

## **Luna & Joshua 1051**

### Chapter 1051

Listening to the beeps of the phone, Luna felt confused and upset. She did not know what Joshua did to Nigel on the other end of the phone, but judging from Joshua's tone when he entered the room, he sounded as if he was there to accuse Nigel of a crime.

Did he...find out she had escaped and knew that Nigel was somehow involved?

Luna rested against the headboard, gripping the phone tightly in her right hand, trying to calm herself but failing repeatedly.

Would Joshua give Nigel a hard time? If he did, what could Luna do?

Her fear grew the more she thought about it, but she did not dare call him.

If... If Joshua did not realize that she had escaped, calling Nigel would just serve to expose herself.

While she was in the middle of her frenzied thoughts, Gwen pushed open the door with a tray of food in her hands. Seeing her uneasy expression, she set up the bed tray and frowned as she spoke, "What are you thinking about?"

Luna raised her head and told Gwen about Nigel's call. "I'm worried that Joshua knows..."

“Most probably not.” After pondering the issue for a moment, Gwen patted Luna lightly on the back and handed her the spoon. “Don’t worry. We have spies in Banyan City. If Joshua finds out you’re gone, he’ll conduct a city-wide search. At the moment, we haven’t received any such news yet.”

The woman’s words finally calmed Luna’s racing heart. She nodded. “That’s true.” Gwen had a point. If Joshua started combing the city for her, the entire city would know. At this thought, she finally lowered her head and started eating. Since Nellie and Nigel came to visit her yesterday, she had not eaten anything. 25 hours had passed, and she was starving.

After drinking the warm soup, Luna felt as if she had been resurrected from death. As if she had suddenly remembered something, she lifted her eyes and glanced at Gwen. “Yesterday, Luke said that the woman who took my place in the asylum...owes it to me?”

She smiled. “Why don’t I remember anyone in Banyan City owing me anything?”

Gwen paused and smiled. “Actually, I don’t know who she is either. She approached us and said that she ‘owed it to you’, so she wanted to take your place in the asylum. Besides being older than you, her figure and everything else is quite similar to yours, so we asked her again whether she really wanted to help you, then brought her to the asylum.” Gwen scratched her head. “The situation was urgent

yesterday, and we couldn't find anyone else at such short notice, so we didn't ask her too many

questions Luna bit her lip. An elderly lady with a similar figure to hers, saying that she owed her a

favor... She had no idea who it was either.

"Don't worry about her. The doctors at the asylum won't give her a tough time once they realize she's

not you." Gwen advised her and added, "Focus on your own condition. Look at you!"

Luna sighed. At the moment, that was the only thing she could do, but she was still worried about

Nigel. Nevertheless, she did not dare to contact him so casually.

After Gwen left, she laid down on the bed, tossing and turning, sleep eluding her. Finally, she took out

the phone and scrolled through the news, trying to distract herself. Somehow, she discovered the piece

of news reporting Janice Yale's disappearance.

The video showed a clip taken from the recording of the CCTV camera located outside the ice cream

shop beside the waterpark. The screen showed Janice leading Nellie and Nigel into the ice cream

shop. Half an hour later, only Nellie and Nigel walked out of the shop.

Janice Yale was nowhere to be seen. No matter how the police investigated, they failed to discover where the woman went.

At the end of the video, Robert Jenson's lying face appeared. He was sobbing in front of the camera, looking heartbroken. "My wife and I have loved each other for years, and we just got married a few years ago. She's still so young! How can something like this happen to her...? Her phone, wallet, and keys are all in the hotel. I tried everything but failed to get in touch with her, and the only clue we have is this video clip...but the two children in the video denied ever meeting my wife..."

Luna watched the video, her heart beating furiously in fear. How did Nellie and Nigel get to know Janice Yale? Why would Janice disappear all of a sudden? Her husband tried everything but failed to get in touch with her, and there was no record of her leaving Banyan City, and even up until this very moment, she was still missing...

