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“Aldor suggested, “Why don’t you call and ask Mrs. Kane about it.”

He dared not to say anything rashly.

So, Keegan confidently dialed his girlfriend’s number.

Motives for Murder had officially resumed shooting today. Stella made her way to the set very early in the morning.

The lead character, Lexi, who was supposed to be played by Bella, had found a replacement actress.

Stuart acted mysterious and did not want to reveal the identity of the new actress in the group chat. Stella got very curious, especially after being out of work for so long. That was why she arrived at the set exceptionally early today.

The entire cast and crew got along better with each other after Bella left.

Stella had gained significant fame after playing the empress in The Palace. After she returned to the set of Motives for Murder, the production team members would politely address her as “Coach Jewell.”

That made her feel very awkward as she did not think she deserved such a title. Hearing that also reminded her of Keegan’s deep, low voice calling her when they role-played.

Fortunately, Stella knew how to disguise herself very well, and no one could notice anything strange about her.

When they were getting their makeup done, Stella asked Shea, “Is the female lead not here yet?”

“She’s already here and arrived even earlier than us. She’s in the dressing room now,” Shea said.

Stella was shocked. “Is she that dedicated?”

Stella was still wondering why she had not heard anything about the female lead, but it turned out that she had already arrived long ago.

“Do you know who she is?”

Shea shook her head. “A lot of people in the crew don’t know either. Everyone’s waiting to find out.”

Stella asked again, “Is Leighton here yet?”

“Yeah, not long ago. He’s also getting his makeup done.”

Leighton and the female lead’s dressing rooms were next to theirs. Stella just could not contain her curiosity, so she grabbed two cups of coffee and her script to look for Leighton after finishing her makeup.

She walked toward the doorway and saw many people gathering outside Leighton’s dressing room. There were crew members and fans discussing who the new female lead might be. After all, she was going to work with their idols, and they were worried that another actress like Bella would come on board.

With the script in hand, Stella claimed that she needed to practice a scene with Leighton and managed to pass through the crowd.

However, Leighton’s fans were not particularly fond of her because there had been too many scandals around her for the past few months, giving them the impression that she was pretentious. Also, she was very beautiful. They worried she would stir up rumors about their idol.

So, when Stella knocked on Leighton’s dressing room door, she could feel countless sharp stares directed at her. She could hear the fans talking about her clearly.

“Can’t she rehearse the scene outside? Why does she have to go into his room?”

“She honestly has no sense of boundaries.”

“She looks like she’s going to be the next Bella.”

“I’m just worried that she’ll affect Leighton if anything.”

“Leighton hates it when other people enter his dressing room, especially female artists. She won’t be able to get inside, trust me.”

“Bella used the same excuse and tried to do the same thing last time, but Leighton didn’t even open the door for her. She won’t be any different.”

Stella listened to them without a change in her expression.

As soon as she knocked on the door, the voice of Leighton’s manager came from inside, “Who’s that?”

“Me, Stella Jewell. I’m here to practice a scene with

Leighton,” Stella said.

Nobody responded from inside.

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Seeing that no one responded to Stella’s knock, Leighton’s fans could not help but chuckle, “Hah. Looks like someone is facing rejection.”

“We all know Leighton is dedicated to his career. He doesn’t engage in these publicity stunts.”

“Why don’t some people have self-awareness?”

While the fans were taking pleasure in Stella being turned away, the dressing room door swung open unexpectedly, leaving everyone in a state of shock.

Leighton was the one who opened the door. Though Stella was now his cousin, his feelings for her had not faded. He was initially drawn to Stella’s versatile voice, and now that he knew about their family connection, he felt even closer to her.

“Hey, Stella. What’s up?” Leighton asked.

Stella waved the script in her hand and said, “Do you mind if we run through some scenes together?”

Leighton shook his head and held the door wide open. "Not at all. Come on in."

Leighton's fans were stunned by how he had graciously invited Stella into his dressing room. After a moment of silence, voices of discussion began to erupt again.

"This woman sure is something!" One of his fans said.

"Leighton previously mentioned his preference for older women. Could he be referring to Stella?"

"Maybe. Even though I don't like her, I have to admit she's incredibly attractive. It's possible that Leighton has developed feelings for her..."

