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Hearing what Nellie said, Luna restrained herself from laughing while looking at Joshua, who also sported a small smile.

He walked forward and squatted to hoist Nellie into his arms before striding into the house. When they were at the door, he turned to look back at Luna. "Come, let's go try Neil's cooking.

Luna smiled and started to walk. "What about Nigel's cooking?"

"Lucas can have all of it." He turned around and entered the house with Nellie in his arms.

The corner of Luna's lips curled up as she looked at the back of Joshua and Nellie. Then, she quickly chased after them.

When they walked into the house, Lucas just got out of the washroom while rubbing his stomach.

At that moment, Nellie felt rather guilty as she stared at his pale face. After all, she had started to get closer to him after spending time with him for more than a year.

Thus, Nellie winked and looked at Joshua, then at Luna. "Daddy, Mommy, why don't I...eat Nigel's cooking on behalf of Uncle Lucas?" she asked sweetly.

She knew her parents would never allow her to eat Nigel's terrible cooking, so this method would definitely work to help Lucas escape the fate of eating Nigel's cooking.

Surprisingly, Joshua turned down Nellie's request today. He raised his hand and pinched Nellie's nose. "I know you want to be a good girl and help Uncle Lucas. But..."

He raised his head and looked at Lucas, who was walking out of the washroom while holding the wall, coldly. "Uncle Lucas must finish all of Nigel's cooking today. This is his punishment." Lucas had trouble breathing because of Joshua's stern and strong pressure. He remembered... The last time Joshua used the same look at him was when Joshua knew he used his authority to allow the doctor to come to the house. As he remembered, he could not help and felt guilty.

Today...not only did he secretly contact Adrian, but he even went to talk over coffee with Thomas. Could Joshua have found out about this?

"What mistake did Uncle Lucas make that you need to punish him?" Nellie did not understand what Joshua said. She tilted her head and frowned while looking at Lucas, then at Joshua. "He knew what mistake he made." Joshua glanced at Lucas unforgivingly. "If you finish Nigel's cooking, I can look past your transgression. Otherwise..."

He squinted and did not finish his sentence.

At that time, Lucas knew what Joshua was about to say, even when Joshua did not finish his sentence. He took a deep breath and looked at the black–colored dishes made by Nigel on the table.

Finally, he made up his mind and stormed forward to eat these dishes.

The atmosphere of the dining room was rather depressing. Luna sensitively noticed Joshua was serious about punishing Lucas, much to her bewilderment. She smiled awkwardly and

walked toward Joshua, taking Nellie into her arms and placing her on the chair before sitting down.

"Come on, what are you waiting for? Let's eat," Luna said. Joshua's face looked less cold when he heard Luna's gentle voice. He sighed and went to sit at the dining table to have dinner with Luna and his three children.

Halfway through the meal, Lucas finished Nigel's cooking. He touched his stomach and dashed into the toilet on the first floor again.

Luna furrowed her brow as she looked at Lucas' back. She turned to the side and looked at Nigel. "Is your cooking...really that terrible?"

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Luna did not take a single bite.

"Yes." Nigel curled up his lips and smiled while subconsciously looking at Joshua.

Coincidentally, Joshua was looking at him, too. As they made eye contact, Joshua smiled as Nigel's eyes twinkled with what seemed to be mischief.

Nigel was a smart kid; cooking was not a difficult task for him. He did not want Nellie and Neil to keep on bothering him to cook, so he added a few 'extras' to his dishes.

Joshua knew all about Nigel's plan. It happened at the right time as Joshua wanted to give Lucas a lesson. Both of them worked together and decided on this immoral plan. From the looks of it, it was a successful plan, killing two birds with one stone.

Lucas got his punishment, and no one else in the family would ever think about letting Nigel cook again in the future.

Nigel, the little genius, could continue to eat Neil's cooking and drink the beverage Nellie made, while Nigel and Nellie would never let him step foot in the kitchen anymore.

The mere thought made Nigel smile.

"Nigel, what are you smiling at?" Luna noticed how her son was in a good mood with a faint smile on his face. She knew Nigel was not a child who liked to smile.

At that moment, Nigel realized he was too immersed in his victory, so he coughed awkwardly and looked at Luna. "Nothing, Mommy. I just..." He frowned and said, "I'm just thinking about what I should cook next for Neil and Nellie." Nigel and Nellie trembled when they heard that. Both of them exchanged looks as fear appeared in their eyes. However, no one said anything. They lowered their heads and continued eating their dinners seriously.

Luna was amused.

The dinner ended happily. Luna then brought the children for showers and tucked them into their beds before she made her way to the study.

The tall, strong man was standing in front of the French window with a glass of red wine in his hand while looking at the night sky. He looked back when he heard the door opening and smiled at Luna.

"I know what you want to ask me."

