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Chapter 331 Horrified, Tina froze.

Kara's uncle was none other than Frederick Jackson.

Tina hadn't seen him at all ever since Samuel found out about her identity.

"I'm quite busy these days. Her uncle couldn't make it because he also has other things on his end. It's too bad, but we won't be able to attend the event."

Tina's mind was preoccupied as **she wandered away f**rom the kindergarten like a lost sheep. Kara's life was not in jeopardy at the moment. But when the kindergarten teacher mentioned Frederick, she couldn't help but worry. 'Is Frederick alright?'

'What if Samuel did something awful to him?' she thought, her fear growing every second.

She walked out of the gate with her head lowered in defeat, but her way was barred by a tall figure.

She bumped straight into the person's chest. Heaving in the putrid stench of tobacco, a startled Tina was forced to look up. As expected, Samuel was looking down at her. His eyes were filled with repulsion. "What are dilly—dallying for?! Get in the car right now!" Tina was shocked. "Why are you still here?"

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She thought Samuel had left after she accompanied Kara into the kindergarten.

Didn't he have company matters to attend to?

"Have you forgotten who you are right now?"

As Samuel stared into Tina's bewildered eyes, he couldn't **resist the urge to squeeze her cheeks** with great force. "How dare you make me wait for so long!"

Pain rose to her cheeks, the stinging ache so unbearable it almost sent

he so unbearable it almost sent Tina to tears. Only then did she remember that she was now Samuel's secretary.

Her face now as pale as a sheet, she stuttered, "I... I thought that..."

At first, Tina thought that Samuel was simply fooling around with her. She didn't know he was dead serious about his suggestion to make her his secretary! However, Samuel could care less about what she had to say as he got into the car. Tina wouldn't dare to make him wait. She followed him into the car, buckled her seatbelt, and maintained a safe distance from him just so she wouldn't get on his nerves again. She finally understood her current position. She was merely Samuel's plaything, and nothing more.

Now that Kara and Frederick were held hostage, all she could do right now was to entertain

Samuel as much as she could without enraging him.

While Tina was still contemplating her miserable life, the car had already arrived at the branch of Langford Group that was located in Paris. "Hello, Mr. Langford." "Greetings, Mr. Langford!" All the staff in the company greeted Samuel in unison the moment he appeared at the entrance. Following closely from behind were a few bodyguards escorting the president to the lift. Everyone's eyes widened in disbelief when they noticed a woman right beside Samuel as he walked by

Wearing a simple attire, Tinadidn't fit in as one of the staff at all.

Under normal circumstances, she would've been chased out of the company. Nobody could **believe that someone like Tina was even** qualified to walk beside Samuel.

with a height of 1.9 metres, Samuel gave off a firm and impactful charisma with each step he made.

Tina, who still hadn't recovered from her injury, gathered all her strength to limp **forward. Alas, s**he still couldn't catch up. **Samuel tossed his head over to look** behind him. When he realized Tina was falling behind, he **slowed down.**

The staff gawked at the scene with awe. Panic struck them instantly. Judging from Samuel's character, he wasn't the type to stop for anyone. For him to turn back, something must've gone wrong. To the staff's utter surprise, he looked over at the woman behind him and asked coldly, "Why are you walking so slowly? Didn't you have breakfast today?" Under the gazes of so many people, Tina's complexion flushed red and she lowered her head in fear. "I... I can't catch up..." "What a useless woman," Samuel snapped sarcastically. Not wanting to waste any more time, he tugged at Tina's hand and dragged her forward forcefully,

Chapter 332 What Samuel just did made everyone's jaw drop. Did they imagine it?

What on earth happened to Mr. Langford today?

Facing everyone's horrified stares, Tina desperately wanted to dig a hole and hide in it.

She hurriedly followed Samuel to the lift, not daring to say anything further.

Ding!

The door of the lift opened, with the president's office just right in front of them. When the personal assistant saw Samuel, she stood up and greeted him respectfully. "Greetings, Mr. Langford."

