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Bob looked at her.

Then, he said one word, "Okay."

He did carry some pitons in his carry-on backpack.

As Bob climbed down, he reinforced the rock points and slabs that Emma was about to use.

Every time Bob reinforces a point, Emma steps on it with her feet.

Just like that, one after another, Emma followed him down slowly.

Bob knew that her stamina was limited.

Therefore, he used his powerful brain to design the shortest and safest route in his mind using the memories he had just obtained.

He did his best to reduce the possibility of her getting into an accident.

Someone saw the cooperation between Bob and Emma and exclaimed, "Bob is so impressive. I was exhausted. after climbing two points just now! He can actually reinforce the rock points while climbing!"

Another person said, "Didn't you see Emma? This woman is terrifyingly strong!"

Indeed, the current Emma was so powerful that she was intimidating.

She climbed down from 65 feet without safety measures.

Ordinary people would have been so frightened that their legs would have gone weak.

However, she could walk freely on the rock wall with her bare hands.

Her face was pale. Sweat broke out on her forehead, but her expression was abnormally determined.

Emma had given the control of her life to Bob.

If anything went wrong with the rock spikes he had reinforced, she would fall straight down without a safety rope and be smashed into pieces.

Fortunately, Bob did not let Emma down.

Until the last point, the rock slabs and pitons were stable.

Emma stepped on them one by one. Just like that, she and Bob finally landed safely.

All the teachers and students were already covered in cold sweat.

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It was only when they saw that both of them were safe and sound that they finally heaved a sigh of relief.

Lane was the first to go forward and hug Emma. "I was so scared just now... Emma, I'm glad you're fine!"

Emma was a little exhausted at this moment.

The high level of mental tension and the overdraft of her body made her breathing unstable.

Fortunately, she did not suffer any injuries. After a good rest, she gradually recovered.

At this moment, Bob's buddies also went up to check on him.

Emma subconsciously looked up at him and realized that he was also looking at her.

Two seconds later, Bob looked at her and smiled.

Emma smiled back. "Thank you."

Bob said, "I should be the one thanking you for your faith in me."

She could have jumped down wearing his safety rope.

This way, she would be completely safe.

But she had left him the safety rope.

She chose to work with him and climb down step by step.

In the past, his feelings for Emma were still admiration.

In his originally cold inner world, there was an indescribable and intense emotion developing for Emma.

At night, when Liam arrived at the summer camp, Emma was wolfing down her food in the canteen.

The moment Liam appeared, his handsome and beautiful face attracted the attention of countless people.

A student said, "Look, that person is so handsome!"

Another asked, "Really! Is he our new teacher??"

"What are you thinking about!" The student patted the head of the person who had just spoken. "That's Liam Hall of the Halls Group! How can our summer camp afford to hire him as our teacher?"

Originally, Emma and Liam had agreed that he would not interfere with the summer camp. But today's situation is serious. Since it involved her personal safety, Liam could not sit back and do nothing. He rushed over to see her personally.

Emma stuffed a piece of pineapple into her mouth. When she saw him, Emma blurted out, "Hus. Darling, you are here!"

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She started to rise to greet him, but he gently pressed her back down.

Liam ignored the people coming and going in the canteen.

He reached out and wiped the corner of her mouth dotingly. "Slow down. Don't choke yourself."

His tone to her was always gentle. When Emma saw Liam, she felt all her fatigue wash away.

The dangers of the day were mostly cured, and her mood was much better.

She smiled brightly at him. "Do you want to try it? Our canteen has good food."

"You..." Liam was already extremely worried, but she was still eating as if nothing had happened.

At this moment, his love for her deepened.

"Call them all over." As soon as Liam finished speaking, a group of people was brought in by Levi.

Emma looked up at the few people who were brought in.

All of them lowered their heads.

The first was the coach who sided with the female student-athletes during the water ball competition yesterday.

Then there was the teacher who had sided with Abby today. And the physical education teacher in charge of the rock climbing competition today. All three of them were brought up by Levi. The person-in-charge of the summer camp, Leroy, also came along.

Emma muttered. "This is..."

Liam's expression was serious. "I've been paying close attention to the situation at the summer camp. Today, in front of Mr. Quinn and all the students, I want them to give you an explanation."

Leroy said gently, "Emma, you're a talent that I admire very much. The summer camp will definitely take responsibility for your accident!"

There were not many people in the canteen at this time.

However, there were a few students sitting at the next table. They could still hear their conversation.

"I confess." The first to speak was the teacher in charge of the summer camp. "I'm Abby's aunt. Before starting camp, Abby's parents asked me to take care of her. But I've never thought of doing anything outrageous. You can investigate me, really!"

Emma really didn't know about this. She thought, 'No wonder this teacher tried to expel me without a proper investigation.'

After listening, Leroy's face turned cold. He said to the water ball referee, "What about you?"

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“I did want to go easy on Emma’s opponent in the first match.” He was the coach of that team who had competed against Emma that day. It was not difficult to understand why he wanted to side with them. “But I have nothing to do with today’s rock climbing!”

Both of them admitted their selfishness and emphasized that it had nothing to do with Emma’s safety rope being tampered with. Only one person was left.

Leroy’s expression became more and more serious. He has been holding this summer camp for many years. This was the first time something like this had happened.

What the referee and the teacher did severely affected the image of the summer camp.

Leroy felt embarrassed in front of Liam.

He stared at the rock-climbing coach with cold eyes. “So the accident of the safety rope falling off has something to

do with you?”

The rock climbing coach was stunned at first. He said, “Me? How is that possible?”

Leroy asked, “You’re the only one in charge of this year’s rock climbing competition. You were also the one who did the pre-competition inspection. Do you dare to say that you didn’t cause today’s accident?”

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Leroy was a rather authoritative figure in the domestic education industry.

The moment he flared up, he looked dignified and powerful.

Not far away, a few students heard this and whispered.

The rock climbing coach felt that he could not defend himself. "It's not me... It's really not me... When Emma was in trouble, I even thought of saving her personally. If it were me, why would I risk my life to save her?"

Levi said coldly, "Who knows if you're deliberately using this move to clear your name?"

At this moment, Emma, who had been silent all this while, said, "It really isn't Mr. Neal."

Although the situation was chaotic and Emma's life was hanging by a thread, she still knew what happened down

the rock wall.

When Lee Neal saw that something had happened to her, his first reaction was indeed to come up and save her.

If Bob hadn't been one step ahead of him, the person who would have saved her today would have been Lee.

"I believe it's not Mr. Law," Emma said firmly, "There's something fishy about the rock climbing."

With that, she looked at the other two teachers. "Although the two of them admitted their actions, they can't be completely cleared of suspicion!"

Liam nodded. Emma's thoughts were the same as his. He would not let down his guard against these two people

for the time being.

Leroy said, "In that case, the two of you are fired!"

"What? Expelled?" The two teachers in charge of the summer camp were regretful and anxious.

"Mr. Carter, please report this to the police!" Leroy did not leave them room for negotiation. "I'll be responsible for everything that happened at the camp this year."

After coming out of the canteen, all the students returned to their dormitory.

There were only two people left in Emma's room.

Lane was preparing for the next day's training, but Emma still hadn't returned.

She was taking a walk with Liam.

When they were about to reach her dormitory, Liam hugged her and refused to let go.

Emma knew that he was worried. Today was a close call. He was so close to losing her. Although they had already

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applied for police intervention, the two teachers had also been expelled. However, the mastermind behind the rock climbing incident had yet to be found. Liam was very worried that Emma would continue to train here.

Emma tiptoed and held his perfect face. "Don't worry. In order to let me graduate early, let me stay here for a few more days, okay? Moreover, Mr. Quinn has also sent someone to strictly monitor the situation. I'll also pay attention. The people behind this have failed this time, so they don't dare to act rashly next."

Emma was right. However, it was impossible for Liam to not be worried at all. Otherwise, he wouldn't have s i p p e d all his work and rushed over tonight.

