Thank you so much for 10 credits! It means a lot to me to find such a great friend like you! Thank you for the support!

Do with the chapter. ❤

❤ Gotta Go

"Hey, I'm sorry I couldn't be there for lunch." Ari heard over her shoulder, a smile on her face as she walked through the cafeteria doors. Lunch hour was in full swing, the room filled with people, the smell of food hung in the air.

"It's fine!" a familiar voice called back, and Ari's smile grew wider. Her friend Lucy was sitting at a table near the window, waving her over. Ari weaved her way through the crowd, dodging a few people who were in her way, and finally reached the table.

"Sorry, I had to talk to my mom about something," she said, sliding into the chair across from Lucy. Lucy's eyes lit up at the mention of her mom, and Ari rolled her eyes internally. Lucy was her best friend, but sometimes she was a little too much.

"Is everything okay?" Lucy asked, her voice filled with concern. Ari shrugged, pushing her tray of food away from her. She wasn't hungry anymore, her stomach was tied in knots at the thought of what she had to do.

"Yeah, it's just... I'm going to do it," she said, her voice barely a whisper. Lucy's eyes widened, and she leaned forward, her hand reaching across the table to grab Ari's.

"Are you sure? You don't have to, you know. You don't owe him anything," she said, her voice filled with concern. Ari sighed, shaking her head. She knew that Lucy was right, she didn't owe her ex-boyfriend anything. But she still felt like she had to do this, for her own sake.

"I'm sure," she said, her voice more confident than she felt. "I need to do this, for me. I need to get my stuff back, and I need to tell him that I don't want him in my life anymore."

Lucy squeezed her hand, her eyes filled with pride. Ari felt a warm glow in her chest at the sight of her friend's support. She was so lucky to have such a good friend, she didn't know what she would do without her.

"Do you want me to come with you?" Lucy asked, her voice soft. Ari shook her head, a small smile on her face.

"No, I'm fine. I can do this by myself," she said, her voice more confident than she felt. She didn't want to drag her friend into her mess, she didn't want to ruin her relationship with her boyfriend. She didn't want to be a burden.

"Okay, but if something goes wrong, I'm coming with you," Lucy said, her voice firm. Ari nodded, her heart beating faster at the thought of what might happen if she went to her ex's house. She didn't want to think about it, she didn't want to think about what he might say or do if she went to his house.

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