The personal assistant noticed Tina behind him, and was shocked as well.

Without deigning to explain any further, Samuel said curtly, "From now on, she will be my secretary."

Then, he left Tina behind and walked into his office.

Facing the personal assistant's questioning look, Tina was beyond embarrassed. However, she was the first to break the silence.

"Hello, I'm new here. You can call me Linda."

"Can I know what I should do here?"

"Umm..." The assistant wasn't sure either.

After all, she had just witnessed Mr. Langford holding that woman's hand when he arrived. It was clear that Tina wasn't just an ordinary secretary! The personal assistant asked, "Why don't you head over to the pantry and brew some coffee for Mr. Langford? You can send some documents for him to sign later."

"Is that all?" Tina asked nervously.

"You're still new here. You can start by doing some simple chores," the assistant said.

What the assistant said made sense to Tina.

The reason Samuel kept her by his side was only to scrutinize her every movement. Never in a million years would Simon leave important documentation under her responsibility.

If Samuel actually assigned work to Tina, she would've made things even worse for him. After all, Tina was only an expert in fashion design. She had no ability in business management. Thus, Tina went to the pantry to brew the coffee. Samuel wasn't a fan of instant coffee. He would usually only drink freshly brewed Americano Even after spending five years in Paris, Tina still couldn't get used to the taste of coffee. She could barely drink it without milk and sugar, let alone a concentrated Americano. An

Americano was even more bitter than medicine!

How on earth did Samuel gulp that down without a flinch? She thought about how she had added a lot of salt to her cooking just to spite Samuel. Not only did Samuel finish everything, but he also didn't even show any aversion to the food. Right at this moment, someone was making a ruckus just outside the president's office. "I'm sorry, but you can't go in right now. Mr. Langford is still working." Curious, Tina left the pantry and peered outside. What she saw next changed her complexion immediately. "Do you know who I am?! I am Cindy Young, Samuel Langford's wife! Are you out of your mind? How dare you stop me from entering!" Outside the office, Cindy was screaming and screeching at the top of her lungs without nary a thought to everything else. The sight of Cindy's wicked face sent shivers all over Tina's body. 'Why is Cindy here?!' she thought, panicking. If Cindy noticed that Tina was now Samuel's secretary, the former wouldn't just let it slide! Fortunately, Cindy still hadn't noticed Tina, who was hiding in the pantry. Not long after, the door of the president's office swung open. Samuel's agitated voice drifted over, cutting off Cindy's incessant shouts. "Why is it so noisy outside?"

Chapter 333 When Cindy saw Samuel, her features softened immediately. "Samuel, you haven't been home for a few days! I'm very worried about you," she said with a tone of great concern. "That's why I came here. I wanted to see how you're doing." Seeing that Cindy was literally begging for his attention, Samuel didn't want to make things difficult for her. He shot back coldly, "Now that you've seen that I'm doing well, you can go back."

"Samuel, 1 – I'm here to remind you of something!"

Cindy continued nervously, "Have you forgotten that today's your birthday? It's the day we met, too!"

"I've never bothered you for anything because I know that you're a busy man, but can we please celebrate the occasion today? Please just fulfill my only wish!" "Keith will be coming along as well! It's been so long since the three of us spent time together!"

"Samuel, please! I beg of you..."

Her request wasn't over the top.

Samuel's brows knitted gradually.

Noticing that, Cindy was quick to coax Samuel even more. "Samuel, I won't bother you for too long. Last time, I booked a restaurant for us to have a candlelight dinner, but you didn't show up. This time, can you show up for Keith and me?"

Samuel only replied with one word. "Okay."

"That's great! I knew you'd agree!"

Cindy took advantage of the moment and rushed forward to hug him with a reddened complexion. However, she released her grip immediately so she wouldn't anger him

Tina, who was standing from afar, saw everything that had happened.