Luna closed her eyes. This was the same situation as when she herself was locked up in the asylum. No matter how Bonnie and Anne searched for her, they could not find her.

Suddenly, Luna's eyes flew wide open. She remembered Gwen's words. The woman who took her

place in the asylum was quite elderly, her figure was similar to hers, and she even said...she owed it to her.

Could it be...that the woman who took her place in the asylum was Janice Yale?

At this thought, she hurriedly saved the photo of Janice from the news report and sent it to Gwen. [ The woman last night, is this her?]

[It's her.] Gwen's reply came within minutes. [Right, I just remembered. Last night she asked us to address her as Aunty Janice.]

Reading Gwen's reply, Luna felt her mind exploding with a bang. The woman who took her place last night was Janice... In other words, it was no coincidence that Janice was with Nigel and Nellie yesterday. Her disappearance was indeed related to the two children! Joshua's stern and accusing tone on the phone just now...was most probably because of Janice.

At this thought, Luna grew even more anxious and fidgety. Janice, Gwen, and Luke... Nigel was the one who contacted all these people, so Nigel was the mastermind behind last night's escape.

If Joshua found out, what would he do to the six-year-old child?

Nigel was not Neil or Nellie. He had only spent a short amount of time with Joshua, and they did not have any father-son love for each other or interaction. Luna closed her eyes, her chest aching as if someone had plunged a knife into her chest.

Orchard Manor.

Joshua threw the tablet computer playing the video clip onto the sofa, his expression dark and stormy, gazing at Nigel with cold eyes. "You're getting braver and braver. You even dare hide and kidnap people now?"

Nigel sat silently across from him, his laptop on his lap, and met his father's eyes fearlessly. "I don't know what you're talking about."

"You don't know?" Joshua looked at the boy coldly, his tone even colder and more unforgiving than the snowy winds in the middle of winter. "You know better than anyone! "

He narrowed his eyes. "Robert Jenson's team is leaving Banyan City today. Once he leaves, you'll have a hard time getting him to come back to change Luna's psychiatric assessment report. That's why you pretended to bring Nellie to the waterpark wherein your true goal was to approach Janice Yale who

was staying in the Yacht Club Hotel. You kidnapped her. This way, you have a hold over the man, and can threaten him to edit Luna's assessment report and release her. Am I right?"

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At the man's words, the air in the living room grew so quiet and heavy that it felt difficult to breathe.

Nigel looked at Joshua, his laptop still on his lap, his big eyes blinking repeatedly as he stared at his father. "Mr. Lynch, I don't know what you're talking about."

He set the laptop down and wore an innocent expression on his face. "I 'm just a six-year-old kid, and I don't know what you're talking about. I don't understand anything."

Joshua narrowed his eyes, and a chill flashed across his eyes. Other six-year-olds might not know anything, but his two children...

He took a deep breath, forcing his fury down his throat. "Nigel, I 'll ask you one more time: were you the one behind Janice Yale's disappearance? All of the evidence is pointing toward you, so explain yourself truthfully! You're just a boy, but you're already kidnapping women?"

Nigel narrowed his eyes and looked at Joshua's clearly defined features, finally abandoning the

innocent act. He crossed his arms over his chest and leaned back on the sofa, his voice so cold and indifferent, not sounding at all like a six-year-old child. "You know better than anyone why I did this.

Mommy was fine, but because of his assessment report, she was locked up in an asylum. I want him to know what it feels like when someone dear to you is lost. Is that wrong?"

The little boy's righteous and haughty expression made Joshua furious. "Your Mommy is sick! That's different !"

"Do you think she's really sick just because he says she's sick? I think he made a mistake! "

"Nigel ! " Joshua glared at his son, the fury and power in his eyes were enough to make anyone tremble in fear. He looked at his mini -me in front of him, and said word by word, "Kidnapping is illegal, and you're only six. How can you do something like this?"

