

## **Luna & Joshua 531**

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“Damn it!”

In the amusement park’s changing room, Alice unwillingly slipped out of her long, red dress and into a long shirt and long pants that the staff provided.

After leaving the changing room, she ran into Neil who had long since been waiting for her at the entrance.

“Ms. Alice, our beautiful day has just started.”

The little guy leaned on the door, licking on the new ice cream that Joshua bought for him and winked in Alice’s direction. “Later I would like to invite you to ride on the roller coaster, the drop tower and the swing pendulum ride too! “

He frowned slightly. “Ms. Alice, are you afraid of heights? I remember there’s also bungee jumping facilities in this amusement park.” As he said that, he turned and glimpsed at her, “Initially, I planned to enjoy those rides with Mommy Luna, but now that she hurt her shoulder, I have no choice but to invite you. Since you’re here today to bond with us children, then you wouldn’t reject an invitation from your beloved son and daughter to enjoy such exciting rides, right?”

Alice trembled slightly. She hated all these exciting, gravity-defying rides the most! If it was not because she wanted to teach Luna a lesson, she would not have come here at all! Her initial plan was to act all lovey-dovey with Joshua in front of Luna and take away her chance of spending time with the children when necessary.

As long as Luna was unhappy, she would be happy.

But now...

Not only did she fail at causing trouble for Luna, instead she was made a fool of the moment they entered the amusement park!

She glared at Neil viciously, expression venomous. "What do you want?"

"Eyesores should know when they're not wanted." Neil took a bite of his ice cream, and smiled in her direction. "It's such a beautiful weekend, you should go and visit your father who's in jail, or perhaps your mother, who's in a bad mood because her husband is in jail. What do you think?"

Alice gritted her teeth, glared at Neil viciously again, and strode away.

Looking at the woman's retreating back, huffing in vexation, Neil lifted the pendant hanging from his

necklace and laughed cheekily, "Nigel, the idea you gave me is perfect! You're the best! "

Nigel's flat voice drifted in from the pendant, "I read up on her, she's a germaphobe, has a fear of heights, and hates exhilarating rides like these."

Neil smiled, his eyes curving into little crescents. " But how did you find information about her? You already know her true identity?"

On the other end of the phone, Nigel hummed flatly in reply, then hurriedly changed the subject. "We must have chased Alice away." "Then what about Joshua?"

"I just hacked into the surveillance system, Nellie seems to be having fun with him..."

Neil frowned. "Forget it, let him stay then. We're leaving tomorrow, and Nellie likes him so much."

In the amusement park outside.

Joshua was shooting at balloons with a BB gun. Nellie stood beside him, hugging a huge teddy bear.

She smiled happily and glanced at Luna, who was sitting at the side. "Mommy, my Daddy is great, isn't he?"

Luna smiled and ruffled the little girl's hair, but remained silent.

The moment Alice stalked out of the dressing room angrily, the first scene that entered her eyes was of

three of them, interacting with each other harmoniously, as if they were a happy family.

Her hands clenched tightly into fists beside her.

She strode toward them, and dove into Joshua's arms the moment he put down the BB gun. "Joshua, I

just got a call. My mother's condition has worsened, and the news that my father is in jail upset her."

She raised her eyes and looked at him pitifully. "Can you accompany me to the hospital to visit my

mother, please?"

Nellie pouted unhappily the moment the words left her mouth. "No, don't! "

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"Daddy promised me just now, he would make szo points, and win me the biggest teddy bear as a

parting gift! "

Alice secretly rolled her eyes at her and raised her head, her voice soft and gentle, "Joshua, since

Nellie wants it so much, let's buy the bear and give it to her, then can you accompany me to the

hospital to visit my mother?"

Nellie pursed her lips. "I don't want you to buy it! I want Daddy to exchange his points for it! A present

that you buy with money is different from one that you earn with your effort and hard work! “

Alice frowned and glared at her. “How is it different! You’ll just get the same teddy bear! “ With that, she

raised her head. “Joshua, visiting my mother is more important, I’m worried something will happen to

her can you accompany me, please?”