She curled up her lips and walked to stand behind Joshua. She stretched out her hand to hug Joshua's toned, muscular waist. "Tell me, then; what do I want to ask?"

After so many years, his muscles were still so sexy and seductive. As she hugged him, she could obviously feel the outline of his muscles through the clothing. She closed her eyes and remembered how flustered she was when she first saw his abs. Within a blink of an eye, many years had passed.

"You come to tell me you think Lucas' punishment is too over, am I right?" Joshua asked. AN

Luna paused and nodded. Lucas had been going in and out of the washroom for the whole night. When she went downstairs to drink water, she bumped into Lucas, who had just walked out of the washroom. His face was so pale. "He contacted Adrian to tell him I want to investigate the real reason for my mother's death." Joshua extended his hand and grabbed Luna's hand. "Adrian was afraid I'd find out the truth, He tried to run away once he knew and he nearly got away. If Jude didn't help, the consequences would be unthinkable." He paused and continued, "Do you still think his punishment should be over?"

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Luna never expected this was what happened. She leaned on Joshua's back, stupefied and at a loss for words.

"Alright." Joshua smiled and grabbed her hand tightly. "You had a busy day, and it's time to rest. Although Lucas made a mistake, it's nothing worth fretting over. Before he became my assistant, he worked in the family and was quite close with Adrian. It was understandable for him to contact Adrian.

"Besides, Lucas has helped me a lot over these few years. Even if there's no merit, he also worked hard. This is the second time he made a mistake."

Joshua could endure the first and second times Lucas made mistakes. Nonetheless, if Lucas made a mistake for the third time...

He narrowed his eyes slightly. If there was a third time, he would have to consider if he should continue to keep Lucas by his side.

"Yeah." Luna understood what Joshua was thinking, so she nodded and let go of him. "I'll go rest now. You should sleep early too."

She took a deep breath and turned to leave the study. When she was back in the bedroom, she went to take her shower as usual. After that, she lay on the bed to play with her phone. Suddenly, a notification alert came in to notify Luna there was an unread message. Luna furrowed her brow and, upon clicking on the notification, was greeted with Malcolm's messages. [Luna, can you please save me after I took care of you and your children for six years?] [I lied to Thomas about Riley... Now, he's sending his men to look for me and said he wants to break my leg!)

[Can you please help me with this one last time?]

Looking at these messages, Luna squinted and blocked Malcolm's number. It was true that Malcolm did look after her and her children for six years, but it was all to use her and her children to threaten Joshua. Since this was his true color, it meant Luna did not owe him anything in return.

Furthermore... Just this year alone, she and Joshua had already given Malcolm many chances, yet he merely responded with poor actions without an ounce of remorse. Even when he was kicked out of Merchant City, he would still think of a way to come back to Merchant City to be against them, even lying to Thomas for it.

Thus, Luna and her children had already returned the favor to Malcolm. They did not owe him anything.

Now that Malcolm looked for her, it was up to her to help him or not. It was not necessary for her to help him. If she helped him, it was because of her relationship with Malcolm.

However, Luna did not want to have any sort of connection with Malcolm anymore. Having all those thoughts in her mind, she took a deep breath and put the phone to the side. She closed her eyes and was ready to go to sleep.

It would be a busy period for her in the next few days. She was about to travel with Joshua and Gwen, and there was no telling when they would return. Her studio was well underway, too, with Shannon, Zayne, and Arianna all capable of working on their own.

Nonetheless, she was the boss. Thus, before she left, she needed to arrange all of the work related matters for the next couple of months.

She took a deep breath and fell asleep.

Although Thomas had not left together with Riley and Yannie, she was starting to look forward to meeting with them in Saigen City one week later.

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Just as Luna had predicted, she was busy for the next few days. She went out early in the morning and came back late at night, traveling between the house and her studio. She did not even have the time to go to Landry *M*ansion and visit Gwen.

Luckily, there was still Bonnie. Since Bonnie was almost fully recovered, she could often go visit Gwen in the hospital and also take care of Rosalyn and Charles. Rosalyn had been urging Jim and Bonnie to get married, but no matter what she said, Jim and Bonnie did not bulge.

The night before Luna and Joshua left Merchant City, Rosalyn cooked dinner and invited Luna and Joshua over to eat.

"Luna." Before Bonnie and Jim arrived, Rosalyn grabbed Luna's hand and complained, "No matter what I say, they won't listen. You are Bonnie's best friend, and Jim is willing to listen to you. Please persuade them for me. Your dad and I are getting old, and we'd like to see them finally get together as a married couple."

Luna pursed her lips and hesitated for a moment as she heard how worried Rosalyn was. Finally, she nodded. "Okay."

Right at that moment, Jim came in with Bonnie and Harvey. Sean, who had just been discharged from the hospital and was helping Luke to settle the gang–related matters, came too.

Luna immediately stood up to greet them when they came. Nellie and Neil, on the other hand, dragged Joshua and Charles down from the study.