Unknowingly, he was leaning against a big tree with her in his arms. Emma held her breath as his kiss landed. His voice was low. "I miss you."

It had been two days since they parted. He just wanted to hold her in his arms and never let go.

Just as his breath gradually became hot and he wanted to take another step forward, Emma's index finger gently pressed against his lips. "Stop fooling around. Someone will see us.

"So what if someone sees us?" Liam thought of the photo of Emma talking with Bob during the day and felt a little

jealous.

Therefore, he deliberately came to the canteen at dinnertime to look for Emma. It was obvious that he was showing off his relationship with Emma.

Emma bit her lip and smiled cutely. "It's useless even if you want it. I am still on my period."

She saw Liam's eyes pause for a second, probably reacting to what she was saying.

When he came back to her senses, Liam tapped the tip of her nose with his beautiful finger. "Your period is as

naughty as you."

"Hurry up and go back. I'm going to the dorm!" Emma was also reluctant to part with Liam. However, as long as she could graduate early, she would have more time to be with him. She stood on tiptoe and kissed his chin.

It was not until Liam's lips curled into a satisfied smile that he was willing to let go of her.

A few days later, Emma received news that Ida's body had recovered.

The ointment sent by Emma had a miraculous effect.

Even the doctor was surprised by the effect of the ointment. He said that if she took good care of herself, there

would be no scar.

The summer camp reserved a spot for Ida.

Ida was determined to return and continue training.

Abby's investigation also came to a conclusion.

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The police confirmed that she had bought those poisonous bugs from the black market.

Ida's parents would sue Abby on behalf of her daughter and make sure that Abby would receive punishment.

Things were slowly progressing outside the summer camp.

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Liam and Josiah were both looking for the person who had tampered with the rock climbing protective gear that day.

At the same time, the summer camp training continued in an orderly manner.

In the dormitory, Ida asked curiously, "Emma, what are you planning to draw for tomorrow's competition?"

Lane flicked Ida's head. "How can she tell you? You're so heartless. What if you accidentally let it slip and caused Emma's work to be plagiarized?"

"I'm curious..." Ida felt wronged.

Lane said, "However, I really didn't expect you to know how to draw! Emma, is there anything you don't know?"

Tomorrow was the third competition after the start of the camp.

Emma's total score was still first. Bob followed closely behind.

Tomorrow's competitions were divided into horse racing and art.

Everyone thought that Emma would choose the horse race, but no one expected her to pick drawing.

Emma said, "The mastermind behind the rock climbing hasn't been found yet. The horse race is too dangerous. My boyfriend will be worried."

Lane and Ida felt envious of her boyfriend.

"Then are you good at art? Bob chose horse racing. If you don't compete in horse racing, he will definitely get first place. You also have to get first place in the art competition so that he won't get more points than you do," Ida said

innocently.

When Emma heard her words, she could not help but smile.

She looked at the canvas she had just received and thought, "We'll find out tomorrow."

The next day, in the art classroom.

Today's judge, Marsh Hanson, was sent by Leroy.

He looked to be no more than 30 years old. He had a righteous expression and was upright.

"Virtue, intelligence, sportsmanship, and art are the four criteria for our assessment of outstanding camp

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members. Art is one of the most important parts of human history. Today, our competition is about painting. It will take four hours. After four hours, no matter what you draw or how it looks like, you can't draw anymore.

Otherwise, the results will be zero!"

Everyone who had joined the art competition was skilled in painting.

Emma sat in the first row with a serious gaze.

Many people were also surprised that she chose art over horse racing.

In the classroom, someone began to discuss.

A student said, "Look, Emma is also in our examination hall today!"

Another girl said, "Hasn't she always been good at sports? She probably chose to paint this time because of the rock-climbing incident last time. She must have chickened out!"

The first girl said, "Are athletes good at drawing?"

The second girl said, "I don't think so. She doesn't know what's good for her. We have more than ten years of training in art. We'll definitely defeat her later."

The two girls spoke very softly, thinking that no one could hear them.

But in fact, Emma had already heard it.

Not only Emma, but Marsh, who was standing in the lecture hall, also frowned. "You two! If you don't want to paint, get out now!"

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The two girls were so frightened that they shut up.

Emma's expression did not change as she took out the painting tool.

The drawing tools and paper were all prepared in advance by the summer camp.

With Marsh's help, there wouldn't be any problems.

Emma took out the color palette and dipped the brushes in water with ease. She did it in one go.

Those who were waiting to watch her suffer immediately realized that she was a professional when they saw her

skilled movements

As the students were drawing, Marsh suddenly said, "The subject matter of this painting is not restricted. But...

Your works will be sent directly to the TroIn City Cultural Museum for this year's Cultural Convention exhibition!"

As soon as Marsh finished speaking, the students were a little afraid.

TroIn City Cultural Museum was the exhibition hall with the highest level of painting and calligraphy.

If one did not draw well and was exposed, it would be extremely embarrassing.

Everyone tried their best to draw.

Emma decided to do a landscape painting today since it was suitable to create stunning products in such a short

period of time.

Emma sat in the first row. A few people sitting behind her could quickly see her work.

It was a mountain in the distance at dusk. The green hills were dyed. There was a river running down the mountain with several cold and clear ponds on the hills. There was condensed smoke that made the mountain appear purple.

Anyone who knew painting would be deeply shocked by Emma's painting.

When Marsh passed by and saw the Emma painting, he nodded in satisfaction. "The brushwork is sophisticated. and profound. It's simply refreshing and immersive!" Marsh's praise immediately made the surrounding students feel pressured.

Emma smiled politely. "You flatter me

Marsh said, "Young girl, you're neither arrogant nor impatient. That's why you can draw such an elegant scene. Good, very good!" Marsh's impression of Emma instantly improved. He thought, 'No wonder Mr. Quinn has specially instructed me to pay attention to this girl. She is indeed a painting genius.'

However, Emma did not use her full strength because she was afraid of exposing herself.

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Just using 70% of her skills was enough to stun this group of people. It was a sure win and not too flashy.

It was unknown if Marsh's praise had given the other students too much pressure.

Just as Marsh went to the back row and turned his back to Emma, a piece of earthen yellow paint mixed with water sprinkled on the painting of Emma.

Emma's face instantly darkened when she saw the sudden and ugly dung-yellow paint. Her arms froze in midair.

The simple and elegant ink painting was ruined.

"Who did this?" When Marsh saw what happened, he flew into a rage.

At this moment, Emma's face was also extremely cold.

It was obvious that someone did it on purpose.

It was obvious that that person wanted to ruin her efforts by doing this right before she was about to finish

painting.

The classroom was silent.

Marsh said, "No one wants to confess, right? Then I will fail all of you!"

Hearing that everyone was going to get zero, someone immediately panicked. "I saw it! It was Garfield Perkins!"

Someone else said, "Yes, it's Garfield's pen that did it."

Garfield was sitting diagonally behind Emma.

Coincidentally, his pen was stained with the same color of earthen yellow paint as the paint that fell on Emma's painting.

Garfield argued, "I didn't do it on purpose, Mr. Hanson!"

He gritted his teeth. His father was sick and did not have enough money to pay for his studies. He really wanted to

graduate early.

If he could not be evaluated as an outstanding camper this time, he could only drop out of school next semester.

Originally, he was confident of winning the art competition.

However, when he saw Emma's painting, his last hope was destroyed.

Therefore, he could only take the risk and destroy Emma's painting.

"Mr. Hanson, I really didn't do it on purpose... Why don't we give Emma some time to draw another one?" Garfield was also a little flustered. After all, such a mistake was hard to forgive.

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"Idiot!" Marsh was so angry that his chest heaved up and down. "Do you know how much effort and feelings an outstanding piece of work requires? Emma's painting was so outstanding just now. It can't be drawn identically just by prolonging the time!"