"Is he out of his mind? He's in the prime of his career. Why would he get into a relationship?"

"While it's disheartening to see Leighton get together with someone else, we have to remember that he had never slacked off since the beginning of his debut. As long as they're serious about each other, I don't think we should comment on his personal matter but rather wish him well."

"Nah. Fuck that. I didn't spend all this money just to watch him date," said someone from the crowd.

"Let's all take a step back and calm down. Public displays of affection don't necessarily signify a romantic relationship. Take other celebrities' partners, for instance. They're usually kept out of the spotlight until the other officially announces their relationship. Since Leighton isn't hiding anything, it's possible that their relationship isn't what we think."

These words helped soothe the people's anxieties.

Following that, one said, "We're here to see who the new female lead is. Don't get today's mission twisted, guys."

Suddenly, Leighton's supporters remembered their main objective for the day. They had been concerned about the new female lead because the production team had been keeping her identity under wraps.

Leighton was incredibly popular, and there were always individuals trying to leverage his fame for their own publicity during every shoot. On top of that, Stuart had a history of using certain tactics to promote his work. For example, he had cast Bella to generate buzz about her partnership with Leighton.

Hence, the fans' worries were not unfounded. They cared for their idol's career and reputation more than anyone else.

As soon as Stella entered the room, she placed the coffee on the table and asked, "Leighton, do you happen to know who the female lead is?"

Leighton shook his head and said, "No. Stuart didn't tell me."

"What?" Stella was surprised. "But you two have so many scenes together today. Why hasn't he said something?"

What's his game?"

Leighton was equally perplexed. He had inquired twice about the new female lead, but Stuart maintained his secrecy. So, he did not press him further for information.

"Could she be someone you're familiar with? Maybe it's someone you had a fallout with, and that's why Stuart is keeping his mouth shut," Stella frowned and guessed.

"But I rarely hold grudges against people," Leighton responded.

Estelle, who had just inserted the straw into her coffee, chimed in, "Yeah. That's only because his hatred goes beyond holding grudges."

Leighton's lips twitched when he heard that. "Shut up and drink your coffee!"

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Stella could not help but laugh when she heard what Estelle had said. 'No wonder they call her Tiger. It seems like she's ready to bite at any moment,' she thought.

Although Stella had failed to uncover the identity of the female lead, she decided to stay and rehearse lines with Leighton.

Despite not attending acting school, Leighton's talent and genuine passion for the art shone through. He would throw himself into his roles every time he performed his scenes.

Stella would offer him a few pointers even though she felt somewhat unqualified to be an acting coach. At the same time, Leighton was a fast learner. He would listen to Stella's suggestions and implement them into his performance.

Estelle was left in awe after watching them rehearse one of the scenes. "With a bit more effort, you might even snag an award this year," she said as she saw Leighton's potential in acting.

He had risen to fame through an idol talent show.

Considering the current state of the entertainment industry in Hustuabourg, the prospects of becoming a successful singer or dancer were limited. So, Leighton had been actively pursuing roles in idol dramas in hopes of switching careers.

However, directors often look for young actors when it comes to this genre of films. Since there was no way Leighton could secure a spot in idol shows forever, Estelle had been focusing on getting him roles in more serious dramas and movies starting this year.

While the shows Leighton acted in often achieved high ratings, his acting skills were still a work in progress. Nevertheless, Estelle believed he could bridge the gap and successfully transition into the field after watching his rehearsal.

As Stella and Leighton were about to continue rehearsing, they heard a commotion outside. It turned out that Stuart had called for everyone to gather.

Despite having conducted a camera test earlier, Stuart believed it was an inauspicious day for filming. Thus, he had arranged for a priest to perform a ritual to ward off bad luck. Everyone was to participate in the ceremony to bring good fortune to the production.

Soon, the three people previously in the dressing room heard a lively buzz from behind them. The female lead had arrived. The cheers and applause indicated her considerable popularity.

Leighton was not interested in greeting her, but Stella was curious. She turned around and was taken aback upon seeing the person surrounded by the crowd.

“I can’t believe it’s her.”

“Who is it?” Leighton followed Stella’s gaze to see who she was talking about. He then muttered a curse under his

breath, ready to leave.

