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George called Joseph once more, inquiring about Fanny's address.

Although Joseph was perplexed, he was casually dismissed by George.

After obtaining the address, George hung up the phone.

"Where is she?" Britney couldn't wait to locate Fanny and immediately inquired.

As soon as George provided Britney with the address he had just acquired, the doctor arrived.

Britney proceeded directly to the address and knocked on the door without uttering a word, creating a loud noise.

Fanny had been confined for a day. Upon her release, she first went to the hospital. Currently, she was not in high spirits, so she was catching up on sleep.

Upon being awakened by the noise, her initial reaction was that someone had knocked on the wrong door, so she disregarded it.

However, as the knocking persisted, she suddenly sat up in bed, curious about who was outside and slightly apprehensive.

After a while, the knocking continued.

She approached the door and inquired, "Who is it?"

Upon hearing Fanny's voice, Britney recognized her and believed that George had not deceived her.

Although Fanny did reside in this location, she hesitated to open the door!

Yet, Britney refrained from speaking directly, fearing that doing so might deter Fanny from opening the door.

Continuing to knock on the door, Britney even crouched down and deliberately avoided the door's peephole.

Looking through the peephole and seeing **no** one outside, Fanny assumed it was a child from another household knocking on the door. She intended **to** open the door and reprimand

them.

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Unaware that Britney was already crouched outside the door, as soon as Fanny opened the door Binney burst in

"How dare you hide, Fanny! Are you avoiding your own mom as well?" She stormed into the room, scolding Fanny

Fanny was taken aback by Britney's sudden entrance. "How did you find me?" She took a few steps back, evading the fierce Britney.

Without hesitation, Britney seated herself on the sofa, loudly biting into a piece of fruit. Observing Fanny's puzzled expression, she sarcastically retorted, "I have my ways of locating you. Don't you want to see me?"

"Aren't you supposed to be in custody?" Fanny didn't stop Britney when she saw her casually eating. She couldn't help but wonder how Britney had been released so quickly.

She had been stabbed by Britney, resulting in the latter's detention. At that moment, she believed it was worthwhile, as it meant she wouldn't have to return to Lynch's village and could potentially rejoin the Kins Family.

"Can't you wish me well for once? Are you truly my daughter?"

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"How can I wish you well? You stabbed me with a knife!"

Naturally. Fanny couldn't find it in her heart to wish good things for Britney. If she could, her

-a deceased most fervent wish might have been for Britney to face the same fate as Mike person.

“How dare you bring up the fact that I stabbed you? If you hadn’t arranged for someone to kill your father, would I have accidentally stabbed you?” Britney was so incensed that she slammed the table, glaring at Fanny.

With involving the authorities and sending Fanny to jail, there wouldn’t have been much benefit for Britney. She genuinely desired to take legal action and rid herself of the troublesome Fanny.

“I didn’t do it! Don’t accuse me!” When Fanny heard Britney mention Mike, she immediately felt guilty.

Fearing that Britney would persist in bothering her, she inquired once more, “If you stabbed me, you wouldn’t be out so soon; did you escape? If you did escape, you should return promptly! Don’t risk being apprehended again and facing an even lengthier confinement!”

Britney spat out a fruit pit on the ground and proudly exclaimed, “I was bailed out by someone. Didn’t expect that, did you?”

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Upon hearing this. Fanny immediately inquired, “Who? Who bailed you out? Was it Angela?”

The first person she thought of was Angela, as she believed Angela was the only one who would oppose her and not want things to go smoothly for her.

The more Fanny thought about it, the more she became convinced that Angela had likely bailed out Britney to cause trouble for her.

“It wasn’t her”

Britney had also considered the possibility of Angela being the one who bailed her out, but when she encountered Angela the day before, Angela seemed surprised to see her outside.

Then who else would bail you out?” Fanny asked; puzzled.

“I came to visit you, not to have this discussion!” Britney asserted bluntly, her impatience mounting as Fanny fixated on who bailed her out. “I’m here to get some money from you, so

urry up and hand them over.”“

Fanny was taken aback. “You came to ask me for money? Why should I give you any?”

However, Britney remained unabashed. “Simply because you’re my daughter, and I’m your mother

“You’re not my mother. My actual mother has already provided you with money! She explicitly instructed you not to bother me again!” Fanny shouted.

“The money she gave me before is

1. e. You better give me money now! Otherwise, I’ll expose the fact that you harmed your own father! I am your biological mother, and people will believe what I say!”

“I won’t give you any money! That case was closed long ago, and I have cleared my name. Why should I give you money?”

Realizing threats were ineffective, Britney decided to act shamelessly.

“If you won’t provide me with money, who will? I can’t go back to the village because of you. I have to make a living elsewhere, so you must give me the money!”

Upon hearing her audacious demands, Fanny’s anger flared, and she sternly instructed Britney to leave. “I have no money. Leave now!”

“No money? I don’t believe you have none. If you won’t give it to me, I’ll find it myself,” Britney declared, then hastily entered Fanny’s bedroom, making a beeline for the bedside

table and wardrobe.

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“Indeed, there’s money! How dare you try to deceive me! Hmph! Britney discovered the cash, seized it, and prepared to leave.

“Give that back! That’s my money! Fanny attempted to stop her, but Britney pushed her away, causing her to stumble.

Fanny tried to chase after her but accidentally collided with the table, tears streaming down her face from the pain. Helplessly, she watched as Britney walked away.

After crying for a while, Fanny tearfully called James.

Upon hearing her uncontrollable sobs, James left his work and rushed over.

Fanny was taken to the hospital. She had just fallen and bumped her arm. It was nothing serious, but she was still crying uncontrollably. Her face was pale.

James felt sorry for her and asked what had happened.

After crying for a while, Fanny sobbed and explained that Britney had stolen her money and threatened her.

Shortly after, Joseph received the news and rushed over.

James pulled Joseph aside, who looked bewildered, and inquired, "What's going on? Why am

not allowed to see Fanny?"

Did you tell anyone where Fanny lives?"

Joseph thought for a moment. "I only told Dad.

James realized something and said, "Fanny was robbed by Britney, who likely found out where she lives from Dad."

How could Dad do this?" Joseph was furious. He never anticipated that when George inquired about Fanny's location, it was to relay the information to Britney!

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Cassandra modestly smiled. "I just know a little. I'm not that amazing"

Hearing this, Sophia complimented her a few more times, then used the excuse of not wanting to disturb her to lead Christopher away.

Since seeing Fanny, Christopher had been wanting to find an opportunity to meet her, but Sophia was always by his side, so he couldn't find the chance at all.

Even when he excused himself to go to the bathroom, Sophia waited for him not far away as if afraid he would run away.

Eventually, an elder whom Sophia hadn't seen in a long time invited Sophia to have a chat, so Christopher took this opportunity to return to the banquet hall and look for Fanny.

After searching all around, he couldn't find Fanny, which fueled his anxiety.

He tried calling her, but the call went unanswered.

Just as he was about to call again, a voice suddenly sounded behind him.

"Christopher..."

Christopher turned around and saw Fanny with glassy eyes. There was hesitation and conflict. evident in her gaze.

—"Fanny? Are you mad at me?" Christopher turned around abruptly and hugged her. "I was wrong. Please forgive me."

Being suddenly embraced by Christopher, Fanny was surprised.

"Christopher, why would you say that? You were the one who didn't answer my calls."

The more she spoke, the more aggrieved she felt, causing tears to trickle down her face.

Christopher was stunned as he immediately took out his phone. "Fanny, you never called me. You even blocked me."

"Yes, I blocked you, b—but it was Sophia who threatened me to do it," Fanny sobbed, crying as if she had been greatly wronged.

Christopher was furious, holding Fanny in his arms to comfort her. "How could she do such a thing and even threaten you!"

He had already been very tolerant of Sophia, but he never expected that she would secretly contact Fanny and threaten her. It was just too much!

"Don't be angry, Christopher. Since you never answered my calls, could she have used your phone to block me?"

Christopher immediately checked the blacklist in his phone contacts to find Fanny's number

in it.

He clenched his phone, expression turning dark.

"Your number is really in there! It must be her doing."

He spent most of his time with Sophia, and the only person who had the opportunity to access his phone and block Fanny's number could only be her!

Fanny finally breathed a sigh of relief. She had been puzzled before why Christopher suddenly stopped answering her calls. At that time, she thought he was mad at her, but she never imagined it was actually Sophia playing tricks!

Sophia had tricked them into blocking each other and even devised a convincing story to make Fanny believe that Christopher no longer loved her, leaving them both in the dark.

"Fanny, don't **worry**. I'll go and confront her."

"Christopher, don't act impulsively. Didn't you say that your family needs to cooperate with the Martinez Family now? If you confront her, what will happen to your family?" Fanny's words made Christopher feel even more heartbroken.

He simply didn't know how to confront Sophia. If the latter had even half of Fanny's kindness, he wouldn't be so displeased with her.

"What should I do, Fanny? I feel so bad for you." Christopher looked pained and blamed himself for being helpless.

Fanny leaned against him and whispered, "Although I really want you to come back to me, I don't want your life to become a mess because of me."

The more Christopher listened, the more moved he felt, so he promised, "Fanny, don't worry. I'll go back and talk to my dad, tell him about what Sophia has done, and make sure you get an explanation."

He couldn't simply sever ties with Sophia and neglect the Sanders Family. However, he had to make it up to Fanny in some way. With Michael intervening, getting an apology should be

no issue.

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Upon hearing Christopher's words, Fanny, though somewhat disappointed, agreed.

The two of them spent some time together before parting ways.

Meanwhile, Cassie found Angela and strolled around the estate with her.

"This estate is lovely, isn't it?"

Jonathan was in a business discussion with a few other partners, so Cassie took the chance to give Angela a tour.

Angela nodded. "Indeed, it's beautiful."

The Hayes Family was affluent and esteemed; hence, the landscaping and upkeep of the estate were well-maintained.

"My dad gave this estate to my sister," Cassie remarked enviously. "Oh, when will I be as remarkable as my sister?"

Angela patted her shoulder and encouraged her, "You'll make it one day!"

Angela's words reminded Cassie of something, so she asked, "Angela, do you know what happened with the forum incident?"

Seeing Angela shake her head, Cassie looked as if she had missed out on some major news and continued, "Winter had her spot revoked, an International Medical Association spot at that!"

"Revoked?"

Angela didn't expect it to be so serious. Although Winter had caused her trouble before, she wasn't really affected by it.

"Yes. It's only natural for someone with such poor academic integrity to have their spot revoked. Now, **she's** paying the price. She lost her spot after all the trouble."

Cassie didn't feel sorry for Winter but rather took pleasure in her misfortune.

"Oh, I heard that after her spot was revoked, someone else was given the spot, and it wasn't Lily!"

"Lily?" Angela **was** puzzled. The name sounded familiar to her, but she couldn't recall where she had heard it before.

“Wow, Angela, you even forgot who Lily is? She’s the one Winter asked you to **give** up your

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spot for. She was standing right next to Winter at the time.”

Angela finally recalled a little. “I remember now. The person who took the spot wasn’t her?”

“She isn’t capable of that!” Cassie shook her head disinterestedly.

It’s ironic to think about it. At the time, Winter had confidently claimed that Lily would definitely get the spot based on her abilities and accused Angela of using connections that. Lily didn’t get the spot.

But now, even though Winter’s spot was revoked, it didn’t go to Lily.

Angela shook her head. “I don’t care about these things, but Winter must be feeling terrible.”

“Who cares? She brought it upon herself! And did you know? Her junior, Angelina, the one who posted on the forum...”

Cassie was afraid that Angela would ask who Angelina was again while she was revealing the gossip, so she introduced Angelina directly.

Angela nodded. It had only been a couple of days since Angelina’s incident, so she remembered her.

“Angelina exposed Winter on the forum! And the things she revealed were not just about you! Angelina had been used as a scapegoat by Winter before, but she found out this time, so she also uncovered everything from before.”

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Angela sighed. "It seems like Winter has manipulated her into doing a lot of things."

Cassie clicked his tongue. "Yeah, she's always being used as a tool. But this time, Winter must be doomed after so many scandals have been exposed,"

Seeing Cassie's eyes light up when discussing gossip, Angela smiled. "Cassie, you would make a great gossip reporter."

Cassie agreed. "I think so too! I'm always elated to hear about gossip!"

As they conversed, they shared smiles.

After laughing for some time, Cassie patted Angela on the shoulder and remarked, "Angela, you would make a great doctor saving lives. If you succeed in the future, don't forget to let me hold onto your coattails!"

Angela nodded with a smile. "Don't forget to report on my exclusive news in the future, Reporter Cassie."

Just as they were talking, a voice suddenly came from behind. "What are you chatting about? Laughing so happily."

Angela looked up to find Daniel, whom she hadn't seen in a long time.