Moreover, the competition had a rule that no one was allowed to have extra time.

It was obvious that Garfield wanted to ruin Emma's grade.

Marsh pointed a finger at his nose. "Virtue is at the top of the list when we assess our students. You have no respect for art! You've been disqualified from the exam."

Garfield froze on the spot in a daze.

Emma thought, 'Indeed, he was reminded by Mr. Quinn to deal with unfair competition more ruthlessly.'

When Garfield was chased out with tears in his eyes, Marsh came to Emma's side. "There's not much time left before you hand in your work. I'll try my best to ask the camp to extend your examination time, but I might not succeed."

Emma understood that it was basically impossible to extend the duration of such an exam.

Hence, she said, "It's okay. I'll just draw another one."

Marsh said, "Another one?"

Emma's expression was calm. She unfolded another canvas. This time, she chose a different form of painting.

Marsh was a little shocked. He didn't expect Emma to draw oil painting.

There were other candidates in the examination hall who had picked this form. They had enough time and had all painted portraits or still objects.

However, Emma did not have that much time.

She had originally wanted to hold back. But now, it was too late.

Since her work was destroyed, Emma felt a wave of anger.

She dipped her brush in black paint.

Then swung a vertical h o r i z o n t a l line.

The line was strong and neat, as if it carried her anger, seemingly penetrating the wood and penetrating the back

of the paper.

She used all she got.

Marsh watched from the side in a daze.

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Emma quickly rinsed the brush and picked a new colorthe color.

Then, she drew colorful squares of various colors on the canvas.

There were bright red, scarlet, and blood red.

Then she changed to black, ink black, scarlet black...

The squares seemed to be jumping, some of them big and some of them small. They were s

t a g g e r e d across the

canvas.

It was not particularly focused on being three-dimensional, but it was a little like an abstract painting.

Towards the end, Emma didn't have time to mix the colors. She decided to get some colored tape to replace the brush. Instead of paint, she pasted the tape on those colored blocks.

In the end, she finally ended her work when the bell rang.

E m m a heaved a sigh of relief.

Countless pairs of eyes in the same examination hall were secretly watching her performance.

After seeing the overwhelming ink painting just now, everyone was very nervous.

In the end, when they saw the pile of colorful squares and black lines, everyone simply laughed out loud.

A student said, "What the hell is this? It looks like something I painted randomly in kindergarten."

Another person said, "Emma, are you giving up on yourself? Why did you draw such a random s h i t?"

Someone else said, "She thinks she's a master? Her work is just a piece of trash..."

Amidst the laughter, only Marsh's expression became more and more serious. He said, "This is..."

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Those students who were not skilled enough might not be able to tell.

However, Marsh, who was quite accomplished in the art field, immediately understood.

The squares drawn by Emma were not squares in the true sense.

It was a flame that she had deconstructed.

If one looked closely, it seemed that every one of these colorful squares was rising. It was obvious that it contained

a strong anger.

This painting technique immediately reminded him of a world-renowned female artist from Rhinea, Ava.

“Do you know Ava?” Marsh had heard that Emma had run a world-class clothing brand called Youth. Its design was avant-garde and it was famous worldwide, It was very impressive.

When he looked at her landscape painting, he thought that the designer’s skills had made her quite accomplished in painting.

But now that he saw this painting, he was completely shocked. He didn’t think a twenty-year-old girl would be this advanced in-painting.

Emma was actually Ava.

When she was learning design, she accidentally discovered that art was vast and profound.

She had put in a lot of effort to study it.

One time, a manuscript that she had unintentionally abandoned in Paris was found by someone. It was said that the person had a high status in the foreign art industry. Later, Emma became famous under the name of Ava.

However, she had never been interviewed. Therefore, Ava was a mysterious person in the art world.

Emma did not want to reveal the secret that she was Ava for the time being.

She said, "I do. She had given me some pointers when I was traveling."

Marsh was extremely excited after he heard that. "I admire Ava very much! It's a pity that I've never had the chance to meet her. She actually gave you pointers personally. Indeed, the younger generation will surpass us!"

Emma laughed awkwardly.

This painting was named "The Ember". It was to represent her anger.

Marsh insisted on sending Emma's painting to the Trolo City Cultural Museum Exhibition a few days later.

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After the students of the summer camp learned of this news, they had mocked Emma behind her back and

believed that Marsh was biased.

They felt that Marsh was actually trying to embarrass Emma this way.

Everyone was waiting to see how much criticism Emma was going to receive at the exhibition.

Finally, the TroIn City Arts Festival opened.

"For the sake of fairness, the assessment of this art competition will be decided by the votes of all the visitors to the festival! The one with the highest number of votes will get the highest score in this segment of our summer camp!" After Marsh announced the rules, the students rubbed their palms together.

The results of the horse race were out.

The first place was undoubtedly Bob.

Bob now exceeded Emma, obtaining the highest total score in the entire summer camp.

Whether or not Emma could overtake him would depend on the outcome of this art competition.

The students' paintings were displayed in a row, and the big shots who came to visit were invited to vote.

A person said, "The birds in this painting, 'Crow's Cry', are vivid and lifelike. It's really good!"

Another person said, "I want to vote for this one, 'Lotus!'"

Someone else said, "I vote for 'Crow's Cry' too."

Someone else said, "I choose 'Child'."

Guests came and went. Every student had more or less obtained some votes.

Only Emma's painting received zero votes.

Marsh couldn't help but worry.

Emma's work was very pioneering and niche.

The level of art was too high.

Marsh was worried that ordinary people wouldn't be able to appreciate her paintings.

The few students who were initially afraid of Emma started to stir up trouble when they saw that she did not have a single vote.

A few middle-aged art enthusiasts walked over.

Someone stepped forward and said sarcastically. "Sir, we are all students who love art. Please comment on our

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work!"

The man smiled and nodded. "Alright, your drawings are all very good, especially this one, 'Crow's Cry

The person who came forward to ask was the creator of Crow's Cry, Pierce Bird.

Pierce's smile deepened as he pointed at the Emma painting, "The Ember". "What about this one?"

The uncle stared at "The Ember" and frowned. "This one doesn't look good. I don't like it."

Pierce asked, "Why not?"

The man said, "I don't understand it."

Another person said, "That's right. It doesn't look good. These squares are messy and there's no aesthetic sense at all."

Someone else said, "You call this a painting? Are you sure it's not a joke?"

When Pierce heard that these people had devalued Emma's painting, he was even happier. This was the effect he wanted. He wanted Emma to see with her own eyes that he was the best at drawing.

Actually, as an art student, Pierce understood the beauty of Emma's painting.

She incorporated the world-shocking ideas of the great painter of the century, Pierre Mondrian, with geometric figures as the basic elements of painting.

In other words, those squares were all meaningful when combined.

It seemed to be a messy pile of squares. In fact, it was an abstract flame.

Pierce was certain that these people could not understand Emma's painting, so he deliberately led them to say this in front of Emma and deliberately suppressed Emma's confidence.

Just as Marsh was worried that these people's words would have a bad impact on Emma's mood and was about to say a few words, Among the art enthusiasts who had come to look at the painting just now, an old man with white

hair walked out.

The old man was wearing a checkered shirt and a coffee-colored painter's hat. His temperament was extraordinary.

up narrowed his

eyes and focused on Emma's painting.

“Good painting. This child is a rare genius!” As soon as the old man finished speaking, the surrounding people

were shocked.

A person asked, “Mr. Sowle, what did you say?”

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Someone else asked, “You said this painting is a good painting???”

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“That’s right.” Marvin Sowle’s tone was firm, and his eyes were filled with excitement. His face was flushed red, showing how excited he was.

Marvin was a famous painter internationally.

Since he personally verified that it was good, no one else dared to object to it.

Of course, Pierce also knew Marvin. “Mr. Sowle, I’m the author of this painting, ‘Crow’s Cry’”

“Your drawing is also very good,” Marvin said calmly, “But I want to get to know the painter of ‘The Ember’!”