Worried that Cindy would notice her, Tina didn't move forward to eavesdrop on their conversation. The only thing she saw was them hugging each other.

For some reason, sorrow engulfed her almost instantly.

Shame rose inside Tina upon recalling Cindy showing off just how much Samuel loved her when she thought that Tina was Linda.

"They're truly made for each other! After so many years, their love for each other is still strong,' Tina thought

Alter Cindy left, Tina tiptoed out of the pantry.

She served the coffee to Samuel. He looked up and demanded, "Where were you just now

I was making coffee for you at the pantry." Tina said

Samuel glanced at the coffee in front of him. "Do it again! There's too much water in there."

"But you didn't even have a sip yet."

"The color's off," Samuel continued with a cold snarl. "Plus, do you really think that I'd drink the coffee you make for me?"

Back then, he decided to place his trust in this woman.

Yet, what did she do with his trust? She threw it away by drugging his drink

Looking into Samuel's hatred–filled eyes, Tina felt as though her heart was being stabbed. Now that things had come to this, she knew Samuel would no longer believe her She didn't even try to defend herself as she clenched her fists and said, "I'll head out now." Tina grabbed the cup, about to throw it away. At that moment, Cindy appeared at the door. "Samuel! I have one more thing to tell you..."

Chapter 334 The moment Cindy saw Tina, her eyes went wide in utter disbelief.

"Ahhhhhh!" Cindy yelled, all composure lost. She was so terrified that she turned to run away, but her legs gave out as she fell and landed face down on the hard floor.

The dumbfounded personal assistant approached and helped Cindy up.

"Mrs. Langford, are you okay?"

"I just saw a ghost!" Cindy said fearfully, pointing at Tina.

To avoid unnecessary problems, Tina hid news about her survival from Cindy.

However, Tina found Cindy's horror–stricken expression oddly amusing. After all, Cindy was the wicked and heartless demon who had almost succeeded in murdering Tina.

Yet, now? Was this woman truly fearful of the fact that Tina would haunt her as a ghost after death?

Looking at Cindy's shaky finger, Tina said with a calm tone, "Mrs. Langford, I think you've seen it wrongly. I'm not a ghost. I'm Mr. Langford's secretary now."

"Mrs. Langford, this person is the new secretary. Her name is Linda," the personal assistant chipped in.

'Linda? Isn't she Tina Lynd?!' Cindy was horrified.

She paused for a moment. Realization dawned upon her and her expression changed. "Tina Lynd! You've been alive and well all this while!" "How dare you approach Samuel by faking your identity as Linda? You f*cking b*tch! I bet you're trying to sleep with Samuel again! I'll kill you right here and now!"

'I can't believe it! How is she still alive?' Cindy thought.

Not only did Tina become prettier in the years she had disappeared, but she even rose to the position of Samuel's secretary the moment she showed herself! The thought alone left Cindy writhing in hysterics. Cindy stood up and rushed toward Tina, already prepared to tear apart that pretty face of hers. Tina didn't dodge her attack.

Instead, she raised her hand and splashed the coffee all over Cindy's face.

"Ah!" Cindy covered her face in anger and cursed out loud, "You damn b*tch! How dare you splash me with coffee! Are you trying to kill me?" "What makes you think that I'm incapable of doing that?" Tina sneered, "Why can't I do the same thing you did to me? You almost killed me! Do you know just how ridiculous you sound right now?"

From how Cindy treated Tina in the past and the future, their hatred for each other was festering

Five years ago, Cindy had done everything she could to ensure Tina's life was miserable.

Even after five years had passed and Tiny reappeared with a new identity as Linda, Cindy still tried to plot Tina's murder by having the maids push her into the lake!

"I'll kill you, you b*tch!" Cindy screamed, her face contorted with fury.

"I'd like to see you try!"

Tina smashed the cup on the ground and threatened, "I have nothing to lose now! Unlike you, you have everything to lose!"

