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Faye seemed very powerful, but in truth, she was just putting on an act using the Edwards' family name. To be honest, their family wasn't even qualified enough to participate in the grand Edwards Family meeting at all.

Nonetheless, her family name was rather useful to dupe unsuspecting outsiders who were oblivious about the exact situation in their family. At the very least, she could use her family name to boss people around and do whatever she pleased in the camp.

She had really rounded up several students in an attempt to mess with Company 49. For example, she was going to order those students to climb over their windows and mess up their dormitory so that they wouldn't get any points for cleanliness; she was even thinking about getting several people to beat up students from Company 49. However, before she could do so, Nathan had 'sacrificed' himself and saved them.

Those people who had been gathered by Faye to get back at Sophia came to protest with her.

"Miss Faye, the General favors Nate more than anyone else in the camp now; if we lay a finger on him, I'm afraid the General will take..."

"It seems like Nate is not an ordinary kid, so how about we just forget about it?"

"Yeah, that's right. If the General finds out about this, we'll suffer serious consequences from it! Why don't we teach her a lesson right after the military training is over?"

Faye blew her top at once. She didn't expect that an ordinary peasant would dare to climb on top and sh*t on her. "All of you are worthless losers! A bunch of useless losers!"

Faye scolded and chased everyone away, almost exploding with anger. However, there was nothing she could do about it.

She didn't expect the little boy to be so capable; he had managed to get Joel to hold his hand and walk him around. Not only that, Joel seemed to like him very much!

Since she couldn't get back at Sophia in the camp, she would wait until the military training was over. Then, she would definitely teach Sophia a lesson!

Since Nathan had 'sacrificed' himself, everyone in Company 49 became motivated once more; all of them were eager to get a high score in their military training.

Michael watched as everything happened through the CCTV. He sighed, "My wife is very capable indeed!"

Usually, he had to threaten Nathan so that his son would do something for him; Sophia actually had the ability to persuade Nathan and made him fawn over Joel willingly. She was very capable indeed!

Just then, Harry walked over to Michael cheekily with a laptop in his hands. "Hey Dad, check this out. There's a petition going around in the gaming world, asking everyone to unite and kill Sirius!"

Michael took a glance at the gaming page on Harry's laptop.

Recently, Sirius233 had been killing almost everyone he came into contact with in the gaming world. Not only did he kill quite a number of people, he had also massacred about seven to eight guilds which aroused discontentment and anger among people in the gaming world.

As a result, several people organized a grand meeting and called upon brave leaders to unite and kill Sirius233—they had even placed a bounty on Sirius' head.

All of them pooled some money together and bought a powerful ultimate weapon as a reward for the person that killed Sirius. The campaign was quite grand and very much supported!

Harry pointed at the screen and commented, "Look, that Fletcher kid is here too. It seems like he's very enthusiastic about the campaign!"

Michael lay back down on the bed. As he read his script, he said plainly, "Make an announcement for me in the gaming world. Anyone who dares to lay a finger on Sirius will have to deal with me."

Harry was very surprised. "Why? Is Sirius someone incredible that I don't know about?"

Michael flipped the script over and replied, "That's Sophia."

Harry was speechless. Great. Apart from Michael, no one will be able to kill Sirius—that demonic villain—in the video game.

Everyone hoped that the day of the shooting training would arrive faster. Soon enough, that day had come. All of them exclaimed in excitement during the middle of training, and they were all very excited early in the morning.

At eight o'clock in the morning, everyone organized themselves into groups and departed after they finished their morning exercise routine. They had been grouped according to their respective companies and departed for the shooting center at Audistin in cars.

On the way to their destination, there was nothing but rural areas throughout the journey. After traveling for more than an hour in those cars, they finally arrived at

the shooting center in Audistin. Then, the students marched into Audistin in an orderly manner.

Although it was a shooting training, they regarded the trip as a holiday. Audistin was closed to the public and opened exclusively for the students today. Still, it was impossible for several thousand people to fit in the shooting center at one go. Hence, the students had to queue up and take turns if they wanted to shoot some targets.

Therefore, everyone decided to split up. The First and Second Regiments took turns to shoot in the morning, whereas the Third and Fourth Regiments would shoot in the afternoon. As they waited for their turns, they could stroll around in Audistin and visit the filming set of 'Doctor Invincible'.

At noon, they would have lunch at the restaurant in Audistin. In the evening, there would be a meet-and-greet with the movie cast.

It was Sophia's turn to shoot in the morning. However, she wasn't very keen on shooting immobile targets; she preferred to go to the hunting ground next door to hunt for living targets.

In her opinion, shooting living targets would be much more practical and effective to test a person's shooting skills. Besides, she wasn't very interested in the meet-and-greet with the superstars either; she would rather find a place to play her video game.

After waiting in line for a long time, it still wasn't her turn to shoot yet. Hence, Sophia gave up immediately.