Daniel noticed Cassie next to Angela and exclaimed, "Cassie is here too."

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Cassie rolled his eyes at Daniel, "This is my house. If I'm not here, who else would be?"

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Hearing her words, Daniel chuckled and sat down next to her. "Well, not necessarily. Isn't this place now given to your sister by your dad? It's normal for you to move out."

Upon hearing his words, Cassie glared at him and snorted softly.

Angela looked curiously at the two of them and asked, "Do you know each other?"

She didn't know they knew each other before.

"Yeah, we know each other. The Hayes Family and our family have some connections, **so** of course we know each other."

Cassie rolled her eyes. "I don't know you, old man!"

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"What? You call me an old man? But I'm only a few years older than you. How could you call me an old man?"

Although he had watched Cassie grow up, Cassie calling him an old man made him feel

uneasy.

Daniel couldn't help but pat Cassie's head, prompting the latter to pat him back, but Daniel laughed it off and dodged.

Angela looked at the two of them, who clearly knew each other well, and smiled helplessly.

Daniel's personality was just like a child's, but he got along well with Cassie.

After a few exchanges of blows, they finally settled down under Angela's persuasion.

Daniel looked around and asked, "Where's Jonathan? He wouldn't leave you behind, would he?"

"One of the elders invited him over to discuss business. I couldn't understand."

"Oh, I see. I thought Jonathan had abandoned you, but I knew he wouldn't do that, considering how much he treasures you."

Angela blushed at Daniel's words.

She was about to say something when she suddenly saw someone approaching from a distance, and it was none other than Fanny.

Cassie immediately spotted Fanny in the distance and frowned, asking, "What is she doing here?"

If she remembered correctly, her sister did not invite Fanny to the birthday banquet.

Fanny also spotted Angela, and when she saw the latter with two people by her side, she turned to leave, but Cassie stopped her. "How did you get in?"

Fanny, upon hearing **Cassie's** question, uttered indignantly, "I was brought in by someone who was invited, of course!"

She didn't dare to say that she was brought in by a member of the Kins Family. After all, Angela was still there.

When Cassie questioned her presence there, she couldn't help but angrily admit that she was brought in, but fortunately, she didn't reveal that she was brought in by a member of the Kins Family.

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Cassie naturally asked, "Who did you come in with?"

"What's it to you?" Fanny replied.

Cassie was speechless. "Feeling guilty? Did you sneak in?"

Having heard from Angela that Fanny had already left Kins Residence, Cassie wondered if it was someone else who brought her in instead of a member of the Kins Family

"It's none of your business!" Fanny retorted before quickly walking away.

Unable to get an answer from Fanny, Cassie turned to Angela.

Angela raised an eyebrow lazily. "The Kins Family are used to underhanded dealings"

This comment made Cassie furious. "You mean the Kins Family went back on their words?"

"Even if a member of the Kins Family brought Fanny in, it doesn't matter. My only request was for her to move out of Kins Residence and remove her from our family registration. If they want to support her now, that's their business, not mine."

She had never intended to meddle in every aspect of Fanny's life.

"Angela, you are still too kind," Cassie sighed.

Daniel chimed in, "The Kins Family people have treated you so badly, so why are you still so nice to them? If it were me, I would have destroyed them and left a long time ago!"

Cassie and Angela couldn't help but laugh, with Cassie even teasing, "You talk tough, but you can't back it up, so stop making empty threats."

The three chatted for a while, and soon, Jonathan came to find Angela.

After Fanny left, she hid and watched Angela from a distance, filled with resentment as she saw Jonathan being particularly doting toward Angela.

She had become like this all because of Angela, and she was determined to make Angela pay!

Hiding behind a plant, she stared fiercely at Angela with a malicious and intimidating look.

When Jonathan arrived, he sent Daniel away, and before leaving, Daniel also took Cassie, who felt like a third wheel, with him.

“What are you doing?” Cassie was dragged away by Daniel, and she shook off his hand in frustration.

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Daniel looked at her nonchalantly, with a seemingly caring expression. “I don't want you to continue being a third wheel, or do you want to be left out?”

“I don't need you to take me away! I can walk by myself, Cassie huffed, walking ahead of Daniel.

Daniel followed her lead and asked, “Do you really have no plans of moving out?”

“That's none of your business!” Cassie snorted.

Helplessly, Daniel surrendered with a smile. “Fine, fine. I was just asking”

When the sound of arguing between Daniel and Cassie grew fainter, Angela sighed to Jonathan, “I didn't expect them to get along so well.”

Jonathan looked at her seriously. “Well?”

Angela nodded, “Yes, don't you think they get along?”

“They seem alright,” Jonathan replied, not concerned about the relationship between Daniel and Cassie. He was just wondering how Angela defined a good relationship.

“Jonathan, what are you thinking about?” After saying a few words without getting a response from Jonathan, she reached out and waved her hand in front of him in confusion.

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"Nothing." Jonathan asked, "What were you just saying?"

Angela looked up at him seriously. "Jonathan, you're lying. You were definitely thinking about something. Are you pondering something you don't want to share with me?"

Jonathan patted her head. "Why do you always have random thoughts? I was simply listening to you talk about their strong relationship and wondering how you define a good relationship."

Concerned that Angela might misunderstand, he promptly shared his thoughts with her.

Angela suddenly came to a realization. "Jonathan, you've been contemplating such a simple thing for so long?"

Jonathan furrowed his brow slightly. "Is it that straightforward?"

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He acknowledged that his understanding of emotions between people was not as strong as others, a realization he had since childhood. However, he never viewed it as a significant

issue.

"Of course it's simple. Despite their arguments, it's evident that they share a deep familiarity. They are in sync, which is why the atmosphere is so harmonious."

"Okay," Jonathan replied. He did not quite grasp what she said but still nodded in agreement.

-Observing his earnest expression, Angela noticed that he probably didn't comprehend. She

thought of his condition and sighed.

Perhaps Jonathan desired to understand, but his condition presented numerous obstacles. Perhaps Jonathan desired to understand, but

Jonathan asked, "Why the sudden sigh?"

Angela suddenly looked up and asked, "Jonathan, have you felt loved recently?"

Recalling Daniel's remark about Jonathan lacking love, she had been making an effort to show him more love and wondered if he had noticed.

Initially, Jonathan tensed. Then, he parted his lips and asked, "Are you confessing your feelings to me?"

"Huh?"

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Jonathan suggested, "Let's discuss it when we return home."

Taken aback by his sudden mention of going home, Angela was puzzled and asked, "Return home now? Isn't it too early?"

Even though they were attending a birthday celebration, she had spent most of the time wandering around without truly engaging with the birthday girl.

Moreover, Angela wanted to gather some information during this event but hadn't found the opportunity.

Jonathan furrowed his brow slightly, pondered for a moment, and asked Angela, "Would you like to stay for the second half of the celebration?"

After considering. Angela replied, "Should we stay a bit longer?"

She wasn't fond of crowds and had accompanied Jonathan in the hopes of uncovering something.

Jonathan's suicide in her previous life had always troubled her, and she sought to discover the reason or uncover the truth. She still found it hard to believe that the gentle man before her could have taken his own life.

"Why are you looking at me like that all of a sudden?" Jonathan noticed Angela staring at him. blankly with an expression he couldn't decipher.

Suddenly, Angela embraced him. “Jonathan, I really like you. Please take care of yourself.”

Jonathan held her tightly and replied, “Yes, I like you, too.” His **voice** was deep yet slightly hoarse, and his eyes were filled with tenderness.

After a moment, he released her.

Angela’s cheeks were slightly flushed, and she whispered, “Should we go inside and have a

look?”

Jonathan agreed, “Of course.”

They stood **up**, and he instinctively placed his arm around her as they headed toward the hall.

In the distance, Fanny spotted them entering and suddenly remembered something, prompting her to follow.

Angela accompanied Jonathan into the hall, where they attracted attention and engaged in

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conversations with various guests,

Whenever someone approached, Jonathan would hold her closer, subtly asserting his presence.

Christopher **had** noticed Jonathan and Angela earlier but hadn’t approached them. Now, he was being dragged over by Sophia.

Christopher thought that she wanted to approach Jonathan and greet him, as most people who went to **talk** to Jonathan and Angela were there because of Jonathan.

Similarly, many girls, even those with boyfriends, would come up and exchange a few words with the extremely handsome Jonathan

What Christopher didn’t anticipate was that Sophia’s target was not Jonathan but Angela.

“Hey, how are you? I didn’t expect to see you here!” As Sophia approached Jonathan and Angela, she waved at Angela with a friendly smile.

Angela looked **at** her in confusion. “Uh, hello?”

Seeing that Sophia **was** holding Christopher’s hand, Angela could figure out their relationship, but she couldn’t understand why Sophia would greet her.

Furthermore, Sophia didn’t seem to have any ill intentions.

“Don’t you remember me?”

As Angela hesitated to recall, Sophia continued, “It’s normal not to remember. I’ve seen you before, but you may not have noticed me. It was at Highside Boulevard when you passed by and saved my friend. I was there.”

“Highside Boulevard? The girl who fainted from heatstroke?”

“Yes, that’s my friend. Thanks to you **back** then.” Sophia felt a shiver just talking about it.

If Angela hadn’t happened to pass by and used acupuncture to save Sophia’s friend, the said friend might not have survived. Because her friend’s condition at that time was **so** critical, Sophia still remembered it vividly.

Since that incident, she had always wanted to find the person who saved her friend. Her friend had fainted and didn’t see what Angela looked like, so she had been seeking help to locate her.

Unexpectedly, after searching for so long without success, Sophia coincidentally met her.

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“Is your friend okay now? Angela inquired. She remembered saving someone who had ainted and was in shock due to heatstroke while passing by Highside Boulevard.

But after stabilizing the person, the ambulance arrived. So, she let the ambulance take the person away and continued with her day.

She didn’t follow up afterward, which was why she **was** asking now.

“She’s fine. She was taken to the hospital and is now doing well. It’s all thanks to you! My friend has been asking me to find you because she wants to thank you in person.” As Sophia spoke, she took out her phone. “Let’s exchange contact information, shall we? I’m Sophia Martinez, and you?”

Christopher watched nervously as they were about to exchange contact information, his eyelids twitching with anxiety. If possible, he didn’t want Sophia and Angela to contact each

other

After all. Angela knew a lot about him and might even be aware of him and Fanny, which made him feel uneasy and concerned.

But things didn’t go as he had hoped. The two exchanged contact information and even seemed to have a pleasant conversation.

Moreover, Jonathan stood by Angela like a guardian angel, leaving Christopher with no opportunity to intervene.

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After exchanging contact information, Angela and Sophia chatted a little until Jonathan was about to leave with Angela. Suddenly, Christopher called out, “Jonathan.”

“What is it about?” Jonathan’s response was not very warm.

Christopher hesitated for a moment but decided to speak up. “Dad said he wants you to visit him. He’s been missing you these days and wants to see you.”

Michael had mentioned this to Christopher several times, but he had never told Jonathan. Now that the opportunity presented itself, he reluctantly overcame his discomfort and mentioned it.

Jonathan casually glanced at him, then nodded. "Got it."

Without agreeing or refusing, he simply acknowledged it. This left Christopher somewhat puzzled. He wanted to say more, but Jonathan had already taken Angela and left.

Sophia asked, "Is he your elder brother, Jonathan Lawson? And Angela is his wife, right?"

She had just chatted with Angela, and Jonathan had been standing by her side the whole time. She could guess their relationship, but the fact that Angela was Jonathan's wife still shocked her.

"Yes, that's right," Christopher replied uneasily.

It was only because Sophia was unaware of the Kins Family's situation that she could ask such a question.

If she had known that Angela had even been his fiancée before, she would probably have been even more surprised.

But for now, Sophia just sighed. "Truly powerful people have powerful partners."

Christopher didn't like this phrase, but he had to admit that both Jonathan and Angela did fit

the bill.

But when he thought about what Angela had done to Fanny, Christopher had an indescribable disgust toward Angela. If it weren't for her, he and Fanny wouldn't be in the situation they were in now.

"Try to have less contact with her. Although she is skilled in medicine, her character is not that great," Christopher mentioned to Sophia.

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Immediately, Sophia retorted, "What are you talking about? She saved my friend's life. How could her character be bad?" She was quick to defend Angela.

“She harmed my friend. Of course, I know her character is bad, Christopher said calmly.

“What harm did she do to your friend? Tell me, let me see whose fault it is.” She pulled Christopher to a couch in a corner, and the helpless Christopher could only follow her.

But when they got there, he didn’t want to say anything. After all, it was related to Fanny.

“It’s not a big deal. There’s no need to bring it up again.”

He was afraid that if he said anything, even the things between him and Fanny would be exposed.

“It’s obviously nothing. You can’t even come up with a story now, can you?” Sophia said confidently.

