

Jared ruffled Nicole’s hair and teased, “Perhaps it was because of your irresistible charm?”

“Huh?” Nicole did not understand Jared’s meaning.

Jared chuckled and, without giving her an explanation, he lifted Nicole into his arms. Although Martin was trying hard to act normally, it was hard to hide one’s love for someone. It was noticeable with just one glance.

However, Jared would never tell Nicole about it. It was best that Nicole treated Martin as a friend since that was what they were.

“Hey, I’m not done yet,” Nicole complained as she snuggled against Jared’s neck.

MY WIFE IS A HACKER CHAPTER 2663-“Let’s not talk about other people now,” Jared said while carrying Nicole to the bed. His eyes were dark with lust. He gently set Nicole down and leaned in to kiss her lips.

The next day, the sun rose and shined brightly.

When Nicole arrived at the company, Patricia hurried and followed her into the office.

“Ms. Riddle, it’s about the Ellison Group,” Patricia whispered. “Harvey is making preparations for a new factory. He might be thinking of expanding it to collaborate with us. This information is being kept very quiet within the Ellison Group, and the news isn’t made public yet.”

“Why is he so sure that I’ll agree?” Nicole was at a loss for words. ‘So what if Harvey made preparations? He still had to discuss it with me first.’ “Maybe he’s up to something,” Patricia speculated. She felt that Harvey must have thought of something Nicole could not reject.

Nicole’s expression darkened, realizing that possibility too.’ What did Harvey devise to make me not just interested but also compelled to concede? Could it be Riddle Corporation? Or NandoCorp, DillCorp, or

BayCorp?' After running through all the possibilities in her mind, Nicole was suddenly stuck by an idea. She instructed Patricia, "You should tell Thomas Ellison that I'll arrange his medical treatment abroad, but he needs to leave immediately."

"Huh?" Patricia asked, shocked. "Would he agree?"

Patricia wondered why Nicole would arrange for Thomas to leave and wondered if the matter was related to Thomas.

"Harvey doesn't have anything on me, but he knows about my connection with Thomas So there's a possibility that Thomas is the chip in his hand," Nicole guessed. If she was right, she might have to agree to Harvey's scheme. She could not just leave Thomas hanging, so Harvey might use that against her.

"How do I explain it to him?" Patricia asked, feeling doubtful. She could not tell Thomas that his grandson was using him against Nicole.

"Just tell him it's my decision. Even though his health is improving, he still has to convalesce," Nicole said. She believed Thomas should understand her meaning without explaining much.

"I got it. I'll make the arrangements now," Patricia said and left.

Nicole leaned against her chair, her expression gloomy. 'We already have a factory in partnership, yet Harvey is preparing for another collaboration. This step-by-step plan is definitely not Harvey acting on a whim. He must be scheming something.' Meanwhile, Harvey's assistant was in his office, reporting, "Mr. Ellison, everything is almost ready."

"Good. We can proceed then." Harvey smirked.

"Would your grandfather resist?" his assistant asked hesitantly.

Harvey's expression was cold. "Ignore him. He can't do much for me."

He thought, 'Let this be that old man's sacrifice for me. Or else he wouldn't be much use providing for his retirement.' "Alright, I'll go now," his assistant answered, leaving the office.

Harvey looked out the window, contemplating. Once his plan was complete, not even Jared could help Nicole. He had been waiting for this day for too long.

Time passed, and Harvey's assistant hurriedly rushed back after two hours.

"Mr. Ellison, your grandfather is gone," his assistant said nervously.

"He's gone? Where did he go?" Harvey asked, his eyes menacing.

"1-1 inquired with the school, and they informed me that he had gone abroad to recuperate. He might be on board now," his assistant said, his face pale

MY WIFE IS A HACKER CHAPTER 2664-The assistant prayed that Harvey would not blame him for the matter. He had followed Harvey's orders without knowing that Thomas would leave so suddenly.