"Darling, let's find a place with computers and play video games!" As she said that, she dragged Nathan along to a cybercafé in Audistin.

Nathan's expression changed abruptly upon hearing that she wanted to play video games. He grabbed her immediately and said. "I want to shoot targets!"

“Okay, okay, okay. Let’s go and shoot some targets.”

Nathan dragged Sophia to the shooting center. After queueing up for their turns the entire morning, they only had time to shoot for about twenty minutes.

At noon, Sophia and Nathan had lunch at Audistin’s restaurant. After that, Sophia walked toward the cybercafé again. Nathan grabbed onto the bottom of her trousers immediately and said, “I want to visit the filming set!”

Sophia had no choice but to accompany him to the filming set of ‘Doctor Invincible’. Automatically, Gemma tagged along with them too.

While they were on their way to the filming set, they bumped into two familiar figures—Sarah and Sean.

Sarah complained to Sophia the moment she saw her. “It’s a trap! They’ve tricked us!”

Sophia was confused. “What happened?”

Sarah asked, “Do you know why they wanted us to come here today?”

Feeling puzzled, Sophia asked, “Why?”

Sarah was very furious. “That production crew is a cheating bunch! They lied to us because they wanted us to be extras in their film. I went there this morning, but I didn’t see Taylor or Ethan around either! They simply asked us to lie down and pretend that we were dead in our military uniforms! Screw them!”

Sophia expressed her surprise. “They can do that?”

However, it didn’t seem to decrease everyone’s enthusiasm and desire to see Taylor and Ethan. Those who went there and became extras in the morning went

over again in the afternoon; they heard that Taylor and Ethan would be at the filming set in the afternoon.

Sophia decided not to go the moment she heard that the filming crew was luring them in as extras. She grabbed Nathan immediately and said, "Let's go, it's a trap. We'll just go and play some video games!"

Nathan simply pouted his lips without saying anything, so Sophia gave in to his wish. "Okay, okay, we'll go and visit the filming set."

In the end, she still took Nathan to the filming set. Although Sarah kept saying that she didn't want to go anymore, she still tagged along with them. On the contrary, Sean was very excited instead.

"Oh, I'm going to meet my handsome idol soon!" Sean was on cloud nine. He danced excitedly as his waist swayed from left to right.

Sarah teased him playfully. "You can stop dreaming now, Sean. Taylor and Ethan are a couple, and they've already gotten married!"

Sean pouted his lips, looking like he was incredibly upset. "I don't care! I just want to see my handsome idol! It doesn't matter if I have to be an extra!"

The group of five people soon arrived at the filming set. Since the set had been cordoned off, they could only watch from the outside. It seemed like they were filming some exciting scenes inside which required lots of extras; they would take a group of students into the set from time to time. The students were very excited as they fought against each other to be the extras.

Standing outside of the cordoned area, Sophia began losing her enthusiasm after being squeezed around in the crowd. She pulled Nathan aside and said, "Okay, we've seen the set. Let's go back and play video games!"

Nathan pouted his lips and was extremely unhappy with Sophia's suggestion. Right at that moment, several staff from the filming set came out to pick more

extras. Nathan then pushed his way through the crowd swiftly, so Sophia pushed her way through the crowd immediately and followed him closely too.

Unfortunately, by the time they made their way through the crowd, the staff had already finished picking their extras, leaving a bunch of disappointed yearning students outside. The students were hoping that they needed more people immediately and would ask them to go in next.

Sophia grabbed Nathan once again. "Okay, okay, it's time to go now. They've finished picking the people they need. We don't stand a chance anymore."

However, Nathan refused to leave. He stood there, seemingly very eager to get into the filming set. Sophia had no choice but to wait with him.

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Richard and Xyla had come over as well. Richard then spoke to one of the workers at the filming site and said, “Hi there, I’m Mr. Zane’s nephew. I’ve already told him that I would be coming over today. My girlfriend is an acting major, and my uncle has allowed me to bring her over to check the place out.”

Xyla’s family was immensely wealthy; she was preparing to enter the entertainment industry, but she had never joined a film crew due to her busy studies. Since the director of ‘Doctor Invincible’ was related to Richard, he had breezily accepted Xyla into the team.

The two of them crossed the cordons and entered the film site under everyone’s envious gazes. Xyla had even turned her head back to eye Sophia Edwards smugly.

Sophia had no idea why Xyla was being so smug; she was only here for Nathan, and it didn’t matter whether she got in or not.

She just wanted to go back and play some video games.

She craned her neck and tried to catch a glimpse of the film site. It looked like they were shooting some major scene—the kind where scores of dead soldiers littered the field. The students playing background actors didn’t need to be assigned costumes as they were already dressed in their military uniforms.

The film site was chaotic, and there were so many people that she couldn’t see where the leading actor was. Apart from the production crew scuttling back and forth, there were also many people dressed in black suits with sunglasses on their faces. They seemed to be bodyguards.