Looking at Sophia, Christopher remembered the first time he met her when she was still gentle.

But now, as they grew closer and their relationship became more intimate, Sophia’s desire to control him became stronger. They weren’t even engaged yet, but she had already treated him like her husband.

Suddenly, he remembered that she had even secretly blocked Fanny on his phone before. And when he met Fanny, he had impulsively promised her that he would make Sophia apologize for this matter.

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At that time, when he assured Fanny, he was very collected, but now, he completely clueless about it.

He could only dryly ask Sophia, “Did you touch my phone?” After asking, he suddenly had **ant** idea.

“Why are **you** suddenly changing the subject?” Sophia felt a little guilty because she had. touched his phone.

Christopher asked, “Did you block Fanny on my phone?”

“How did you know? Did you contact her through another method?” Sophia questioned the second she opened her mouth.

Upon seeing the way she reacted, Christopher felt a headache and irritably remarked, “I didn’t do anything and just saw her name on the blacklist. The only person who could have

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accessed my phone is you.”

Impatiently, she retorted, “Unless you wanted to contact her, why did you check the blacklist?” She didn’t truly believe Christopher’s explanation.

“I accidentally blocked a friend today and had to unblock them from the blacklist. That’s when I noticed.” Christopher explained, “That friend happens to be a guy.”

“So, what if I blocked her? She’s your ex–girlfriend. I’m your current girlfriend, and I don’t want you talking to her. What’s wrong with that?” Sophia felt justified, considering the ambiguous relationship between Fanny and Christopher.

“You owe Fanny an apology for this,” Christopher stated firmly and uncompromisingly.

Sophia exploded, “Why should I apologize to her?”

“Fanny asked me to find a doctor for her mother, and I did. But because you blocked her without permission, I couldn’t reach her, causing a delay in her mother’s treatment, and she’s still in the hospital,” Christopher explained with a sense of righteousness.

Gazing seriously at her, he urged, “This is your mistake, so apologize to Fanny. Will you do it for me?”

With a look of annoyance, she stomped her foot. “How was I supposed to know about her mother’s accident, and you were looking for a doctor for her? She’s your ex–girlfriend, but you’re still so close.”

“Even if she wasn’t my ex–girlfriend, her mother is still an elder to me. I would have helped. her, regardless.” Christopher said helplessly, “So, your blocking of Fanny has prevented her mother from waking up, as she missed the crucial window for treatment.”

“I will apologize if what you’re saying is true. But I will only apologize to her mother, not to her!”

Sophia was willing to admit her mistake as long as Christopher could prove his claims.

Just as he was about to respond, she interjected, “I will have someone look into her mother’s condition now. If what you said is accurate, I will apologize.”

With that, she left, visibly upset.

Unaware of the dispute between Christopher and Sophia, Angela followed Jonathan and interacted with various individuals.

In the distance, Angela observed Fanny walking with James, engaged in a conversation.

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James appeared displeased, with a frown on his face,

“What are you staring at?” Jonathan inquired.

Angela shook her head. “Nothing”

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The affairs of the Kins Family were not her concern, so she didn't feel the need to dwell on them.

However, she couldn't shake off the uneasy feeling that lingered after witnessing *the* expressions of those two.

She thought, perhaps it was because every time Fanny crossed her path, some sort of trouble always ensued.

Therefore, whenever she encountered Fanny, she couldn't help but have a subconscious defensive reaction.

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Chapter 306 Better to Wait for a Miracle

“What are you looking at?” Jonathan asked, embracing Angela.

Angela shook her head. “Nothing. Let's go back.”

Jonathan had been eager to take her home, so he held her and left.

In the distance, someone sighed as they watched the two of them. “Mr. Lawson and his wife are really clingy.”

Another person chimed in, sounding equally envious.

On the way, Angela mentioned to Jonathan about going to visit Scarlet the next day. Jonathan simply asked, “Do you want me to accompany you?”

“No need.” Angela shook her head. “Oliver will be with me.”

She was planning to visit the hospital the next day and would likely encounter members of the Kins Family. Dealing with the Kins Family was often bothersome, and she didn't want Jonathan to get too involved.

He was already occupied with work every day, and she didn't want him to waste his energy on unworthy individuals.

The following day, Angela arrived at the hospital early. Upon reaching Scarlet's ward, she only found a caretaker snacking on sunflower seeds and engrossed in her phone.

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When the caretaker, Evie, heard someone enter the ward, she quickly hid the sunflower seeds. Seeing Angela, she asked in confusion; “Did you come to the wrong ward?”

Angela glanced at her. “No, I didn't.”

Evie said nothing else, pretending to tidy up the scattered seed shells around her. After stealing glances at Angela several times, she asked, “Are you here to visit Mrs. Kins? I haven't seen you here before.”

Angela replied, “Yes, it's my first visit. Just here to check and then leave.”

After speaking, she assessed Scarlet's condition. Scarlet appeared to be asleep, with an empty drip bag attached. Angela saw that the drip bag was empty, and the blood had started to backflow slightly.

She promptly pressed the call button on the bedside of the hospital bed.

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Evie, observing her actions, asked loudly, “What are you doing?”

Angela glanced at her calmly, ignoring her and holding Scarlet's hand with the drip.

Noticing that the tube attached to the hand was filled with blood, Evie became alarmed. "Hey, when did the drip finish so suddenly? I've been watching it the whole time."

Angela twisted the drip tube a few times, allowing the blood to slowly return from the tube to the body until it was completely drained before removing the needle.

Evie looked at her somewhat awkwardly—uncertain of her identity—and could only remain silent, smiling sheepishly.

Angela did not expect to glean any useful information from Evie, who seemed indifferent, and carefully examined Scarlet's condition.

Although Scarlet was in a vegetative state, her appearance suggested she was merely asleep. After a thorough examination, Angela confirmed that her condition was unusual.

If she were to receive treatment, it would be quite challenging. However, Angela was unaware that the doctors had already stated that Scarlet had a ninety percent chance of not waking up.

At the ward's entrance, the nurse who responded to the call button inquired, "Has the drip finished?"

Angela withdrew her gaze and replied calmly, "It's done, and the needle has been removed. Is there anything else that needs to be administered?"

"How did you remove the needle by yourself? After removing the needle, **you** should-

"It's been taken care of, Angela interrupted, disregarding the nurse's instructions, and went to find Joseph.

She couldn't comprehend the Kins Family's thought process; how could they hire someone like Evie who couldn't even provide proper care?

Joseph was surprised to see Angela. "Are you here to visit Mom?"

He hadn't expected her to arrive so early. In his mind, Angela would have likely delayed or procrastinated.

"I've already visited her, and I suggest you replace the caretaker."

After making that statement, Angela was preparing to leave, but Joseph stopped and caught up with her, asking, "Are you going to leave just like this?"

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In response, Angela countered, “What else should I do?”

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She had not made any promises to George regarding treating Scarlet, and she certainly did not possess magical abilities.

Scarlet’s condition—even with her grandmother present—seemed beyond help. She did not require treatment, but rather, a miracle.

With that said, Angela had no intention of staying and was ready to leave.

As Joseph reached out to stop her, he was intercepted by Oliver, who warned him with a stern glance.

Unable to stop her, Joseph followed her in puzzlement and inquired, “Are you really leaving? Did you come all this way just to criticize the caretaker?”

Although George had asked him to convince Angela, Joseph was unprepared. He assumed that upon seeing Scarlet’s current state, Angela would be inclined to attempt treatment.

“Not criticizing her, but just offering a friendly reminder. I came to visit, that’s all. I made that clear to George Kins beforehand,” Angela explained patiently as she allowed him to follow.

While she spoke, Oliver kept a watchful eye on Joseph, as if anticipating any attempt by him to approach Angela.

Feeling somewhat helpless, Joseph asked, “Must we converse in this manner? How can I be certain that you actually visited Mom? Why not accompany me now to check on her?”

Chuckling, Angela came to a stop and remarked, “I **saw** the caretaker you hired snacking on

visit. sunflower seeds and engrossed in her phone. This is enough to say that I've paid my Instead of trying to guilt-trip me, why not put in the effort to find a more dedicated caretaker and await a miracle? Once that occurs, Scarlet Square will awaken."

Perplexed, Joseph inquired, "What do you mean, Angela Kins? You're saying all this, yet your refuse to accompany me to see Mom again. Are you implying that Mom requires a miracle to awaken?"

Angela, maintaining her composure even as Joseph grew more agitated, responded bluntly, "I'm not cursing her, just stating the reality.

After a moment of restraint, Joseph softened his tone and implored, "Will you accompany me to check on her again? Even if you have no intention of treating Mom, at least share thoughts on what might be wrong."

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"If you ask nicely. I might consider it," Angela replied, crossing her arms and observing his

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frustrated expression with a faint smile.

Indeed, there was a certain satisfaction in witnessing the misfortune of hateful people. Her visit to the hospital was not entirely fruitless,

Contemplating George's ongoing police investigation and the bleak prognosis from the doctors about Scarlet. Joseph bowed his head. "I'm pleading with you, Angela."

Satisfied, Angela turned to Oliver and suggested, "Let's return and check on her once more."

Oliver promptly caught up with her while Joseph clenched his teeth, appearing grim and mad.

Upon entering the ward, Angela spotted Fanny in the room. Evie was in a conversation with her, and they appeared to be getting along well.

When Fanny saw Angela, she frowned and exclaimed, "Why are you here? Don't come bothering my mom. She doesn't want to see you!"

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Before Angela had a chance to respond to Fanny, Joseph approached from behind and uttered to Fanny, "Fanny, please don't speak out of turn. Dad asked her to come and check on Mom."

Upon hearing that, Fanny pursed her lips, looking visibly unhappy. However, she remained silent.

As for Evie, she looked at Angela curiously and felt slightly worried.

"Go in and take a look. Angela, if possible, update me on Mom's current situation." Joseph sighed and added.

Angela walked into the ward. She didn't spare a glance at Fanny and Evie and headed straight to the bedside.

"Based on her current state, she should be able more frequently and observe her reactions."

to hear people talking now. Engage with her

As soon as these words escaped her lips, Fanny widened her eyes and glanced at Evie.

Evie discreetly took a step back and chose not to speak.

Meanwhile, Joseph carefully noted Angela's advice. "Is there really nothing you can do?" he asked.

"I'm not a miracle worker," Angela replied while looking at Joseph. Then, she asked in bemusement, "Or do you think I am?"

Joseph didn't want to continue the conversation, but Fanny immediately interjected, "What are you implying? Are you trying to make things difficult for Joseph? If you're not willing to genuinely help Mom, so be it. Why must you mock Joseph like this?"

"Be quiet." Angela glanced at her casually before walking out.

This time, Joseph didn't chase after her. Instead, he gazed at Scarlet lying on the sickbed, leaned in, and asked, "Mom, can you hear me? Can you react in any way? Like moving your

fingers?"

He figured since George wanted nothing more than **Scarlet's** acknowledgment or denial **as a** victim, she could testify for George if she could move her fingers, even in her unconscious

state.

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To his disappointment, Scarlet showed no reaction.

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"Joseph, it's no use. I've been talking to Mom for days. She hasn't responded at all."

Glancing at Fanny, Joseph expressed his gratitude. "Thank you, Fanny. Don't forget to pay attention to any reactions Mom might have when you talk to her from now on. You must inform me if she reacts."

Even though Fanny **was** confused, she still nodded obediently.

After Joseph left, Evie asked Fanny, "Miss Fanny, who was that woman just now? Why was Joseph so polite to her? Can she really tell if something was off simply through the brief check-up?"

Evie was concerned that Angela might reveal the incident whereby she had let Scarlet's blood flow into the needle after she finished giving her the IV drip due to her leaving on her job. For that reason, she subtly inquired Fanny about Angela's identity.

Fanny, who naturally had a negative opinion of Angela, elaborated with disgust, "She's not nice. Joseph was only being polite to her in the hopes that she could wake Mom up, but she's all talk and has no real effort to help Mom."

Unbeknownst to the two, Scarlet's fingers twitched as Fanny spoke.

"I see. Miss Fanny, why don't you go home and rest? I'll stay here and monitor the situation," Evie suggested with a smile.

If truth be told, Fanny didn't want to stay any longer either. After **all**, the doctors had already mentioned that Scarlet had a ninety percent chance of not waking up. Therefore, she now had lost hope for Scarlet's recovery and focused more on pleasing Christopher and her brothers.

Once Fanny left, Evie sat on the hospital bed, took out a bag of nuts, and started enjoying them while watching funny videos.

Taking care of a patient in a vegetative state sure is easy, especially when their family doesn't visit frequently.

Meanwhile, in the Sanders Residence, Christopher knelt before Michael. Although his face was expressionless, Christopher's clenched jaw revealed his defiance.