"I dare you to spread the news to the entire company. Heck, it's even better if you involve Samuel in our fight! Let everyone know just how cruel—hearted you really are! Let's see if you can still maintain your facade by then!

"You... You!" Cindy was so furious, she shivered Tina's words reminded Cindy of her vulnerable position.

If Samuel were to see Cindy right now, how would he perceive her character? What was more, they were currently inside Langford Group. She was the one who had the official status as Mrs. Langford. It would be an embarrassment if news of their fight leaked out! Cindy could feel stabbing pain coming from her cheeks, courtesy of the coffee Tina poured all over her

Chapter 335 "You d*mn sl*t! Just wait!" Cindy screeched maliciously. "I'll let you see what I can do!"

"Bring it on! It's not like I'm leaving anytime soon!"

Tina stared after Cindy's retreating back and turned to leave.

Right at this moment, she noticed that Samuel was standing not far away from her.

Exactly how long had he been watching? Tina couldn't help but shudder at his grim glare. She thought Samuel would explode in anger for what she did just now, but to her surprise, he didn't utter a single word.

Her heart hammering against her chest, Tina was sure that Samuel had witnessed the way she treated Cindy just now. He would never let her off the hook for treating his loving wife with such disrespect!

She clenched her fists. Before Samuel could say anything, she broke the silence, "I'm sure you've seen what happened just now. How do you want to punish me?" "Punish you? Why do I have to do that?" he asked with a hoarse voice.

Tina gulped, anxious. What did he mean by why? She just splashed coffee on Cindy! Strangely enough, Samuel wasn't interested in looking into the matter in great detail. He strode outside and informed her, "I have a meeting to attend now. As for you, stay here and mop the floor."

Tina was taken aback as she stared dumbly at Samuel's back. She couldn't understand his reaction. If it was the past, he would've never forgiven her that **easily.** For him to let it slide like that **was simply** impossible! Perhaps Samuel was in a hurry for the meeting, and that he didn't have the time to make things difficult for her.

Thinking about this, Tina grew even more anxious. Meanwhile, Samuel was conflicted with his own emotions. For some reason, he found the way Tina humiliated Cindy a cool and righteous thing. On the other hand, Cindy was beyond frustrated. Her pure white dress was now stained with large ugly patches of black coffee.

Under the questioning gazes of the employees, she rushed back to the car. Gritting her teeth in fury, she cursed under her breath, "That f*cking woman! I will never forgive her!" At this moment, a childish voice sounded from beside her. Looking at Cindy's awkward appearance, Keith asked carefully, "Mommy, what happened to

Only then did Cindy remember that Keith was still in the car. She turned and glared at Keith in anger. "Are you blind?! Can't you see the stains on my dress?"

Keith didn't talk back. Instead, he reached for a small handkerchief inside his pocket and said, "Let me help..." "Don't touch me! Go away!" Cindy slapped his hand away without a second of thought. The hatred and disgust she harbored for Keith were all reflected in her eyes. She couldn't stand looking at Keith in the first place, for his eyes were exactly like Tina's.

Now that she knew that Tina was still alive, her disgust brewed into hatred.

Though Keith had always maintained a calm and mature front, he was still by large a five-year -old child on the inside.

Cindy's words stabbed right in his heart and left him speechless. The driver looked into the backside mirror, his eyes reflecting his concern for Keith.

Cindy glared at the driver immediately.

"What are you looking at? Get me to the hospital right now! If anything happens to my face, I'll have Samuel make your life a living hell!"

The driver dared not pry any further. Soon, Cindy arrived at the hospital. She heaved a sigh of relief when the doctor told her there was nothing wrong with her face. Still unable to let go of her grudge, she quickly made a phone call.

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Cindy dialed a certain number.

After her call went through, a man's cold and emotionless tone rang through the receiver.

"I'm in a meeting right now."

Said speaker hung up the phone almost instantaneously. If it was the past, Cindy wouldn't have **gone** against Samuel when he showed her an attitude.