Sophia felt a sense of familiarity when she caught sight of one of those bodyguards. Judging from the man's build and the way he was discreetly gaming on his mobile phone, the man looked kind of like... Hale.

Wait, why was Hale here?

She tested the waters by calling out, "Hale!"

Much to her surprise, the man in the black suit turned to look at her!

It really was Hale!

Sophia was dumbstruck. Why was Hale here?

If Hale was here, didn't it mean Michael was here too?

She recalled how Michael had told her that his job involved running mundane errands for film crews. Was Michael also part of the crew for 'Doctor Invincible'?

If that was really the case, it would explain why Michael had suddenly popped up at the military camp before vanishing as quickly as he had arrived.

Hale didn't seem to be surprised upon seeing Sophia there. He made a beeline toward them before pulling the tape away and gesturing for them to enter.

Nathan zoomed in with a whoosh, deathly afraid that Sophia would take the opportunity to go to a cyber cafe if he ran any slower.

Sophia followed Hale into the site and noticed that many of the military students had been tricked into being background actors. They were all arranged into lines as they sprawled on the ground and played dead.

While this group of students with over 20 days of military training couldn't be compared to actual soldiers, they were still a lot more convincing than the

run-of-the-mill background actors. Their acting was quite convincing, but the site still looked like it was just them and a few other supporting actors. The lead actors had probably not arrived yet.

Still, Sophia couldn't figure out who was in a supporting role or a leading role; she had never seen any one of them before.

Hale led Sophia and Nathan across the bustling shooting location to the studio.

From the looks of it, the studio was the actual key location here. The lead actor seemed to be in there as many bodyguards stood guarded by the entrance of the studio. Outsiders were barred from entering, and the scores of students who wanted to catch a glimpse of the lead actors were all stopped outside.

"My grandfather is Major General Kingsley. Our family has invested over ten million into this film, so what right do you have to bar me from going in?"

"My uncle is the assistant director..."

All the students who wanted to barge their way in using their connections were blocked from entering the studio. It seemed that the leading actors inside the studio had quite the temperament.

Sophia caught sight of Faye and Xyla. Faye was throwing a fit as she grabbed one of the guards and yelled at him, "Why aren't you letting me in? My uncle is the heir to the Edwards Family!"

Richard politely said, "Good day, my uncle is the director of this film. Are we allowed to enter..."

The bodyguards' gazes were ice cold; it looked as though they could not see this bunch of students at all. There were even a few titans standing among the guards' ranks, and these giants were over two meters in height; simply standing there was enough to intimidate the crowd. The students were causing a ruckus, but they still didn't dare to enter.

Stuck in between the crowd, Sophia couldn't see anything from where she was. The hulking Hale parted the crowd and walked past the entrance to go inside the studio; he didn't even need to flash his pass to get in. Sophia tailed him, but she was stopped by the guards.

Hale's face was blank as he clarified, "She's a friend of mine."

Just like that, the guards eased up. Sophia and Nathan stepped into the studio while the sea of students watched in poisonous envy.

Although the students were green with envy, they had no way of getting in at all. Who would have thought that Sophia had a friend who was working as a guard for the film crew? Sometimes, it was more useful to be acquainted with people on the lower rungs of the ladder instead of those at the top of it.

The studio was packed. Filming was in full swing as actors in costumes scuttled here and there; it was a hive of activity. Sophia followed Hale over to a greenscreen set and noticed that the crew was filming here. Just then, a man hanging from a set of wires leaped and vaulted in the air, filming an extremely important scene.

Sophia immediately recognized the man as the lead actor, Taylor. She had seen cast photos of him before, but he had a face full of awfully realistic special effects makeup now. It was such a distinctive look that no one could make out his original appearance. Even so, Sophia could still see that his acting skills were notches above the average actor. His aura as a masterful actor was exceptionally strong.

He was Taylor Murray—an internationally renowned actor, and the first actor from Sophia's hometown to win an Oscar!

Sophia was excited to be able to set eyes on such a famous actor for the first time, especially when she saw how immersed this master actor was during his scenes.

Hale brought a chair over. "Sit."

Sophia and Nathan sat down and began to watch intently as Taylor continued filming.

Taylor had not become famous by chance. His enunciation and body language were great, and his magnificence continued to shine through even though his face was obscured by the heavy special effects makeup. His heroic and lordly aura was unleashed for all to see; had the film crew not been there, Sophia wouldn't have thought that he was acting at all. He was a hero!

There was another actor starring in the same scene as Taylor. He was also caked with makeup that obscured his true face, but his skills and aura weren't any lesser than Taylor's. He was probably the other legendary actor, Ethan, who was also another Oscar-winning actor.

Only a major film that had the world's eyes on it would be able to hire two Oscar-winning actors at once!

What was more, Taylor wasn't a woman!

Hale finally remembered that Sophia was his employer. In an act of hospitality, he scurried about to look for some fruits and beverages. When he left, the two script supervisors by the side chatted for quite a bit.