"You dare to show me that look?! Do you realize you nearly jeopardized our collaboration with the Martinez Family?" Michael pointed at Christopher and scolded, "Why must you offend Sophia and even dare to make her angry?"

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"It was her fault. I merely asked her to apologize," Christopher retorted.

"Why do you keep bringing the apology up?!" Michael slammed the table and continued, "Did Fanny put a spell on you? Are you aware of the gap between Sophia's social status and Fanny's? How could Sophia possibly apologize to Fanny?"

In Michael's eyes, the two were completely incomparable.

However, Christopher stubbornly replied, "I was just discussing the solution with her. How the hell was I supposed to know she would get angry?"

Because Sophia returned to the Martinez Residence and blubbered her complaints to her parents, Michael decided to teach Christopher a lesson.

Both families were already in the midst of discussing the engagement arrangements. But now, with Sophia's complaints, the whole situation came to a standstill.

Because of this, Michael was beyond annoyed. He simply couldn't understand why Christopher was still secretly contacting Fanny.

"Didn't I tell you not to contact Fanny anymore? Why are you still helping her regarding her mom's condition?" Michael clearly remembered that Christopher had promised him before that he would no longer contact Fanny once they helped her with that matter.

Christopher stood his ground and said, "I made a promise to Fanny before. I can't go back on my word."

“Shall I applaud you for being such a promise keeper then? Now, you’ve made me break our promises to the Martinez Family! Tell me, how do you plan to resolve this? Are you going **to** apologize to the Martinez Family in person? Or do you expect me to go with you and make a fool out of myself?”

Michael had always felt exasperated at Christopher’s failure to meet his expectations. The son I had with *the woman I love* never *measured* up to *Jonathan*, the son I *had* from my arranged *marriage*.

The realization of this fact made him feel as though he was choking on food, causing him great discomfort and restlessness.

“I will apologize, but you must not make things difficult for Fanny.”

“How dare you still negotiate with me! You’re simply-”

Michael raised his hand, wanting to discipline his troublesome son. But before he could proceed, a soft voice interrupted.

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Teresa stood by the door and said, “Stop hitting our son, Michael...”

Clearly, she had been listening for a while but had stayed out of sight. She looked timid and cautious as she glanced at Michael

Taking a deep breath. Michael told Christopher to leave.

Christopher glances in Teresa’s direction before walking away.

Teresa walked up to Michael, gently patted him on the chest, and comforted, “Don’t be mad at Christopher. It’s not his fault. It’s mainly Sophia who went too far with her actions. Didn’t Christopher mention that Sophia secretly took his phone to block his friend?”

Michael managed to calm down slightly by Teresa’s soothing gestures. However, he didn’t argue when he heard her words. Instead, he merely said flatly. “It’s not just any friends. She blocked Fanny

“It’s not about who she blocked. It’s about her not respecting our son at all,” Teresa said as she leaned against Michael. “Our son has yet to marry her, but she’s already gone this far. I fear our son will have a rough future ahead if he has to apologize for this,” she lamented softly.

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Michael sighed. “Despite the circumstances, we must now collaborate with the Martinez Family.”

If it weren't for the current downturn and the need for assistance in the Sanders Family's company, we wouldn't have arranged a blind date for Christopher and Sophia. Moreover, Teresa was the one who initially suggested that Sophia and Christopher meet.

Teresa continued, “I understand the importance of cooperating with the Martinez Family. That was why I proposed that their daughter and our son spend time together in the first. place.

But I didn't expect that the initially well-behaved Sophia would act this way. Christopher has always been a kind-hearted child. If we always allow her to have her way, I fear she may become even more unreasonable toward Christopher in the future...”

No matter how she put it, her main concern was Christopher's future..

When Michael heard Teresa's words, his demeanor gradually softened. “I will discuss this matter with the Martinez Family. As for Christopher, let him stay at home for now,” he spoke gently.

Meanwhile, in the Martinez Residence, Sophia had been waiting for Christopher and apologize.

She even changed her outfits several times.

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Giving Sophia a loving yet powerless look, Melissa asked, “Wanting to see Christopher so bad, huh?”

Sophia pursed her lips. “No, I have no desire to see him at all.”

Although she claimed she didn’t want to see him, she already glanced toward the door multiple times.

Upon seeing this, Melissa smiled. “Oh, quit hiding your true feelings from me. Your acting skills are not convincing at all.”

The mother–and–daughter duo conversed for a while when they saw Carlos suddenly descend from the study.

“The Sanders Family has responded. They said that since Christopher isn’t at fault in **this** matter, they won’t apologize. In addition, he wants you to apologize to Fanny!”

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Sophia’s expression instantly froze, whereas Melissa questioned in confusion, “How dare they treat Sophia like this? Christopher is still persistently getting in contact with his ex–girlfriend. Sophia simply wanted him to apologize and make amends, yet he dares to decline?!”

Upon hearing Melissa’s words, Sophia felt uneasy at the thought of Christopher once again siding with Fanny. Her pain intensified, and her eyes welled up with tears as she ascended the stairs.

“Darling, look at how distressed our daughter is. As I see it, it’s best not to proceed with this arranged marriage with the Sanders Family!”

Carlos approached her side and consoled her, “We have come this far in the preparations. It would be unwise to cancel it now.”

“But Sophia...” Melissa was genuinely concerned that Christopher would mistreat Sophia in

the future.

“It’s simple to make the Sanders Family yield. We will gather evidence that Christopher is still keeping in touch and hooking up with that woman. Then, we will confront the Sanders Family with it.”

Upon hearing that, Melissa finally felt somewhat reassured. No matter what, they needed to make Christopher acknowledge **his** mistakes and promise not to repeat them. “Let’s proceed

as you suggest.”

“Our daughter seems to genuinely like Christopher. I never would have guessed he would behave this way. I wouldn’t have allowed Sophia to meet him if I had known this would happen. I can’t believe a decent-looking young man like him is still so intimate with his ex- girlfriend. It’s simply outrageous!”

As for Sophia, she was unaware of her parents’ intentions. She wept as soon as she returned. to her room.

After crying for a while, she immediately called Christopher..

Once the call was connected, Sophia questioned with a whiny tone, “Why didn’t you come to apologize?”

Christopher was already feeling frustrated about being grounded by his father. At first, he wanted to argue upon hearing Sophia’s voice. However, he was at a loss for words when he heard her

cry.

“Since you refuse to come over and apologize, my parents are discussing canceling our engagement now. What will happen to your family then?” Sophia’s voice still sounded tearful.

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Christopher responded unemotionally, “My dad forbids me to go. We aren’t at fault in this matter.”

Since he had never witnessed Sophia cry before, he felt a bit uneasy.

“It’s me. It was my fault, okay? But even if I must apologize, I will only apologize to you. Do not expect me to apologize to Fanny.”

Sophia cried. Although it wasn’t particularly despairing, it sounded very sorrowful.

“If you want to apologize to me, you must come to my house and apologize properly.” With these words, Christopher immediately hung up the phone.

Sophia cried for a while before heading downstairs.

When her mother saw her coming down, she asked with a smile, “Sophia, is there anything you would like to eat today? I will cook for you.”

Her eyes were still slightly teary as she shook her head. “I don’t feel like eating.”

“Oh, that won’t do. Or is there somewhere you want to go today? I will accompany you.”

Once again, Sophia shook her head. “I want to apologize to Christopher in person,” she said listlessly.

Just as Melissa showed a surprised expression, she continued, “It was indeed wrong of me to block Fanny without his consent.”

“Apologize? Why should you apologize? You are our precious daughter. He was the one who got too intimate with his ex–girlfriend. It’s right for you to block his ex–girlfriend. Don’t let him manipulate you. You did nothing wrong.”

“But...” Sophia hesitated again.

“No ‘but. Your dad has already sent someone to investigate his ambiguous relationship with that woman. Don’t worry about this matter. Either they apologize, or we just call off your engagement.”

“Call off our engagement? We can’t do that. Mom, I have been with him for so long.”

During their time together, Sophia always regarded Christopher as her husband. Hence, she didn’t quite agree when she heard Melissa mention calling off the engagement.

It’s a bummer to break *off the* engagement now, isn’t it? After *all*, I finally found a *partner* with whom *my parents and I* are satisfied.

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“Calling off the engagement is just one of the options. There is still another one, isn’t there? We won’t call it off if they are willing to apologize. Just wait for the news from your father,

With these words, Sophia could sense Melissa’s intention.

“Mom, are you also going to shut me in?”

Christopher’s Dad has grounded him at the Sanders Residence. I can’t believe Mom won’t let me out. either.

In an instant, Sophia felt that there were too many obstacles between her and Christopher to the point that Fanny was nothing compared to them.

Perhaps I shouldn’t have come home crying and told Mom and Dad about this matter in the first place.

At this moment, Sophia felt a slight sense of regret.

Both the Sanders Family and the Martinez Family locked their children in as they waited for the other **to** compromise. Just then, Sophia's friend, Ava Collier, contacted her and asked about Fanny.

"Sophia, did you really help me find my lifesaver?"

"Yes, but arranging a meeting with her may take a few days. I have some things going on over here."

Instantly sensing the moodiness in Sophia's voice, Ava asked, "What's going on? What's her

name?"

"It's nothing, just some family matters. By the way, her name is Angela Kins. She is Jonathan's wife. I'll contact you later when I have time to arrange a meeting for you to meet and thank her properly."

After Ava hung up the phone, an old man bowed beside her and asked, "We have identified Miss Angela Kins' information."

Angela's basic information appeared before Ava in just a minute or two.

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After several days, Angela finally managed to carve out some free time to bring a heartfelt lunch to Jonathan at the office.

The journey **was** uninterrupted. Before long, Angela laid eyes on Jonathan.

Upon spotting Angela. Jonathan promptly asked Simon to excuse them. When he saw t food in Angela's hands, he couldn't help but feel a sense of warmth.

“What prompted this impromptu food delivery?”

Angela responded, “I simply wanted to see you, of course.”

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As she had just received positive news from the first round of selection, she was eager to share it with Jonathan as soon as possible, hence the lunch delivery.

“I’ve missed you too.” Jonathan affectionately patted her head. “I plan to take you on a little trip in the coming days.”

Despite his recent hectic schedule, he had been planning to bring Angela out for a getaway.

Even though they had held their wedding ceremony, their busy lives had prevented them from enjoying a proper honeymoon. Therefore, he was determined to make it up to her.

Angela was taken aback. “An outing?”

Jonathan nodded. After that, he inquired, “Do you not fancy the idea?”

“I do, but I have to attend an upcoming off-campus training...”

The International Medical Association?” Jonathan guessed correctly.

Angela nodded before announcing enthusiastically, “Yes! Jonathan, I made it through the first-round selection. There’s still some time before the next round of tests, so Professor Terence suggested I participate in the second round of the national off-campus training.”

The first round was opened for 100 college applicants nationwide. Only 40 individuals made it through the selection.

This time, all 40 participants will undergo a period of training and exchange in the off-campus training before the second-round selection begins.

“Where is the training taking place? I’ll join you.” Jonathan, who had finally cleared his

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schedule, was keen on accompanying her.

Moreover, he would indeed be worried about Angela if the training was held in another city.

“In Northland.” Angela beamed. “I’ve never been there. Will you come with me, Jonathan?”

Since she also couldn’t bear the thought of being apart from Jonathan, she figured having him by her side in Northland would be ideal.

“Of course, I’ll accompany you.” Jonathan patted her head.

Their conversation was soon interrupted by a call from Terence. Having no intention to hide the call from Jonathan, Angela promptly answered,

Once Terence mentioned a time and venue, she realized he had called to inform her about the departure details.

“So soon?” Upon learning they were leaving the next day, Angela glanced somewhat awkwardly in Jonathan’s direction.

Even if Jonathan can take his time out, it will still *be days before* he can *join* me *in* Northland.

“You go ahead. I’ll let Oliver accompany you. I’ll wrap things up here and join you shortly.” Jonathan suggested after overhearing the conversation.

Sensing Jonathan’s presence, Terence teased, “What’s the matter? Are you thinking of going with her? Seriously? You’re that concerned?”

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“Yes, I am,” Jonathan casually replied before taking Angela’s hand and ending the call.

Angela chuckled helplessly. Understanding their close friendship, she refrained from commenting further.

“Jonathan, I didn’t expect we would leave **so** early tomorrow. I need to return home and pack. first, Angela said regretfully.

At first, she thought she would only depart after several days. That was why she had leisurely come to inform Jonathan of the good news and deliver the lunch. But now, the news of them departing tomorrow almost caught her off guard as she didn’t expect it would be so soon.

Jonathan grabbed his suit jacket from the chair. As he put it on, he stated, “I’m getting off work early today. I’ll accompany you home to pack.”

Angela looked at him in disbelief, for she didn't expect he would abruptly leave his work.