But this time, she couldn't let it slide.

Tina's appearance posed too much of a threat to her! Unwilling to give up, she called Samuel again and again until he finally decided to pick up the phone

"Cindy Young!"

His tone was stern, laced with a hint of hostility. **It was obvious that he was wa**rning her to know her place.

Cindy burst into tears instantly in an attempt to curry his favor, "Samuel, I know I shouldn't disturb you while you're in a meeting, but I'm too worried!" "I understand that men are not loyal creatures. I won't dare to say anything if you fall in love with other women, but why does it have to be Tina Lynd?"

"She almost killed me just now! What if she actually kills me in the future? I'll have to leave our five—year—old son behind! What'll happen to him?"

Cindy's sobbing annoyed Samuel to the core.

However, he still needed to take responsibility when it was due.

He massaged his temples, irritated, and spat coldly, "She's just a plaything to me, but you are Mrs. Langford and Keith's mother." Cindy was elated to hear this.

Still she pressed on. "But Samuel..."

Samuel interjected her, "I'm still in a meeting. We'll talk tonight."

Then, he hung up the phone once again. Cindy wasn't upset. On the contrary, she felt warm and sweet inside. Given that he still remembered tonight's date, it suggested that she still held a special place in his heart. After Tina finished mopping the floor, she waited patiently outside the meeting room. While she was in the hallway, she could hear everything Samuel said on the phone

As expected, she was just a plaything to him.

The reason he didn't punish her was partly that he couldn't be bothered about a fight between **women**, and also because he was waiting for Cindy to give the ultimatum!

On the surface, it seemed the only person Tina had qualms with was Cindy. In reality, it was both Cindy and Samuel's wrath that might result in an evil plot against her! However, Tina didn't regret splashing that coffee on Cindy. After all, she couldn't escape the miserable torment awaiting her. Treating Cindy with disrespect was one way for her to release her pent—up anger. In the evening, Samuel didn't even address Tina and left hurriedly right after he got off work.

His driver found Tina and informed her, "Miss Lynd, let's go."

Tina asked cautiously, "Where are you taking me?" The driver was confused as to why Tina was so cautious. "I'm tasked to send you back to the villa after work."

"I'm just a secretary. I can go back by myself." Tina gave him a flat—out rejection, leaving the driver no choice but to leave.

After returning to the villa, Tina heard from the staff that Samuel and Cindy were on a date that night.

After all, today was Samuel's birthday.

Since the three of them would be celebrating his birthday today, they probably wouldn't return to the villa for the night. Tina heaved a sigh of relief. At the very least, she wouldn't have to deal with the evil couple tonight

Exhausted, she went to sleep. Much to her surprise, she was awakened by a sudden phone call in the middle of the night.

"Come to the hotel right now." It was Samuel, and his voice sounded really hoarse. Based on his tone, he seemed to have drunk too much. Then, he hung up without another word.

Tina grew apprehensive. It was obvious that doom awaited her.

Chapter 337 Though Tina didn't feel good about the situation at hand, she had no courage to disobey Samuel.

She draped a jacket over her pajamas and rushed out of her room.

The bodyguards outside jumped in shock to see her. "Miss Lynd, where are you going out so late at night?"

Tina explained, "Mr. Langford called me just now. He said he wanted me to send him back to the villa tonight." "What? Mr. Langford's coming back tonight?" The gua**rds were shocked.**

Tina found their reactions unsettling.

"What's wrong?"

"Uh, nothing! I'll drive the car. Please wait for a while."

Without a second's delay, the guards drove out of the garage and handed the keys to Tina.

Looking at the car leaving, the guards burst into gossip.

"Oh my god! Is Miss Lynd Mr. Langford's new plaything now?" "It's understandable why he wants to keep her by his side at all times. But this time, he didn't even want to spend time with Mrs. Langford on his birthday! Having the mistress pick him up is just outrageous!" "I have to say, that mistress has skills. I have to give it to her!"

