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Without a second's delay, Tina rushed to Little Stars as fast as she could.

"What on earth happened?" She questioned in disbelief. "Kara's always been an obedient child. How could she just disappear out of the blue?"

The teachers at the kindergarten were riddled with deep anxiety. "We looked through the surveillance cameras and found out that she climbed over the walls to

escape!"

"How could this be?" Tina couldn't believe her ears.

All these years, Tina had raised her daughter all by herself. She knew Kara best.Kara had always been emotionally attached to her mother, and had never caused any trouble for Tina.

Kara leaving by climbing the walls was beyond Tina's expectations!

The kindergarten teachers knew that Tina wouldn't believe them. So, they took her to the security room to watch the footage.

The footage revealed that when all the children were having their afternoon nap, Kara snuck out when nobody was paying attention. Since the exits were all guarded by the teachers, Kara snuck to the corner and climbed over the walls to escape.

Looking at Kara's cumbersome movements, Tina's head buzzed with worry.

"Please calm down, ma'am. We've notified the police. They'll definitely find your child!" The kindergarten teachers wiped the sweat off their foreheads.

They knew Kara was a mild-mannered girl who always listened to instructions. As such, her unexpected actions had completely gone off the radar. Who would've known that a five-year-old girl would plot her escape by climbing over the walls?

"No! I have to go and find her!' Tina couldn't wait any longer as she stood up. Right at this moment, a young but stern voice echoed from outside the security room. "I'll find her with you!"

That voice belonged to Keith Langford. In the past few days, Keith hadn't been talking to Tina at all. Tina knew he must be sad about what had happened to him, so she gave him some personal time to digest his emotions. "No, you stay here. I'll find her by myself!" Tina reprimanded him in an equally stern tone. She didn't want to lose Keith in the process. Noticing that Tina was about to leave, Keith said anxiously, "I know where Kara went! I think

she went to find someone."

"Who?"

"I don't know, but yesterday night, Kara asked me to search for a bad man for her. But I refused. She got angry and told me she'd go and find him herself."

Keith's complexion was filled with remorse. "I didn't think much about it because I thought she was just throwing a fit. I didn't know she'd actually do it."

Tina was frozen to the ground. 'Is he talking about Samuel Langford?' Tina thought in horror. But how could Kara know where Samuel was? Right as she pondered about this, the kindergarten's television broadcasted today's news. "The CEO of Langford group, Samuel Langford, has decided to collaborate with the fashion magazine of Paris. This time, he has agreed to pour in an investment that might reach billions

Samuel, along with the address of the hotel where they were signing a contract for collaboration, was displayed clearly on TV.

Tina was so shocked that she couldn't even stand straight. A terrible scenario flashed across her mind.

Tina was worried that Kara might misunderstand what she said yesterday, and assumed that she had been hurt by Samuel.

After watching the news, Tina was determined that Kara had gone to search for Samuel using that address. "I know where she is!" She could never let Kara fall into Samuel's hands!

Tina turned and ran outside.

Keith wanted to sprint outside as well, but the kindergarten teachers stopped him immediately. He was left with no choice but to stare numbly at Tina's car as it drove away into the distance.

## Chapter 242

Right now, the TV channel was broadcasting live news. After Samuel had signed the contract with the representative of the fashion magazine, the live broadcast ended Samuel was prepared to leave right after. However, the representative stopped Samuel from leaving and asked him respectfully, "Mr. Langford, would you like to stay for a toast at the celebration feast later?"

Samuel did sign a contract that was worth billions with them.

If they could convince Samuel to sign a long-term contract, they'd be earning even more

profit!

However, Samuel waved his hand and refused them. "It's fine. I have something to do."

The representative persisted. "Is it because Mrs. Langford isn't here right now? I heard you and your wife have a really good relationship. Why don't you ask Mrs. Langford to attend the event as well?"

It wouldn't hurt to win Mrs. Langford over to their side.