She definitely did not want to continue staying here and be tortured by that little bastard, Neil. But if she

left by herself and left Joshua here with them...

Was that not exactly what Luna wanted?

At this thought, Alice even pulled on Joshua’s arm and started whining, “Joshua...”

Looking at her like this, a laugh escaped Luna’s tight lips.

“Even if your mother was upset, she should have been the most upset yesterday. You weren’t even by

her side yesterday, why are you suddenly such a filial daughter today?”

With that, she changed into a comfortable position and leaned back on the bench, holding Nellie’s hand

as she laughed lightly, “Besides, didn’t you just say this morning that you didn’t want to leave Neil and

Nellie, that’s why you came along. We haven’t even been here for an hour, and you want to leave

already?"

Luna was looking at Alice when she said these words.

Alice clearly read the taunt and condescension in her words. She narrowed her eyes viciously. She

knew Luna was saying these as revenge for her threatening words this morning.

"Alice." Joshua frowned slightly, pushing Alice away from him. "Luna is right. This morning before we

left, you put in so much effort to convince me to come along with you and have fun with the children.

And now we just arrived but you're already rushing to leave."

"Exactly." Nellie took the fruit juice that Lucas just bought for her and sucked hard on the straw. "Neil

even said he wants to ride on the roller coaster and drop tower with Ms. Alice later! "

She bit her lip, turned, and looked at Joshua. "Joshua. will you accompany me to the hospital, please?

I'm really worried about my mother..."

"If you're worried, you can go by yourself. " Nellie sucked in another mouthful of juice. "Daddy still

needs to win me the big teddy bear! "

Alice bit her lip at the little girl's words. Before she could say anything, Joshua opened his mouth and

said faintly, "Since you're so worried about your mother , ask Lucas to drive you home."

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Alice herself knew her reason was not strong enough to convince Joshua to give up the two children and leave with her. But still, she gritted her teeth secretly and pulled on Joshua's sleeve in a whine, putting in a last-ditch effort. "Joshua..."

Luna yawned and turned away, right at that moment she saw the carousel had started rotating. She lowered her eyes and whispered in Nellie's ears.

Nellie pursed her lips and stood up, carrying her teddy bear in her hands. "Daddy, since you're so busy, you don't want to win the toy for me. After all, you haven't given me any meaningful presents before, I'm used to it!"

With that, the little girl held Luna's hand and the mother and daughter pair headed in the direction of the carousel.

Seeing as the eyesores were finally gone, Alice heaved a sigh of relief, "Joshua, let's..."

"Daddy."

Before she could finish her sentence, Neil appeared out of nowhere, holding four tickets to the roller

coaster in his hand. "Let's try out this ride, okay? "

As he spoke, he even turned and glanced at Alice. " Our family of four can go and try out the ride together, okay?"

Joshua raised his slips in a smile, then reached out and took the tickets from Neil. "Okay."

He turned and looked at Alice. "Since you don't want to go to the hospital by yourself, you should stay and accompany the kids. Luna is right, the timeframe when she was most upset has already passed, we can go visit her tomorrow."

With that, he reached out and held her hand. "I remember you once wrote in your diary that you hope one day, we can be like any other couple, and try out all the exciting rides in the amusement park."

The man looked at her, his eyes filled with deep and unfailing affection. "I was too busy before and never really took the time to spend time with you. Today is our chance."

He spoke solemnly as if by accompanying her like this, he really wanted to make up for the loss and regret he caused all those years ago.

But Alice paled as his words drifted into her ears. She never expected Luna, who looked all soft and



gentle on the surface, would write something like this in her diary. What was even more unexpected was that not only did Neil want to drag her onto the roller coaster, even Joshua wanted to!

She grit her teeth, cursed Luna viciously in her heart, then glanced at the time. "Joshua, I 'in still worried about my mother..."

With that, she sucked in a deep breath, her expression bellying her awkwardness and reluctance. "I know you want to accompany me, but you want to spend time with the children too. But to me, my parents who gave birth to me and raised me are still more important... They've gotten on in age too, they don't have much time left with me. But we still have a lot of time with each other... I think I should go now."