When Marsh saw that someone finally spotted this painting, he welcomed him with a smile. “Mr. Sowle, I’m the art teacher of this group of children. The author of ‘The Ember’ is right here. She’s a very young girl!

When Marvin saw Emma, he was indeed greatly surprised. “I didn’t expect that the person who drew such a stunning work would be such a young girl! Little girl, did you really draw this painting?”

Emma smiled and stepped forward. “Thank you for your appreciation, Mr. Sowle. This painting was indeed drawn by me!”

The students who were waiting to watch a good show were all dumbfounded.

They wondered if Emma’s painting was actually that good.

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Marvin interpreted the painting seriously, “Emma’s painting has learned the style of Mondrian, the pioneer of geometric abstract art! Those who don’t understand will think that it’s a pile of scribbles at first glance. But in fact, every color block and every stroke symbolizes an artist’s abstract understanding of this world! Not everyone can understand such a masterpiece! Not just anyone can draw it!”

After Marvin finished speaking, he placed the vote in his hand into the empty vote bucket of Emma without

hesitation.

After voting,

he did not forget to say, “If such a genius is buried, it will be a disgrace to the art world!”

Marvin was today’s most famous painter.

Many people who came to watch the exhibition yearned to be recognized by **him**.

Now that Marvin had expressed his stance, the group of people who had come to watch the exhibition with him also changed sides.

Someone said, “After listening to Mr. Sowle’s explanation, I feel like I understand...”

Another person said, “These colored blocks are the dancing flames!”

Someone else said, “This painting is too good. Actually, I like this one the most, too!”

It was unknown if those people really knew or pretended to know.

In any case, they wanted to follow Marvin’s vote.

Hence, those who had originally voted for the other paintings took back their votes and placed them into the Emma vote buckets.

The few works that had received high votes quickly lost their votes.

Pierce and the other students instantly pulled a long face.

They could only watch helplessly as the ticket that they had worked so hard to get was taken by Emma. Their hearts were bleeding.

Not long after, Emma's vote barrel was full.

There were even tickets that could not be put down and had to be placed on the table beside it.

As for the voting boxes under the other paintings, there were either a few or none.

It was bare and pitiful.

Those who voted didn't know which painting was the best.

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However, they knew to follow Marvin's vote.

Marvin did not care who these people voted for In the end.

All his attention was on Emma. "Little girl, tell me, who are you?"

Marsh might believe Emma's words, but a big shot like Marvin would definitely be able to see Emma's strength.

Marvin would never believe that she was just an ordinary art student.

Emma knew that he could not hide it, and she did not want to lie to this senior.

She stood on tiptoe and whispered to Marvin, "Mr, Sowle, You have to help me keep this a secret!"

"Of course! Of course!" The art giant, Marvin, was like an innocent child at this moment. He yearned for Emma to

tell the truth.

Emma giggled. "I'm..." Emma wrote a word on Marvin's palm.

Marvin's eyes widened in disbelief. "You're really..."

Emma said, "Mr. Sowle, shush!"

“Okay, okay...” Marvin could not hide his excitement.

He had devoted his entire life to painting. He had long admired Ava.

To be able to see her in person today, Marvin would die without regrets.

In the end, Emma took first place in the art competition.

The ranking of the summer camp competition changed accordingly.

That night, Emma and Bob tied for first place.

Everyone else’s total **score** was very different from theirs.

It was no longer possible to rely on the last stage to overtake.

At this point, the final quota for outstanding campers had already been decided.

However, there was still a big test to go before the final award ceremony.

The camp did not reveal any information about this test.

The teacher just asked everyone to rest well and relax for the next few days to welcome the challenge.

In the past few **days**, Emma had been taken away by Liam.

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He said, “I think I know who did this to you the other day.”

“Who is it?” Emma was very concerned.

After all, in the past few days, her videos at the summer camp had gone viral on the Internet.

Her performance during water ball, rock climbing, and mind-reading were all edited into videos.

Although her face was covered, everyone who knew her could guess that this person was Emma.

Moreover, she received Marvin’s personal praise at the exhibition yesterday.

Emma **was** in the limelight.

The person who wanted to assassinate her must have been watching her **every** move.

That night, in Icovine Estate, Liam explained his plan to Emma.

Emma said, "You mean, we'll cooperate and play along tomorrow and lure the assassin out?"

Liam nodded. "That's right. I'll send someone to protect you in the dark and then capture them all!"

Emma agreed that this was a good idea.

For the other party to be able to hide **so** well, they must be an expert with some means. This was the only way to

force them out.

The

next day, Emma released the news that he was going to leave the camp for a short break.

Usually, the summer camp was guarded by Leroy, so it was not easy for the mastermind to make a move.

Now that Emma had left the camp, the opportunity to kill her had arrived.

The summer camp holiday was a total of three days.

In other words, Emma had to get rid of the people who wanted to assassinate her within these three days.

However, two days had passed, and the other party actually did not have any reaction.

Just as the summer camp vacation was about to end and the plan was about to fail, the other party could not hold it in anymore.

On the third night, Emma received a text message.

Other than the text, there were also many photos that were deliberately pixelated.

Emma easily recognized that the person in the coded photos was her.

In the photo, she was anesthetized and her clothes were disheveled. One could not help but let their imagination

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run wild after seeing those pictures.

The message read: [Tonight, come alone to 8 Cloud Road. Otherwise, I'll send these photos to Liam!]

Emma gripped her phone tightly.

She didn't dare to look at herself in those photos.

After such a long time, she still felt a chill from the bottom of her heart when she saw those pictures again.

After a long while, her lips curled into a contemptuous smile.

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She thought, 'This person is indeed capable. They even found the pictures that was taken when I was kidnapped by the enemy during the period I was training overseas/ They even knew that I care about Liam very much. However, they didn't know that Aria Wilson had shown these pictures to Liam long ago.'

At that time, Emma was worried that he would fly into a rage at her.

However, in reality, not only was Liam not angry, he even felt sorry for her.

Later, Liam destroyed the photos all over the Internet.

Apparently, the other party had used some unknown method to actually have a copy of these photos.

It was obvious that they wanted to lure Emma out with these pictures so they could kill her.

A minute later, Emma replied: [Just you wait!]

She was going to find out the identity of the other party.

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That night, Emma arrived at 8 Cloud Road at the appointed time.

This was a remote section of TroIn City.

There was no one else but her on the road at night. At least that was how it seemed.

Liam had long since deployed various troops in the dark.

Once the other party appeared, Liam's people would immediately capture them all.

It was very dark and windy, there was no one around.

Only Emma's phone lit up at this moment. She received another message. [Enter that a bandoned building.]

Emma looked extremely calm. She turned sideways and saw a building on her right that appeared to be at least a

hundred years old.

It was eerie. Glass was embedded in the middle of the dilapidated wood. Her face was reflected in the glass.

"Creak!" The door was unlocked.

Emma pushed the door open with a cold expression.

Not far away, Liam instructed over the walkie-talkie, "Pay attention."

Emma walked into the building.

Liam's people had already checked in advance. There were no flammable or explosive items buried nearby.

As long as there were no explosives, Emma felt that she could deal with any situation.

After all, she was very confident in her skills.

Moreover, there was Liam protecting her.

After Emma entered, the damp smell of rotten wood assaulted her nose.

There were no lights on in the room. Emma turned on the flashlight on her phone.

A pale beam of light flashed past and Emma immediately saw a woman in a black dress sitting upright in the hall.

"It's you!" Emma's voice was filled with surprise and shock.

It was not that she had never suspected the woman in front of her.

However, she was still a little surprised to see her with her own eyes.

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Emma asked, "You were also the one who tampered with the safety rope for rock climbing, right?"

"You're smart," the woman sneered. "You dare to come and see me alone? You're quite bold."

Emma's expression did not change. "What makes you think that I'm afraid of you? Mrs. Dow?"