She might be able to convince Samuel to sign more deals with them.

After all, husbands always listened to their wives.

The representative was certain the same applied to someone in high society like Samuel. "I do not wish to repeat myself!" Samuel snarled, his anger evident. His eagle-like glare fell on the representative. It was apparent that Samuel had seen through the latter's lame tactics.

Samuel was exactly like the rumors said: as cold as ice.

The representative of the fashion magazine had finally confirmed the rumor with his own eyes.

He was so shocked, his legs went weak. He slumped to his knees and dropped to the ground, and begged, "Mr. Langford, it's not my intention to anger you. Please let me explain!" "Don't ever try to talk to me about things that aren't related to work!"

With that cold remark, Samuel turned to leave. The representative wiped the sweat off his forehead, shivering. He finally understood what Samuel meant when the latter said they should treat their relationship as business partners professionally. If he dared to pull any dirty tricks on Samuel, the consequences would be grave.

The security guards escorted Samuel as he walked out of the hotel. When he was about to enter the parking lot, the guards alerted him.

"Mr. Langford, someone's following us!"

"What are you waiting for?" Samuel snapped. "Don't let him get away!" The guards working for Samuel were all highly skilled and trained to handle real-life combat. The moment Samuel gave his orders, the guards turned to a corner and readied themselves to detain the suspicious person. However, they stopped in their tracks the minute they saw the suspicious perpetrator. "Umm, Mr. Langford... Our enemy is a little girl." Samuel frowned. He thought he had heard it wrongly. "What did you just say?"

The guard was holding a little girl's hand. With big and watery eyes brimming with fury and stubbornness, the little girl looked just around four to five years old. "What are you doing? Why are you grabbing my hand? You monster! I'll kill you!" The little girl was none other than Kara Lynd, who had decided to sneak out of the kindergarten after she saw the news on TV. Kara already had a plan in mind. She knew a small child like her could never win a fight with an adult. Despite her shortcomings, she could still puncture Samuel's car tire while he wasn't looking! 'How dare he hurt my mommy!' she thought indignantly. However, she didn't expect to be caught so soon!

For some reason, Samuel had a good first impression of the young girl in front of him. She intrigued him.

All this time, he had never been fond of children. He never really spent much time with Keith, either.

However, this young girl seemed oddly familiar to him. He even found her angry expression endearing and adorable. "Me? A monster?" Samuel raised his eyebrows. "Why do you say so?" Kara replied furiously, "You bullied my mommy!" "I bullied your mommy? Who's your mommy?" Samuel was even more intrigued.

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Kara thought for a while, and then decided to fight back with an angry retort. "I won't tell you anything!"

The moment she laid eyes on the big monster, she could already see why her mommy was so scared of him.

If Kara told him her mother's identity, this monster would definitely make things difficult for the latter.

She would never tell him, no matter what!

Oddly enough, not only did Samuel find the young girl cute, but he also had the urge to play around with her. "Are you sure?" Samuel was calm and collected. "If you don't tell me, you won't be able to go home. Won't your mommy be worried about you?"

Kara was stunned.

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"No, I have to go home! If I don't, Mommy will be very worried. You monster, let go of me! I want to go home!" "I'll let you go, as long as you tell me your mother's name," Samuel persisted. "I......" Kara began sobbing uncontrollably. "You monster! I want to go home! I want to go home!"

Looking at the child brazenly throwing a tantrum in public, the guards were dumbfounded. "Mr. Langford, we'll take her away right now..." Samuel wouldn't even warm up to his own son, so forget calming down a stranger's child! If she continued bawling her eyes out in front of him, she would be dead in seconds! To everyone's surprise, Samuel wasn't as angry as they expected him to be. Looking at the crying child, Samuel frowned slightly. "Let's send her to the police station. Get her in the car." The guards were stunned. What on earth happened to their boss today? Did Samuel actually have a kind and gentle side that they didn't know of?