Nigel met Joshua's enraged gaze with unyielding stubbornness in his eyes. "Mr. Lynch, you and Mommy have known each other longer than us, so I thought you'd know and trust her more than us! Just because of that person's report, you believe that Mommy is ill and needs to be locked up in that hellhole! You know I'm just six, but if you didn't force Mommy and me into a corner, I wouldn't have come up with such a bad plan! "



“You!”

“Joshua.” Right when Joshua’s fury reached its peak and was about to explode, Fiona pushed open the door and entered the room. She comforted Joshua, pressing him down to sit on the sofa. “Don’t get angry. Nigel is just a six-year-old child. Even though he did something he shouldn’t have done and took the wrong path, he’s still a good kid at heart.”

She handed him a cup of tea as she spoke, “Luna was always in charge of educating Nigel—maybe she planted these bad ideas in their mind. It’s fine, the kids will change for the better after we take them under our wing in the future.” She stroked Joshua’s back as she spoke, “Don’t get so angry.”

The woman’s words made Nigel’s eyebrows screw together tightly in an instant. What was this woman saying? She was implying that Mommy had misguided them!

The little boy’s hands twisted together tightly as he glared at Fiona wordlessly. Nellie however, who was on her way downstairs, frowned. The little girl ran down quickly, stood in front of Fiona, and glared at her. “What did you say? Our Mommy is the best person in the world! She didn’t lead us astray!”

Although Nigel kept reminding her to remain calm, Nellie could not contain herself any longer.

Since they were young, Mommy protected them from all the evil in the world, but now, they could not protect their mother. She was locked away in an asylum, and...even endured such suffering!

At the thought of the news that Nigel found out from the hospital records in Sea City, Nellie could not help herself and bit her lip, anger burning in her chest.

Mommy had a finger amputated today!

Among the two people in front of her, one was responsible for locking her up in an asylum, while the other wrongly accused her mother of being ill. These two were still fine; all of their fingers remained intact!

Facing the two enraged children, Fiona bit her lip, her eyes turning red. "Nellie, Nigel... That's not what I meant, I..."

Her eyes flashed and she hurriedly poured another cup of tea for Nigel and handed it to him. "Don't be angry. I shouldn't have said that; I should've been more tactful..." As she spoke, she brought the cup of tea before Nellie.

“I don’t want it!” Nellie angrily overturned the teacup that Fiona handed her. “What a fraud! “

“Ah—!” The boiling hot tea spilled on Fiona, dirtying the white linen dress she wore. Fiona screamed exaggeratedly and hurriedly grabbed some paper towels to wipe herself.

Nellie rolled her eyes at her and sneered. “What a good actress you are.” She touched the cup when she overturned it, and it was not that hot.

With that, the little girl pulled at her brother’s arm. “Nigel, let’s go!”

Joshua sat on the sofa and glanced at the two children who were about to leave, then shifted his eyes to Fiona who was anxiously wiping at her at the spots of her skin that had turned pink from the hot tea.

“Stop! “ The man’s voice is cold and unforgiving. “Nellie, apologize to Aunty Fiona! “ No matter what,

Nellie’s actions toward Fiona who just offered her a cup of tea was rude and ill-mannered!

Nellie bit her lip, turned, and glanced at her father coldly. “You never taught me my manners, so I won’t apologize. If you want to, you can apologize to her yourself! “ With that, the little girl wiped at her tears, dragged her brother behind her, and stomped up the stairs.

Joshua’s eyebrows furrowed together in anger.

“Joshua, forget it.” Fiona intentionally placed the side of her hand that had been burned in front of

Joshua, sighing and rubbing at it, acting as if she was in pain. “The children are still young, but if we try our best to take care and educate them, these bad habits will go away soon.” Then, she could not help but sigh. “I thought... Since Luna cares about them so much, she’d educate them well. But now...”

