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Sasha's expression changed while she shouted angrily, "Demi, shut up! Let me tell you, whoever did it should assume the responsibility. I would never let Matthew bear the burden for this matter!"

Demi was utterly annoyed. "Mom told us to do that. According to what you say, should Mom and I be accountable then? You might as well throw us into prison!"

Sasha was speechless for a while before she finally made out a few words in a low voice, "You and Mom should hold full responsibility. I-I'll think of a way to settle the money!"

Demi refuted coldly, "You'll settle it? How are you going to pay back such a huge sum? I bet that you'll only manage to compensate the full amount after the both of us finish our prison sentence. Sasha, do you want Mom to die in jail?"

James scolded furiously, "Demi, watch your words! How could you curse your mother?"

Looking angry, Demi muttered softly, "That's the truth!"

Liam waved his hands. "Demi, you don't have to argue. No matter how much we say, only Matthew's decision will matter in the end. Why don't we ask him if he is willing to do it? If he isn't willing to sacrifice himself for this family and Sasha, I'll just cast this idea aside. Worse comes to worst, I'll just go all out and bear all the hardships for this family, even if it means risking my life! After all, Mom and Dad care so much about me, just like you did. How could I stand by the side and watch them get hurt?" While speaking, Liam even faked a few tears and acted to be staunchly righteous.

Demi was moved to tears. On the contrary, Sasha almost burst in anger because Liam was just too disgusting. Whatever he said was just a tactic of deliberately prodding Matthew into action. If Matthew refused to bear the responsibility, he would be seen as unwilling to sacrifice for the family and Sasha. It was purely a moral coercion.

Even Helen glanced at Matthew, looking forward to his answer. Just when Sasha was about to reject on behalf of Matthew, he unexpectedly replied, "I'm willing to!"

"What?!" everyone exclaimed in chorus.

Demi burst out laughing. "That's awesome! Matthew, you didn't let us down in the end. You're worthy of receiving all our kindness all these years!"

A smug sneer appeared in Liam's eyes while he pretended to look helpless. "Sigh! I'm so useless. I can't even help in this matter. Matthew, I think I should do it instead. After all, Demi and I were the ones who sold the jade bracelet. For Demi's sake, I'm willing to do anything!"

Demi covered her mouth and sobbed emotionally.

Sasha became anxious. "Why should he? You are the one who made that mistake. Why should Matthew bear the consequences?"

James coughed lightly. "That's enough, Sasha. Don't be too agitated. Didn't we mention earlier that Matthew is close with the Grahams? Perhaps nothing will happen to him!"

Sasha rebutted angrily, "You know it too that there's no guarantee for it. What if something happens to Matthew?"

James flew into rage due to embarrassment. "Do you have to argue about this with me? Why are you doing this? You feel that your mother and I should bear the responsibility and suffer in jail, don't you? Very well, then. After all these years of taking care of you, you're all grown up now ready to oppose us. That's fine. Since your mother is weak, I'll go to prison instead. Is that better? Are you happy now?"

Helen sighed in dejection. "Old man, if you go to jail, I won't live either. Forget it. Let us pay the debt with our lives. Anyway, we'll just be an eyesore staying at home. I give up on living..."

At once, Sasha was at a loss as to what to do. Facing her parents' unreasonable actions, she really ran out of ideas to deal with them. At that moment, Matthew said, "Mom, Dad, don't be angry. I'll bear the responsibility of this matter."