It was Yolanda Dow, the mother of Sebastian.

Previously, Sebastian tortured Aria until she died and was arrested by the police.

Yolanda wanted Emma to take the blame for Sebastian. Emma refused at that time.

This indirectly **led** to Sebastian being taken away by the police. It was said that he had been sentenced to death a

while ago.

That must be why Yolanda wanted to take revenge on her.

Emma said, "Your son has already been sentenced to death for murder. Motherly love is really great. You're so

anxious to accompany him on the road to hell."

As she spoke, she sized Yolanda up.

After what happened to Sebastian, Yolanda aged visibly.

Her cheeks were sunken, and pale light shone on her face. She was as thin as a skeleton.

Yolanda's voice was hoarse as she laughed strangely in the dark night. "My son... my son! If Sebastian dies, you

won't have an easy time either! It's you! You killed my son!"

Sebastian had always been a playboy with many misdeeds. Back then, Aria Wilson had hooked up with him.

because of his wealth.

In the end, she was played to death by Sebastian./

Now that Sebastian was sentenced, he clearly deserved it.

Emma's red lips curled up.

She waved a thin whip in her hand and a crisp crack sounded.

It landed on Yolanda's face.

"It's your fault as the mother that your son ended up in this situation! Your son killed someone, but you don't care. You even wanted to find someone to take the blame!"

Yolanda's sunken eyes immediately widened. "You hit me?"

Emma's whip had a special texture. With just one whip, her skin and flesh were immediately torn open. Fresh blood flowed down her face.

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Emma held the flashlight on her phone like a demon walking in the dark night.

"Since you already know my identity, you should know that it's nice of me to only hit you once." She looked at the bloodstains on Yolanda's face coldly. "You deliberately tried to kill me. It would be reasonable even if I kill you right

now!"

“Kill me?” Yolanda laughed uncontrollably. “That’s right, I know your identity! So what th at you’re Stox, the best hacker in the black market? I know your secret! If I tell Liam eve rything about you, are you sure he will still **love** you wholeheartedly?”

Emma’s expression turned even colder. “You can try!”

“Whoosh!” After Emma finished speaking, she directly kicked over Yolanda’s chair.

Yolanda screamed and was kicked to the ground by Emma.

Yolanda felt the powerful killing intent engulfing her and felt a chill run down her spine, “Don’t come any closer! If you come any closer, I’ll really send it to Liam!”

Emma walked forward step by step and saw the so– called blackmail materials that Yolanda had prepared on her

phone.

She laughed. However, that smile was really cold. “Poor thing. Liam knows I am Stox, a nd he’s seen those pictures. You can send them to him right now because I don’t give a damn what you’re risking your life to threaten me

with!”

Emma’s words made Yolanda’s jaw drop. “What did you say?”

She thought, ‘Liam already knew everything?’

Yolanda panicked, “You, don’t come over!”

Emma laughed. “Just now, I whipped one side of your face. It will be asymmetrical and ugly if I don’t hit the other

side.”

Yolanda was terrified. “I’m warning you, don’t come over!”

“Are you afraid now?” Emma laughed. “Why didn’t you feel this way when you provoked me?”

“Don’t come over, don’t come over!” Yolanda crawled backward step by step.

Of course, she knew how terrifying Emma was.

Because she was **not** only the number one hacker on the black market, she was also the number one assassin in the world, Phantom.

Yolanda did not want to reveal this secret until the last moment. That was because she was afraid and not confident. She was afraid that if she completely angered Emma, she would get herself **killed**.

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However, Emma was now approaching Yolanda step by step with her whip and dagger. Yolanda was **terrified**. "If you dare to touch me, I'll expose the fact that you're Phantom! Also, Justine Slater! You killed Justine! If Liam knew that you were the murderer, he would never forgive you..." Yolanda wanted to say something else. However,

Emma struck her with the hilt of her knife and knocked her out.

Hearing this name, Emma's eyes immediately turned red.

Her killing intent had reached its peak.

At that moment, she really wanted to kill Yolanda.

At this critical moment, the door opened.

"Emma!" A familiar voice immediately pulled Emma back to reality.

Liam heard the commotion and rushed over.

He immediately pulled her into his arms. "Are you all right?"

Emma's eyes were still red. Of course, Liam noticed her abnormality.

She pursed her lips dryly. "I'm fine."

Liam glanced coldly at Yolanda, who had fainted on the ground. "Get rid of her."

A subordinate said, "Yes, Mr. Hall"

Yolanda had indeed planted many people around today, but they were all controlled by Liam's people.

Yolanda had also fallen unconscious.

Liam did not want to kill anyone. It was better to have police to deal with it.

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In Icovine Estate.

Emma was not in a good mood on the way home..

Liam could tell that she had something on her mind.

He tried to ask her, but **she** was avoiding him.

He didn't pursue the matter.

He **only** remembered that before he entered the door, he vaguely heard Yolanda shouting something hysterically.

However, he did not hear it clearly before Yolanda was knocked unconscious by Emma.

At night, he kissed her body, and she did not refuse.

The surging lust quickly swept the two of them.

They had been separated for a few days because of summer camp, and the fire in Liam's heart was very strong that

night.

Even someone with an excellent physique like Emma couldn't hold on much longer.

In a daze, Emma hugged his neck.

She whispered, "Liam... if one day you find out that I'm hiding something from you, will you still love me?"

Liam looked at her elegant neck and smooth skin and his heart softened.

He kissed her tenderly on the eyes and brow. "No matter what happens, as long as it's you, I love you!"

When Emma heard him say that, she buried her face in Liam's muscular chest.

She felt that it was nice to be firmly loved. No matter how much she had suffered in the past, she was satisfied with Liam's trust now. She would definitely find an opportunity in the future to explain to him that she was Phantom.

That night, they slept in each other's arms.

The next day, before Emma returned to camp, she went to a place alone, the cemetery in the suburbs.

The last time she came to the cemetery was the anniversary of Aria's death.

She had once removed one of Nora Wilson's hands here.

However, someone else was buried in this cemetery, Justine, who used to be her best partner.

Emma put down the white daisy in her hand.

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She slowly squatted by the grave and said, "Dummy, I'm here to see you."

Justine was Emma's best friend who had trained with her in that mysterious organization in her previous life.

After Emma appeared in this world, Justine had already died.

In her previous life, those who went to that organization were people with the best physiques in various countries, but they **were** also the most desperate.

Everyone joined for all kinds of reasons.

Some joined in order to learn some skills to take revenge.

There were also people who worked hard here so they could treat the disease of their family.

Emma and Justine were the kind of people who had no way out.

She had gone there to learn. Dummy had been sold here by her family.

When she first joined the organization, Emma had no food to eat because she often made mistakes.

When Emma was about to die of hunger, it was Dummy who gave her food, although Justine didn't have much **food** in the first place.

Dummy **was** so timid, but she was willing to go deep into the flames of war for her.

She tried her best to save Emma. Because of this, Dummy was crippled for the rest of her life.

During those dark and cruel years, they relied on each other.

However, Justine had died because of that match.

Before the competition, Emma had a conflict with Justine. Everyone in the organization suspected that Emma was the one who caused Justine's death. Yolanda **had** used some unknown channel to find out all the rumors about the past. That was why she used Justine's matter to threaten her that day.

However, Emma knew that there was definitely a conspiracy behind this.

No matter how many people she hurt, she would not hurt Justine.

When she was done with her current event, one day, she would personally go to Charon Military School to find out the truth behind Justine's death!

On the other side, summer camp.

On the field, a few people were chattering and discussing.

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Someone asked, "The camp is about to start. Why isn't Emma here yet?"

Another person said, "That's right. We agreed on a three-day holiday. Everyone is staying in the camp obediently. She's the only one who wants to go out!" to

Someone else said, "The summer camp has a rule that whoever is late for assembly would be disqualified immediately."

Everyone was waiting to watch a good show.