Fiona shook her head helplessly. “They’re just six, and they’re already liars. They even kidnapped someone old enough to be their grandma! “

As she spoke, she lifted her eyes and studied Joshua carefully. “Joshua, say... Do you think Luna is mentally ill, and that’s why she secretly instilled a lot of bad ideas in the children?”

Joshua’s expression remained ugly and did not speak, but Fiona could tell from his gaze that his conviction was wavering. Thus, she sucked in a deep breath. “Joshua, in the future, I don’t think you should bring the children to visit Luna—in case she gives them any more bad ideas. What do you think?”

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Joshua massaged his temples and remained quiet.

Fiona sighed. “Actually, I think both Nigel and Nellie are good children... In the past even if Nellie didn’t

like me, she was never this rude...”

As she spoke, she patted Joshua’s shoulder, her voice full of feigned sadness. “Cheer up, Joshua. The children are still young, and they can be re- educated.” With that, she stood up, turned, and left.

Joshua leaned back on the sofa in exhaustion, lifted his hand, and rubbed at his aching temples.

Nellie and Nigel... Had Luna misguided them after all?

“Ms. Blake, according to netizens’ analysis, the two children that took Mrs. Jenson are apparently Mr. Joshua Lynch’s son and daughter, is that correct?”

“Ms. Blake, how does Mr. Lynch plan to handle his children’s rumored kidnapping of Mrs. Jenson? And what are your thoughts on this issue?”

“Ms. Blake, Mr. Jenson said that if Mr. Lynch’s children don’t release his wife within twenty-four hours, he’ll report this to the police and have them captured. How does Mr. Lynch plan to respond to this?”

Early the next morning, a clip of Fiona being interviewed exploded across the internet. In the video,

Fiona stood at the entrance to Orchard Manor with red -rimmed eyes, her eyes bright with unshed

tears. “The children shown appearing with Mrs. Jenson in the video are indeed Joshua’s children, but.

Please don't spread false rumors; Nellie and Nigel are two very obedient and sensible children. Even though they're only six years old, they are more mature than most adults. They'd never do something like this. As for the two of them leaving with Mrs. Jenson and yet didn't return home with her, Joshua has already punished them. The two children are getting punished right now at home.

Nellie and Nigel are two extremely obedient children, and they'd never kidnap Mrs. Jenson. I pray that everyone will not spread false rumors about them."

Finally, she sighed at the camera. "I also hope that the police can solve the case as soon as possible.

Mrs. Jenson doesn't have her phone, wallet, or room keys with her, and she's not local either. I heard from Mr. Jenson that she doesn't travel around much, and if she wasn't led by someone she trusted, I believe she wouldn't come out either... I hope she's fine..."

Clang!

Anne was so angry she threw the spoon in her hand into her bowl of soup. "This woman is so shameless! On one hand, she says that Nellie and Nigel would never kidnap Mrs. Jenson, then she keeps emphasizing that they're very mature, not your average six-year-old children and that they're even more mature than most adults! She also said that Mrs. Jenson didn't take anything with her, that

she wouldn't leave if she wasn't led by someone she trusted. She's obviously hinting that Nellie and

Nigel are the ones who kidnapped Mrs. Jenson ! ”

John nodded. “The most important thing now is to stop Luna from watching this video.”

With that, he raised his eyes and glanced at Anne. “ Nigel is a good hacker, right? Do you want to

contact him and see whether he can delete the source video? Even though Luna is in Sea City, she'll

definitely keep an eye out for news involving Banyan City.”

“You're right!” Anne patted her forehead and immediately called Nigel.

Unexpectedly, Fiona was the one who answered, “Ms. Zimmer, long time no see.”

Fiona leaned back on a chair in Joshua's office, her tone sounding elegant and casual. “You didn't

expect that I'd be having Nigel's phone, am I right?”

Anne's entire body trembled violently. She frowned. “Where's Nigel?”

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“Nigel? ” Fiona curled her lips into a sneer. “He's at home right now, receiving punishment for what he

did. Children should be punished if they're disobedient and go against their elders' orders.”