She turned and strode away, as if she was making an escape.

Looking at her retreating back, a cheeky, self- satisfied smile appeared on Neil's lips.

However, Joshua was deeply moved by this incident. This was the Luna Gibson of his memories. A filial daughter, kind and gentle. But the remaining regret that he had never truly spent time with her... It would have to wait.

"Mr. Lynch." Neil turned and looked at Joshua. " Since I already bought the tickets, they'll go to waste if

we don't use them. Why not ask Mommy Luna and Nellie to join us, and the four of us can ride it together?"

Joshua narrowed his eyes and looked at the two girls, one big and one small, who were riding on the carousel.

Their bright, beaming smiles were identical.

Joshua watched them for a while before turning and glanced at Neil. "Her injury... is she okay?"

"She should be fine."

In an extremely rare gesture, the little guy reached out and held onto Joshua's sleeve. "My Mommy promised she would accompany us to the amusement park, but she was always so busy. Why not take this opportunity to fulfill her dream?"

Joshua was silent for a moment before agreeing.

Together, the family of four sat on the roller coaster, the swing pendulum ride, and many, many other rides that Luna always wanted to try but never had the chance to ride.

Joshua was surprised, despite her quiet and gentle appearance, he never expected Luna would go so

crazy when she played with the kids.

In the end, when they were riding on the Ferris Wheel, he sat opposite her, and looked at her side

profile as she stared out the window with Nellie in her arms, his gaze could not but turn gentle

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He seemed to have seen many different sides of Luna today. He gradually understood why the children

liked her so much, why they still tried their best to protect her even though they knew she was the fake

mommy that stole them away.

Because she was worth it.

Throughout the day, the family of four tried out all the rides in the amusement park.

Outside, Alice never left. Through the CCTV feed, she studied Luna and Joshua's smiling faces, her

hands clenched into fists beside her. Joshua had initially planned to work today. But because she still

held a grudge after being taunted by Luna at the hospital yesterday, she pestered Joshua, insisting he

bring her along today to stir up trouble.

However, she did not expect Luna herself to remain passive, instead Luna's two little bastards started

causing trouble for her! The more she thought about it, the more furious she grew. Finally, her fist

slammed into the screen of the laptop in front of her!

In the evening, it started raining heavily. The heavy downpour filled the roads with rainwater.

Standing at the entrance to the hotel beside the amusement park, Lucas raised his head and looked at the raindrops pouring from the sky. "Sir, I don't think we can make it back tonight."

The amusement park was located in the suburbs, traffic was already poor, and now the roads were clogged with rainwater. Plus, they had the two children with them.

Joshua glanced at the time and nodded. "Then we'll spend the night here tonight." The heavy rainfall would continue for some time.

With that, the man raised his legs and headed upstairs.

In the restaurant upstairs, the owner of the hotel had the most luxurious dinner prepared for them. The moment they started eating, Neil and Nellie devoured their food ravenously.

Throughout the day, even though they thoroughly enjoyed themselves, they were also thoroughly exhausted. As gentle as always, Luna poured some juice for the both of them and said, "Slow down."

But no one listened to her. Soon, the two little fellows were done with their meal.

The atmosphere was quietly ambiguous. Luna lowered her head, focusing on her food.

“I never thought you would enjoy such exciting games.” Looking at her with her head bowed, Joshua opened his mouth and asked faintly.

Holding her cutlery, her hands paused slightly. A moment later, she raised her head and smiled. “

You’re very surprised, aren’t you?”

“Yeah.” He nodded. “You’re the second woman I know who... has a gentle personality and yet is hiding a crazy side within her.”

“Who’s the first one then?”

“My wife.” He raised his wine glass and took a sip of the liquid inside. “Or should I say, my wife as she used to be.” As he sipped his drink, he started reminiscing about the past. “Like you, she used to be kind and gentle too, I always thought that was just who she was, a cute and obedient girl. Until later on, after she disappeared, I read in her diary that she wanted me to accompany her to the amusement park, and ride on all the dangerous and exhilarating rides...”

After he finished, he even hooked the corners of his lips upward and glanced at Luna. “She’s very similar to you, don’t you think so?”