It was a joyous dinner, and this was the first time everyone in the Landry family came together to have dinner after so long. The atmosphere was warm and filled with mirth.

Jim and Sean had too much alcohol. Only Joshua was still slightly sober and chatted with Charles. After Luna and Bonnie tucked the children to bed, the first thing they saw when they came downstairs was how drunk the men were.

Both of them exchanged looks and called upon the new butler and maids to help bring the men back to their rooms. When she settled everyone, she dragged Bonnie to the garden for fresh air.

"Before you came, *M*om told me to persuade you and my brother to have your wedding soon," confessed Luna.

They sat on the bench in the garden. Luna felt the breeze wind and looked up at the moon in the clear sky. "What's your plan?"

Bonnie, too, sat on the bench and looked at the sky. She sighed. "Jim did ask me about this, but I don't feel like getting married now."

She closed her eyes. "Isn't this as good a time as any?"

The last person she wanted to marry was Jason Lane. During that time, they were already making plans when everything went horribly wrong. After that, she started to have mixed feelings about marriage.

Although she knew Jim was not the same jerk as Jason, she was still afraid of such a

commitment.

"Okay." Luna kept silent for a moment and said nothing. "I respect your decision. I had no plan to persuade you either." Rosalyn was from the older generation, prioritizing marriage greatly. However, if Bonnie felt more relaxed when she was not married to Jim, then why should they get married? They just needed to be together and had each other—that was more than enough. "It's not that I can't get married either." Bonnie opened her eyes and looked at Luna. "I made a bet with Jim. I bet that one day his memory would come back to him. When he recalled back his memory and remembered who is Shelly's parents, and after we send Shelly back to reunite with her family...we'll get married."

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Luna looked to the side and saw how serious Bonnie was. She wanted to say something but decided against it.

After a while, she extended her hand and grabbed Bonnie's hand lightly. "I hope our wishes will all come true."

She hoped Jim would recall his memory and hoped Bonnie could accept the idea of marriage soon.

As for her... Luna did not dare hope that she would one day find her daughter.

"It will." Bonnie curled up her lips and looked at Luna with a smile. "Have a safe trip tomorrow. Jim and I will take good care of the three children for you and Joshua. Don't wor*r*y, and have a nice trip with Gwen."

Bonnie exhaled deeply when she mentioned Gwen. She looked up at the sky. "Hopefully, Gwen will recover soon."

Luna, too, raised her head, shifting in her seat as she leaned on the bench. She quietly sat with Bonnie and looked at the sky. The two women stayed in the garden and chatted until the next morning.

At 10 a.m., Joshua carried the tired Luna to the airport. Gwen, who let her hair down and wore sunglasses and cap, was shocked to see Luna. She was surprised to see Joshua carrying her down from the car.

"Hey, I know how loving the two of you are, but this is a three–person trip! Can both of you not be like this before the trip starts?" Gwen commented.

It was too much for a single woman like her to see how loving the two of them were, was it

not?

Nonetheless...she did not think she was single anymore. She placed her hand at her heart and felt how it pumped.

Luke was here. His heart would forever beat in her chest. They would never be apart anymore, and all the gossip and rumors could no longer hurt their relationship. "She had chatted with Bonnie for the entire night and didn't sleep." Joshua carried the drowsy Luna as they entered the airport. "Let's go."

Gwen rolled her eyes helplessly. She quickly pulled her baggage and followed Joshua to check in. Luckily, they took the private plane to Saigen city this time, and a bed on the plane allowed Luna to get the sleep she needed. Otherwise, Gwen would have a strong reason to believe they would spend the first day in Saigen City in the hotel.

Alas, she underestimated how tired Luna was. Even after sleeping for several hours on the plane, she was still unconscious after they arrived at Saigen City. No matter what Gwen said, Luna could only mutter groggy responses and answer wrongly to every question. Gwen sighed helplessly. She placed her baggage in the room and changed her clothes. "You should rest in the hotel. I'll go walk around by myself."

Saigen City was a different city from Merchant City and Banyan City. Although it was just

autumn in Banyan City, it was winter in Saigen City, and thus it was snowing. Gwen felt better when she saw the different historical buildings on the street.

Thus, she decided she should not waste the beautiful moment and went to take a walk by herself.

"Sorry..." Luna slept on the bed and looked at Gwen, who had already put on a while color plush jacket. She apologized, saying, "Bonnie and I were reminiscing about our past, and we lost track of time. I'm sorry I can't go with you today..."

"There's nothing to be sorry about." Gwen took out a fluffy hat with rabbit ears and wore it. "I don't mind. I'm going to take up your time for a long period while Bonnie stays in Merchant City. She's more pitiful than me. It's good that you chatted with her and comforted her before we left!"

Luna burst out in laughter as she gazed at how energetic Gwen was. "I wanted to bring you here to cheer you up."