Thomas never showed signs that he planned to leave the country.

“Go investigate what happened now!” Harvey barked aggressively. If his grandfather had gone, his plan would have gone to waste.

“Yes, sir,” his assistant replied, quickly leaving the office.

Harvey’s expression darkened. His previous triumphant demeanor had vanished, leaving only a sinister look in his eyes.

Meanwhile, Nicole was resting after lunch at Riddle Corporation.

Patricia entered her office and reported, “Thomas Ellison has already left on the plane. Harvey’s men are currently investigating the matter, and soon they’ll find out. Should we do something to stop them?”

“Never mind. There’s nothing wrong with me inviting Thomas for medical treatment abroad,” Nicole explained. Thomas agreed to go abroad on his own, and he was not forced by Nicole.

“You’re right. Harvey must be fuming right now. Will he get even with you?”

Patricia asked worriedly.

Nicole snorted. “Even if I didn’t do this, he wouldn’t stay quiet.”

Not only would Harvey not stay quiet, but he would also only become more audacious.

“Oh, it seems that Harvey is going to use this partnership to trap you, to make Ellison Group and Riddle Corporation inseparable,” Patricia notified. Both companies were major corporations, and one wrong move would cause mutual destruction. If Riddle Corporation and Ellison Group had close cooperation, things would get troublesome.

Nicole raised an eyebrow, mocking. “Well, he really dreams big.”

How could Harvey not be afraid if Nicole put on a show and pretended to cooperate but ended up causing a huge loss for Ellison Group?

“I’m afraid that if this doesn’t work, he might think of something else,” Patricia reminded. To her, Harvey seemed like a person who would not easily give up on his goals.

“No matter. We now know his motives. We could totally play along with him to put on a show,” Nicole responded. It did not matter to Nicole since she had the upper hand now.

Looking at Nicole’s confidence, Patricia felt relieved. It was best that Nicole had her own plans, so she would not get led by Harvey.

“Let’s leave it at that now. Even if Harvey found out, he can’t do anything to me.

So, let’s just ignore him,” Nicole said, smirking coldly.

Harvey had just provided Nicole with a perfect opportunity. She could easily incorporate Harvey’s plan into hers. She could not wait to find out who would have the last laugh.

At this moment, Nicole’s phone rang. Seeing that it was Lulu’s number, she answered. “Hey, Lulu. What’s up?”

“Hi, what are you doing?” Lulu replied with a slightly lazy tone.

Nicole teased, “I’m working. I can’t possibly be compared with a person on her honeymoon.”

“Hahaha, you can get married too. You could go out for your honeymoon then.”

Lulu laughed.

“You’re right. I’ll wait for your return first. Since there has to be someone to handle things in the company.”

What Nicole meant was that she would have Lulu handle her job when she goes on a honeymoon vacation next time.

Lulu pouted in dissatisfaction. “Are you taking revenge on me with work now?”

“No,” Nicole firmly denied. “It’s more like using my position for personal benefits.”

MY WIFE IS A HACKER CHAPTER 2665-“Nicole, is this how you’re thinking of repaying me? It was a shame I wasted such precious time missing you,” said Lulu, pretending to be hurt.

“Though I did miss you, I’d rather you have a relaxing honeymoon after all. You’ll miss it once it’s over,” Nicole said seriously.

Nicole was well aware that Lulu had been the happiest she had ever been ever since she went on her honeymoon. As a friend, Nicole could not be happier for her.

“That’s more like it.” Lulu smirked.

“Why? Did you call me just to tell me you missed me?” teased Nicole, raising an eyebrow.

“Oh, that’s the main reason, but of course there are other things... I heard a lot of things are happening lately. I wanted to check up on you,” said Lulu, trying to keep calm.

Nicole smirked. “Everything’s fine here. Don’t worry! Things have been resolved.”