"We should stop discussing this. Let's prepare to welcome Mr. Langford home."

It took less than ten minutes for the news about Samuel's return to spread through the entire villa.

Tina, who was driving, felt really worried for herself.

Finally, Tina arrived at the address given by Samuel. It was a prestigious high—end hotel.

The moment she reached the entrance, an unpleasant voice snapped at her.

"Tina! Why are you here?"

Tina had already expected that she would bump into Cindy. "Mr. Langford asked me to come over."

Cindy didn't believe a word Tina said.

Though she was wearing impeccable makeup and an elegant tube dress, the expression plastered on her face was still as hideous as ever.

"You're lying! Samuel told me he has some company matters to settle. Why would he ask you to come here?!

Cindy continued viciously, "Did you rush here because you heard of our date tonight? You're such a shameless sl*t!"

"Where is Samuel?" Tina asked, ignoring Cindy's scathing remarks. "I will never tell you no matter what!" After talking to Cindy, it seemed the reason Samuel called her over was not that he wanted to punish her. Instead, he wanted Tina's help with work.

Tina didn't seem to care as she said, "Fine then, I'll leave. It's not like I'm the one impeding his work. You can explain everything to him yourself." "You..."

Cindy was seething. The years that had passed turned Tina into an annoying b*tch. "Mommy, you've been outside for a while now. Why haven't you returned yet?" Right at this moment, Keith's voice drifted over. Tina was surprised to see Keith there. Her gaze fell on him immediately. "What are you here for?! Get back inside!" Cindy yelled at Keith. Then she turned to Tina and sneered, "Samuel just bumped into someone he knew upstairs, and he's talking right now. You have to wait outside for now." Cindy looked at Tina, and then back to Keith. A wicked flash of inspiration struck her. Suddenly, she thought of a way to torture Tina. The guards wouldn't allow Tina to wait in the lobby due to Cindy's insistence. Tina had no choice but to stay in the car.

When she was fast asleep, she heard someone knocking at the car window.

Samuel stood outside the car door, his face grim and severe as always. Petrified, Tina opened the car door and greeted him immediately. "Mr. Langford!"

Samuel didn't say anything. The thick stench of alcohol wafted in the air. One whiff of the smell was enough to make Tina dizzy. He got into the car, leaned against the car seat, and yawned tiredly. Tina heaved a sigh of relief. She started the car engine and drove forward, not thinking much.. Suddenly, a small figure rushed to the middle of the road without warning.

Chapter 338 Tina was horrified. Why would someone sprint to the middle of the road all of a sudden? Fortunately, she managed to slam on the car brakes in the nick of the time.

Hiss!

The ear–splitting metallic screeching voice was accompanied by a shrill scream of a woman.

"Ahhhhh!"

Samuel's eyes snapped open immediately, "Tina!" he berated angrily. "What the hell happened?"

Tina was in a daze.

"There's someone in front of the car! i'll check it out."

The moment she got out of the car, the first person she saw was Cindy.

Cindy didn't waste a single second as she rushed toward Tina and gave Tina a painful slap to the face.

"Tina, you heartless woman! Why do you have to do this to me?! Why do you have to knock down my child?"

Tina was dumbfounded.

"What child?"

Immediately, Cindy rushed to the front of the car and embraced the child who had fallen to the ground. Tears sprang into her eyes and she sobbed uncontrollably, "Keith, are you okay? Keith!" The person Tina

almost ran over turned out to be none other than Keith Langford! "What happened?" Samuel said, his tone grim. Cindy looked up with a face filled with tears.

"Samuel! Tina almost murdered our child!"

Tina's head was buzzing with panic. She wasn't affected by Cindy's humiliating slap, but her attention was drawn toward the small figure in Cindy's arms. 'Is Keith alright? Oh my god, I almost... How could I...?!' Tina's mind was in disarray. Still unable to wrap her head around the fact that she almost caused harm to an innocent child, Tina's legs went weak "How is he?"