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"Why are you standing there? Let's go," he urged.

Only then did Angela follow along in a daze.

Simon watched as the two left the office and adjusted his glasses.

Upon returning home, Jonathan earnestly helped Angela pack her luggage. He even took the time to tidy up his own belongings.

When she saw Jonathan place his suitcase next to hers, Angela inquired, "Are you already packing, Jonathan?"

Jonathan confirmed, "Yes, I won't keep you waiting long.

Angela blushed discreetly. The atmosphere between them was particularly mellow.

In contrast to the harmony at Springgate Estates, the Sanders Family and the Martinez Family were embroiled in a heated dispute.

After a brief investigation, Carlos found ample evidence that Christopher was still in contact with Fanny. He even had photos of Christopher visiting Fanny and embracing her as they entered a hotel a few days prior..

At that time, tears streamed down Fanny's cheeks **as** she leaned on Christopher.

"We cannot proceed with this engagement!" Carlos furiously slammed the photos on the

table.

As for Sophia, she was both shocked and heartbroken when she saw the photos. Clinging to a glimmer of hope, she asked, "Dad, could these photos get mixed up? Could it be that they are from before?"

"Impossible! These were taken just a few days ago! You've been dating Christopher for so long. Yet, he's still hooking up with that woman and even 'taking her to a hotel!"

Carlos' anger was evident, and he continued, "I will handle this matter myself. You don't need to contact him anymore."

Although the Martinez Family isn't particularly prominent, we still hold some status in Riverdon. Since Christopher dares to treat my daughter like this, I shall show the Sanders Family that we are not to be trifled with.

Sophia wanted to respond, but Melissa stopped her.

Carlos left the house with the photo and went directly to confront Michael.

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"Look at what your son has done. Michael, consider the engagement off."

Regardless, Michael *and I* have known each *other* for decades. Although our relationship hasn't *been* close in recent years, it's still not worth *ruining* over a minor *issue*.

Besides, even though Michael's *second* son is mediocre, his eldest son is Jonathan.

Jonathan is a prominent figure in *Riverdon's business* industry. Even *if I* want to teach Michael a lesson, *I* still have to take Jonathan into consideration.

"Carlos, how can you call off the engagement so abruptly? W—Won't it be seen **as** a joke now that everyone Riverdon is aware of our children's relationship?"

Michael observed the photos on the table. Despite being upset with Christopher, he still hoped to mend the relationship.

He believed there was still a chance to salvage Christopher and Sophia's engagement.

"A joke? Did your son ever consider that his actions might become a joke?" Carlos questioned coldly, clearly expressing his displeasure with Christopher.

Michael sighed and carefully examined the photos, asking, "When were these taken?"

With that, Carlos provided him with the time.

Upon hearing the time, Michael realized that Christopher must have sneaked out to meet Fanny behind his back, which fueled his anger and resentment.

"Wait here, Carlos. I will summon that ungrateful son to come and apologize and explain. himself to you.

Michael truly couldn't comprehend what was going through Christopher's mind. *This son of mine simply fails in everything he does.*

After uttering those words, he arranged for a servant to attend to Carlos and swiftly went upstairs.

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Chapter 310 There Is Only Me in Christopher's Heart

Christopher was locked at home by Michael and got bored playing games.

Michael started to get angry **as** soon as he entered the room.

“You still **have** the mood to play games? Didn't I warn you before? Did you forget everything?”

“Dad? What's wrong with you?” Christopher asked Michael in confusion. “It's not my fault that she blocked me. Sophia said she wanted to come and apologize to me, so I'm waiting.”

He had received a call from Sophia earlier, and she had been crying on the phone, which annoyed him. After hanging up, he couldn't calm down and decided to play games to relax.

Not long after that, Michael suddenly opened the door and started scolding him.

Michael directly threw a photo at Christopher's face. “What's this?”

Christopher was stunned when he picked up the photo and looked at it.

It was a photo of him and Fanny. It didn't look like a normal photo, more like a screenshot from surveillance footage.

It was from the night when he received a call from Fanny saying her mother had an accident, and he went to comfort her.

-At that time, he knew that Fanny couldn't go back to the Kins Family and didn't want to stay

alone in the rental house, so he took her to a hotel.

“Did you investigate your son? Dad, you don’t trust me that much.” Christopher immediately thought that Michael had hired someone to investigate him and Fanny and then took these photos.

Michael pointed at him with disappointment. “I’ve been covering your ***ss every** day, and you still think I don’t trust you? If I didn’t trust you so much, the Martinez Family wouldn’t have had the chance to throw these photos in my face.”

Christopher immediately apologized upon hearing this. “Dad, I know I was wrong.”

He could imagine the scene when Michael was questioned about these photos.

Michael calmed down a bit and sighed as he looked at Christopher, then said, “Mr. Martinez is downstairs. Do you think just apologizing is enough for this matter?”

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If a simple apology could solve everything, Michael would even swallow his pride and apologize, but now that the Martinez Family had come to him with these photos, the engagement might really be **off**.

“Is Mr. Martinez... coming to call off the engagement?” Christopher started to feel nervous. He was afraid that Michael would be disappointed in him, as this wasn’t the first time such a thing had happened. But he also felt a strange sense of relief because if he didn’t have to marry Sophia, he could be with Fanny.

“Tell me first. Did you and Fanny do anything that night?”

Christopher had taken Fanny to a hotel room, and the Martinez Family might have misunderstood after seeing the photos. As such, Michael also wanted to know what Christopher had actually done.

Christopher quickly shook his head and said thoughtfully, “Although Fanny and I love each other, I haven’t given Fanny a formal status. How could I do anything inappropriate?”

Michael also breathed a sigh of relief and warned him sternly, “You better not have. Come downstairs with me and go beg Mr. Martinez.”

After saying this, Michael pulled him downstairs.

Christopher had no choice but to keep up. But in his heart, he thought, *If this marriage falls through, it’s fine. Even if the Sanders Family is really affected by this, I can beg my brother for help.*

Yesterday, when he saw Jonathan, he mentioned the idea of coming back, and Jonathan hadn't rejected him yet.

His brother might be willing to help.

Sophia was extremely anxious while the Sanders Family was in turmoil. "Mom, is Dad really going to call off the engagement?"

"Sophia, Christopher is not a good person. We didn't see it clearly before. That's why we let you get close to him. Now that we have seen through him, how could we push you into the fire?"

Melissa felt deeply sorry for her daughter and scorned Christopher's behavior.

Sophia explained, "It's all because Fanny kept bothering him. He was tempted by Fanny."

In her eyes, the entire situation was solely Fanny's fault.

If it hadn't been for Fanny's constant interference, Sophia and Christopher would have been

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engaged by now.

Thinking about Fanny made Sophia so angry that she immediately went upstairs.

When Melissa went to rest, Sophia sneaked out of the house.

Meanwhile, Fanny's phone rang while she was listening to the nurse praising her.

After answering the call, she didn't pay attention to who it was and casually asked.

"Fanny, you are so untrustworthy. You promised not to cling to Christopher, yet here you are. It's shameless."

As soon as the call connected, Sophia began scolding Fanny.

The last time they had met was at the police station, but it had only been a few days since Fanny had caused her and Christopher to end up in this situation. She **was** furious.

Fanny's temper wasn't good when she wasn't pretending to be pitiful. Upon hearing Sophia's curses, she immediately fired back. "Who's the shameless one here? It's you. Christopher and I are the ones meant to be together."

Sophia demanded to know Fanny's whereabouts, clearly intending to confront her in person.

Fanny didn't want to say at first, but she suddenly thought of something and gave the address of a cafe near the hospital.

When Sophia arrived, Fanny had been waiting for a while.

"I advise you to explain things to Christopher quickly and never bother him again, or I'll reveal your past actions."

Upon Sophia's arrival, she used Fanny's past as a threat. She had found out about Fanny's online insults about Angela, and she also knew that Fanny had been arrested because of it. Sophia thought of it as a good leverage.

It was enough to hold this kind of despicable person like Fanny in check.

Although Fanny felt a bit uneasy inside, she maintained a calm smile on the surface. "Christopher will still support me even if you reveal it. He isn't fond of Angela."

Fanny's composed response caught Sophia off guard.

Sophia inquired, "How is that possible? Angela is Jonathan's wife. Why would Christopher dislike her?"

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She had seen Christopher being polite to both Angela and Jonathan at the Hayes Family's birthday banquet yesterday.

So how can Christopher dislike Angela?

"Hmph. You really don't know much." Fanny sneered sarcastically. "Do you even know that Christopher's fiancée was actually Angela?"

Although she and Christopher were engaged, it was only after Angela and Christopher broke off their engagement that she became engaged to him.

However, Fanny never expected that so many things would happen in their families before they could officially get married, and the Sanders Family had chosen to ally with the Martinez Family.

However, with Christopher's reassurance, she was confident that he only had eyes for her, not Sophia.

"What do you mean?" Sophia was taken aback, struggling to comprehend her words.

Fanny interjected, "What I mean is, Christopher only has eyes for me. You are just a passing fancy to him."

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Chapter 311 Gathering Together

"You're talking nonsense." Sophia felt a sudden surge of anger and slapped Fanny.

Fanny didn't dodge, but the slap hurt so much that she instinctively covered her check. Despite the discomfort, Fanny couldn't help but chuckle.

"If Christopher finds out you hit me, do you know the consequences?" With that, Fanny dialed Christopher's number.

Sophia visibly panicked, instinctively trying to snatch her phone but accidentally knocking over the coffee on the table.

The coffee spilled all over them with a loud crash as the cup shattered.

Other customers in the cafe looked over at them, and taking advantage of Sophia's distraction, Fanny quickly left.

She redialed Christopher's number after leaving.

Since Christopher didn't answer her call, she hailed a passing car to head toward the Sanders Family residence.

Meanwhile, Daniel and Cassie were dining by the window in a restaurant across from the coffee shop.

Cassie was puzzled when Fanny emerged from the coffee shop in disarray and hurriedly got

into a car.

Daniel playfully tapped her head. "What are you looking at? Can't you focus on eating?"

"I saw Fanny. It seems she got coffee spilled on her as if she probably offended someone," Cassie remarked, preparing to share her observations with Angela.

Daniel stopped her. "Angela is going to training in Northland. Most likely, Jonathan is accompanying her. Don't bother them."

She was surprised. "Going to training in Northland already? So sudden?"

"Yes. The first round of selections is over. I was aware of the outcome beforehand." Daniel **was** one of the top surgeons in Riverdon, and having connections with Terence, naturally knew the news beforehand.

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"Why didn't you inform me? I want to say goodbye to Angela." Cassie expressed, heading toward the door.

Daniel could only follow her.

In his mind, he had tried to stop her, but he couldn't. Jonathan couldn't be blamed for being unable to restrain her.

The two of them arrived at the Springgate Estates.

Angela was playing a jigsaw puzzle game with Jonathan, something she found exciting and bought on a whim.

Subsequently, she put it aside.

Jonathan unexpectedly decided to leave work early, so she took out the puzzle to play with

him.

The puzzle was quite large, and the puzzle pieces exceeded the edges of the table.

They crowded together on one side, and Angela took out the puzzle reference and another piece to compare.

After looking for a long time, they felt it was about the same and didn't know where to place

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Jonathan sat beside her and observed her adorable perplexity.

“Jonathan, where does this piece go?”

After a thorough examination, Jonathan pointed to the top left corner. “It

goes

here.

Angela looked again and found that it was indeed the case. She quickly placed the piece.

there.

After playing for a while, Angela found that Jonathan’s observation skills were really unique. She had been looking at the piece for a long time without knowing where it should go, but he could tell at a glance.

The room was filled with her praises for Jonathan and his indulgent chuckles.

Oliver didn’t want to disturb them at this time, but someone had arrived downstairs, and it **was** Cassie and Daniel.

Seeing Oliver acting suspiciously at the door, Jonathan whispered to Angela and then went to

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the door.

When Oliver saw Jonathan coming out, he quickly informed him that Daniel and Cassie were downstairs.

“Daniel? Why is he here?” Jonathan asked with a frown upon hearing Daniel’s name.

“It seems he’s here with Cassie,” Oliver replied.

Upon hearing Cassie’s name, Angela put down her jigsaw puzzle and came over.

“Is Cassie here?”

Although Jonathan was not keen on entertaining guests, he still nodded.

“Then let’s go down. I’m leaving tomorrow and forgot to tell Cassie,” she said.

Upon receiving the news, she sought out Jonathan. Since he brought her back, they had been inseparable, always together. She had forgotten to share the good news with Cassie.

They descended the stairs together, and Cassie hurried over upon spotting Angela.

“Angela, why didn’t you inform me about your training?”

planning to tell you after informing

Angela quickly apologized. “I forgot for a moment. I was planning to tell Jonathan.”