Her hands that were holding her cutlery trembled slightly. A second later, she laughed.

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A moment later, she laughed, "You're right, we are quite similar. But she doesn't seem to like them anymore."

The man sucked in a breath. "People change, she's completely different now from the woman she used to be."

Luna raided her eyes and looked at him. "Then what about you? Are you the same man you are now as you were back then?"

Joshua paused, then laughed, "You didn't know me back then."

Luna lifted her lips in a smile. "That's true."

She knew the man he used to be, better than anyone else.

The atmosphere in the restaurant turned quiet again. By the time the both of them finished their meal, each occupied with their own thoughts, the downpour outside had stopped. The fresh, earthy scent of wet soil permeated the air.

Maybe because he had spent the day having fun with the children, Joshua felt particularly relaxed. That was why after dinner, he invited Luna up to the roof for moon gazing.

In the night sky that was just washed by the rain, the moon was nowhere to be seen, with only tiny specks of golden stars shining brightly in the distance.

On such a beautiful night, he felt as if his soul had been cleansed too.

The man beside her downed the red wine in his glass, and started asking about the past few years, about her life, raising Neil and Nellie alone.

After spending the whole day together, he saw how she opened her heart to the children, and truly understood he could never make up for the six years that he was absent from the children's lives.

But just because he could not make up for it, did not mean he could not try to understand.

In the beginning, Luna was reluctant to discuss the children. He was too sharp and perceptive; she was worried she would accidentally expose the fact that she actually had three children. But...

When he had downed five to six glasses of wine, his voice started to grow vague and indistinct, his words slurring together. She finally felt at ease and quietly started to tell him about the children's past.

"Since he was a kid, Neil has been very sensible, because Nellie was always sick, and I was busy all

the time. He even learned how to cook for sister. Once, I came home from work and immediately

smelled the fragrance of scrambled eggs wafting through the whole house. I opened the door and saw

Neil standing on a little stool, frying eggs in the kitchen, his entire body covered in oil... ”

She looked up at the night sky as she said this, gentle affection swimming through her eyes.

Joshua looked at her nearly-perfect side profile, and the glow in her eyes, and he started beating

violently, as if it had been hit by an object.

Under the influence of the alcohol, any sense of rationality had long fled his mind.

He turned and looked at her. “Luna.”

The moment she turned her head, with a loud clang, Joshua’s wine glass fell on the ground.

His kiss was sudden and furious, undeniable. Luna was shocked, she wanted to push him away.

But her hands reached out and wrapped around his slim, yet muscular waist.

She closed her eyes and immersed herself in his gentle movements. At this moment, she could no

longer tell whether she accepted Nigel’s illness or...

The fire between the two of them burned from the roof all the way to Joshua’s room.



The night was long.

And so was the ambiguity between them.

In a second on the second floor of the hotel, Alice who had been caught in the rain took a shower and blow-dried her hair. Then, she refused to give up and adamantly put on the same set of revealing pajamas.

She refused to believe she could not make him hers!

She made a mistake today, willingly giving Luna an opportunity to have fun with Joshua and the two children.

But tonight, Joshua was definitely hers!

After slipping into the pajamas, she covered herself with a trench coat and headed upstairs. She had gotten Joshua's room key from Lucas and even reminded them not to come upstairs. She was still his wife, even if Lucas did not want to obey her orders, he had no other choice.

Alice sucked in a deep breath and took the key out of her pocket confidently. Earlier downstairs, she had heard from Lucas that Joshua had been drinking tonight, and quite a lot at that.

That was why...

“Luna...”

Inserting the key into the keyhole, before she could turn it in the lock, she heard the sounds of a man and a woman’s mixed breathing drifting out of the room.

The sounds were harsh in her ears, a trace of resentment flashed in Alice’s eyes. She clutched the key in her hand tightly.

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If only she opened this door and caught them in the act, then Luna and Joshua would never have the chance to hook up again!

But...

If she really did that, would Luna rather they both die together and expose her true identity? Dennis had just been imprisoned more than a month ago and she did not gain anything from the Lynch Group. If

her identity was exposed at this point in time, not just her alone, but the entire Walter family would truly

be left with nothing!