Tina wanted to approach Keith, but was instantly shoved to the ground by Cindy. "Scram! You cruel woman!" Cindy shifted her gaze to Samuel and cried even harder. "Samuel, what do we do?"

Samuel ordered, "I'll call an ambulance right now!"

"I didn't hit him just now. I think he just tripped and fell to the ground. I can send him to the hospital"

"What do you mean by that? Is this one of your plans to murder my son?! Tina, you're such a scheming woman!"

Cindy was all riled up and showed no plans of stopping soon. "I know what you're plotting! You want to strip off my status as Mrs. Langford by getting rid of Keith! That way, you can become Samuel's wife!"

"That's not"

"Stop making excuses! Back when you disguised yourself as Linda, you purposefully approached Keith because you knew he was my son' You wanted to use him to get revenge on me! How dare you involve an innocent child in your schemes!"

Cindy had already prepared what she wanted to say as she ranted on Tina was caught unawares, taken aback by the suddenness of the situation,

On the other hand, Samuel's eyes were filled with doubt. Cindy's words reminded him of many things II was true Linda, or more accurately, Tina, had a good relationship with Keith Was getting on good terms with Keith really one of Tina's plans?

Tina was speechless

She couldn't bring herself to explain that meeting Keith was just a coincidence, and that she grew fond of him at first sight. She didn't expect Keith to rush out to the road out of nowhere, either. While her mind was in a complete mess, she stared at the family of three as they boarded the ambulance Tina was left there, standing forlornly on the road. Before they left, Samuel gave her a stern warning "Tina, I should warn you. Stop scheming! If anything happens to Keith, you'll have to die along with your daughter!"

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Tina was beyond terrified. It wasn't her intention to hurt Keith at all.

She didn't expect her accidental actions might affect Kara as well.

Still trying to register what had happened, she didn't know how she got back home. The lights in the villa were brightly lit. Not only the guards, but even the maids had woken up to clean up the place to welcome Samuel back.

The moment they saw Tina, the maids approached her excitedly. "Miss Lynd, you...you're back! What happened to your face?"

Soon, many of the staff noticed Tina's awkward appearance.

Her clothes were wrinkled and dirty, with black patches on them. It was as though she had rolled around in mud.

What was more terrifying was that half of her face was swollen. Only when the maids pointed that out did she feel the stabbing pain on her cheek.

However, she was more worried about Keith's safety and Kara's frightening fate.

"Miss Lynd, what happened? Where's Mr. Langford? I thought you said you went to pick him up."

Almost everyone stared at Tina questioningly. After all, they did wake up in the wee hours of the day to prepare the villa.

Tina didn't feel like explaining herself anymore.

"Something came up. I think Mr. Langford won't be home tonight."

"What?"

All the maids glared at Tina angrily, switching their reverent attitude in a flash. "Didn't you promise us he'd be back tonight? Why would you lie to us?" "Mr. Langford has always been very particular with the cleanliness of the house. I've mopped the floor three times, and you dare to tell me that Mr. Langford isn't going to come back Lonight?!" "Are we a joke to you?"

Everyone was cursing at Tina.

Tina couldn't care less about what they had to say. Like a lost soul, she wandered back to her room. Instead of sleeping, she sat on the chair, stared at the time, and waited nervously. How could she fall asleep when Keith was still in the hospital? She would call to ask about Keith first thing in the morning. Meanwhile, the maids outside the villa were all making wild guesses. "I don't think she's favored by Mr. Langford anymore."

"You're right! She's really useless. Honestly, I don't think Mr. Langford asked her to pick him up either. She must've made that up and took the opportunity to interrupt Mr. and Mrs. Langford's date. That's how she ended up with that swollen face! Serves her right for trying to destroy their marriage!" "That homewrecker deserves it! How dare she make us wake up in the middle of the night and clean up the whole house for her?"