Tina arrived at the hotel soon after.

The guards looked at her lousy attire and barred her entry immediately. "Who are you? Don't even try to barge inside! This is a five-star hotel! Not anyone can enter as they please! Leave now and don't block the guests' way!" The guard shoved Tina away, almost knocking her to the ground.

Even so, Tina didn't have time to care about their rude behavior. She asked anxiously, "Is Samuel Langford in there?" "Samuel Langford?" The security guards snarled with contempt. "Lady, are you here to stir trouble? Security! Throw her out right now!" "I'm not here to find trouble with him! I want to find my five-year-old child!" "Leave! There are no children inside!"

Tina was thrown out immediately. They were so rough to her, she scraped her knees. However, the wounds on her body weren't as painful as the terrible emotions plaguing her heart.

Tina could never lose Kara! Right at this moment, the kindergarten called her and a teacher informed her excitedly, "Miss Linda! We found Kara!" Tina was stunned. "What?! Where is she?"

"Just minutes after I lodged a police report, the police officers informed me that a kind pedestrian had sent her to the police station!" Tina heaved a sigh of relief. "Alright. I'll go there now!" It seemed like Tina had guessed it wrongly. Kara didn't come here to search for Samuel, after all.

Thank god nothing bad happened to her sweet child! When Tina arrived at the police station, she didn't expect to see such a heartwarming scene. Kara, who was used to having afternoon naps, was sound asleep on the table. Next to Kara was a man with a stern expression, who was draping his jacket over her so she wouldn't catch a cold. "The mother's here," the police officer said. The man's sharp gaze landed on Tina, who was completely stunned. She was horrified. 'Why is Samuel Langford here?!'

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There were two reasons why Samuel personally sent Kara to the police station. Firstly, this young girl seemed oddly familiar to him. Secondly, he wanted to see who her mother really was.

How dare her child accuse him of being a bully! Samuel looked over in Tina's direction immediately the moment the police officer informed him of her arrival.

When he saw the person standing outside the door, his frown turned into a grimace.

"Is she the one?"

The woman had a haggard appearance. With her face covered with dirt, it almost seemed like she had tripped and landed squarely on her face.

If she remembered correctly, this woman's name was Linda, the fashion designer.

Tina stood rooted to the ground. She still hadn't come back to her senses. Samuel sneered, "You're her mother?"

"I...I..."

Tina broke out in cold sweat instantly. She didn't expect the kind pedestrian to turn out to be Samuel Langford. How could this be? He was always a cruel-hearted man who didn't care for anything. Why did he accompany Kara to the police station?

He shot her a cold gaze and said with a disgusted tone, "As a fashion designer, your fashion sense is questionable. On top of that, you're extremely irresponsible as a mother."

Tina lowered her head and stuttered, "I'm...I'm sorry..."

Facing Samuel's condescending gaze, Tina grew embarrassed.

Right at this moment, Kara woke up and interjected angrily, "You monster! Don't you dare bully my mommy!"

Samuel frowned. "When did I ever do that? Your mother is the one who didn't take care of you. Why am I called the bully here?" Kara was even more infuriated. She brandished her ferocious little fists and explained, "This has nothing to do with my mommy! I was the one who climbed over the walls and snuck out of the kindergarten when everyone was sleeping!"

"On top of that, my mommy is a very busy person. She works very hard to take care of me. If it isn't because she needs to raise me, she would've been living a comfortable life!"

"Don't you dare bully my mommy! Or else, I'll kill you!" At this moment, Kara was like an angry, puffedup kitten.

Even though she was as harmless as a hamster, she still had the guts to brandish her claws in front of Samuel

"Kara, stop spouting nonsense!" Tina was terrified. Worried that Kara's words would provoke Samuel even further, she rushed forward and scooped the child in her arms.

"Mr. Langford, it's all my fault! This has nothing to do with the child. I'll... I'll leave now!"