"I love this pair. The more I look at them, the more chemistry they seem to have. I heard that they got married in the Netherlands; I wonder if that's true."

"I think that's highly possible. They've been spotted together so many times by the media already."

"Ethan made his debut over ten years ago, but there's been zero rumors about him other than ones with dear Taylor."

“I heard that they were comparing their scripts one day, and they made some noises that cannot be properly described.”

“Hehehe...”

Sophia shook her head in realization.

When she took a closer look, the two of them did look like they had very strong chemistry!

Her mind fell into the gutter.

Hale soon brought some cold watermelon and miscellaneous snacks over and placed them on the table before Sophia. As she munched contentedly on the snacks, she watched as these two master actors filmed their scene.

It was fascinating to see two great actors acting alongside each other. At the very least, it was better than being a background actor outside. On the other hand, Nathan seemed to be very interested in this. He would immediately pull Sophia back the moment he saw the slightest hint that she was about to slip away. Even when he needed a toilet break, Nathan would get her to stand watch outside, seeming as though he was afraid that she would run off.

Sophia continued to watch the actors as they filmed their scenes, munching on some fruit at the same time. She had no idea why, but she had the feeling that Taylor kept looking her way.

It must be because Nathan was way too adorable.

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All of a sudden, she heard a 'clack' from the director. The two actors ended their fight scene in the air and were lowered to the ground from their wires. They seem to be pleased after going over the filmed footage, and flashed an 'OK' sign at the director.

It seemed like they were about to wrap things up. After all, they still had to attend Bayside University's meet-and-greet tonight.

Soon, the two actors left the set, and Hale hastily said to Sophia, "Come."

While Sophia had no idea where they were going, there was nothing else left to watch now that those two master actors had left; all Sophia could do was follow him.

Hale then brought Sophia along as he tailed the two actors. The moment those two actors exited the studio, they were immediately surrounded by the crowd.

Uncontrolled shrieks came from the students outside. It was unfortunate that their electronics had been confiscated, for they would have whipped their phones out to snap countless pictures.

Taylor and Ethan's fame was unprecedented. Had they been any other regular actor, the crowd wouldn't have been as mad for them. Taylor and Ethan were well-protected by the bodyguards as they entered what was presumably a resting area.

When the door closed, all of the students were shut outside, unable to get in. Hale brought Sophia and Nathan into the two actors' resting lounge through another side door.

Sophia asked in curiosity, "Hale, where are you taking me? I'm not a fangirl of the actors." Was he taking her to get the actors' autographs? However, she truly felt nothing for these two actors!

Hale didn't answer her. Instead, he simply pushed the door open and said in a hushed voice, "You'll know once you're inside." As he opened the door, Sophia brought Nathan into the lounge.

This was indeed the resting lounge for Taylor and Ethan. The two of them were currently taking their makeup off in front of their mirrors.

Several assistant makeup artists and other crew busied themselves by helping the actors to take their costumes off or remove their makeup. With Sophia and Nathan's sudden appearance, everyone stopped what they were doing and eyed the duo.

Awkwardness filled Sophia's face. She took Nathan and was prepared to leave when a voice suddenly rang out from behind her. "Where are you going, Chica?" That voice reverberated in that tiny room.

Why does that tone and timbre resemble Michael's voice?! Sophia jumped in surprise and turned her head back to take a look. The two actors were still in the process of taking off their makeup, and there was no sign of Michael.

She must be going insane! She had been tormented so much to the point where her nerves were frayed—she even hallucinated Michael's voice!

Sophia smacked her head; she must have been too exhausted from military training to be hallucinating from time to time.

She was about to leave, but someone grabbed her shoulder as soon as she turned her head around. “Where are you going, Chica?”

Sophia immediately caught sight of Michael’s face when she looked back. However, he was still dressed in his costume for ‘Doctor Invincible’.

Meanwhile, Ethan had just finished taking his makeup off. He then removed his wig to reveal a head of obnoxiously blond hair. Wait, isn’t that Michael’s best friend, Harry?

Sophia was dumbfounded. “Y-You guys...”

‘Taylor’ had only just finished taking his makeup off, but there were still traces of cleansing oil left on his face as he stood in front of her. Despite that, she could still vaguely make out Michael’s face.

Michael nodded with a hint of amusement on his dashing face. “You didn’t realize it was me despite watching us film for the entire afternoon?”

Sophia gulped. She truly hadn’t realized it at all! Doctor Invincible was a superhero who was very much in touch with his feminine side; he was the kind of person who had a lady-like touch to his movements even when he was saving the world, so Sophia thought that Doctor Invincible was played by a woman.

She never thought that the pervert, Michael, would be the one playing Doctor Invincible! He was actually a renowned actor!

Furthermore, that blond friend of his who one could tell was involved with the underworld at first glance? He was also a renowned actor too! To top it off, it seemed like they had gotten married in the Netherlands as well.