It was getting closer and closer to the start of the camp.

Bob frowned and stepped forward. "Teacher, Emma might have been delayed by something on the way."

Lane and Ida also spoke up for Emma. "That's right, Teacher. Emma is usually very active in training. She won't deliberately slack off. She must have been delayed by something."

Someone was displeased. "No one is late. Why is she the only one getting special treatment?"

Someone else said, "The summer camp clearly stipulates that those who are late will be disqualified from all evaluations!" After the person finished speaking, he asked the teacher, "Mr. Hanson, you will do your job properly, right?"

Marsh felt that this person was really long-winded. It was so annoying.

Ignoring him, he glanced at his watch.

There was only a minute left.

If Emma was not there yet, she would really be disqualified.

The last minute passed.

Emma had yet to appear on the field.

"Clap, clap, clap!" There was a clear and loud clapping sound.

Someone said, "Emma is late! I announce that she has been dis..."

At this moment, the delicate voice of the woman on the field said provocatively, "Who do you think you are to

announce it?"

Lane and Ida were overjoyed to see Emma and ran over. "Emma, you're finally here!"

Ida said, "You were almost disqualified from the evaluation! I was scared to death."

Ida was a soft girl. Every time she wheedled with Emma, Emma felt that she was quite cute.

She could not help but pinch her face. "I was delayed by something. Don't worry, I've calculated the time."

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She would not make such a low-level mistake of being late.

When Marsh saw her return, he nodded. "It's good that you're here. Since everyone is here, let's prepare to start the last round of training. In the last round, we will be testing the hearts of the people."

Emma was still on the same team as Lane and Ida.

The tasks of each team are not necessarily the same.

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The captains of each team drew lots to decide the mission.

When Emma opened the slip of paper she had drawn and saw the words on it, she was stunned.

Their mission this time was to find an internationally famous rare colored diamond that had been lost for a long time, the Tear of the Moon.

Legend had it that this huge colored diamond was once embedded in the sword of a foreign emperor. It was both jewelry and an antique. Its value was hard to estimate. At least ten digits.

"Tear of the Moon... It's actually here?" Lane had heard of this item and couldn't help but be surprised.

Emma nodded. She said, "The quest stated that the Tear of the Moon was stolen a few months ago. The thief accidentally dropped it when they were absconding. According to the detector, it's in this area. Whoever can find the Tear of the Moon and return it to the local museum will be the winner of this round! It's just that the terrain here is dangerous. Not only is it difficult to find, but we might also encounter danger."

After Emma finished speaking, a trace of panic flashed across Ida's face. "Dangerous? Don't tell me there's a tiger or leopard!"

Emma looked at her reaction. She was going to say that those things were not dangerous to her, but in the end,

she held it in. "Don't be afraid. We can only take it one step at a time."

After Emma and the other two team members reached a consensus, they calmed down and began to move

forward.

According to the instructions, they first passed through a mountainous area with a dangerous terrain..

Then they passed through a forest on foot.

The Tear of the Moon was at the end of the forest.

Among the three of them, other than Ida, who had a relatively weak body, Emma and Lane had no physical

problems.

After climbing a mountain, Ida was a little out of breath.

The mountain was shrouded in fog. Other than them, there were some other team members walking in circles.

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Ida was nervous and afraid. "Emma... We seem to be lost."

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Emma said, "Don't be afraid. I've already figured out the terrain here. We should be able to reach the destination in

less than half an hour."

"Really?" When Ida heard that Emma had found the route, she was so excited that she missed her footing.

"Ouch..." She fell to the ground and twisted her ankle.

Ida was in so much pain that tears streamed down her face.

Lane immediately asked with concern, "Are you alright? Can you still walk?"

Ida tried to stand *up*, but she realized that she could not. “Emma, why don’t *you* leave first? Don’t worry

about me...”

Ida had always been timid, but she did not want to drag Emma down.

Emma looked at the time and said in a deep voice, “Don’t be nervous. Lane, you should rest for a while too. We’ll carry Ida over later.”

Whether as Phantom or Stox, the reason why Emma could become more and more successful and become the commander of an army was because she would never easily abandon her teammates.

Sure enough, after

the three of them rested for a while, Emma bent down and carried Ida on her back.

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Ida was so touched that she cried along the way. “Emma, you’re really too good to me... I’ll definitely work hard in

the future and not be so useless anymore...

Lane couldn’t help but laugh. “It’s too late for you to work hard in the future. After today’s training, you won’t have a chance to have Emma carry you anymore!”

At the thought that the summer camp was about to end, Ida cried even harder.

Ida cried while Lane laughed.

Only Emma knew that they were all trying to ease the atmosphere.

After all, this misty forest was really strange.

Not long after, Emma was tired.

Ida was put down, and Lane continued to carry her.

Ida was afraid that they would be tired, so she kept trying to tell them stories and jokes to refresh them.

Just like that, the three girls supported each other and finally passed through the misty forest with difficulty.

They reached the end of the forest, and the smog finally dissipated.

Walking out of the fog, they saw a wooden hut.

“Emma, there’s actually a wooden hut here,” Ida asked, “Should we go in and take a look?”

“Let’s go in and take a look.” The three of them moved forward carefully.

Suddenly, the door opened on its own.

The old man in the black suit walked out. As Leroy spoke, he took out the top-notch luxurious blue-colored diamond in his hand. “Are you looking for this?”

The huge diamond was at least fifty carats.

Emma compared the picture in the quest book and confirmed that the diamond in his hand was the Tear of the

Moon.

The moment the precious diamond was displayed, the perfect cutting surface seemed to have collected all the

colors in the world.

It was truly as dazzling as the moonlight landing on the ground.

It was difficult to find a second one in the-world.

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Emma said, “This is the Tear of the Moon!”

But soon, she realized that something was wrong. “But why is it in your hands, Mr. Quinn?”

Emma's doubts were also the doubts of the other two girls.

Leroy laughed heartily. "Because I want this too!"

"You want it too...? How can this be..." Ida was dumbfounded.

She thought, "Didn't the mission book say that after obtaining the Tear of the Moon, we have to return it to the

local museum? Now that Mr. Quinn said that he wanted it, should we give it to the museum or Mr. Quinn?"

As if seeing the confusion in her eyes, Leroy said, "A spot for an outstanding camper can only allow you to graduate a few years in advance. However, if you can give me this diamond, I promise to give each of you 2 million dollars!"

As soon as he finished speaking, the other two girls were stunned.

Lane and Ida were both girls from ordinary families.

They didn't even dare to think about getting 2 million dollars this easily.

Leroy asked, "How is it? Do you want to make this deal? Here are the checks. I mean what I say!"

Ida looked at the checks and gulped.

It would be a lie to say that she was not tempted by the money.

However, she did not have the courage to go forward and take it.

At this moment, a cold female voice sounded. "Mr. Quinn, this diamond was originally a cultural relic of the Zima Museum. I think it should be returned to its rightful owner!"

"Oh?" Hearing Emma's words, he smiled thoughtfully. "2 million dollars might not be much to you, Emma, but what about your teammates? Don't they need it?"

Emma bit her lip. She was not sure if this was a trap deliberately set by the summer camp. After all, the last test was to test the heart. However, her years of experience in missions told her that one had to have no distractions

while on a mission.

In particular, she could not be tempted by money.

Emma said seriously to her two teammates, "Don't forget our original intention!"

Emma's words were like an alarm bell ringing in Ida's heart.

Ida immediately straightened her back. "Yes, don't forget our original intention! Mr. Quinn, quickly hand over the diamond!"

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Ida's performance made Emma feel gratified.

At this moment, Lane took a step forward. "Are you sure you'll really give us 2 million dollars?"

Ida said, "Lane!"

Leroy nodded. "That's right! As long as you're willing to help me, not only this 2 million dollars, but you also have a

chance to become my successor!"