At this thought, she could only suppress the bubbling anger in her chest, pull out the key, and go back

to the room next door.

The walls of the hotel were truly soundproof, even if she sat in the room beside Joshua's, she could not hear a single sound drifting out of his room.

But just because she could not hear them, did not mean they did not exist.

Alice scrolled through the news on her phone in frustration, planning to employ the same trick again later, and drag Luna into this room.

Right at that moment, her eyes scanned through a new article:

"The location of the master artist Theo Allen's lodging has been exposed, it turned out he had been staying at a single apartment at the Swan Lake

Residences all along. Currently, Swan Lake Residences has been surrounded by fans of his art.

According to reports, Mr. Theo Allen did not return home tonight, where could he go..."

Alice narrowed her eyes slightly, an idea flashing through her mind...

The night passed by in a blur.

The next morning, Luna awoke from her slumber, her entire body aching. She did not know why, but

Joshua was particularly rough with her last night. If she had not fainted in the end, she had no idea how crazy he could become.

At the thought of this, she massaged her temples

and pressed down on the mattress, trying to climb up from the bed.

She reached out and came into contact with a man's arm. She frowned, thinking it was Joshua. But the moment she turned, her eyes widened into saucers from shock.

The man who lay with her in bed was not Joshua! But Theo Allen, dressed in nothing but his pajamas!

She retraced her hand as if she had been burned, leaning backward immediately, shock and fear lacing her voice. "Theo, why are you here?"

Her voice roused him, Theo frowned, and slowly opened his eyes. Confusion and surprise flooded his features when he saw Luna, lying in bed with him in a state of undress.

As if on instinct, he pulled at the blankets to cover himself up. "What happened?" Luna frowned. "You don't know?"

"How would I know!" Theo massaged his aching temples. "Last night, my fans crowded around my building. I didn't dare go home, so I went to a hotel and stayed the night. But in the middle of my sleep,

the front desk called me and said my fans stalked me to the hotel, asking me to escape through the back door. The moment I ran out the back door, I was knocked unconscious...”

He turned and studied his surroundings. “Where is this?”

Luna frowned slightly, finally calming herself down. It was obvious that she and Theo had been framed.

Last night Joshua was drunk, but she was completely sober. She clearly remembered she was with

Joshua, he had tortured her until 3 or 4 a.m. when she finally fainted and fell into a deep sleep. And

now, she was barely dressed, lying in bed with Theo was just wearing nothing but a set of pajamas.

It was obvious what the person who set them up wanted.

Sucking in a deep breath, she immediately calmed herself. “Theo, nothing happened between us last night.”

Theo frowned, and glimpsed the woman’s exposed skin that was littered with hickeys. “We... are you sure nothing happened between us?”

“Of course.” Luna sucked in a deep breath. “I can’t explain this to you. But you’re an adult too, I’m sure you understand what it means when a man and a woman are put on the same bed even though

nothing happened between them. You should leave now, before anyone comes.”

Theo paused and nodded. “Alright.”

Even if something had happened between them, he could not stay here, he would ruin her reputation.

At this thought, he hurriedly put on his shoes and climbed off the bed.

With her back facing him, Luna heard the sound of him opening the door, and heaved out a long sigh.

“Mr. Theo Allen, why are you here?” Suddenly, Joshua’s cold voice drifted in from the entrance.

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Luna’s blood froze in her veins at the sound of the man’s voice.

She turned.

Joshua stood at the door, his expression dark and stormy, his hand raised, blocking Theo’s path.

Beside him, Alice looked in Luna’s direction with a smile on her face.

Seeing her turn around, Alice widened her eyes in faux-shock. “So, last night, Luna and Mr. Allen... “

As she spoke, she even walked past Theo and came to Luna’s bedside, picking up her jacket from the

floor and placing it on her shoulders, “How come your clothes are all torn, Mr. Allen is such an elegant

artist, why is he not gentle at all when it comes to something like this?”