Cassie glanced at Jonathan, who had a severe expression, and smiled as she said to Angela. “It’s okay. I know now. That’s why I came to congratulate you.”

At that moment, Daniel **also** congratulated Angela. “Angela, congratulations.”

“After the congratulations, you should go back to the hospital and not disturb us.” Jonathan was not courteous to Daniel, immediately ushering him away.

No one would appreciate their time being interrupted.

“Jonathan, why don’t we invite them to dinner? It’s a good opportunity to gather.” Angela gently tugged on Jonathan’s sleeve and gave him a pleading look.

He couldn’t resist Angela, so he eventually agreed.

However, he added, “But dinner will be **an** hour earlier.”

He had decided to send the disruptive guests away promptly.

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May began preparing dinner ahead of time, and Angela offered *to* help, but May insisted, “Mrs. Lawson, just stay with them.”

As Angela was departing Riverdon the next day, May didn’t want her to tire herself out.

As Angela exited the kitchen, Daniel was conversing with Jonathan.

Cassie glanced at Jonathan and then at Daniel before approaching Angela and pulling her

aside.

She informed Angela about seeing Fanny on the street, but Angela didn't inquire further.

"I understand, Cassie. I'm leaving tomorrow, so let's have a pleasant meal today without mentioning anyone who might upset us."

Cassie felt a bit disappointed but didn't say anything more.

Dinner at Springgate Estates was rescheduled an hour earlier. After the four of them finished eating, Jonathan escorted the guests out once more.

This time, Daniel took Cassie with him without hesitation.

After they left, Jonathan carried Angela Kins upstairs.

Angela whispered, "I haven't freshened up yet."

Jonathan nodded and led her to the bathroom.

Angela had an early flight the next morning, and he didn't want her to oversleep. He also desired intimacy with her, so he needed to adjust the timing.

Angela's face was flushed from the steam in the bathroom.

But when she came out of the bathroom, Jonathan handed her a glass of wine.

It was red wine, and the bright red liquid looked particularly beautiful in the light, making her feel intoxicated.

Before taking a sip, she was already half drunk.

"Don't you

like it?" Jonathan asked as he held her.

Angela shook her head and took **a sip**.

It was good wine, especially under the influence of alcohol. It made her feel intoxicated.
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person holding her was also the one who made her intoxicated.

Under the influence of alcohol, Angela kissed Jonathan's lips actively,

The night began.

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Chapter 312 1 Only See Her as a Sister

Springgate Estates passed a peaceful afternoon.

Meanwhile, Fanny was incredibly busy. After arguing with Sophia in the coffee shop in the afternoon, she headed straight to the Sanders Family.

Fanny hailed a cab. She still had a noticeable slap mark on her face, and her clothes were equally disheveled, with coffee stains from the earlier incident.

But the thought of Sophia's distraught appearance made Fanny feel a sense of

Although Sophia had initiated the conflict, it was Fanny who emerged victorious.

And she wasn't going to let Sophia win just this once.

tisfaction.

With a visible slap mark on her face, all she had to do was find Christopher and complain to him. Christopher would definitely not continue associating with Sophia.

As Fanny thought about how to handle Sophia when she arrived at the Sanders Family, she was unaware that the Sanders family was not at peace either.

Christopher followed Michael downstairs, where Michael sternly instructed him to apologize sincerely.

Although Christopher felt uncomfortable, he agreed earnestly.

When they saw Carles downstairs, Christopher politely greeted him and then sincerely apologized.

"Mr. Martinez, this matter is my fault. I didn't consider Sophia's feelings."

“Of course. It’s your fault. What do you mean you didn’t consider Sophia’s feelings? It seems to me like you didn’t even have Sophia in your eyes.” Carlos’ anger hadn’t subsided, and he reprimanded Christopher sternly.

Christopher hurriedly continued to apologize and soothe him.

Carlos held up a photo and demanded an explanation.

Christopher quickly recounted what had happened that day, not leaving out any details.

However, he referred to Fanny as someone who was like a sister to him rather than emphasizing any romantic involvement.

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“I really only see her as a sister now,” Christopher affirmed. “Mr. Martinez, you can check the surveillance footage from that day. I left the hotel room shortly after escorting Fanny there.”

He hadn’t stayed long in Fanny’s hotel room that day because her mood was very low, and he had comforted her briefly before leaving.

Reflecting on the incident, Christopher felt a sense of relief that he had departed early. Otherwise, things might have been unclear.

Mainly, he didn’t want Fanny’s reputation to be tarnished.

“That night, I went to see Fanny because her mother had become vegetative, and she was too distraught to go home. She asked me to go out to ask for help finding a doctor,” Christopher explained.

Carlos listened to Christopher’s explanation with suspicion.

He could see his daughter’s fondness for Christopher. But even if Sophia liked him, he wouldn’t let her marry Christopher if he was involved with someone else.

However, if the situation was as Christopher described, he could reluctantly allow Christopher to make amends and then smooth things over.

“Are you telling the truth? I’ll have someone check right now.” It was simple and quick to check the surveillance footage since they knew which hotel it was.

Upon hearing Carlos’ words, Christopher breathed a sigh of relief and quickly assured him before sending someone to check the surveillance.

Soon, the surveillance footage confirmed Christopher's account. He had left the hotel room. less than two minutes after escorting Fanny in.

Seeing the situation casing somewhat, Michael hurriedly said, "Now that everything is clear. The marriage alliance can't just be abandoned. Many people in Riverdon know about our two families' affairs. Mr. Martinez, do you agree?"

After some thought, Carlos said, "Sophia likes you. Don't let her down."

Christopher quickly agreed.

Carlos continued, "Even if you see Fanny as a sister now, we don't want to speculate about her intentions. Can you do one thing? Cut off contact with that Fanny."

Christopher's expression changed, and he was about to refuse when Michael suddenly said, "Mr. Martinez, what are you saying? Even if you don't mention this matter, we will still make

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him cut off contact with Fanny."

Seeing Carlos' expression improve slightly, Michael signaled Teresa, who was beside him.

Teresa quickly grasped his signal and spoke gently, "In fact, Christopher had already cut ties with that woman. It was she who kept pestering Christopher. Christopher has always been a kind child. When he heard about her mother's accident, he immediately wanted to help, but he was deceived by Fanny."

Teresa had always been dissatisfied with Fanny and didn't hold back in narrating how she had been entangling Christopher.

After listening to Teresa's words, Carlos looked at Christopher and asked him to promise.

Michael and Teresa fixed their gaze on Christopher, who reluctantly gave his word of assurance.

"I promise. I will never contact Fanny again."

In his heart, he thought that he would never be caught again.

Carlos felt much more satisfied now and thought about his daughter still being heartbroken at home. He said, "You, come back with me to the Martinez Family and comfort Sophia properly. Since she is in a relationship with you, you should take care of her and treat her well. She has been crying all day at home, and you didn't even show up."

Christopher didn't want to go. But in the end, he agreed and said, "Mr. Martinez, wait for me. I'll go change clothes."

He had to go and comfort someone. He couldn't just go casually.

Carlos agreed and felt stifled inside the house. He went to the yard to wait.

He tried calling Sophia to inform her to be prepared at home to welcome him.

But the call wouldn't go through.

As he was about to try again, he caught sight of a figure outside the Sanders Family gate, peering inside.

The person outside the gate was none other than Fanny, who had just arrived in a cab.

Fanny was solely focused on finding Christopher at the Sanders Family residence to vent her grievances and seek sympathy. Still, she didn't expect to encounter Carlos as she knocked on the door, preparing to leave.

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She didn't recognize Carlos and thought he was a member of the Sanders Family. As soon as she saw him, she started pleading. "Can you help me call Christopher?"

As Fanny spoke, she covered half of her face with her hand and pitifully hung her head.

Carlos didn't immediately recognize her as the person in the photo. He spoke to her calmly. "Christopher is changing clothes. He is about to leave. Do you need to speak with him?"

Upon hearing that Christopher was about to leave, Fanny panicked and hastily said, "I urgently need to speak with him. Can you please relay a message for me?"

She was too anxious when she spoke and didn't continue covering her face. Carlos saw her face clearly.

Carlos' expression immediately changed.

"Are you Fanny?"

The person they had just been discussing had unexpectedly shown up at their doorstep, and she seemed quite familiar with the place.

Fanny appeared puzzled and nodded.

“I’ll

go

call him. You wait here,” Carlos said and went straight into the house.

However, he didn’t go to call Christopher. Instead, he informed the Sanders Family that he was leaving early, then discreetly retreated to a corner of the yard while no one was paying attention

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Chapter 313 Meet Yaxley, Your Senior

Christopher found himself in a vulnerable position when he descended the **stairs** and was informed that Carlos had already left. Christopher was then urged to quickly make his way to the Martinez Family before departing.

“Is Mr. Martinez still upset?” Christopher inquired.

“I’m not sure. He mentioned he was heading back to console Sophia for you,” Teresa replied.

Christopher nodded and made his way out slowly. When he stepped outside, he spotted Fanny at the entrance and immediately scanned the area. He felt a sense of relief after he did not see anyone else.

“Why are you here, Fanny?” Christopher whispered as he approached her swiftly and opened

the door.

When she caught sight of Christopher, Fanny burst into tears of joy and embraced him. "Chris, I'm so glad to see that you finally came out!"

Christopher didn't push Fanny away but instead whispered words of comfort before he released her.

As he let go, he noticed a prominent slap mark on Fanny's face.

As she observed Christopher looking at the mark, Fanny quickly covered it with her hand. and she appeared frightened.

Christopher gently removed her hand and inquired, "Fanny, what happened?"

"I-It's..." Fanny hesitated as she looked like she wanted to speak but couldn't and she appeared. quite pitiful.

"Tell me, who dared to harm you? I'll handle it," Christopher reassured her **as** he patted her gently.

Only then did Fanny timidly meet Christopher's gaze and she disclosed, "It was Sophia. She called me out, berated me, and even struck me..."

As she spoke, she seemed increasingly distressed and leaned against Christopher.

When he heard that it was Sophia who had assaulted Fanny, Christopher couldn't contain his anger and exclaimed, "I can't believe that woman laid her hand on you, Fanny. Don't worry, I will definitely-

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Before he could finish his sentence, Carlos abruptly interjected, "What will you do? Christopher, you promised me not to have any contact with this woman, and now you're embracing her!"

Carlos' voice was filled with anger, which startled Michael and Teresa inside the house,

As they witnessed Christopher holding Fanny, there was no need for further explanation. They immediately pulled Christopher away.

Despite their efforts to intervene, Carlos remained resolute. He departed in a rage as he warned, "The Sanders Family will face consequences."

Fanny was bewildered, and before she could react, she was promptly escorted out by the Sanders Family.

Christopher was angrily confined to his room by Michael.

The Martinez Family would make a decision, but they all knew that the marriage alliance was now off the table.

Fanny returned to the Kins Family in a daze, with a sense of impending doom.

The following morning, Angela arrived at the designated meeting point outside the airport, where Jonathan was supposed to see her off, but she blushed and declined.

After a restless night, she felt a flutter in her heart upon seeing Jonathan.

“Angela is here,” Professor Terence announced from the **car**.

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Angela approached them with her luggage, and a young man of similar age stood next to Professor Terence, dressed conservatively and appearing serious.

When he observed Angela halt with her suitcase, Terence introduced the individual beside him.

It was revealed that the person standing next to Terence was another senior who had also advanced to the second round of training.

“This is Yaxley, who will be joining you for the next phase of training. **Our** school only selected the two of you.”

When she heard this, Angela greeted Yaxley promptly, “Hello, Yaxley.”

As she had never crossed paths with Yaxley before, she stole a few more glances at him.

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Professor Terence told Angela, “Yaxley usually enjoys conducting research in the laboratory. It was only after I convinced him to participate in the first round that he unexpectedly passed.”

Professor Terence was clearly proud of Yaxley and very pleased with his performance.

Although Yaxley appeared reserved, he added, "Professor Terence has been very kind.
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the laboratory. Even if I don't understand the importance of exploring the world outside
make it to the second round, it's fine."

When he heard this, Terence patted his shoulder and advised, "During this
trip to Northland, look out for Angela. She is talented like you, and you can learn from
each other."

Yaxley nodded in agreement.

Terence then turned to Angela and said, "Angela, if you have any questions, don't
hesitate to ask Yaxley as he is your senior. He knows Northland well."

Angela smiled and agreed.

When he saw their obedience, Terence gave them a few more instructions before he
allowed them to depart together.

At the airport lobby, Yaxley handed the plane ticket to Angela. She realized she had
forgotten to ask Professor Terence for the ticket and quickly thanked him.

"Thank you, Yaxley."

Yaxley casually replied, "No need to be so formal."

They boarded the plane, and before takeoff, Angela messaged Jonathan.