As he spoke, he waved the check at her. "How is it? Do you want to come and get it? Your teammates don't want it, so you will have 6 million dollars!"

Emma did not expect Lane to waver. "Lane, you're not allowed to take it!"

However, Lane made up her mind and took a step forward, holding the three checks tightly in her hand.

Leroy narrowed her eyes when he saw Lane's actions.

Emma immediately rushed forward to stop Lane and Leroy from taking away the Tears of the Moon.

Lane was no match for Emma and was defeated in a few moves.

Emma threw the checks into the soil.

She dashed forward and snatched the Tear of the Moon from Leroy's hands in the blink of an eye.

However, as soon as Emma obtained the Tear of the Moon, Lane rushed over again.

"Ida, catch!" At the critical moment, Emma handed the Tear of the Moon to Ida.

Ida protected the Tear of the Moon tightly.

Emma looked at Lane coldly. "Lane, stop!"

She would not take the Tear of the Moon for herself, nor would she allow her teammates to have such thoughts.

However, Lane did not give up and continued to attack Emma.

Emma used a clever method to grab Lane's hand.

Lane was pinned down by her. Emma said, "Don't forget, the teacher said that our last test is about the heart!"

After Emma's reminder, Lane instantly understood.

She thought, 'Could it be that this is a deliberate arrangement by the summer camp?'

Before she could react, the sound of the two of them fighting immediately attracted the other teams who were originally lost in the forest.

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A person said, "There's someone there!"

Someone said, "There's also a small wooden hut!"

Someone else said, "Let's go!"

The second team was led by Bob.

Everyone saw the huge diamond in Ida's hand. "Is this the Tear of the Moon?"

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Leroy glanced at the members of the second team and said, "Whoever helps me snatch the Tear of the Moon from her will get 6 million dollars!"

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The second team was also stunned when they heard that.

Bob thought, 'Snatching it for Leroy? Should we give it back to the museum?'

Just as Bob was thinking, someone shouted and rushed up to attack. "Charge!"

Ida tried her best to protect the diamond in her hand, but because of the injury on her foot, she was pushed down.

The diamond was also snatched away by that person.

Seeing this, Bob immediately attacked.

A second before that person handed the diamond to Leroy, Bob snatched it back. “The Tear of the Moon is a lost cultural relic reported internationally. It should be returned to the Zima Museum according to the mission hint!”

Leroy looked at Bob blankly. “Bob, you’re different from Emma. She’s the niece of the Rivera family’s fourth son. She has countless assets under her name, but you are an adopted son. With this 6 million dollars and your talent, you don’t have to be an adopted son who has to live under other people’s roof anymore!”

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Leroy’s words undoubtedly hit Bob’s sore spot.

Emma subconsciously looked at Bob.

His thin face had a cold expression. “I only do what I am supposed to do!”

After saying that, he looked at Emma and Ida. “Let’s go and return the Tear of the Moon!”

Emma **and** Ida nodded when they saw this.

“Clap, clap, clap!” Suddenly, there was a loud and clear applause.

Three people walked out of the wooden hut. Two of them were blond and blue-eyed foreigners. The last one was

Marsh.

They looked at Emma, Ida, and Bob with admiration.

One of the blond-haired, blue-eyed foreigners said, "I am the curator of the Zima Museum! Thank you for protecting the Tear of the Moon! Congratulations **on** passing the test!"

When everyone saw this scene, they instantly understood the truth.

Emma's guess was right. All of this was just a test.

It was a test to see if anyone could keep their bottom line when faced with temptation and if they would forget their original intention.

"I can't believe it... I can't believe it!" The person who snatched the diamond from Ida wished he could find a hole

to hide in.

It was also because of his impulsiveness that his team failed.

"Bob..." He looked at Bob guiltily.

Bob, who had always been expressionless, actually frowned impatiently for the first time

The assistants beside Leroy quickly announced that Emma's team had won.

As soon as the results were announced, Bob's team members were dissatisfied.

A person said, "Why did Emma's team win? Didn't Lane try to steal the diamond just now?"

Someone **said**, "That's right. If the teammate makes a mistake and the captain has to be punished, then Emma will also fail the test."

Someone else said, "That's right! Bob- tried to help just now. Why did Emma get first place?"

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At this moment, Ida stood up on her tiptoes. "Why are you like this? You saw it just now. When that person snatched the diamond from my hand, Lane went to stop him like Emma!"

A person said, "So what!"

Another person said, "Yeah, so what?"

Ida panicked. "You guys..."

At this moment, Lane stood up.

She lowered her head and said, "I admit that I was indeed selfish just now. I'm not worthy of this honor. I'm willing to withdraw."

If Emma had not told her that this was a test, she was not confident that she would not do something bad.

With Lane's withdrawal, the others had nothing to say.

Her face was still red, and she was ashamed of what she had just done.

However, she did not regret it because she really needed that money.

However, what Lane did not know was that Emma had seen her emotions.

Just as the crowd was getting excited, Leroy said blankly, "In that case, the winner of this round is Emma, Ida, and Bob! Three people tied for first place!"

This was Ida's first time obtaining individual points.

She was so happy that she almost jumped up. It was the pain in her feet that stopped her from acting rashly. Lane held her in her arms.

The total score was soon announced. This year's outstanding campers were Emma and Bob.

After getting the outstanding camper, Emma immediately called Liam. "Hubby, I did it! I can graduate early!"

Emma was indescribably excited.

Graduating early meant that she could have more time to do what she liked.

She had more time to be with Liam.

It was autumn, there was dazzling rain.

However, Emma did not seem to notice it at all. Even when she walked, **she** could not help but tiptoe excitedly.

On the phone, Liam's voice was deep and doting. "Turn around and look behind you."

Before Emma could react, **she** turned around in a daze.

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She saw a handsome man in black standing not far away from her with a long black umbrella.

When Emma saw him, her beautiful eyes instantly lit up.

She ran towards him and threw herself into his arms. "Honey!"

Emma was really happy to see him.

Seeing her reaction, Liam, who never liked to smile, actually smiled happily in public.

Liam put the phone back in his pocket.

He held the umbrella with his other hand and picked her up with one hand.

"Did you miss me?" His voice was hoarse.

"Of course I do!" Emma looked up at Liam Hall and said coquettishly, "It's raining. Other students are picked up by their parents. I thought I had to go home alone."

"How can that be?" He put her back on the ground, his palm gently stroking her hair. "Silly, I have to come and get you."

Emma hugged his hand. "I love you..."

Emma and Liam held an umbrella and walked out of the field side by side.

No one saw that not far away, Bob's right hand, which was holding the umbrella, silently drooped down.

At night, Liam was rarely unoccupied with work..

Instead, he accompanied Emma to watch a movie at Icovine Estate's home theater.

Emma didn't even have time to watch the movie playing on the projector because, from the moment she entered the room, Liam had been disturbing her.

One moment, he would kiss her lips, and the next moment, he would hold her in his arms and not let go no matter

what.

The two of them were making out when Liam's phone rang.

"Hello." His voice was unhappy. After all, Emma's first night home was interrupted.

On the other end of the phone, Levi sounded a little anxious. "Mr. Hall, bad news! Mr. Quinn is critically ill!"

The home theater was quiet.

Emma's hearing was outstanding, so she immediately heard Levi's words. "What's going on? He was fine during the award ceremony in the morning. Why is he suddenly critically ill?"

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Moreover, during the last competition, he still had the leisure to act and deliberately test them.

Liam frowned. "We won't know the details until we go to the scene."

After saying that, he grabbed Emma's hand. "Leroy has a collaboration with the Halls Corporation. He's critically ill this time. I want to visit him."

Emma nodded solemnly. "I'll go with you!"

When Emma arrived at the wooden hut, it was already surrounded by security.

The guards only let them enter after hearing Liam's name.

Emma entered with him and saw Leroy's family inside. They were all anxious.

Marsh was also there.

Emma asked, "Mr. Hanson? You're here too?"