She shifted into a more comfortable position gracefully and continued, "Joshua has already decided

last night to adopt a stricter approach to the children, so now, he has confiscated all of their devices.

Not only are you unable to contact them, but even if you go to Orchard Manor or Blue Bay Villa right

away, you won't be able to see them either.

"Joshua said that since they've been brainwashed by Luna, they're now psychologically unsound, so

he wants to send them to a professional education center. Even though it's called an education center,

in reality, it's just a place to keep them shut in a windowless room..."

Anne bit down on her lip when she heard this. Her hand gripped the phone so hard that her knuckles

turned white. "Nigel and Nellie are Joshua's children. How can he treat them like this?"

Fiona chuckled upon hearing this. "You should know by now that Joshua has never taken a liking to

him and Luna's children... Now that I've gotten pregnant, Joshua has no choice but to get rid of them

now so that my child can have a better life in the future.

Don't you think that makes perfect sense?"

Anne was so outraged that she immediately snapped, "Where's Joshua Lynch? Get him to answer the



phone right now! I want to give him a piece of my mind! “

Fiona shrugged, then stood up gracefully. “He’s not around. He left this morning for the mental asylum outside Banyan City to question Luna. After all...Luna is the one responsible for the way Nigel and Nellie were raised.”

She curled her lips into a smirk. “Well, I shouldn’t waste any more of my time talking to you. I’d better focus my energy on planning my future together with Joshua. Goodbye now! “ With that, she hung up the phone.

After deleting the call history from Nigel’s phone, Fiona carefully placed the phone back into Joshua’s office drawer.

Meanwhile, Courtney watched from the door rather nervously and said, “Ms. Blake, you’d better come out of there soon. President Lynch ordered me to forbid you from entering his office...”

Fiona snickered. “What are you so afraid of? I’m going to become Joshua’s real wife soon anyway. “

With Luna admitted into a mental asylum, and Nigel and Nellie had kidnapped Janice... There was no way Joshua would take their sides. After all, this was a deranged woman and two rebellious children!

Fiona knew it was only a matter of time before she became the new Mrs. Lynch.

“I ‘m so frustrated! “ As soon as she heard the dial tone, Anne was so outraged that she hurled her phone onto the floor.

How could Joshua do this to his own children?

On the other hand, John was calmer and more level- headed as compared to Anne. “Did she just say that Joshua went to the mental asylum to talk to Luna?”

Anne’s eyes widened upon hearing this. Oh, no. Joshua had left to find Luna!

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Meanwhile, at the mental asylum located on the city outskirts...

As soon as the director, Mr. Chase, found out that the famous Joshua Lynch had arrived, he was so startled that he rushed out to greet him without even putting his clothes on properly.

“I want to see Luna, “ Joshua ordered coldly as he strode through the entrance.

Mr. Chase was so nervous that he broke out in cold sweats. “Mr. Lynch...um... Ms. Luna doesn’t want to see you...”

Joshua scoffed. "I don't care. I want to see her! "

Mr. Chase could not help shuddering when he saw the cold, hard look in Joshua's eyes.

He knew there was no hiding the truth anymore, so he gritted his teeth and got down on his knees in front of Joshua with a thud. "Mr. Lynch! I'm sorry to disappoint you, but I didn't keep a strict eye on Luna, and she...ran away..." Luna ran away?

Joshua was so shocked by this that he immediately stood up from his chair. He grabbed hold of Mr. Chase's collar and snapped, his handsome features contorted in anger, "Didn't you say you would assign more people to keep guard of her? How did she run away, then?"

This was the first time Mr. Chase had seen Joshua so livid and the first time he had ever seen this otherwise calm and elegant man look so furious. He was so terrified that he stammered, "I... I did assign more people to keep guard of her...but the problem was with the guards..."