She turned to leave immediately, but was stopped by Samuel. "Stay right where you are."

Tina didn't dare to defy him and stood rooted to the ground. "Is the little girl telling the truth?" Samuel asked. Tina paused. "What?" "Are you the only one taking care of her?" Samuel asked with a frown.

Under his scrutinizing gaze, Tina didn't dare lie. She replied in a soft tone, "It's not just me. She has an uncle who always drops by to look after her when I'm busy with work." "What about the child's father? Where is he?" Samuel asked. Before Tina could say anything, Kara cut him off, "My father's dead." Samuel snorted. His expression as cold as usual, he added, "Figures. If he can't take care of his family, he might as well be dead."

Tina was speechless. She couldn't help but wipe the sweat off her forehead. Struggling for words, she ended up replying with an awkward smile.

Coincidentally, the father, a useless man who couldn't take care of his own family, was standing right in front of her.

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Tina felt extremely awkward.

Deep down, she swore she would never let Samuel know that he was Kara's biological father.

If Samuel knew that both Kara and Linda were cursing him all the time, their lives would no doubt be in jeopardy. "Mr. Langford, can I go now?" Tina asked carefully. Samuel asked her the same question, "What do you think?"

"Umm..." Tina hesitated.

"What do you want to do to my mommy?" Kara demanded, looking at him with vigilance. Samuel was irked. He didn't know why this little girl hated him so much. Could it be that her mother had been constantly badmouthing him? Normally, Samuel wouldn't care about what people said about him.

However, he was offended by the thought of Linda instilling inaccurate thoughts inside the mind of such an adorable girl. "You're not even going to thank me for saving your child?" Samuel asked. Only then did Tina react. She hurriedly said, "Thank you, Mr. Langford!" "Is that it?" Samuel frowned. It was obvious that he was dissatisfied. "Uh..." Tina smiled bitterly. She wasn't sure what Samuel was hinting at.

After all these years, she still couldn't figure out what he was thinking. He was truly an unpredictable and moody man.

"I really do appreciate your help in saving my daughter's life! To repay your kindness, I'll do whatever you want me to do."

Samuel seemed even more annoyed. "Why do you make it sound like I'm forcing you to repay my kindness?"

Other women would've tried to gain his favor and get something out of him.

However, the mother and child seemed to hate him for some reason. Samuel was deeply offended by that.

"Well, what do you want me to say?" Tina felt helpless.

Only then did Samuel reply slowly, "If I remember correctly, Cindy wants you to work as her personal fashion designer. I don't think that's a bad idea."

"But I understand that you also have to take care of your child. I'll have the guards send and take her back from school every day so that you won't have to worry about that." Tina's heart sank.

He was doing everything for Cindy.

To ensure Tina's undivided attention at work and to please Cindy, Samuel was putting her child on the line by offering her his so-called services. "Thank you, Mr. Langford, but I don't feel comfortable leaving my child in your care." "Besides, there are still other renowned fashion designers in Paris that you can consider employing. I don't think an inexperienced designer like me is suited to work as Mrs. Langford's personal fashion designer." "I'll take my leave now." Tina left in a hurry with Kara in her arms, not leaving Samuel the chance to say anything else. Samuel frowned. Right at this moment, the guards approached Samuel and whispered to him, "Mr. Langford, Mrs. Langford wants me to ask if you are going to return home today." "Tell her to mind her own business," Samuel answered curtly, his frown deepening. An official status was the only thing that Samuel promised to give Cindy. Thus, she shouldn't be asking for anything more than that. "Roger that." When the guards were about to leave, Samuel stopped them. "Find someone to trail the two of them." The guards broke out in cold sweat and asked carefully, "Mr. Langford... What do you mean by that?"

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Looking at their reactions, Samuel realized that Kara and Linda weren't the only ones who thought of him as a villain.