Sophia’s mind worked a mile a second, and she did her best to quickly regain her composure. She smiled cheekily as she replied, “How is that possible? I can definitely recognize my own husband.”

Michael took the towel that an assistant had offered him to wipe his face. All of a sudden, he pulled Sophia over and kissed her without any warning; he even went as far as nibbling on her lip.

Sophia widened her eyes in shock. Isn't Michael a renowned actor? Isn't he a celebrity? Isn't he gay? Why is he being so flippant and nonchalant about it? Is he not afraid that news of his marriage would be spread throughout the masses tomorrow?

She could tell that everyone was stunned from her peripheral vision. However, they immediately pretended to busy themselves with their own tasks as if nothing ever happened. It looked like they had been trained well.

On the other hand, Michael seemed to be delighted after kissing her. He hugged her and said, "Wait for me. Let's eat together." He then headed to the dressing room and changed his clothes.

Sophia found a seat, her face still one of confusion. She was still unable to shake off the shock from discovering that her husband was an internationally renowned actor. Didn't he say that he was an errand boy for film crews? How was he a famous actor?

That explained why she thought the cast photo of Taylor greatly resembled Michael. She suddenly felt as though her entire body was burning up, and Sophia raised her head to see Harry looking at her with a complicated gaze.

Harry quickly retracted his gaze when their eyes met. At this moment, Sophia felt small; she had a feeling that there was a deeper meaning behind Harry's gaze.

She hastily questioned her conscience and recalled the two short meetings she had experienced with Harry. She had sent a flying kiss toward Harry's way the first time they met; he probably hadn't recognized her then.

Their second meeting was during the night Michael returned. Harry had come to their home for a while before he was chased out.

Sophia suddenly came to a realization when she factored in the news of their marriage in the Netherlands—Harry’s complicated look earlier was because he, as a legitimately wedded man, was looking at an unwanted meddler!

Everyone knew that their nation didn’t allow marriages between people of the same sex, and there were rumors about Michael and Harry getting hitched abroad. Yet, Michael hastily grabbed someone to marry in order to cover up the truth that he was gay. In other words, Sophia was a homowife.

That was why Michael had been unusually furious when he found out that Sophia sent Harry a flying kiss. Was it because he thought that Sophia was planning to snag his beloved? Was that the reason why Harry looked at her with that gaze?

Sophia felt her a chill running up her spine after going over her thoughts, but she still felt relieved. Harry wasn’t a pervert; he was just a closeted gay man. Now that she had suddenly gotten a better understanding of him, she felt that he wasn’t much of a pervert anymore.

Soon, Michael and Harry finished removing their makeup and had changed out of their costumes. Michael grabbed Sophia’s hand and said, “Come, let’s eat.”

Sophia followed them without a word. Michael, Harry, Sophia, and Nathan stepped into Audistin together. The restaurant was currently filled with students, so they couldn’t eat out in the open. They entered a quieter booth and ordered their entrees as well as a few side dishes.

Their meal was unbelievably awkward, and Sophia didn’t even dare to speak; she kept her head lowered as she ate. From time to time, she would glance at Michael before switching over to Harry. Her gaze would also occasionally flit over to Nathan.

Michael was naturally beside himself with joy now that he got to see the little boy after such a long time. He ignored Nathan’s protests and pulled him over. Since he hadn’t seen Nathan in ages, Michael thought that Nathan had gotten chubbier.

It must be because of Sophia's efforts, he thought to himself. Although Nathan had a sulky look on his face now, he was clearly way cuter than before. It was all thanks to Sophia—that had to be it.

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It could be said that all children needed a family. No matter how many babysitters or tutors they had, they would never be able to replace the children's parents.

Ever since Nathan's parents passed away, Michael took up the responsibility of being his mother and father apart from his actor duties. In addition to that, he still had many other things to handle, so he didn't have much time to take care of Nathan. It was great that Sophia had come into their lives, and Nathan seemed to get along with her very well.

Nathan scowled, having completely forgotten about putting on his adorable charm in front of Sophia despite promising Michael earlier. Michael teased him and said, "Nathan, call for Daddy!"

Nathan turned his head away. "Hmph!"

Harry had grown up together with Michael, so he had also known Michael's older sister, Celine Fletcher, since he was a child. Celine and Michael were twins, and Celine was born ten minutes before Michael. Harry had watched as Celine fell in love and got married; he was even there when Nathan was born. Not only that, he watched as Nathan became an orphan and Michael took the boy in.

Harry teased Nathan as well. "Come on, son—call me Stepdad."

Along with Michael, they were the Power Trio; Nathan was their child!

Sophia didn't know about the Power Trio. Her mind fell into the gutter again as she watched this unusual family of three.

She gave a heartfelt sigh as she watched Harry and Michael behaving so 'lovingly' with each other. A prince may also fall in love with another prince instead of a princess.