Mr. Chase tilted his face away so as not to meet Joshua's seething gaze. "The men dressed up as nurses to look after Luna... Then, in the middle of the night, they switched Luna out with another person while everyone was asleep... This isn't our fault, Mr. Lynch!

“They claimed that one of the nurses had suffered heatstroke, and we believed them... After they left, we went to check on Luna’s ward, and there was another woman in there. She looked identical to Luna! Because it was so late at night, we didn’t check on her for fear of waking her, but then morning came.. and we discovered we had been tricked...” Joshua narrowed his eyes fiercely.

Did this mean there was an entire group of people who came to break Luna out?

Joshua let go of Mr. Chase’s collar without warning, causing him to fall onto the ground with a loud thud.

However, Joshua took no notice of this and instead circled him and headed straight to the door. “Take me to the impostor right this instant.”

“Alright, alright!” Mr. Chase hastily picked himself up from the ground and caught up with Joshua. “It’s a slightly older woman, but when we tried to question her, she refused to say anything at all... She’s very stubborn...”

As Mr. Chase continued to describe the situation, the two soon arrived at Luna’s ward.

Inside the room, a woman in a striped hospital gown was leaning against the wall in silence. Although her hair was tousled and messy, her eyes still shone clear and bright.

As soon as she saw Joshua, the woman lifted her head and smiled. "Hello, Mr. Lynch."

Joshua's pupils constricted when he made out the woman's face.

It was none other than Janice!

The same woman that he and Dr. Robert's men had been searching for an entire day!

Joshua strode into the ward. "What are you doing here, Mrs. Jenson?"

"I volunteered to come in here, " Janice replied, smiling at Joshua. "I've met Luna myself, so I know better than anyone how her mental state is. She's perfectly normal.

"Since my husband was the one who misdiagnosed her and forced her to suffer, then I should take her place and bear the pain for her."

Joshua furrowed his brows upon hearing this but did not reply.

Meanwhile, Mr. Chase was so stunned by this sudden confession that he could not say a single word.

After a long while, he managed to squeeze out a few sentences.

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"Are you Dr. Robert's wife? How can you say he misdiagnosed Luna? Dr. Robert has never made this

kind of mistake before in his life! “

Janice sneered and replied, “What do you mean, he has never done this before? All he did was cover up his tracks and was never discovered.”

With that, she smiled and glanced at Joshua. “Didn’t you agree with Dr. Robert’s diagnosis that Luna has a mental illness, Mr. Lynch?”

Joshua narrowed his eyes but did not say anything in reply.

Janice curled her lips into a smirk and snickered. “I didn’t know how rigid and unrelenting of a person you are, Mr. Lynch. I guess in the end, you’d rather believe some words on a page than a living, breathing human being, don’t you? Can’t you tell the difference between someone who’s really sick and who’s not?”

As soon as he heard this, Joshua’s expression darkened, and he replied in a low voice, “Mrs. Jenson, you shouldn’t be here at all. Dr. Robert has been looking for you the whole day.”

“Is that so?” she replied with a smile. “Why don’t you pass on a message for me and tell him that I won’t leave this place unless he changes Luna’s diagnostic result.”

She chuckled and added, "I've been ignoring this kind of wrongful action for too long. Nigel is right; we all should act more like adults and admit to things that we did wrong and do what's right in return."

She turned and lifted her head to stare at Joshua. "Joshua, I'm correcting my wrong decision for retribution. How about you?"

Joshua glanced at her and replied, "I don't think this is any of your business." With that, he turned and strode out of the room.

Mr. Chase quickly caught up to him. "Mrs. Jenson was acting like a crazy woman! How dare she accuse the most reputable doctor in this field of misdiagnosis. Dr. Robert has never misdiagnosed anyone before in his forty years of career! The fact that she's his wife makes this even more ludicrous!"

Joshua frowned and barked an order as he walked, "Find me a new team of psychiatrists."