Lulu let out a sigh of relief. “That’s good to hear. I was worried something might’ve happened to you. I was even discussing with Spencer about cutting the honeymoon short. n “No, there’s no need for you to come back early. There’s still one week left.

Please make use of the time and unwind. You can take more time off too,” said Nicole.

“No, Spencer has quite a bit of work that’s backlogged. Even without the pressing matters, we already have plans to head back early anyway,” said Lulu.

She had already planned to shorten her honeymoon regardless.

“Oh, is that so? Then you can make the decision yourself,” said Nicole. She well respected their decision, and it was pointless of her to urge them to stay longer at a place they did not want to stay at.

“Okay, then we’ll see you next week.” Lulu smiled. Her honeymoon was pleasant, and she was reluctant to leave paradise and re-enter reality.

“Okay, I’ll see you when you get back,” said Nicole. ‘Once everyone comes back, things will be livelier.’
“Sure! June and I will be arriving on the same day too. I’ll see you then!”

“I’ll pick you guys up from the airport.” Then, Nicole hung up the phone with a smile on her face.

‘Just thinking about this, it’s been quite some time since they left for their honeymoon. Without them around, life did seem more dull than usual. I guess once they’re all back, everything will be much brighter,’ Nicole thought to herself.

At the Riddle Residence, the sun was setting in the horizon. Daniel and Gloria were at home with Tia and Stanley.

“I’m home! Is everything okay?” Nicole greeted, immediately concerned when she laid her eyes on Tia.

“Everything’s fine now. I had an IV drip earlier, before coming back,” Tia reassured.

“Goodness, as long as you’re okay. If you ever don’t feel good, you have to tell us, okay? Don’t keep it to yourself. We’ll step in and help you,” Nicole instructed.

Tia nodded her head. “Yes, Nicole. I understand.”

“Have Luna bring Mrs. Wallace Sr. over here,” Gloria instructed.

“Yes, ma’am,” said Albert.

After a while, everyone entered the dining room and got seated as they waited for dinner to be served.

MY WIFE IS A HACKER CHAPTER 2666-“Mrs. Wallace Sr. How have you been recently?” Tia asked. She looked embarrassed as she met Mrs. Wallace Sr.’s eyes.

“Don’t worry about it, Tia. I’m fine. Luna’s been here taking care of me. Please don’t pretend you’re fine when you’re not in the future, okay? It’s worrying,” said Mrs. Wallace Sr. with some agony in her voice.

Mrs. Wallace Sr. had overheard that Tia had gotten pneumonia and was at the brink of death due to her delay in getting treatment.

“I’m sorry. I didn’t mean to worry everyone, especially Mrs. Wallace Sr.” Tia had guilt written all over her face.

THIS Stanley spoke up and warned, “If you don’t want anyone to worry about you, please tell us if there’s anything troubling you.”

“Well, enough about that. Everyone, let’s dig in,” he then said, clapping to get everyone’s attention.

Everyone quickly changed the topic and started chatting amongst one another.

Tia sneakily took a glance at Stanley, an unreadable look was on her face.

‘Stanley had been taking care of me for the past two days. I must’ve been a hindrance to his work, but nobody ever brought it up,’ Tia thought to herself. She suddenly felt pressure on her, though nobody asked her upfront about her relationship with Stanley.

“You’ve just been discharged from the hospital. You should be eating a healthy diet for the time being. No greasy or fried food either,” said Stanley.

It was then that Tia realized that the dish laid out in front of her was specially prepared for her.

“Thank you, Mr. Riddle,” said Tia in an awkward voice, her cheeks flushed red.

“Goodness! You guys have been friends for so many years. Why are you still addressing him like that?” Gloria asked with a raised eyebrow.

Flabbergasted, Tia dropped her fork onto the table. “Pardon?” “Look at you, calling us so formally. We’re out strangers, honey,” said Gloria.

She then turned to look at Nicole. “Nicole, you ought to do a better job in persuading her to stop addressing us like that. It feels like there’s a gap between us.” She sighed.