Luna narrowed her eyes. When Alice bent down to wrap the jacket around her shoulders, she lowered her voice and whispered, "You did this?"

Alice curled her lips up in a smile. "I don't understand what you're talking about." With that, she took a step backward, turned, and glanced at Theo and Joshua standing in the doorway. "Luckily, the children were sleeping in the children's room downstairs last night. Otherwise, tsk tsk..."

She stealthily glimpsed at Joshua, then walked to him and hooked her arm through his, "Joshua, I never knew Mr. Allen and Luna are already so intimate."

Joshua's expression further darkened at her words. He frowned, raised his eyes, and glanced at Theo coldly. "When did you come?"

Theo sucked in a deep breath. "Luna and I, it's not what you think! "

He took a step backward, his emotions running wild. "Luna and I were framed, we were trapped! We didn't do anything last night! "

It was true, he had feelings for Luna all along, but he knew she did not feel the same way. He did not like forcing his will on others, and neither did he want to cause her trouble.

“Yesterday I was ambushed by my fans, I couldn’t go home, so I...”

“So you came to see Luna?”

Before he could finish his sentence, Alice interrupted him. She gave a faint tut and said, “Both of you are single, so something like this could happen, it’s nothing out of the ordinary. Why do you keep denying it, Mr. Allen?”

She rolled her eyes. “Could it be, you don’t want to take responsibility?”

With that, Alice sighed, and dove into Joshua’s arms. “Joshua, no matter what Luna is our children’s foster mother, and our friend. If Mr. Allen doesn’t want to take responsibility, shouldn’t we help her? “

Joshua remained silent. His eyes were trained tightly on Luna, as if he wanted to see through her, to read her mind.

All along, she had been focused on no one else but him. She never displayed any sense of intimacy with Theo in front of him before.

And now?!

They were already in such an intimate relationship!

If it was not for Alice who woke up early in the morning and insisted on coming to get Luna so all three



of them could send the children off together, he would never realize Luna and Theo were engaging in such activities last night!

This woman who stargazed and enjoyed a few drinks with him...

And yet, after leaving him, she secretly brought a man back to her hotel room. She kept insisting that she loved the children, with all her heart, and was even afraid that their biological mother, Alice, might hurt them.

And now what happened?

The night before the children were scheduled to leave, she and Theo would exert themselves so much in the hotel, until the point where she was still asleep at a time like this!

He looked at her, his eyes ice-cold. "The children are leaving for the airport in three minutes. So it turns out Ms. Luna who loves the children so deeply, only cares about her own pleasure, and isn't even willing to send the children off to the airport?"

Only then did Li Yue suddenly come back to her senses.

That's right!

They were supposed to send Neil and Nellie to the airport today!

She wanted to climb out of bed and put on her clothes, but right now, the moment she moved, she would...

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As if he read through her mind, Joshua laughed coldly, "Forget it. Neil is a very punctual child, he already left with Nellie ten minutes ago."

A range of emotions ran across Luna's face, from anxiety to helplessness and lastly despair. Not only did she miss out on the chance to send the children off at the airport...

She could hardly explain what was going on between her and Theo.

"I said, Luna and I are not involved in that sort of relationship!" Theo frowned. "There's a misunderstanding!"

"How can this be a misunderstanding?"

When Theo repeatedly emphasized that he had nothing to do with Luna, Joshua finally screwed his eyebrows together, and looked at both him and Luna indifferently. "You said nothing happened between

you, then how do you explain everything in this room?”

In the room, not only was the entire bed in a mess, Luna’s clothes were scattered on the carpet.

Her high-heels, clutch, jacket, stockings...

All of that just seemed to showcase how intense the battle between them was last night.

Theo was at a loss for an explanation, how matter how hard he tried, he could not provide a logical

explanation. “If I say it didn’t happen, then it didn’t happen! Luna has no feelings for me, she

wouldn’t...”

Joshua raised his head, his eyes cold and ruthless. “Just because she doesn’t have feelings for you,

does that mean she wouldn’t sleep with you?”

As he spoke, he turned and looked at her. “Since when was Ms. Luna such a woman of principle?

Don’t tell me every man she slept with, she did so because she had feelings for him?”