After that, he paused for a moment, then added, "Actually, get me three teams, in secret, of course. If anyone else finds out about this, I'll burn this place down."

Joshua thought that getting three different teams of doctors would allow him to obtain a more accurate diagnosis this time.

Mr. Chase widened his eyes in shock upon hearing this. “Mr. Lynch, do you really trust what that crazy woman said? You’re questioning Dr. Robert’s reputation and expertise! If people found out about this, it’ll be a humiliation to the medical field! “

Joshua calmly rubbed his eyebrows and replied curtly, “Do you think I care?”

Mr. Chase wanted to counter this statement but did not dare to, so he simply pursed his lips and remained silent.

After a moment, he recalled something and asked, “ Mr. Lynch, you wanted to get a new psychiatric team to give Luna a new diagnosis, but we don’t even know where she is now.”

Joshua thought about this for a second, then suddenly recalled the X-ray that Luke had sent him this morning.

He remembered the broken little finger on the left hand.

He narrowed his eyes as he recalled this. “I think I know where she is. “Lucas, get the car ready. We’re heading to Sea City.”



At the hospital in Sea City.

No matter how hard Gwen and Luke tried to stop Luna from seeing the news in Banyan City, she still found out about Fiona's interview.

What Fiona said in her interview made Luna feel anxious and worried. Every single sentence she said had a double meaning to it, as though she could not wait to tell the entire world how bad Nigel and Nellie were for kidnapping Dr. Robert's wife!

She even mentioned something about Joshua keeping Nigel and Nellie locked up at home for reeducation...

What kind of reeducation did she mean?

Luna clutched her phone and called Nigel and Nellie nonstop, but no matter how many times she called, there was no answer.

Finally, she had no choice but to dial Anne's number.

Initially, Anne had wanted to hide everything from Luna as well. Still, she was a straightforward and outspoken person, so after a bit of coaxing and trickery on Luna's part, Anne soon lost control of

herself and blurted out everything, including what Fiona told her during the phone call.

As soon as she hung up the call with Anne, Luna felt her breathing become more labored.

Since she could not seem to get in touch with Nigel and Nellie, combined with what Fiona said about

Joshua sending the children away to a youth education center...

Luna knew how cruel and heartless Joshua could be toward the children.

When Nigel and Nellie were sick, he was unwilling to pay a single dime for their medical bills...

Since he thought Luna was a psychiatric patient and that the children had committed a crime, Luna

decided that it was entirely possible that Joshua had sent them away.

After contemplating for a moment, Luna got out of bed.

She could run, but she could not hide forever.

Her children were still with Joshua. Finally, she decided that it was better to return voluntarily instead of

waiting until it was too late in letting Joshua find her.

If she returned on her own accord, maybe the children would suffer less.

Luna got out of bed and staggered to the door. Before she could walk out of the room, however, she

came face-to-face with Gwen and Luke. "Where are you going?"

Luna's body was still weak, and her face was as pale as a sheet of paper. Upon questioning, she

answered in a feeble voice, "I'm...I'm going back to Banyan

City. I can't let Nigel and Nellie continue to be under Joshua's guard. I..."

Gwen furrowed her brows and pulled Luna into her arms. "Luna, did you forget everything that you

went through in Banyan City? Do you think nine fingers is too much?"

Luna froze, then lowered her head to glance at her left hand.

Where her little finger used to be was a small stump.

She recalled the pain she had felt when her finger was smashed with a hammer. It was so excruciating

that every time she was reminded of it, she felt as though the bones in her entire body trembled as

well.

Despite this harrowing experience, she still thought she should return as soon as possible.

Was her finger...as important as Nigel and Nellie?

Even though Nigel had always been an intelligent child, Luna knew he was afraid of the dark. On the

other hand, Nellie had been spoiled all her life, and she had only just recovered from her autism...

They could not afford to go through another round of torment again!

If Luna's return to Banyan City could make Joshua change his mind about punishing the children, then she would gladly do so, even if it meant losing a few extra fingers.