On the other hand, Harry had completely given up on Sophia; he knew that they were just not meant to be. Michael had gotten to her first, and he couldn't behave badly toward his friend's wife!

Their meal went by awkwardly. Everyone still had their own qualms, and Sophia felt like a third wheel. Coincidentally, Harry felt like he was being the third wheel as well. Nathan was feeling uncomfortable since he didn't want to sit with Michael. Instead, he leaned in closer to Sophia.

Michael was probably the only one who was eating happily here.

After their meal, they got up to leave. Sophia took Nathan's hand and headed to their company, not forgetting that there was still the meet-and-greet with the film crew later tonight.

That was the event that the students were looking forward to the most—the cast of 'Doctor Invincible' would be meeting everyone. After being background actors the whole day and not seeing even a strand of the actors' hair, the girls were eager for tonight's meet-and-greet.

Sophia hastily slipped away to a cyber cafe during the small window of time between dinner and the meet-and-greet. Having booked a computer, she immediately searched for news about 'Taylor' without even booting up her game.

She had never kept tabs on celebrities before; all she knew was Taylor's name, but she hadn't watched any of his movies. Moreover, Taylor was a person who kept on the downlow. He never went on any talk shows, nor did he take part in any advertisements. Sophia actually had no idea what Taylor looked like.

She had searched for Michael's name a million times before, but she had never found anything useful. Who would have thought that face of his would be so famous online?

Oh, what a blunder she had made!

She proceeded to google some basic information about him.

'A skilled actor, as well as the first actor from his country to win an Oscar. He is known for his performances and his masterful micro-expressions.'

'His acting skills are so realistic that it is unreal.'

'The number one sexiest man on the sexiest man list.'

'As an alumni of Bayside University's acting program, he has been in the industry for ten years.'

Sophia was dumbstruck.

When Joe found her in Duckburgs, Sophia had been informed that she would be married to an old bachelor. She thought she would be fortunate to marry a man who was younger than forty with a healthy body and a relatively nice face, but she had never expected her husband to be a famous actor.

She reflected on her childhood; her mother died during childbirth, and her grandfather died when she was three. At the age of ten, her grandmother passed away. She then lived with her uncle's family, but she was kicked out when the house wasn't selected for monetary compensation. At sixteen, she got together with that scumbag called Richard, and she was kicked out of school in a disgraceful manner when she was eighteen. It was a conga line of tragedy after tragedy.

Was those eighteen years of misery actually leading up to this one fortuitous moment where she met with this wealthy man named Michael?

It was unfortunate that the one Michael loved was Harry. She was a pitiful excuse acting as a homowife.

She checked the time. It was still early; the meet-and-greet would only begin at seven, so she opened a few analysis articles on Michael's movies.

Taylor had debuted ten years ago, and his star-making role was in a movie that was filmed eight years ago called 'The Castrato'. It was a movie about a male opera singer's tragic life. That movie caused a huge stir across the world, and it had apparently made close to ten billion dollars through the box office, keeping in mind that it was seven or eight years ago.

Taylor had also been nominated for an Oscar due to that film, and he became the first and youngest actor from his hometown to win one.

The other Oscar-winning actor was Ethan, also known as Harry.

In 'The Castrato', Taylor's character was sold into an opera company when he was child. At the tender age of eighteen, he became the most famed star of the city. When he was on stage, no one could tell whether he was a man or a woman; his beauty was so great that even the female singers were intimidated.

After several failed relationships, Taylor's character lived his twilight years in misery, and in the end, he committed suicide in his costume.

Taylor had portrayed an eighteen year-old singer's glorious years to the end of his life. With his meticulous skills, it felt like he was breathing his role; there was not a flaw to his acting. Had this movie not remained as popular as it was and had been dissected and analyzed to death, Sophia wouldn't have thought that the younger version of the character and the older version was played by the same person.

The eighteen year-old protagonist was so baby-faced, and the costumes he wore for the opera were elaborate and majestic, bringing out the softness of his grace. He was elegant, and his voice was beautiful. Off the stage, he was a young,

bookish man with an extraordinary beauty. Even in current times, this movie would be listed at the top when it came to movies which broke gender norms; it was a classic that couldn't be surpassed.

Hence, Taylor's fans affectionately called him 'Miss Taylor'.

Sophia's impression of Michael—that of a perverted tyrant—suddenly crashed and burned.

She played some clips from 'The Castrato' and watched as Michael from eight years ago portrayed a young fresh-faced singer, his voice pitched high as he sang in his opera costume. Her jaw was slack, and she could tell immediately by his posture and voice that he was no ordinary singer.

Nathan was watching her so that she wouldn't hop into her video game. She said to him, "Your dad must have been using a body double."

Nathan didn't say a word.