Marsh smiled shyly. "Actually, I'm Mr. Quinn's adopted son."

"I see!" Emma was enlightened.

She looked at the other woman in the living room. She was wearing a white suit and had an elegant aura. She was

about the same age as her.

She knew that Leroy had an adopted daughter.

It seemed that the woman in front of her was Leroy's adopted daughter, Mona Hanson.

"How is Mr. Quinn doing?" Liam asked.

Marsh frowned. "Not very good. Please follow **me**, upstairs."

Emma followed Liam to the second floor.

Leroy lay on the bed in a daze, his eyes closed, and he was in a deep coma.

The doctor beside him looked helpless.

Dr. Calvin Bates said, "Mr. Hanson, Miss Hanson, I've tried my best. If Mr. Quinn still doesn't wake up... I'm afraid

he's doomed."

Mona gritted her teeth as tears welled up in her eyes. "How is that possible... My father was fine during the day!"

"Mona, calm down," Marsh comforted her.

Mona said, "How can I not be nervous... What if something happens to Dad, what if..."

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"You?" Mona was agitated. "My dad is so sick now. There can't be any more mistakes!"

Emma said, "Don't worry, I know medicine."

Mona didn't say it directly. However, she looked at Emma with disdain.

She had heard of Emma before and thought that she was a kid who was just relying on the fact that she had Liam and the fourth son of the Rivera family.

At the thought of this, Mona's tone became a little harsher. "I'm his daughter. If I say no, I mean no!"

Emma had a calm expression on her face. Since Mona did not want to be polite, she did not want to be polite either. "But if this continues, you will kill Mr. Quinn."

When Mona heard this, she was pissed. "Someone, get her out of here!"

Liam stood in front of Emma. "No one touches her!"

The situation was deadlocked.

Seeing that the two sides were in conflict, Marsh stood up and tried to ease the atmosphere. "Mona, Mr. Hall and

Miss Wilson are here to visit our father out of goodwill. Don't act on impulse!"

"Brother!" Mona gritted her teeth, but she had always listened to Marsh. She could only snort.

"I believe in Emma." Marsh's **words** made Emma feel better.

He trusted Emma for no other reason than that he had seen her paying. "The Ember",

Emma had clear eyes and was brimming with talent. Marsh felt that she might actually save his father's life.

"Dr. Bates, is there really no other way for my dad?" Marsh asked.

The doctor nodded. "There's only a twenty percent chance for him to wake up! If Miss Wilson has any ideas, I suggest we let her try. However, Miss Wilson, do you have a practice license?"

After the doctor asked, everyone looked at Emma.

They thought, 'That's right, a license. Emma is so young, Does she have any clinical experience?'

In fact, she really did not have the license they were talking about.

“I didn’t.” After Emma finished speaking, Mona was exasperated. “You don’t even have a medical license and you still want to trick us into letting you treat my father! I think you’re deliberately trying to harm my father!”

“Monal” Marsh’s tone was heavier this time:

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Even Liam’s face darkened. “Emma has no need to harm your father. If you don’t need our help, we’ll leave now!”

When Emma heard Liam’s words, she knew that he was on her side.

Leroy had taken good care of her during the summer camp. She didn’t want to leave him in the lurch just because of Mona, the prodigal daughter, so she said, “Although I don’t have the certificate you mentioned, I have this.”

Emma said as she took out a badge.

The people who did not believe in Emma’s ability just now stopped completely when they saw the badge in

Emma’s hand.

Calvin looked at the badge repeatedly. After a long time, he spoke in shock. “This is... the Holy Orchid Hero

Emblem?”

For medical professionals like them, the Holy Series hero badge had supreme prestige internationally.

The emblems of the Holy Series were the Holy Orchid, Holy Purity, and Holy Grail.

Among them, there were only three badges that were at the highest level, Grail.

One of the owners was the miracle doctor that Liam and Levi had been looking for, Grail

.

As for Emma, she was only 20 years old, but she already had the badge of the Holy Series. Such achievements were unparalleled.

“This... This badge, why is it in your hands?” Although Mona did not practice medicine, she studied medicine. She recognized the badge in Emma’s hand at a glance.

“Nonsense, this is my badge! Do you see it?” As Emma spoke, she directly raised the front of the badge.

Everyone went forward to take a look. Indeed, on the exquisitely carved badge, there was a face of Emma.

In fact, she had obtained this Holy Orchid Hero Emblem for several years.

Because its level was low, she didn’t store it carefully. Today, when she heard that something had happened to Leroy, she thought that it might be useful to bring it along.

Usually, a Holy Orchid Hero Emblem was enough to deal with such a situation.

Actually, no one knew that she was Grail.

As for the Grail hero badge, she had hidden it in the safest bank in the world.

Even Liam’s expression changed subtly. Levi gave Liam a meaningful look. He thought, ‘Does this mean that Mrs. Wilson knows **Grail?**’

Meanwhile, Liam remembered that Emma had told him a long time ago that she would definitely heal his legs. He

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thought, “How much of her past do I still not know about?”

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just now!”

Gates looked at Emma had completely changed. “So, you’re a giant in the medical field! We were rude

Emma smiled and looked at Mona with the badge in her hand. “How is it? Can I save your father now? Do I still need the qualification certificate you mentioned?”

Mona blushed. “So what? Maybe, maybe your badge is fake!”

As soon as Mona finished speaking, Calvin broke out in a cold sweat for her.

He thought, "Did Miss Hanson really pay attention in class when she studied medicine back then? The badge of the Holy Series had patented technology and official certification. No one can fake it. Most importantly, no one could afford the price to forge a fake one. There was no need for anyone to fake one either."

Although Marsh did not know medicine, since Calvin had spoken, he also realized that Emma's identity was special. He frowned and disciplined her. "Mona, stop being prejudiced against Miss Wilson! Dad's illness can't be delayed!"

After saying that, Marsh looked at Emma sincerely. "Miss Wilson, please don't mind my sister. My father's life is in your hands!"

Emma glanced at Liam.

Liam also looked at her firmly. His gaze was handsome and determined as if it was telling her that he supported her and believed in her.

At most, if anything happened, he would shoulder it.

Emma shook Liam's hand and turned to Marsh. "Mr. Hanson, you're too polite. I'm indebted to you and Mr. Quinn. I'll definitely do my best to save them."

Although Mona still wanted to make a fuss, she couldn't win against Marsh.

Emma prepared to rescue Leroy.

Everyone was asked to leave. Emma took her tools and stayed alone in Leroy's room.

She first read Leroy's physical examination report. She knew every data and indicator by heart without needing the computer to calculate them.

Calvin's medical skills were superb, and his diagnosis was correct.

Leroy indeed had cardiovascular disease.

However, there was another reason why he was unconscious. There was blood clotted on his head.

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This was the result of **his** many years of hard work. Emma could only let him regain consciousness first and slowly recuperate in the future.

Emma's hands were extremely steady as she pulled out a potion. She then inserted it in to Leroy's body.

Half an hour later, the door was opened.

Marsh and Mona looked anxious.

When he saw Emma walk out tiredly, Marsh went up to her first. "How is it? Is my father doing well?"

Emma nodded. "Don't worry, Mr. Quinn is awake!"

When Mona heard this, she had a shocked expression.

She thought, 'How is this possible? Dr. Bates is an internationally famous doctor. He only had 20% confidence to save my father, but Emma actually used half an hour to wake him up?'

"Emma, what method did you use? Don't tell me you caused any negative side effects in my dad?" Mona was still unwilling to give up.

She was prejudiced against Emma, but this question was too stupid.

Moreover, she was a medical student. Even Emma felt embarrassed for her.

"If you don't trust me, why don't you go in and check for yourself?" After Emma finished speaking, she retorted, "Oh right, I almost forgot. Although you're a medical student, you're not a doctor at all. You don't know how to treat illnesses at all! I'm afraid you can't even understand a physical examination form!"

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