As soon as she thought of this, Luna bit down on her lip and shoved Gwen aside, then staggered forward. "I'm going back... Since I was the one who brought them into this world, I should be the one protecting them, too. If I can't even protect them... What kind of mother am I?"

Gwen felt a twinge of pain shoot through her heart as she watched Luna's thin frame move slowly through the hallway. She immediately glanced meaningfully at the bodyguards.

The two bodyguards rushed forward and stopped Luna.

Initially, Luna tried to struggle from their grasp emotionlessly. "Let go of me... I want to find my children.

Let go of me!"

However, her struggles were to no avail. She finally realized that her efforts were futile, and it was as though something had broken loose inside of her. She wailed in sorrow, screamed, and cried, "Joshua Lynch...! What do you even want from me?! "

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“What do I need to do to make you leave me alone and treat me and the children better? What did I do wrong? Even if it was a mistake to fall for you, that was such a long time ago! Why do I still have to suffer the consequences now...”

Her anguished cries echoed through the entire hallway.

All the sadness and torment that she had gone through all this while finally burst out of her.

Gwen, too, could not help but feel like crying. She immediately rushed forward to pull Luna into her embrace. “Everything will be better. Things will look up soon, Luna! Please don’t...”

However, Luna shook her head in denial. “No, things will never get better...”

No matter how hard she tried, she could not escape Joshua’s wrath at all, and she could not protect her children.

Initially, she did not manage to protect Nigel, who was gravely ill. Then, after that, she failed to keep Neil safe, and he went missing amid the explosion. Finally, she failed to protect Nellie, who ended up with autism.

With Nigel and Nellie already cured and Neil had finally returned, things seemed to be progressing in a

good direction.

However, as soon Fiona and Neil falsely accused her of being mentally insane, Joshua instantly believed them and forced her to go through such inhumane torment and forced her to separate from her children!

The sight of the two women crying together made Luke tilt his head away.

He was not an emotional person, but at this moment, he could not bear to watch or listen any longer for fear of crying himself.

All of a sudden, his phone chimed with a message from Joshua.

[I'm outside the private hospital that you own in Sea City.]

Luke furrowed his brows upon seeing this and immediately strode over to the window and looked out.

A black Masevati was parked at the hospital entrance. At this moment, a man dressed in full black had opened the door and was strolling toward the entrance!

Luke shuddered upon seeing this and quickly turned to look at the two women still crying in the distance. " Please stop crying; Joshua is here."

As soon as they heard this, both Luna and Gwen stopped sobbing. Gwen widened her eyes in shock. “

Why would Joshua be here?”

Luke furrowed his brows and decided not to tell them about the X-ray that he had shown Joshua. “

Maybe he guessed that Luna’s here. Luna doesn’t have many friends here, and since she’s not in

Banyan City, she must be with us. Besides, she suffered injuries, and the first thing anyone would do

after breaking her out is to take her to a hospital. “

Gwen cursed when she heard this, then quickly helped Luna up and dragged her into a nearby room.

As soon as the door closed behind them, the elevator doors slid open.

Joshua’s slow, graceful footsteps echoed through the empty hallway. He made his way to Luke’s side

with Lucas following closely behind and curled his lips into a smirk. “Long time no see, Luke.”

Luke’s expression was a little stiff. “That’s right. It’s been a while since we last met.” He let out a

somewhat awkward cough, turned to dismiss the bodyguards who had been restraining Luna just a few

minutes ago, then smiled at Joshua. “What brings you here today?”

Joshua curled his lips into a sneer.

If Luke had been the only one here, then there would not be so many guards in the hallway. Since

there were so many of them around, he guessed that they had probably been assigned to protect someone.

Joshua glanced at the closed door on one side of the hallway, then turned and sat down on the bench across from it. He crossed his legs on top of each other gracefully and said, "Well, since you touched something of mine, I'm here to talk to you about it."