“Mom, it’s actually no big deal,” said Nicole, dumbfounded by the situation.

‘It’s just how Tia is comfortable in addressing everyone. Why should there be an issue about it?’ she thought to herself.

“Of course you don’t care. That’s you, not me,” Gloria retorted. She rolled her eyes at Nicole angrily before turning to look at Mrs. Wallace Sr. “Mrs. Wallace Sr., why don’t you decide? I don’t feel as comfortable being addressed as Mrs.

Riddle.”

Mrs. Wallace Sr. was taken aback by the sudden inclusion into the conversation.

“Um...”

Mrs. Wallace Sr. looked at Nicole for a while, reminiscing the days when she first adopted Nicole as one of her own. Nicole had been under her care for the longest time and ever since Nicole’s disappearance a few years ago. The Riddle family had stepped in and taken care of her but the issue at hand was tricky for Mrs. Wallace Sr.

“Tia, in all honesty, it doesn’t matter what or how you address anyone. I think you can try calling him his name as a step forward,” said Gloria, making up her mind.

Nicole nodded along as she did not want to put up a fight with her mother.

“I’m here to take care of Mrs. Wallace Sr. and...” Tia trailed off. ‘How can I simply just change the way I’ve been calling him for so long? Stanley?’ “You can call me Gloria,” said Gloria, unable to restrain herself. She noticed how much Stanley cared about Tia. If he had shown interest in Tia earlier on, she would have set them up on a date. Instead, Gloria’s sudden input had made things far too complicated.

Suddenly, Stanley spoke up, “Call me Stanley.”

Stanley was also kind of done with being called “Mr. Riddle” all the time. It was like a gift from above that granted him this chance to correct her and break down the barriers between them.

All eyes were on Tia as they were looking at her expectantly. Tia bit her lip hard before taking a deep breath. "Gloria, Stanley."

"And me too!" chirped Daniel, understanding his wife's intention and plan.

Gloria's face was filled with satisfaction and Daniel was grinning from one ear to the other.

"Daniel," squeaked Tia.

MY WIFE IS A HACKER CHAPTER 2667-"From now on, we're a family! Today's a happy occasion, so let's celebrate,"

cheered Gloria. She grinned happily, looking at Tia who could be her new daughter-in-law.

Stanley sneakily hid his smirk as he coolly continued to eat.

After dinner was over, Tia wheeled Mrs. Wallace Sr. out to the garden for a breather.

Meanwhile, Gloria grabbed Stanley and pulled him to the side. "What's going on?"

"What? What do you mean?" asked Stanley, confused.

"What happened over the past two days? Did you not progress well?" Gloria bombarded Stanley, looking at him in disbelief.

Stanley had a calm expression as he answered, "Well duh, you have to stop overthinking." Then he turned around and walked up the stairs.

"What about Cherry Jean?" shouted Gloria.

Stanley did not respond and disappeared from Gloria's sight as he reached the top of the stairs.

Gloria shook her head helplessly. 'I guess I should leave this to him to sort it out.' The next day, the sun was shining brightly and everyone started their day as the usual.

Nicole had just arrived at Riddle Corporation. To her surprise, she saw Harvey Ellison standing there, waiting for her in her office.

Mr. Ellison, what brings you here so early?" asked Nicole, her expression indifferent.

"I'm here of course to thank you, Ms. Riddle," said Harvey.

"Thank me?" replied Nicole, confused.

Harvey smirked and smiled. "Of course. I ought to thank you for arranging a paid vacation abroad for my grandfather."

Harvey heavily emphasized on the word "my grandfather" to remind her that Thomas was his grandfather.

"Your grandfather?" Nicole echoed, raising an eyebrow.

Then, she retorted sarcastically, "Oh, you still remember that he is your grandfather. Should I throw a party to commemorate this moment?"

'Wow, this guy finally acknowledges his grandfather and knows how to properly address him too. Shocker!' she thought to herself.