She scanned through the articles, and it turned out that Michael had not used a body double in this clip. The clip where the protagonist was singing on stage in 'The Castrato' was the highlight of the movie. Back then, it had caused waves around the world. Not only was everyone in awe of Michael's acting skills, they were also dumbstruck by his singing voice—his singing skills stood out in the realm of film music.

Sophia rewatched that clip several times, her eyes widening as she scrutinized the video each time. At last, she was certain that it was Michael.

"Is that really your dad?" Sophia asked Nathan in disbelief.

Nathan nodded and said confidently, "Yep."

Her impression of him as a domineering tyrant crashed again.

Sophia scratched her head, not daring to believe it. To her, Michael was the kind of pervert who would bulk buy condoms just for a moment in the bedroom. There was no way that he could be this internationally acclaimed, popular actor that she was reading about online!

She trawled through the information on Taylor available online. He was only fifteen years old when he made his actual debut as the leader of a boyband. His voice hadn't dropped yet, and he sang age-appropriate pop songs—the kind that was popular during that era. There were also dance numbers that showed their age. Even now, Taylor looked quite youthful in those clips.

After a few years of radio silence, he suddenly made a comeback by stepping foot into the acting world. From then on, there was no more turning back. He acted for ten years and was repeatedly hailed as a skillful actor. When she summed all those years out, he had made his debut in the entertainment industry seventeen years ago.

Sophia watched those old music videos of Michael singing and dancing over ten years ago. She sighed to herself, Time is a cruel mistress, for that youthful boy has become a perverted old man now.

My Dreamy Old Husband

Chapter 90

After getting the bombshell dropped on her, Sophia frantically searched for Taylor's information on the internet. Taylor was an extremely mysterious man, and no one knew about his family background. It was rumored that his mother was Elizabeth Murray, the popular award-winning actress about thirty to forty years ago.

Elizabeth used to be a Broadway singer too before she became a film actress. In fact, she had been a porn actress when she first ventured into the filming industry.

Later on, she repackaged herself, changed her image and starred in many costume dramas, becoming a popular movie icon during that era. However, she retired from the film industry all of a sudden and no one heard about her ever again.

Many years later, Taylor appeared. Every aspect of him resembled Elizabeth so much that her movie fans and Broadway fans felt like they had seen him somewhere before. Nonetheless, they were merely speculations which hadn't been personally confirmed by Taylor before.

He was seldom involved in any tabloid scandals; the only rumors about him were about his sexuality and his partner, Ethan. They had been film partners for ten years, and they were rumored to have gotten married in the Netherlands.

Then, Sophia's online searches revealed lots of gay, pornographic novels featuring Taylor and Ethan as well as Taylor and Daniel as gay couples in those stories.

Sophia was very shocked from every piece of bombastic information she received today; she needed time to take in all of that information. Taylor was actually her husband!

She had no idea about Taylor or Ethan's existence before this. She had been living in her maternal grandfather's house since she was little, and their household was rather poor. She'd even have to depend on her uncles' mood to see if she could have a decent meal every day.

Hence, it was just impossible for her to watch television in the house at all. Besides, Sophia was an extremely hardworking girl who studied very hard since she was young. She would read whenever she had time instead of watching television and idolizing any movie stars.

Sometimes, her uncle and aunt would be generous enough to allow her to watch television, but the only dramas she was allowed to watch were some lousy local TV shows which aired at eight o'clock every day.

All the movies which Michael starred in were international blockbuster movies that premiered in large cinemas, so it was only natural for her to not know who Taylor was.

She found herself in a daze all day long until the meet-and-greet in the evening; Sophia realized that she would be spacing out occasionally from time to time.

The meet-and-greet was going to be held on the field of the hunting ground in Audistin. Each company gathered around in a semicircle surrounding the center stage. While the staff members were still adjusting the light and sound system, everyone had already come to book a spot on the field.

Everybody was very excited today. It was the first time they had been so enthusiastic during their military training. Sophia sat with the 49th Company with a blank expression on her face.

She was still in a daze; she couldn't stop thinking about the video where Michael had worn a suit and sang in a Broadway musical show she watched just now. He is so handsome! How can a man look so handsome? So, how can a man like him possibly like women?

Company Commander Ford walked around the company. Looking at the longing expressions on his students' faces, he teased unforgivingly, "Look at all of you—with that silly look on your faces, you guys look even happier when you see a man than seeing a meat dish!"

The students burst out laughing following his hilarious remark; the atmosphere was unusually lively and merry.

Just as Sophia was still in a daze, she heard screams from the girls beside her all of a sudden. As several thousand girls screamed at the same time, it sounded loud and deafening as it echoed through the air.

The meet-and-greet had begun, and the casts of 'Doctor Invincible' arrived soon enough.

'Doctor Invincible' was an international blockbuster with a massive budget. Both the main and supporting casts were experienced superstars, but most of the people who were sitting below the stage were millionaires of Bayside City. To them, these superstars were nothing more than just playthings; as long as they were willing to pay, they could see any superstar they wanted anytime.