In fact, even his subordinates thought he was sending a hitman to end the lives of the two. "Escort them out of here and make sure they don't encounter any danger on their way back." Samuel added, "Another thing. Run a background check on them." "Yes, sir!"

The guards left immediately.

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Tina left in a hurry with her daughter in her arms. When she returned to the car, the back of her hand was filled with sweat and she was shivering profusely.

"Mommy! Mommy, what's wrong?" "Nothing's wrong!" Tina said, though she was trembling from head to toe when she pulled her lost daughter into her arms tightly. Kara could sense that her mother was terrified. She bawled her eyes out and wailed, "Mommy, I'm so sorry! It's all because I wanted to get my revenge against that monster! At first, I just wanted to puncture his car tires. I didn't expect to be caught by him!" "It's all my fault!" Tina's heart wrenched as she looked at Kara's crying face. "Stop crying. You'll look ugly if you keep on crying." "Mommy, I'm so sorry! Please forgive me!" "Of course I'll forgive you." Tina heaved out a sigh. "Really?"

"Of course!"

Tina changed her complexion to look stern. She warned Kara, "I know you're looking out for me, but I'm more worried about your safety." "I'm not the only one who's scared out of my wits. The kindergarten teachers and Keith are all worried sick about you!"

"You should never act rashly on your own again, okay?"

Kara nodded obediently and said, "I understand!"

Hearing Kara's response, Tina's sorrow grew.

The moment Kara was born, she and Kara were thrown to the sea and left to die under Samuel's command. It was Frederick who saved them. He immediately sent Kara to the hospital for emergency resuscitation.

Fortunately, Kara survived the ordeal. She had always been an obedient child who had never thrown tantrums or made Tina's life difficult in any way. She was so obedient that the doctors suspected she had suffered trauma in the brain, and that there were still underlying side effects.

Despite her sad past, Kara still grew up healthily into a smart and adorable child.

Kara knew that Tina had been working hard to provide for both of them, so she had never stirred trouble at school. Sometimes, she would even try to make Tina laugh with her vibrant personality.

It wasn't until Keith followed Kara to school did Tina know of the truth. Kara's life in the kindergarten wasn't all sunshine and rainbows like what she had told Tina. All this while, she had been bullied by the other kids there. Some even called Kara a fatherless child!

The only time she decided to sneak out was also because she wanted to seek revenge for Tina.

Tina felt extremely blessed to have such a caring child.

Thus, she couldn't risk Samuel finding out about Kara.

If her secret was exposed, the beautiful life she shared with Kara would be destroyed in an instant.

Tina wiped off Kara's tears and said, "Let's go to Little Stars for now." "Okay!"

Tina heaved in a deep breath and got rid of her messy thoughts. Then, she revved up the car engine and drove away. In the distance, a small and inconspicuous car trailed from behind. Soon, Tina arrived at the kindergarten with Kara.

With Tina holding on to Kara's hand, the small child apologized to the teachers one by one.

Then, she saw Keith in the corner. The boy's face was cold. "Keith, I'm sorry I worried you! You can shout at me if you want," Kara said carefully. Keith, who always had a mean-spirited tongue, opened his mouth to say something. But when he saw Kara's tear-stained face, he changed his mind and instead snorted arrogantly, "We'll talk at home. I won't shout at you now. It won't look good to the teachers if I do!"

"Okay."

Keith then headed outside the kindergarten.

The bodyguard who was assigned to trail after the mother and daughter saw him from afar. His eyes widened in disbelief.

"Isn't that the young master?"

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When the bodyguard saw Keith, he couldn't stop himself from gasping in disbelief.. The person they regarded as the young master was none other than Keith Langford, Samuel's son who had been missing for a while now.

The rest of the guards didn't believe his words.

"What? The young master's here? How can that be? That's impossible!"

"I saw him with my own eyes! He's standing at the entrance of the kindergarten!"

All of the guards in the car hurried to look at the gate.