Stuart seemed to have anticipated Leighton’s reaction and quickly stopped him, “Don’t make a scene. You’ve already signed the contract.”

“I can pay you the fee for breaching the contract if you want, ” Leighton said with a cold face before removing his tie and heading toward the exit.

Stella had not quite grasped the situation when a female voice said, “Two years later, and you’re still as impulsive as ever.”

Leighton froze in his tracks. He looked at the woman with a piercing gaze and sneered, “Two years later, and your attitude is still as insufferable as ever, Nicole Aspen.”

Hearing that, Nicole smiled and said, “I can’t help it when it’s my signature style, just like how you have a habit of talking back.”

Stella’s eyes darted between the two actors as she processed the information. ‘So... these two know each other...? It appears they have some unresolved issues, given Leighton’s threat to withdraw from the project upon seeing her.’

‘Had they worked together before?’ Stella asked herself. She regretted not paying more attention to the actors’ previous works and appearances, feeling frustrated for being out of the loop.

Leighton’s expression turned sour when he heard what Nicole uttered next. “Mr. Winfield, please find a replacement for my role. I’ll cover the fees for the breach of contract,” she said and turned to leave.

Stella was about to stop Nicole when she said, “Mr. Winfield, I know an actor with a great appearance and exceptional acting skills. He’s a perfect fit for the role. Would you consider allowing my friend to audition since Mr. Hall has acknowledged his inability to handle the job?” asked Nicole.

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Leighton’s face darkened as he stared at Nicole. “I didn’t quit because I can’t handle the role. I quit because I don’t want to act with you as my partner.”

“You said the same thing last time, yet you couldn’t even nail a simple kissing scene. You kept bumping into my teeth. It’s been two years since then. Have you finally figured out how to handle kissing scenes?” Nicole asked with a smile.

Stella was shocked to hear that she said that in front of everyone. Leighton seemed to take Nicole’s words to heart, and his expression grew even more unpleasant.

Leighton was a top-tier idol, and Nicole was the youngest three-time award-winning actress. Both of them had high national recognition. No one dared to intervene in their conversation. Rather, they were glad to not be involved in the drama.

Estelle was terrified when she noticed that Leighton was on the verge of exploding. Stella gently tugged at his arm and whispered, “Don’t be rash. You’ve portrayed this role brilliantly. Are you sure you want to give it up?”

Leighton’s throat tightened. Although Ralph’s screen time was not extensive, he was a special guest in the film.

Leighton had invested a lot of time and effort into bringing the character to life. He genuinely enjoyed playing the role. To give it up now honestly did not sit well with him.

Seeing his expression soften, Stella added, “Your fans are watching. They’ve been waiting for you since the beginning of this shoot. Do you know how disappointed they’d be if you quit?”



Leighton had a soft spot for his supporters. He did not depend on his family's background to debut in the entertainment industry. Instead, he worked hard and relied on his fans' unwavering support to climb to stardom. He might not say it often, but he dreaded the thought of disappointing the people who had supported him all along.

After some thought, Leighton gradually regained his composure. He shot a glance at Nicole and retrieved the script from the director. "I'm going to touch up my makeup," he declared firmly.

Nicole appeared somewhat disappointed when she realized Leighton did not take the bait. She turned to Stella and smiled, "Hello, Miss Jewell."

Stella responded courteously, not surprised that Nicole recognized her. After all, during her previous altercation with Bella, Nicole had posted something on Facebook that indicated she was aware of the situation.

Perhaps to prevent an on-set confrontation between Leighton and Nicole, Stuart had not scheduled scenes where they would have to work together today. Instead, they were asked to reshoot some of the previous scenes in the movie.

During her break, Stella asked Estelle, "Estelle, what

happened between Leighton and Nicole? Why are they at each other's throats?"

Estelle shrugged and said, "Actually, I'm not entirely sure. They worked together on a movie before, where Nicole played Leighton's stepmother. However, the stepmother was rather flirtatious and ended up seducing her stepson, which is the character Leighton played. He was just starting his acting career then and was barely in his early twenties. He knew very little about acting and could not even find his marks on set. He honestly played the role well. However, once the show was completed, he immediately upped and left."