When she landed, she received a call from Jonathan.

She followed behind Yaxley and answered the phone.

"Have you arrived?" Jonathan asked.

Angela felt her cheeks flush at his voice **as** she nodded and replied, "Yes, I just landed.
I'm heading to the hotel now. Training starts tomorrow."

Yaxley had briefed her on the itinerary during the flight, **so** she felt reassured.

After a brief chat with Jonathan, Angela fell behind Yaxley. As Angela was about to end
the call, Yaxley stopped in front of her.

She was about to mention hanging up to Jonathan when Yaxley said, “No rush. I need to reply to a message, too.”

“Who are you with?” Jonathan inquired.

Angela turned away and whispered, “I’m with a student whom Professor Terence brought along. It’s a senior.”

She had never met Yaxley before, so she didn’t know how to describe him to Jonathan and had to use Terence’s **name**.

“Alright. When you arrive at the hotel, send me the address. When I’m done with my matters in Riverdon, I’ll come over in a couple of days.”

Angela naturally agreed but didn’t forget to tell Jonathan not to rush. “Jonathan, you don’t have to rush for me because I do expect I’d be busy with the training. I

She was actually a bit worried that Jonathan would come over and she wouldn’t have much time to spend with him. After all, she came to Northland for her training and would definitely be busy during the **day**.

Jonathan was noncommittal. “It’s okay. We have a branch in Northland. So, if you’re busy, I can treat it as a business trip.”

At that, he reminded her once again to send him the hotel address upon arrival.

When Angela heard Jonathan’s words, she, finally relaxed and hung up the call—after reassuring him. She realized that Yaxley was absentmindedly playing a mobile game in boredom.

It was only at that moment that she realized Yaxley stopped for her sake.

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“Yaxley, thank you,” Angela sincerely thanked Yaxley.

Yaxley waved his hand indifferently as he exited the mobile game and said, "Let's go."

The two walked out of the airport, and a very luxurious car was waiting for them outside.

The driver stood beside the car; he was dressed very decently and greeted Yaxley as "Mr. Collier" very politely when he saw him.

Angela glanced at Yaxley, who still had no expression.

"Are yo

u Mr. Collier's junior? Let me help you with your luggage and please get in the car." The driver was too enthusiastic as he took Angela's luggage and put it in the trunk.

When he saw that Angela was a little uncomfortable, Yaxley casually said, "Don't scare people away."

The driver then restrained himself a bit and was no longer as respectful as before.

But Angela still felt a bit awkward.

Fortunately, after they got in the car, Yaxley said he wanted to rest his eyes, so the driver stopped talking.

Although he said he was resting his eyes, Yaxley opened his mobile game again and played it in boredom.

Angela knew that Yaxley was taking care of her emotions, and she was very grateful for his)

actions.

Although the driver's respectful attitude and the luxury of the car indicated Yaxley's

extraordinary status, Angela was not curious about others, so besides whispering a thank you, the two rarely communicated.

It was Cassie who had been messaging her as she asked who else from school was attending the training.

Angela mentioned Yaxley's name to her, and Cassie immediately replied with surprise.

As she did not understand, Angela listened as Cassie repeated all the rumors she had heard about Yaxley.

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Cassie said that Yaxley was from Northland and had come to Riverdon for school.

Although Yaxley was always in the lab conducting experiments, his good looks were well-known, and he had many fans both on and off campus.

After she read the information Cassie sent, Angela could only sincerely exclaim in **surprise**. She had not expected Cassie to know so much, and she did not even know where Yaxley was from.

However, based on the driver's address, it made sense that Yaxley was from Northland.

As Angela was about to reply to Cassie, the driver suddenly asked, “Mr. Collier, are we going home or to the hotel?”

Yaxley lazily replied, “To the hotel, and please don't tell my family that I'm back yet.”

As she listened to Yaxley's words, Angela couldn't help but wonder if Yaxley's family situation was complicated, but she quickly stopped herself from speculating-

Why should she be thinking about other people's business? Was she affected by Cassie?

Soon, the car pulled into the hotel garage.

Yaxley didn't even need to check in; he just took the elevator straight to his room.

Before he left, he instructed the driver to help Angela with the check-in process.

“Miss Angela, please come this way. Give me your identification, and I will help you with the check-in.”

Angela complied, and the driver returned the room key.

“Thank you.” Angela took the room key and thanked the driver as she refused his offer to accompany her further and went straight to her prepared room.

During lunch, Yaxley knocked on Angela's door and took her to the restaurant.

After lunch, Yaxley returned to his room and said he would come find her before they left the next day.

After Yaxley left, Angela received a call from Professor Terence and chatted with him for a few minutes.

She sent Jonathan the hotel address and received a call from him.

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They talked on the phone calmly and sweetly.

Meanwhile, Christopher boarded a plane to Northland from Riverdon.

However, he was going to Northland to lay low.

Teresa looked exhausted as she bid farewell to Christopher. "When you arrive in Northland, please remember not to act too familiar and try to keep your temper in check."

"Mom. I didn't do anything wrong, to begin with; this whole situation was orchestrated by the Martinez Family! Sophia framed me."

The conflict between the Martinez Family and the Sanders Family had caused quite a commotion in Riverdon, and most people who were in the know were aware of it.

The crucial point was **that** the Martinez Family made the first move by circulating a photo of Christopher entering the hotel with Fanny

Those who followed the drama immediately jumped to conclusions and assumed that Christopher had a secret relationship while dating Sophia.

Despite efforts by the Sanders Family to clarify, it was in vain.

Christopher's reputation was tarnished, and Fanny was also affected by the fact that she stayed hidden at the Kins Family's residence all day.

Michael was embarrassed by Christopher and wanted to kick him out.

Initially, he had planned to send him abroad, but after Teresa pleaded with him extensively, they agreed to send Christopher to a school in Northland as an exchange student at least for

six months.

Before Christopher boarded the plane, he attempted to reach out to Fanny again, but Teresa kept a close watch on him and prevented any opportunity.

Just before the plane took off, Christopher managed to contact Fanny.

Fanny was crying on the other end as she sobbed uncontrollably, which pained Christopher.

“Christopher, what should I do now? If my family discovers that I was in a hotel room with you, they will surely come looking for you.”

When he heard this, Christopher felt a wave of guilt wash over him.

He had not anticipated that Fanny would still be concerned about him at this point, as he had

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left Riverdon, a place filled with gossip and rumors, without informing Fanny.

He had the urge to disembark from the plane, but the cabin door had already been shut.

As he abruptly stood up, still on the phone, a flight attendant approached to stop him and requested that he switch off his phone.

Fanny heard the commotion on the other end; she was initially stunned, then burst into louder sobs.

“Christopher, are you on the plane? Where are you headed?”

As she grew increasingly anxious, Fanny’s tears flowed more freely.

She had believed that at this juncture, the Sanders Family would reject the marriage proposal from the Martinez Family and allow her to be with Christopher,

Although she had shed tears earlier, she had held onto this hope deep down.

However, she had not anticipated Christopher being on the plane. Was he truly leaving?

What would she do if he departed?

Was Christopher going to leave her to face the city's ridicule alone?

"Christopher, are you abandoning me?"

She pleaded as she attempted to reignite Christopher's affection for her and hoped he would

stay.

"Fanny, please stop crying. I will find a solution. I will find a way."

Christopher reassured her while he tried to soothe her.

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He was unable to leave the plane, and his previous actions angered Michael.

If he continued to resist Michael's frequent arrangements now, he and his mother might face difficulties in the future.

Especially his mother, Teresa, who had been extremely worried about him.

He had nearly been sent abroad, but only after Teresa's prolonged plea did he end up in Northland.

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Christopher was afraid that if he resisted again, Michael would continue to send him abroad.

"Fanny, don't be afraid. I won't leave you," he reassured Fanny.

However, Fanny couldn't calm down. Instead of listening to Christopher's comforting voice, she heard the flight attendant urging again, which indicated that Christopher was really on the plane.

“Christopher, are you really on the plane? Where **are** you going?” Fanny cried sadly as her voice trembled.

She never expected Christopher to leave like this, even though things had been tumultuous.

Before she could get a direct response from Christopher, she only heard, “Fanny, I’ll call you back when I get off the plane, followed by a busy tone.

The call was hung up, and Fanny couldn’t help but cry.

After she cried for a while, she wiped away her tears and called Sophia. She was certain that the Martinez Family was behind this.

She remembered meeting Mr. Martinez in front of the Sanders Family yesterday, and she believed he must have done it to vent his anger for Sophia, which caused Christopher to leave Riverdon.

As she felt overwhelmed, she wanted to call Sophia and scold her, but there was **no** answer.

Instead, James came to find her as he looked concerned. “Fanny, is what they’re saying about you and Christopher true?” he asked before Joseph interrupted, “James, don’t ask Fanny like that.

Fanny, with red eyes and a weary complexion, felt hurt.

“James, Joseph, do you not believe me either?” she asked.

Joseph quickly reassured her, “No, we all believe you, Fanny. Don’t worry. We will help you

clarify things.”

As she felt relieved, Fanny explained, “I didn’t do anything with him. That day was when Mom had **an** accident, and I went to Christopher for help in finding doctors for her.”

After they heard her explanation, both brothers felt heartache. “Fanny, don’t worry. We will

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handle this matter,” they assured her before they left.

In Northland, Angela received a call from Cassie, who explained the situation between Fanny and Christopher. Angela finally understood why Cassie had come to share the news with her.

Later, Yaxley knocked on Angela's door and offered, "Angela, do you want to take a look around the city as Professor Terence suggested?"

Angela was about to refuse when she heard Terence's voice on the phone.

Terence suggested, "Angela, go out and explore with Yaxley as he's familiar with the **place**. Even if you don't feel like going anywhere, at least pay a visit to Yaxley's alma mater, the Northland Medical University."

Angela's eyes sparkled at the mention of the university, and she eagerly asked Yaxley, "Can we visit the library at Northland Medical University?"

Before Yaxley could say anything, Terence encouraged, "Don't worry, he has his ways. Both of you should spend more time exploring the city together. Yaxley, make sure you take good care of Angela."

Yaxley agreed, and Terence hung up.

Angela glanced at Yaxley as she paused briefly at his expressionless face and then spoke, "Yaxley, maybe we should reconsider going. I can just stay at the hotel and read."

"Weren't you eager to visit the library at Northland Medical University?" Yaxley inquired as he stood to the side and looked as though he was prepared to leave at any moment.

As she understood his implication, Angela swiftly grabbed a bag and rushed out the door.

"Yaxley, let's go," she urged.

Professor Terence had requested Yaxley to give her a tour, and since Yaxley had agreed, it would have been impolite for Angela to decline.

Yaxley led the way, with Angela following closely behind. They entered the elevator and proceeded to the garage, where Yaxley retrieved a car key.

Although Angela intended to sit in the back seat, Yaxley opened the passenger door first.

After a moment of hesitation, Angela settled into the passenger seat.

Yaxley shut the door, circled around the front of the car, and smoothly drove out of the garage.

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During the journey, there was minimal conversation between the two. Angela was not particularly talkative, and Yaxley was not one to engage in idle chatter.

As Angela gazed out the window, there was no sense of awkwardness in the car.

Before long, they arrived at the gates of Northland Medical University.

Similar to most universities, the gates of Northland Medical University were always open, but access to the library required a student card or an alumni card.

Yaxley parked the car and whispered to Angela, "Wait here for me."

After he informed her, he made a phone call. Upon connecting, a male voice responded in surprise.

While Angela waited quietly in the car, she observed the campus of Northland Medical University and refrained from exiting the vehicle like Yaxley.

As she listened to Yaxley arranging for the student card over the phone, she stole a few glances at the serene campus surroundings.

Following the call, a male student swiftly approached. Clad in sportswear with sweat glistening on his forehead and clutching a basketball, he seemed to have just come from the basketball court.

"Yaxley?" the male student called out **as** he neared the car.

Only then did Yaxley step out of the car as he extended his hand to the male student, "Where's the card?"

"Do I look like I have the card on me? Let's go find someone to retrieve it..." the male student brusquely leaned against Yaxley and attempted **to** push him down, but Yaxley effortlessly evaded the gesture.

As she observed the interaction between the two, Angela hesitated on whether to exit the car

at that moment.

Just as she deliberated, Yaxley suddenly beckoned, “Angela, come out. Let’s go get the student. card.”

Angela finally emerged from the car, and the boy with the basketball stared at her in disbelief as he exclaimed, “Yaxley? You ditched me for such a beautiful girl? Aren’t you always in the lab?”

When she heard this, Angela nearly lost her balance, but she managed to steady herself by

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grasping the car door.

“I’m not...” Angela began, but Yaxley interjected, “She’s not my girlfriend. She’s just **a** junior.”