But at this moment, it was already the end of the school period.

Manyparents were gathered at the gate, here to pick their children up. The guard had only caught a glimpse of Keith before his view was blocked by other people.

"I don't see anyone! Did you see it wrongly?" The guard persisted. "No, he was there! I saw him with my own eyes!" The rest of them doubted him.

"Don't you remember? Keith is a talented boy whose IQ exceeded a normal person's! He doesn't even need a teacher. Why would he be seen at a kindergarten?"

"He's right. A high IQ aside, he's also diagnosed with autism. He only likes to spend time in his room."

"Also, we've been taking care of the young master ever since he was a baby. We know his mysophobia is even more serious than Mr. Langford's."

"To him, a kindergarten is like a gathering point for germs!"

The guard was almost convinced by his colleagues. He scratched his head, confused. "Have I really seen it wrongly?"

"We should stop talking. Linda's car is going away. We should follow her!"

"He's right. We need to act according to Mr. Langford's orders. If we make any mistakes, he'll never forgive us!"

At the mention of Samuel, the guard didn't dare to delay much longer. After arriving at the conclusion that he had seen it wrongly, he stepped on the accelerator and trailed from behind.

At this moment, Tina was driving home with the two kids in the backseat.

Kara looked at Keith.

"Keith... Don't be angry at me anymore, okay?" "I'm not angry!" Keith snapped. However, he was obviously displeased and upset. Even Tina could feel Keith's threatening aura.

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She didn't know from whom he learned that at such a young age. Thinking of this, a person flashed across her mind. The man whom she met earlier had a domineering and threatening presence as weH.

Kara sounded even more miserable, "Keith, I know you're worried about me..."

"I'm not worried at all!" Keith snorted and turned to look at the scenery outside the windows. "You're not even my real sister. Why should I be worried about you?"

"You can have my sweets, okay? Can you forgive me already?" "I don't want your sweets! I'll become an idiot like you if I eat your stuff!"

"Don't shout at me..." Kara pleaded, sobbing.

"Didn't you say that you wanted me to shout at you earlier? What? You're going back against your word now? Hmph!"

Looking at the children arguing with each other through the rearview mirror, Tina couldn't help but smile.

At that moment, the three of them felt like a loving family.

However, nobody knew how long that would last,

When Keith looked out the window, his gaze shifted to the side mirror. He quickly noticed

something odd.

A car was trailing behind them in close proximity.

His complexion changed instantly as he straightened his back and said, "Someone's following us from behind!"

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Tina felt anxious when she heard that they were being followed. "What? Who's following us?" "I don't know! Look at your side mirror. When we were leaving the kindergarten earlier, I noticed that the car was leaving with us."

"It's been following us for a while. Something's wrong!"

Keith looked distressed.

In his mind, he already had a guess as to who was behind this.

It was definitely Samuel!

Had Samuel found out that Keith was hiding at Tina's house?

Tina's facial expression wasn't any better than Keith's. If her identity wasn't exposed yet, then why was Samuel instructing someone to follow her? Had she gotten on his nerves by what she said just now? Was that why he was trying to murder her family? What terrified Tina even more was that there was another child in the car. Keith was an

innocent child who had nothing to do with any of this!

Samuel, that heartless b\*stard!

Why wasn't he dead yet? All her problems would be solved if only she had stabbed him right in the heart and killed him then and there!

However, Tina didn't want to expose her fear to the kids. She heaved in a deep breath and said, "Sit tight, kids! Buckle your seatbelts! I'll think of a way to shake them off!"

"Okay, Mommy!" Being the obedient girl she was, Kara didn't hesitate and held to the seat belt tightly.

Keith knew he could no longer hide his hidden potential anymore. "Do you have a laptop with you?" He asked anxiously. "I'm a hacker! I can hack into the car's navigation system and distract them!"