Luna’s hands clenched into fists beside her. She knew he was taunting her and also mocking her.

She had slept with him countless times. Not every time was out of love. But she figured, that time last

night, might have been out of love.

And yet.

The next morning, the man who just last night had turned her world upside down, now firmly believed that she had spent the night with Theo, even resorting to asking her questions like these.

So, she curled her lips and smiled. "So what if I did, and what if I didn't?" She picked up the bedcovers and wrapped them tightly around herself. Then, she turned and looked condescendingly at Joshua who was standing in the hallway. "Mrs. Lynch is right, both Theo and I are single. As adults, can't we just do what we want?"

Her words instantly cooled down the temperature in the room.

Theo frowned. "Luna, we didn't..."

"There's nothing to hide." Luna's voice was indifferent as she said, "The hickeys on my body and everything in this room proved that I did sleep with a man last night. If that man isn't you..."

As she spoke, she raised her eyebrows and side-eyed Joshua. "Then don't tell me, it's Mr. Lynch?"

The atmosphere in the room chilled even further at her sentence.

Luna looked in Joshua's direction emotionlessly. " But I don't understand, Mr. and Mrs. Lynch are here at my door early in the morning, questioning me about my relationship with Theo as if we are having an

affair. Why? Does the Lynch Group have a rule that its female employees can't spend the night with another man?"

Joshua narrowed his eyes, his gaze as cold as the ice of winter. He gritted his teeth, forcing every word out between his lips. "I didn't say the two of you can't be together. But Luna, don't you know the situation yesterday, and our plans for today? You missed out on sending the children off because of something like this, this is the love you say you have for the children?"

Luna swept her hair back elegantly. "I love the children, and at the same time, I love Theo too. There is no conflict between the two." With that, she raised her eyes and glanced at Joshua indifferently.

"However, I would like to ask, where did the hickey on your neck come from?"

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"The hickey on my husband's neck... of course I planted it."

Alice still lay on Joshua's chest arrogantly, looking at Luna condescendingly. "If it wasn't me, don't tell me you planted it?"

Luna curled her lips, raised her eyes, and looked at Joshua coldly. "Mr. Lynch, do you also think your wife was the one who planted it?"

Joshua's expression darkened immediately. He remembered where the hickey on his neck came from.

Last night, he was stargazing with Luna on the roof. He was drunk and somehow the two of them started kissing. He remembered they kissed for a long time; Luna even recklessly left a hickey on his neck.

Later, the alcohol overtook his brain, and his mind fuddled. But he vaguely remembered he had slept with a woman. He thought he had spent the whole night with Luna, but unexpectedly when he woke up in the morning, the woman lying beside him was Alice!

He was confused and also worried something could have happened to her...

In the end, by the time he rushed to her room, he saw her with Theo, barely dressed at all!

Fury, confusion, disappointment...

A myriad of emotions surged in his chest.

And yet this woman could so shamelessly mention the hickey on his neck in front of him?

Did she not know how to spell the word 'shameless'? She had been kissing him on the rooftop in the wee hours of the morning and now there was another man in her bed!

At this thought, Joshua laughed coldly, "Of course the hickey on my neck was planted by Alice." He looked at her coldly. "If it wasn't Alice, don't tell me it's from you?"

He crossed his arms over his chest, his gaze deep and cold. "Ms. Luna, don't tell me you're trying to say, last night you kissed me first, then spent the night with Mr. Allen? When you were having fun with him last night, were you also speaking to Mr. Quinn on the phone?"

Luna froze in place, the color on her face fading little by little.

She only questioned Joshua about the cause of the hickey on his neck to test whether he remembered what happened last night. Based on his current attitude, he obviously remembered. She squeezed her hands tightly into fists on her side, her nails embedded in her palms.

He remembered, he remembered everything! Not only did he remember, he even taunted her for first sleeping with him, and then sleeping with Theo! He even mentioned Malcolm!

What was he trying to say?

That she was an easy woman who would spread her legs for any man?

"Who's Mr. Quinn?" Alice widened her eyes in faux- shock. "Is he... Ms. Luna's boyfriend? Why haven't I heard of him before?"