"He even skipped all the movie's promotional roadshows. He also steered clear of any projects or variety shows that involved Nicole. I found it weird. So, I talked to the production team back then and..." Estelle glanced around cautiously before whispering, "It seems like they got too deep into their roles, and what was initially just acting evolved into something more. After some

time of being together, Nicole realized that Leighton was too young for her, and they broke up.”

Estelle’s words left Stella taken aback. ‘It seems like she’s even more of a gossip than I am,’ she thought.

‘If I remember correctly, Nicole is Vermont’s ex who likes girls. How could she have had a romantic relationship with Leighton? I bet things aren’t that simple. But I can’t ask Leighton about it since his reaction was so intense. This is so frustrating!’

Just as Stella was contemplating the situation, Keegan called. She picked up the phone and asked, “What’s up?”

“Stella, my engagement ring has been deformed,” said Keegan.

Stella paused before responding, “I’ll take it to get repaired for you when I have some free time in the next couple of days.”

Keegan pursed his lips and said, “The gold is too soft; the ring is likely to change its shape again even if you get it fixed.

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“Well, maybe you should leave it at home then,” Stella suggested, referring to the engagement ring.

“No! You gave me this engagement ring! I’m not going to just leave it at home,” said Keegan.

Stella paused and said, “So, what do you suggest?”

After considering Carter’s advice, Keegan cleared his throat and proposed, “Since diamond rings are more durable, shall we consider getting a pair of diamond rings?”

“But diamonds are expensive, and they don’t hold value,” said Stella.

Keegan was a little annoyed. “It’s not like I’m planning to sell

them. “

“But what if you don’t get ahold of Vinci Rivera and go bankrupt?” Stella countered.

Keegan’s lips twitched upon hearing that, “Can’t you have more faith in me?”

“I’m just being practical. Sure, we can get a pair of diamond rings if you want. But my income is limited right now, and I can’t afford to buy you the best one,” Stella chuckled.

Aldor, who was listening to the conversation, had expected Stella to reject the idea wholeheartedly. However, when that did not happen, he thought, ‘Since when did Mr. Kane’s status surpass the status of money?’

Meanwhile, Keegan’s heart filled with joy. He coughed lightly and said, “I didn’t ask you to buy the rings. I should be the one who buys them.”

Stella smiled and replied, “You can buy the wedding rings, but I want to be the one who buys the engagement rings. Consider them... a dowry. Once I’ve given them, they can’t be returned.”

Keegan’s mood was soaring at that point. “Alright then. I’ll be waiting,” he pursed his lips and said.

‘Mr. Kane is being overly ambitious about this,’ thought Aldor.

Keegan was in high spirits after ending the call. He glanced at Aldor and remarked, “See. She’s willing to spend money on me.”

Aldor found him to be delusional. ‘Did he not hear she was buying the rings as a dowry? I guess you can’t force someone to recognize a fact they don’t want to.’

Recently, reports of a murder case involving a suitcase had been spread all over the media.

As Hylde was getting out of bed one morning, she noticed the housekeeper tidying up the place while watching the news on TV. Hylde froze and pressed her lips tightly as she stared at the screen.

The police had released an image of the deceased and were actively seeking information from the public. They also mentioned that they were looking into hospital records as the victim had suffered from lung cancer.

Hylde's hands trembled when she heard that. She dropped the glass she was holding, and it shattered into pieces.

Following that, her face turned pale. She forgot that Walter had come to Rivera for medical treatment. 'Shit! He must've visited a hospital! Once they obtained Walter's medical history, it would only be a matter of time before they track everything down and find me,' she thought.

Hylde did not understand how the suitcase was discovered so soon when she had gone to great lengths to dispose of the body. She had sealed the suitcase with an iron chain and sank it to the bottom of the water. She thought it would have taken at least half a year for anyone to uncover it. By

then, the body would be unrecognizable, and nobody would know who it was. But that was not the case.

The housekeeper was startled by the sound of the glass shattering and quickly came over to clean it up. As she cleaned up the pieces, she commented, "Were you also frightened when you heard the news, Mrs. Jewell? This murderer is ruthless. Not only did they kill someone, but they also dumped the body in the sea. I heard the police might have found the victim's phone or wallet thanks to the advancement of technology."