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Tina was beyond shocked. "What? You're a hacker?" "Yes!" He continued with a serious expression, "Give me your laptop now!" Tina couldn't believe her ears. The boy was just five years old! But judging by how firm and urgent he sounded, Tina didn't think that Keith was lying. "Kara, give him the laptop." Tina instructed. "Okay!"

Soon, Keith got his hands on the laptop.

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He switched it on, reached for the USB he always had with him in his pocket, and connected it to the laptop Keith bit his lip and started typing quickly on the keyboard. Looking at how skilled Keith was, Tina's doubts vanished instantly. "I've hacked into the car's navigation system to create an illusion, but it'll only work for 10 seconds!"

"There's traffic congestion ahead. Take another route by using the shortcut! We should have enough time to do that!"

Without hesitation, Tina did as told. Even though Keith was only a five-year-old boy, she still decided to believe in him. By relying on Keith's orders and her impeccable driving skills, Tina had successfully gotten out of the guards' sight. "What happened? Where's the car?" "Sh\*t, we lost them!"

The guards exchanged fearful glances. They were done for! What were they going to say to Mr. Langford? After Tina made sure she had lost them, she took the longer route home.

"Finally, we're safe and sound!"

Tina and Keith heaved a sigh of relief. It seemed like the weight on their shoulders was finally lifted.

Only Kara found the ordeal amusing, "Yay! We got rid of the enemy! Mummy, I want to see it again next time!"

Tina smiled bitterly and muttered, "I really hope there's no next time." Keith heard what she said. He gritted his teeth and declared, "I think it's time I go back home."

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Tina jumped in shock. "What did you just say?" Keith heaved in a deep breath and repeated, "I said, I want to go back home to see my parents."

At first, Keith was still hesitant to leave. After all, his life with Tina and Kara felt more like a complete family compared to his actual home.

However, he changed his mind when he witnessed the extreme measures his father was willing to undertake to achieve goals, as well as the frightful ordeal Tina and Kara had to go through to avoid his father.

After all, Samuel's name as The Tyrant of Freesia wasn't for nothing.

Even in France, he still held considerable power and influence. It wouldn't be difficult for him to inflict harm upon normal civilians like Tina and Kara.

Keith didn't want Tina's family to be destroyed just because of him. Tina asked worriedly, "You were abused in that household! If you go back, your life will be in danger!"

"Mommy's right!" Kara pulled Keith into a protective embrace. "Don't leave me! I want to go to school with you!"

Keith made up his mind instantly when he heard their concerns.

"I've lied to you about that. I'm sorry." "My parents didn't abuse me in any way. I had a fight with them, which is why I decided to leave."

Tina frowned.

It was obvious that Keith was lying. "How do you explain the wounds on your body and the red marks on your face?" "They're from an accident!" Keith replied stubbornly. Tina hesitated, but finally compromised. "Fine, then. I'll let you go."

Before Keith could say anything, Tina added, "But I will have to hand you over to your parents personally, or else it's a no-deal."

Keith was speechless.

'Is she trying to dig a grave for herself?' Keith thought about it and agreed. "Okay. I'll ask them to pick me up tomorrow."

Both Tina and Kara were reluctant to let Keith leave, but they still understood that Keith would have to eventually return to his parents.

During dinner that night, Tina deliberately prepared a bigger portion for Keith.

Keith had always been a picky eater. But at that moment, he didn't reject Tina's gesture and finished his meal obediently.

After Tina told the kids a bedtime story and put them to bed, she returned to her room. However, Keith had already woken up before the sun was even up in the sky. At the break of dawn, he had already

changed into a suit and tie. One look and you could tell that he was born into a rich family. Keith placed a hand-written letter on the table and left the apartment quietly. To him, the small apartment was a place filled with warm and happy memories. Then, he made a phone call to his father. "I'll give you ten minutes. Send someone to pick me up right now!" Shortly after Keith left, Kara woke up from her sleep and noticed that something was amiss. "Mommy, Mommy! Keith's missing!"