"Is there a problem?" asked Harvey, raising an eyebrow as well. He knew that Nicole was intentionally doing this to him.

"No, not really. I mean since it's your family matters and not mine." Nicole paused before adding on, "Let's put it this way.

I simply think that he well deserves a good relaxing holiday."

'What does he want? Was it illegal of me to send his grandfather somewhere for a holiday?' Nicole snorted mentally.

Harvey looked at Nicole with an unreadable look on his face. There was a sharp pang in his heart and sadness washed over him.

'There's no point to this anymore. Grandpa has left the country and there wasn't anything wrong with Nicole's approach. He agreed so willingly, and no one could stop him either way,' thought Harvey, sulking.

"So, there's really no need for you to come thank me here personally, Mr.

Ellison," said Nicole in a matter-of-fact tone while noticing Harvey's depressed look.

Harvey had lost all the energy to refute Nicole. He almost looked like a kicked puppy.

Nicole was notorious for her sharp tongue. Harvey wanted to blackmail her for sending Thomas abroad for a vacation but instead, the tables turned and they left him speechless and defenseless.

Harvey gritted his teeth while trying to regain his composure. "Even so, I should thank you for your generosity.

I even brought you a gift."

As soon as he finished speaking, Harvey's assistant came over and placed a gift onto Nicole's desk.

Nicole stared at the box and quirked an eyebrow. "Mr.

Ellison, you're too kind. I'll accept this gift of yours and if there's nothing else, you may leave."

Nicole did not want to spend another minute with Harvey in her office and directly shooed him away.

MY WIFE IS A HACKER CHAPTER 2668-Harvey smirked. "Oh don't be in such a rush, Ms. Riddle. We just finished talking about personal matters. Now let's talk business."

"Business? Could you be frank please?" Nicole asked in a serious tone.

Harvey sighed helplessly as he looked at the annoyed look on Nicole's face. "It's about the factory. They received a huge international order, and it has over stressed our production limit. So, I'm afraid I would have to ask you to pay attention to the factory for the time being."

Nicole frowned. "International orders?"

'I haven't received any information regarding this bulk order,' she recalled.

"We had just negotiated and signed off the contract for it. The order has yet to be placed into the factory's system. I came over to give you a heads up," said Harvey.

"Okay, I got it," said Nicole monotonously.

Harvey was surprised by Nicole's calm composure. "Is that all?"

"Yeah, what else is there?" asked Nicole, looking completely unbothered. She blinked at him.

Harvey almost choked. 'How could she not have any reaction after I told her we'd be getting a bulk international order?' "Ms. Riddle, after all, this is our factory. Don't you have anything to say about it?" urged Harvey helplessly.

"Then I hope it'll be a huge success for the both of us," declared Nicole.

Harvey's pitifulness sent chills down her spine.

Harvey suddenly smirked. "Right? Since it's such a huge thing for us, why don't we have lunch to celebrate this?"

Nicole looked at him, shocked. 'How on earth did his brain hot wire to link that business he signed to buying a celebratory lunch?!' "She doesn't have the time for that," a voice suddenly sounded in the room just as Nicole was trying to find an excuse to decline.

Nicole's head shot up and looked at the direction of the voice. Instantly her eyes locked with Jared's. Her face instantly brightened.

"What brings you here?" chirped Nicole, walking towards Jared.

On the other hand, Harvey's facial expression darkened as he unconsciously glared at Jared. "Mr. Johnston, I see you have a lot of free time on your hands."

Jared looked at Harvey. "It seems to me that you're the one with a lot of free time."

As soon as Jared finished speaking, he took Nicole's hand and intertwined it with his. He turned and looked down at Nicole. "Is there anything you need to do now?"

"No," said Nicole, deciding to act oblivious to Harvey's offer earlier.

"Okay, let's go. There's an event we need to attend," said Jared. He did not want to continue interacting with Harvey.