Joshua narrowed his eyes, fury raging in the bottom of his eyes, his tone cold and cruel. "Of course she wouldn't mention him. If she did, how can she seduce other men?"

The moment the words left his mouth, Theo's brows screwed tightly together. "Joshua Lynch, what the hell are you saying?"

"Am I wrong?"

He shook off Alice's hold on his arm and stalked toward Luna step by step. The eyes that were fixed on Luna were bone -chillingly cold as if carrying the chill of a thousand -year-long frost. "In the name of accompanying the children on a trip, you spent the night in one of our high -end hotels owned by the Lynch Group, then you brought your man here..."

Walking up to Luna, he lifted her chin up with a single hand. "Staying in a company-owned hotel room, spending the company's money, doing all of this under the name of the children... Luna, you're very smart, very skilled! "

Luna raised her eyes, cold eyes meeting his. "Mr. Lynch, you're not too bad yourself, aren't you?"

With that, she lowered her voice and said in a tone that only the two of them were privy to, "Do you



really want me to tell everyone present what you and I did last night?”

He blinked violently and his eyes seemed to pause.

Luna flung away his arm that was holding her chin, “ Mr. Lynch, I would like to remind you, I’m still

single. I can be whoever I want, even if last night I first slept with one man, then later slept with a

different man, it’s no one’s business but mine. What right do you have to question me? Who are you to

me?” Joshua’s expression darkened immediately.

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He narrowed his eyes harshly. “You are an employee of the Lynch Group! If news that your personal

life is a mess spreads out, the Group’s reputation will be ruined! “

Luna laughed again.

“Mr. Lynch, look. Only you and Mrs. Lynch know of this matter. If neither you nor Mrs. Lynch tells

anyone, how can my messy private life affect the Group’s reputation?”

With that, she swept her eyes coldly at Alice. “Mrs. Lynch, do you think I’m right?”

“Of course, of course.”

Alice answered swiftly, but sneered from the bottom of her heart. As expected of Luna. Even at a time

like this, she remembered to seal her mouth with such words.

The moment Alice's words left her mouth, Luna moved back slightly, and glanced at Joshua coldly. “

Mr. Lynch, aren't you leaving yet? Do you want to stay here and continue discussing the Lynch Group's

corporate culture with me... Or do you want to continue probing into the topic of where you got that.

hickey from?”

Her tone was gentle and indifferent, but the threat in her words was barely veiled at all.

Joshua's hands clenched into fists beside him, with nowhere to vent the anger filling his chest.

This woman... previously all of her attention was focused on him! Just last night, she was kissing him

on the roof! And just a moment later, she was already with Theo... How could she? He was wrong

about

her! He did not see through her! “Joshua, let's go.”

Standing in the entrance, Alice frowned and said gently, “Luna is right. How many men she sleeps with,

is no one's business but her own... as long as she is more careful in the future, it will not affect the

reputation of our organization. “

With that, she glanced at the disheveled Luna. "Let's go. Give her a chance to put on some clothes..."

Joshua narrowed his eyes, his gaze sweeping across Luna's face coldly. "Ms. Luna does need to put on some clothes. After all, it's daytime now."

With that, the man turned and left coldly. The room door was closed with a 'bang'.

Alice's coquettish voice sounded in the hallway. "Joshua, don't be mad, Luna is someone who'll do something like that, so next time... Joshua, slow down, wait for me..."

Listening as the sound of the footsteps drifted further and further away, Luna fell onto the bed in a heap, feeling as if all the strength in her body had seeped out of her. Sadness and despair wrapped her heart up in layers.

Joshua clearly remembered everything... He clearly remembered he was the man she was with last night! So why did he set up this show? Because... he was worried Alice might misunderstand? He... really cared about her so much?

"Luna."

At that moment, Theo's gentle voice drifted into her ears, "The man last night... was he Joshua?"

Luna closed her eyes and nodded silently.

“I knew it!” Theo gritted his teeth harshly. “I’m going to see him now!” As he spoke, he lifted his leg and was about to chase after Joshua — —