Tina ran into his bedroom and noticed that he wasn't there.

Then, she found the letter on the table and ripped it open. For a young child, Keith had very good handwriting. "Thank you for taking care of me all these days. I've already sent you some money as a token of appreciation. I hope I'll meet you again someday.' Only then did Tina realize that her bank account had an additional 1.5 million dollars. "What on earth happened?" Tina looked through the security footage and realized that it had only been ten minutes since he left.

"I'll go and look for Keith now! Stay at home, okay?"

"Okay!" Kara agreed.

Right now, Tina could care less about putting on a disguise. Anxious, she rushed out of the apartment.

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Clad in her pajamas, Tina draped a jacket on her shoulders and went on the streets to search for Keith.

He hadn't gone too far yet. So, she should still be able to find him!

The streets of Paris were cold and quiet. Occasionally, she would see homeless people roaming by, or drunken people vomiting or getting high.

Tina's appearance attracted a lot of attention, with people sizing her up constantly.

Facing their rude stares, Tina tightened her shirt and glared back at them. Eventually, they broke eye contact and went back to their usual business. On the surface, Tina just seemed like an angry and unapproachable lady. Deep down, she was actually very anxious. A five-year-old boy was now roaming the streets in the dark. If she didn't find him as soon as possible, he would be in danger. While Tina was searching through the alleyways of the apartments, she didn't notice a car gradually approaching her. The Rolls-Royce seemed out of place among the old and torn buildings.

The driver drove slowly and went past a drunkard lying unconscious on the streets. He couldn't help but ask,

"Mr. Langford, are you sure Keith is here? This place isn't considered the slums, but it doesn't look any different than that!"

"Given Keith's medical history of mysophobia, I don't think he'll stay in this place. Do you think he's told you the wrong address?"

The man in the backseat exuded a cold aura.

"I'm sure about it. This is the address he gave me."

Samuel was intrigued.

Although he didn't have a great relationship with his son, he still knew that Keith had inherited a lot of his habits.

Why would he turn up here if he couldn't stand being in dirty places?

The driver asked hesitantly, "Mr. Langford, could it be that this is one of Keith's tricks?"

"I'd like to see him try!" Samuel said, livid.

Samuel could forgive Keith for the previous car accident, since he was just a young child trying to save his mother.

But if Keith dared to play tricks on Samuel again, Samuel would definitely teach him a lesson!

The driver didn't dare to comment further as he drove forward.

Suddenly, he said curiously, "Why's there a woman running around in the middle of the

street? Oh dear, I think she's in trouble!"

Samuel shifted his gaze toward that direction. In the distance, he could see a woman walking around, seemingly in search of something. She was wearing pajamas, her long hair let down on both sides. Looking closely, her frail frame seemed oddly familiar!

Right at this moment, the woman was ganged up by two men with obvious ulterior motives. Samuel held his breath as a thought struck him. "That's her!

"Stop the car right now!" he shouted. Shocked, the driver did as told.

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The next moment, Samuel got out of the car and walked on the streets. "Mr. Langford, what are you doing?" The driver was confused. Everyone knew that the Tyrant of Freesia was a cruel and evil man. Was he trying to break his character by saving that woman? How odd! Samuel didn't explain further. Instead, he ordered, "Go and pick up Keith on your own! And get me another car right now!"

Then, he strode into the streets with a dark expression.

The driver didn't dare to defy Samuel's order. Finding Keith was his top priority right now!

Tina felt hopeless. She didn't expect to be surrounded by these two drunkards before she could even find Keith. "Let go of me! Don't make me hit you!" Tina yelled angrily as her thin wrist was being held by one of the men.

"Hahaha!" The drunken men laughed out loud and said condescendingly, "You're going to hit me? I'd like to see you try!" Suddenly, Samuel's fist landed squarely on their faces.