Nicole smiled. "Sure, let's go."

Before leaving, Nicole turned to instruct Patricia, "Send Mr. Ellison off later, and let me know immediately if there are urgent matters that need to be addressed."

She was still held responsible for everything work related to Riddle Corporation and Harvey was by right not in the wrong for coming over to discuss work nor could she neglect it either.

“Yes, Ms. Riddle,” said Patricia. She turned to look at Harvey. “Mr. Ellison, why don’t I escort you to our conference room?”

Harvey’s eyes darkened as he watched Jared pull on Nicole’s hand and whisked her away from her office. ‘That douchebag must’ve done it on purpose.’ Patricia called out again when she noticed that Harvey was not moving. Mr.

Ellison?”

Harvey quickly snapped out of it and turned to look at Patricia. “No, it’s alright.”

Harvey quickly walked away with his assistant in tow.

Patricia smirked as she watched Harvey storm away, ‘He tried his luck, but no one can outplay Ms. Riddle herself.’

MY WIFE IS A HACKER CHAPTER 2669-Harvey stormed out of Riddle Corporation and climbed into his car. He sulked in his seat and demanded, “Drive.”

Mr. Ellison, is the project still a go?” his assistant asked cautiously. He looked at Harvey’s pissed off expression.

Harvey shot back harshly, “Why can’t we proceed?”

His assistant timidly replied, “Okay, Mr. Ellison.” He quickly revved the car engine and began to drive without another peep.

Harvey was lost in his own thoughts, looking depressed. He had a lot of things to digest, especially after Nicole had noticed his plans and sent his grandfather away to save him from his threats.

Nicole’s cold and distant attitude had thrown Harvey off. It told him that Nicole did not want to get involved with him in any way.

‘Nicole is a treacherous person, with all her calculations. I’d like to see how long Jared will stay by her side and protect her,’ thought Harvey.

Meanwhile, Jared and Nicole had just arrived at the Biz Club which was different from their usual clubs. It was more serene and calm, compared to the usual livelier clubs.

“What are we doing here?” asked Nicole, confusion written all over her face.

She looked around the room and noticed that it looked like a cocktail party.

However it looked like a social gathering at the same time. Everyone around the room wore the same serious expression, instead of chattering around with some laughter here and there.

“An international event. I was thinking that if Riddle Corporation can get their hands on it, it’d be a great boost of recognition,” said Jared to Nicole in a low voice.

Nicole’s eyes widened. She had not expected that Jared would bring her to a place like this. Moreover, she had not asked him for help, yet he brought her here to participate in an event that she had not even heard about.

'Riddle Corporation must not be in their list to consider, seeing that I wasn't even aware of this event happening,' Nicole thought.

As if Jared had read Nicole's mind, he gave Nicole a comforting smile and reassured her, 'Don't worry. I'll be here with you all the way.'

"Oh my, look who we have here. Mr. Johnston," a person interrupted, walking over and talking in a loud voice.

Soon, a small group of people had begun to circle around them. "Mr. Johnston, this must be your wife, isn't she?"

Jared took the lead and introduced, "Yes, her name's Nicole. ■ Nicole nodded along as Jared introduced her to one after another. Nicole did not recognize any of the people Jared had introduced her to.

To her surprise, none of these people were from San Joto and instead were from different places from all over the world. They all came to attend this event.

"I didn't expect that Mr. Johnston would be interested in a project like this. To my impression I didn't know that Johnston Group would be up for taking on projects like these," said a person among the small crowd that was circling them.

"Riddle Corporation takes projects like this," said Jared casually, not hiding his intention of participating in the event. He had brought Nicole here to expose her to the event and gradually let her take part in the project.

The people surrounding them stood there stunned for a moment before bursting into fits of laughter.

"It seems that Mr. Johnston is really willing to pass this project to a porcelain doll!"

"How can this be the daughter of the infamous family?"

