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“Carrie, how can you drop your cutlery at dinner with Grandpa? Where are your manners?” Shannon lectured Carrie with a long face.

“That’s enough. It’s just cutlery. Must you yell at the child?”

Nigel had a problem with Shannon because Carrie was his precious granddaughter.

Shannon gripped her fingers under the table. She could be blamed for breathing in the presence of the old man.

“Grandpa, Dad, Mom, I’m finished with dinner.”

With her cheeks burning in shame, Carrie kept her head down and bit her lips as she left the dinner table in a hurry.

Justin stared in contemplation at his sister’s receding figure while falling into thought.

Bethany was delighted to get even with Carrie.

‘You should stay an invisible dummy, Carrie. You didn’t have to

endure the humiliation. But that's what you get for trying to get with

my man. Open your eyes and see who is Mom's and Dad's favorite

and who deserves to stand next to Ryan!

"Why Ryan?"

Nigel blinked and asked in bewilderment, "I thought Ryan was into

Anna."

Gregory, Shannon, and Bethany made a face.

They were speechless.

Justin was taking a sip of his drink when his grandfather's remark

made him choke.

The man clutched the glass, his face grimacing.

"Why would Ryan be interested in Bella, Grandpa?" Bethany turned flushed with rage.

"Doesn't he like Anna? I might be 80, but I can read the room. Ryan was all over Anna at my birthday celebration. He couldn't stay away from Anna. I'm sure he's the type to be loyal to his wife."

While talking, Nigel side-eyed Justin, who scowled. "Since Ryan was

interested, I thought about setting Anna and him up since the Hoffmans are in the same social class as Anna's family. Most importantly, Ryan is good to Anna. He cares about her

wholeheartedly. I'm sure he can give Anna a better life if they end up

together."

'A better life? As if Ryan and Bella would have a better life together.'

Justin thought, his fingers clenched so hard that he could crush the

glass he was holding.

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Nigel never mentioned Justin's name, but Justin could tell that the

comments were directed at him.

Ryan played the field and experienced his first intimacy at the age of 16. He could not even keep his pants on, yet Nigel had the nerve to set Ryan and Bella up together. Talk about reading the room.

Justin had nothing to say.

"Am I your granddaughter, or is Bella your granddaughter, Grandpa?"

Bethany was so angry she could cry. "Ryan loves me, not her. You should be paying attention to me. Why would you pair Ryan with her?"

“You like Ryan, but are the feelings mutual on his part?” Nigel looked at her seriously and asked.

“I... I...” Bethany was at a loss for words.

“I saw how Ryan acted around you at the birthday celebration. You didn’t even say a word to each other. Ryan didn’t even look at you.”

Consumed by rage and embarrassment, Bethany gritted her teeth.

However, Nigel was right. She could not refute the truth.

“We don’t need our girls to marry for business, but they can’t be throwing themselves at men. You can’t force things to happen, or

they might turn out badly.”

Nigel was not optimistic about the marriage. He shook his head. “Besides, you and Ryan are two very different people. Ryan is hot-tempered. I can imagine the heated arguments when you marry him.”

“Grandpa!” Bethany teared up.

“What do you expect Bethany to answer, Dad? She’s a girl. Have some

consideration for her feelings.”

Coming to his daughter’s rescue, Gregory said with a smile, “Ryan feels something for Bethany. I know that because he came to the house the other day to have a word with Bethany. Shannon and I were

home, so we saw him.”

As Bethany's mind wandered back to what Ryan said, her heart sank.

She knew that Ryan could not stand her, but so what?

Bethany believed she could marry Ryan once she got her whole family in on it. With time, Ryan was bound to fall in love with her and be

captivated by her charm.