"Let's call it a night. I'm positive Mr. Langford will get rid of her soon enough." After that night, all the maids in the villa started viewing Tina in a different light. Tina couldn't be bothered about their opinions.

What she wanted more than anything was for **daybreak to arrive.** Her hands and feet numb and cold, she shivered as she made a phone call. However, nobody picked up the phone. She tried a few more times until she was blocked by that number. Did something really happen to Keith?

Tina was absolutely hysterical at the moment. What could she do? She had to go to the hospital right now!

Chapter 340 Tina wanted to know Samuel's current location through his bodyguards. She got up immediately and approached the guards working outside the villa. She asked anxiously, "Do you know which hospital Mr. Langford is at right now?" The guard replied coldly, "Miss Lynd, we can't disclose Mr. Langford's whereabouts. It is confidential information."

"But I have something important to ask him..."

"Miss Lynd, we're all aware of what happened last night. You almost knocked into Young Master Keith with the car! Mr. Langford will never forgive you for that! My advice for you is to

stay put and stop getting on his nerves."

The guards, who had been nice and patient with her before, had changed their attitude entirely. Their eyes even reflected pity for Tina. At first, they thought Tina was different. Alas, she turned out to be a complete idiot!

She wasn't only seen harassing Mrs. Langford in the company, but she also almost killed Young Master Keith yesterday. Putting Keith's life in jeopardy alone was enough to drive Samuel to **madness**.

Tina was done for!

The maids around her couldn't help but shoot her sarcastic remarks.

"This is what you deserve for being an idiot!" "Now, you're putting your daughter's life in danger!" "Are you really thinking of visiting Mr. Langford in your current state? Look in the mirror and see how ugly you are right now!"

"Hahaha! Your face is so swollen! You look like a pig!"

Like a lifeless puppet, Tina was unfazed as she endured the humiliation thrown at her.

Suddenly, a maid received a phone call. "Hello? Yes? Mr. Langford wants us to send someone to take care of Keith? Sure! We'll send a few maids to the hospital immediately."

"Hospital? Which hospital?" Tina asked excitedly, having returned to her senses.

"We are not obliged to tell you! Let go of me, or I'll have the guards drag you away!"

"Tell me now!"

Tina hadn't slept the entire night. Not only did her cheek look swollen, but her eyes were also bloodshot. At the moment, she looked positively terrifying.

The maid was frightened by Tina's face. "Are you crazy? Even if I tell you, you're still not allowed to leave the villa. Besides, you'll be dead in a second if you show up in front of Mr. Langford now."

"Tell me, now!" Tina ordered through clenched teeth. At Tina's determined and persistent voice, the maid suddenly felt that Tina resembled Mr.

Langford's for some reason. Perhaps Tina had caught some of his habits after spending much time with him.

The maid had no choice but to tell Tina the address.

After some time, someone reported Tina's disappearance. She had escaped by climbing over the walls! Finally, Tina arrived at the hospital. She opened the door of Keith's ward anxiously and looked around. Finally, she saw a familiar person laying on the hospital bed. Keith was sitting on the bed reading a storybook, dressed in a small–sized hospital gown. His forehead was wrapped in layers of gauze. When he realized someone had entered the ward, he turned wary. "Who's there?"

"It's me..."

As Tina spoke, she sized up Keith. After she made sure that nothing major happened to Keith, she heaved out a sigh of relief. "Thank goodness nothing happened to Keith!' she thought.

Keith paid great attention to Tina's face. After thinking for a while, he finally made out who she was. "You... You're Linda? No, I mean, Tina Lynd?"

Keith was feeling conflicted after he discovered Linda's real identity and the events that had transpired last night. "Yesterday..." Keith began. Tina interjected him with a voice filled with a combination of happiness and guilt, "Thank god you're okay! 1 almost ran over you yesterday!" Keith could feel that Tina's concern was genuine. He clenched his fists and muttered, "It's not your fault. What actually happened was..." "Why are you here?!" Right at that moment, someone appeared from behind and cut in on their conversation.