Everyone was talking and laughing with one another. None of them dared to look at Nicole. It was not long before the person in charge of the event had arrived. Everyone soon began to settle in as the negotiation of the project started.

The negotiation had not gone as smoothly as intended as Nicole was still picking up the bits and pieces of how to deal with the international big shots.

'I guess this is where the line is drawn. Every sentence they say seems to be like a piece of cake. One wrong step and you're left far behind,' Nicole thought to herself.

With Jared there to help Nicole, the results of the negotiation were pretty good.

Though they did not manage to bag the project, Nicole managed to become one of the project partners.

MY WIFE IS A HACKER CHAPTER 2670-After coming to an agreement on the project, Nicole and Jared bid goodbye to everyone and left the Biz Club.

Nicole was rendered speechless. "I could never wrap my head around it. How could such an important business negotiation happen at such a serene place like this?"

“You’ll gradually get used to this. In fact, some projects are completed this way,” explained Jared, smirking.

Nicole nodded. “I see... This way, I guess one can hold a meeting with a clear mind without external factors bothering them. The success or failure of the meeting will all depend on the individuals involved, with no intervention of third parties.”

Jared interlocked their fingers together. “The most important thing here is that it saves a lot of trouble.”

Nicole shrugged. “You’re right.”

‘Afterall, the scale of this project was quite extreme. If it were to undergo a bidding or investment method, it might not even be resolved within a few months. Companies after companies would come flocking in and come at each other’s throats. The workload to process all this would immensely skyrocket, and most work done would be meaningless if it were to fail,’ she thought.

Nicole took a glance at Jared, one eyebrow raised. “This is the exclusive social circle, isn’t it?”

Jared looked down at Nicole with soft eyes. “If you put it that way, then yes.”

“Well would you look at that? It’s almost lunch time. Let’s go grab some food first,” said Nicole, humming after she scored the project.

Jared looked at her affectionately. “Sure, let’s go.”

Jared took Nicole to her favorite restaurant for lunch where they took a seat by the window while admiring the people walking up and down the street.

Glancing out the window, Nicole rested her chin on one hand and sighed. “Life goes by in a blink of an eye, without realizing that we’re all passersby by default.

Not many can stay by your side for a long time.”

“Why are you being so deep all of the sudden?” asked Jared with an affectionate look on his face.

“I just feel that ever since I came back here, I feel like I’m very lucky to have survived and escaped all that,” said Nicole.

‘If it weren’t for Nolan who sneakily came back here to participate in a competition, I would’ve never stepped foot here. I’d never have known I have missed an entire lifetime before me,’ she thought.

Nicole looked Jared in the eye. She took Jared’s hand into hers and held it tightly. “I feel grateful that fate or any divinity out there gave me the chance to come back here to be reunited with you again.”

Jared caressed the back of Nicole’s hand gently. ‘Til make sure we won’t lose one another again.”

“Jared Johnston. Thank you,” Nicole said earnestly.

“Close your eyes,” said Jared.

Nicole was confused. “What? Why?”

Jared chuckled. “You’ll find out real soon.”

“Wow, Mr. Mysterious,” muttered Nicole as she obediently closed her eyes. She suddenly felt something cold placed into the palm of her hand.

Nicole subconsciously opened her eyes and saw a small jewelry box in her palm.

“What’s this?”

“Open it and take a look,” said Jared, eyes warm.

Nicole opened the box and saw a necklace inside it. It was the exact same necklace she had seen in the magazine before. Nicole had just casually mentioned how beautiful it was before turning the page to look at other things.

She had not thought that Jared had taken note of it and bought it based on her casual remark.

Nicole’s heart fluttered. Her eyes were filled with happiness. “Thank you.”

“Come, I’ll help you put it on,” Jared offered. He took it out from the box and helped Nicole put it on.

Nicole touched the necklace after Jared had put it on for her. Her heart skipped a beat, the butterflies in her tummy doing somersaults. It was the happiest Nicole had ever been.