However, both Taylor and Ethan were an exception; they had been in the entertainment business for more than ten years, and were extremely popular in the industry.

Hence, it was impossible to see them no matter how much those millionaires were willing to pay. Clearly, the best things couldn't be obtained easily. Thus, those wealthy students were just as fanatic as the ordinary students when it came to idolizing these two superstars.

Sophia stretched her neck and looked at the cast members, watching as Michael and Harry strode elegantly toward them.

Michael looked cool and mysterious while dressed in a well-tailored black suit. As his lips curved into a warm and faint smile, there was a glimmer of a smile in his eyes too. Standing at 185 centimeters tall, he was a walking clothes hanger which looked perfect in any fashion style.

Placing his hands leisurely in his pockets, he looked casual yet charming. He possessed a natural, award-winning-actor temperament which was put on display the moment he entered.

Following closely behind him was Harry, who had also worn a black suit; his blonde hair appeared striking against his outfit. Although they wore similar black-colored suits, Michael looked mysterious, courteous, pristine and gentlemanly. On the other hand, Harry appeared haughty, autocratic, arrogant and sly. His fans usually described him as the domineering partner!

Even though there was another beautiful, blonde foreign lead actress with blue eyes following them, everyone seemed to have ignored her completely. Screams could be heard echoing throughout the place.

“Miss Taylor, Miss Taylor, I love you!”

“Mr. Ethan! Mr. Ethan!”

“Ethan and Taylor are the best couple ever!”

The fans were so excited and the atmosphere was so merry that even Sophia couldn't bring herself to sit still anymore. She stared at the duo as they walked out one by one, completely stunned. She was so mesmerized that one couldn't find anything else except awe and amazement in her eyes. Holy smoke! They are so handsome!

As far as she remembered, she had only seen Michael in a proper suit once—that was when she met him for the first time. When they were at home, he simply ran around the house with his pajamas or a pair of loose boxer shorts.

However, it was obvious that Michael had carefully dressed up for the event today. With his hair styled flawlessly using some hairspray, he looked clean and fresh from head to toe in his outstanding attire. Michael even had some slight beautification done on his face, which appeared utterly charming and handsome.

Sophia swallowed nervously as she stared at Michael quietly. She sat hidden within the crowd, surrounded by the enthusiastic fans. Besides, the lighting around that area wasn't very good and everyone dressed similarly in military uniforms.

Since she was certain that Michael couldn't see her or notice the silly look on her face as she stared at him, Sophia was bold enough to keep her eyes glued to him.

Michael and Harry waved at the crowd and greeted everyone. The fans couldn't stop screaming, and their screams only stopped after they went up the stage. The fans widened their eyes as they held their breaths to hear their idols' voices.

“Hello! To all my juniors from Bayside University, how are you? I'm Taylor.” Everyone heard Michael's voice through the microphone. His voice still sounded deep and sexy even though there was a layer of mechanical alteration to it.

“Ah!” A group of fans screamed again.

After the screams had subsided, Harry took the microphone from Michael. He smiled playfully at the crowd and waved to greet them while he said, “Hi, students from Bayside University, how are you?”

Once again, screams could be heard piercing through the night sky.

Michael and Harry were more mysterious compared to other actors; they were very low-profile in the entertainment industry too.

They seldom showed up at public events most of the time, and they did not film any commercials either—even the wealthy students below the stage couldn't see them very often. Most of them watched their movies while growing up, but it was their first time meeting them in person.

The situation at the fan meeting seemed borderline crazy. The drill instructors patrolled around the surroundings to prevent any tragic commotion or stampedes from happening in case the students went out of control.

The meet-and-greet was divided into several sessions. First, the main cast shared their acting experience with the students, which was followed by an interactive session where the students could ask the cast members anything. There was even the possibility of having a lucky draw and giveaway as well.

The host went up the stage and several guests remained seated. Soon enough, everyone kept quiet and the place became silent.

The host was none other than Xyla herself. Although she studied performance, she was good at broadcasting and emceeing. The host had been selected among the students in Bayside University for this meet-and-greet. Due to Xyla's relationship with Richard, she had been successfully selected as the host.

Xyla still wore her military training uniform, but she had exquisite makeup on her face; her features were as gorgeous as a fairy's. The way she carried herself on the stage was excellent, but she still looked inexperienced apart from being nervous. After all, it was her first time seeing Taylor and Ethan too.

Xyla felt extremely pleased with herself. She managed to obtain the opportunity to host the meeting with much difficulty, and she didn't expect that she would be on the same stage as her idols either. She glanced below the stage involuntarily and caught sight of Richard's smiley face. She smiled back at him.

Almost immediately, she searched for Sophia's face among the crowd. As expected, she saw the jealous look in Sophia's eyes among the crowd. She felt even more pleased with that and began to host today's meet-and-greet in a calm and orderly manner.

Sophia was jealous indeed. Xyla is so close to my husband!