The boy beside him remained skeptical as he made suggestive remarks and then leaned in to inquire of Angela. “Are **you** also studying medicine, future sister-in-law?”

At the mention of sister-in-law, Angela blushed, partly from embarrassment and partly from a desire to clarify.

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“I’m really not Yaxley’s girlfriend. I’m just his junior,” explained Angela once more.

Despite her clear explanation, the blush on her face was too obvious, which invited teasing.

Before the boy could speak. Yaxley intervened, “Lead the way.”

Seeing Yaxley’s indifferent expression, the boy restrained his playful demeanor and guided the two to the dormitory.

However, he couldn't resist asking Angela a few questions.

Starting with her name and moving on to her hobbies, he was quite talkative.

Angela didn't mind his inquiries and responded warmly.

The boy introduced himself as Mobius Turner, mentioning that he had been friends with Yaxley since childhood. Mobius offered his help if they ever needed it.

Angela rarely encountered someone as friendly as Mobius. If they hadn't been close to the dormitory, he might have even asked for her address.

Upon reaching the dormitory building, Mobius bid them farewell and hurried upstairs. When he returned, he not only had three student cards but had also changed into a more polished outfit.

Dressed in a white shirt on top and black trousers, he appeared much more refined than before, but the moment he spoke, he revealed his true nature.

Handing two campus cards to Yaxley, he suggested, "Let me show you around our school. since you're here."

"I appreciate it, but I don't need it." Yaxley politely declined the offer.

As Mobius was about to say something to Angela, Yaxley took her hand and led her **away.**

They walked a considerable distance before Angela realized Yaxley was holding her hand. He released it before she could comment.

"My friend can be a bit loud. Please don't mind him."

Yaxley continued walking confidently, displaying his familiarity with Northland Medical University.

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Angela shook her head. "It's fine. He seems nice."

Without Mobius' help, they wouldn't have gained access to the library at Northland Medical University. Angela sensed his genuine curiosity, mostly sparked by her association with Yaxley.

Inside the library. Angela quickly found the book she wanted. When she turned to look at Yaxley, she noticed he had already secured a seat for her.

Approaching him with her book, she whispered a thank you, and Yaxley began reading as

well.

The afternoon flew by in the tranquil library. Before silencing her phone, Angela informed Jonathan of her whereabouts.

Jonathan was busy, and Angela only received his reply after some time.

As evening approached. Yaxley escorted Angela out of the library.

Although Angela had considered borrowing a book, she decided against it to avoid using someone else's student card.

Following the crowd, they exited the library. Yaxley inquired about Angela's food preferences. Before she could respond, a person hurried toward them.

"Yaxley! You're back. Why didn't you inform me?" A lively and attractive girl approached Yaxley and embraced him.

Observing the girl, Angela instinctively wanted to create distance between herself and Yaxley to prevent misunderstandings.

Yet, the girl noticed Angela first and leaned on Yaxley, asking, "Yaxley, who is this?"

"She's my junior, here to attend the training with me. Yaxley pushed the girl away, furrowed his brow, and asked, "Who told you I was back? Mobius?"

Initially thinking of Mobius, Yaxley then realized it didn't sound like something he would do. The girl's voice confirmed his suspicion. "No, it was Mr. Cole. After I visited Ava, Mr. Cole escorted me out and accidentally mentioned it."

Seeing Yaxley's frown, the girl hurriedly added, "But Yaxley, don't worry. You had Mr. Cole keep it a secret, so I didn't tell Ava even after learning about it."

Yaxley's expression softened a bit, and he spoke gently to the girl. "Yoanna, I only returned for training this time."

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Yoanna Tuckson was displeased to hear this and moved closer to Yaxley, saying, "Yaxley, while you came back for training, you can also spend time with me."

As she spoke, she kept glancing at Angela on the side, clearly showing some concern about her presence.

Feeling uneasy, Angela handed her campus card to Yaxley. “Yaxley, you go ahead and chat. I’ll head back to the hotel on my own.”

Accepting the campus **card**, Yaxley told Angela, “Wait for me. I’ll escort you **back**.”

With that, he took Yoanna and walked to the side.

Yoanna was being led by Yaxley, but she didn’t resist. Instead, she linked her arm with his and leaned against him like an accessory.

Once they reached the side, Yaxley said, “Go back by yourself, and don’t inform anyone except Ava that I’ve returned.”

He disliked trouble and troublesome people.

If Terence hadn’t informed Yaxley’s driver, Keith Cole, beforehand, Keith wouldn’t have come to pick Yaxley up upon his return to Northland this time.

Fortunately, he instructed Keith not to disclose it to anyone else when he contacted his driver. While Keith hadn’t mentioned it, he hadn’t anticipated Yoanna finding out.

He didn’t blame Keith. Yoanna was always curious, and **K** couldn’t keep it from her.

“It’s alright if you don’t want me to tell anyone. But you must make time to accompany me.” Seeing Yaxley frown, Yoanna added, “Could it **be you** haven’t seen me in so long you’d rather hang with your junior than me?”

“Angela’s lecturer asked me to look after her, and we have formal training tomorrow, so I don’t have the time to accompany you,” Yaxley addressed seriously.

Yoanna snorted. “Training begins tomorrow, so can’t we go out today? Yaxley, where would you like to eat? Can we have a meal together?”

Yaxley inquired, “Will you leave after eating?”

“I will, but Yaxley? You have to dine with me alone.” Yoanna insisted as she nodded, making a request. She simply couldn’t trust Yaxley being with Angela, a woman of unknown background.

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“No, Angela must come along. Or you can eat alone.” Yaxley vetoed firmly.

Yoanna wanted to argue further but ultimately relented. “Fine. Since she’s your junior, we’ll bring her along.”

Upon hearing this, Yaxley led her toward Angela.

When they reached Angela, he introduced Yoanna, providing a brief explanation that she was simply his neighbor.

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Yoanna appeared somewhat dissatisfied with Yaxley's introduction of her, **so** she added to Angela politely, "I grew up with Yaxley, so I am very familiar with Northland. If you have any questions, feel free to ask me."

Angela nodded awkwardly and replied, "Okay, I understand. Thank you."

Seeing her tactful response, Yoanna didn't say much more.

Yaxley didn't notice anything amiss, either. He asked the two to wait on the side of the road while he went to fetch the car to pick them up.

"You two wait here. I'll go get the car."

"Okay, Yaxley. You go ahead. I'll stay with Angela." In a short span of time, Yoanna had already become friendly enough to address Angela by her first name.

Angela also nodded at Yaxley, allowing him to retrieve the car without worry.

However, **as** soon as Yaxley departed, Yoanna crossed her arms, scrutinized Angela, and inquired, "Are you very familiar with my Yaxley?"

"Not particularly." Angela shook her head.

Although taken aback by Yoanna's sudden change in demeanor, Angela still truthfully answered. It was evident that she was not acquainted with Yaxley, and she had never even heard of him before today.

Yoanna likely did not anticipate Angela's response. The words she had prepared seemed to stick in her throat, and she was unsure how to proceed.

She shot Angela a glare and remarked, "How can you not be familiar? Yaxley wouldn't be so kind to someone he doesn't know! Are you trying to catch me off guard by saying that?"

Angela felt thoroughly perplexed and helplessly replied, "I had never heard of Yaxley before today, so we truly are not familiar."

Yoanna made no effort to conceal her animosity toward Angela, who was not oblivious and could clearly sense the hostility.

"I don't believe you. How could you not have heard of my Yaxley? Wherever he goes, he must be a prominent figure!"

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Yoanna was displeased with Angela's attitude and continued to argue.

Angela fell silent, unsure of how to respond.

Yoanna then chuckled. "Speechless, huh? Do you think I can't see through your intentions? You just want to attract his attention!"

This sarcastic remark left Angela speechless, and she even contemplated revealing the fact that she was married but eventually refrained.

She believed it was not worth it.

Yoanna was about to say something else when she noticed a car approaching. She immediately altered her expression and even linked arms with Angela, putting on a friendly facade.

Her sudden change startled Angela, who almost pushed her away.

The car halted in front of them, and Yaxley alighted and walked around to the passenger side.

"Yaxley, you're fast. Angela and I haven't even had a chance to chat," Yoanna remarked with a

smile.

Angela thought to herself.

Thank *goodness* Yaxley showed up. Otherwise, I'd have to put up with Yoanna's mood swings a few more times.

Yaxley responded casually, then opened the passenger seat for Angela. "Angela, get in."

As Angela was about to step forward, Yoanna suddenly grabbed her arm and pushed her aside, positioning herself in front of Angela.

"I get motion sickness, so I'll sit in the front. Is that okay, Angela?" Yoanna said in a pitiful tone, casting a headache-inducing look at Angela after settling in the car.

Angela paid no heed to her theatrics or her words and simply opened the back door directly.

Yaxley frowned at Yoanna and stated, "Get out."

Yoanna remained unmoved, gazing at him with a pained expression.

Angela said, "Yaxley, I'll take the back seat."

She could feel Yoanna's animosity toward her and suspected that Yoanna had a crush on Yaxley, hence the hostility.

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However, Angela had just met Yaxley, and he showed no interest in her, so she had no reason to be interested in him.

It was all Yoanna's imagination.

Still, even if it was just a figment of her imagination, Angela saw no need to address it.

Some things were better left unsaid, as it would only cause embarrassment.

Angela chose to stay silent.

She settled in the back seat, and once she was seated, Yaxley glanced at Yoanna before getting into the car.

The atmosphere in the car **was** no longer as serene as before as Yoanna persistently questioned Yaxley about Riverdon.

Although Yaxley was not very talkative, he responded briefly.

From their conversation, Angela sensed Yoanna's regret and Yaxley's indifference.

It appeared that Yaxley's acceptance of Riverdon was unexpected to everyone. Yoanna was deeply affected by it. She had tried to locate Yaxley at Riverdon a few times, but he was always in the lab and did not see her.

After listening for a few moments, Angela lost interest.

Even someone who had only known Yoanna for a short time, like Angela, could discern Yoanna's feelings toward Yaxley. How could Yaxley not notice it himself?

Even if he did, Yaxley showed no inclination to respond.

His demeanor was nonchalant and detached, not extreme, but it made the decisive Angela feel uneasy.

Reminding herself not to meddle in others' affairs, Angela took out her phone to play a game and diverted her attention.

As she took out her phone, she noticed a call from Jonathan. After a moment of hesitation, she decided to decline the call.

Instead of returning the call immediately, Jonathan sent her a message.

Angela promptly responded to Jonathan's message, explaining that she was in a friend's **car** and unable to talk on the phone.

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They exchanged a few messages, and Angela found a peculiar sweetness in watching Jonathan type out his replies.

She was so engrossed in their conversation that she completely tuned out the voices of Yoanna and Yaxley to the point where she could not hear them at all.

Jonathan inquired about her well-being at the library and how she was adjusting to Northland's weather. She answered each question without any impatience.

Jonathan messaged again, asking if she had eaten dinner.

After a moment of thought, Angela replied that she was heading back to the hotel for **dinner**.

Just as she finished speaking, Jonathan's response came.

He said, "Wait for me."

Confused for a moment, Angela did not understand what he meant until the car pulled up in front of the hotel.

Upon exiting the car, she saw Jonathan dressed in a suit, looking slightly disheveled.

Angela had never anticipated that he would arrive in Northland early.

Upon seeing him, she hurried out of the car and ran toward him.

After embracing Jonathan, she finally felt the reality of the moment.

"Why did you come to early?" she asked joyfully, her **eyes** sparkling and her heart racing.

Jonathan held her, gently stroking her head and gazing at her affectionately.

"I missed you, so I came."

As always, his deep, magnetic voice caused Angela to blush.

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Yoanna and Yaxley had not even stepped out of the car when they witnessed Angela hastily exiting the vehicle and embracing someone.

The two wore contrasting expressions, with Yoanna even glancing back at Yaxley multiple

times.

"Yaxley, who is that man?" Yoanna inquired.

Yaxley shook his head.

Exiting the car, he handed the keys to the hotel concierge before making his way toward Angela and Jonathan.

Seeing him leaving the car, Yoanna hurriedly followed, attempting to reach out and Yaxley's arm.

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Yoanna noticed that Yaxley did not push her away and smiled, her eyes squinting with delight.

After embracing Jonathan for a moment, Angela recalled Yaxley and Yoanna, promptly releasing him.

"Angela, who is this?" Yaxley's voice emanated from behind, composed yet tinged with curiosity as he fixed his gaze on Jonathan.

He had a nagging feeling of familiarity toward Jonathan but could not pinpoint where he had seen Jonathan before.

Anxiously clutching Jonathan's hand, Angela debated whether to reveal their relationship outright or keep it concealed.

Unable to decide, Angela glanced up at Jonathan.

Jonathan tenderly held her hand and addressed Yaxley, "I am Angela's husband, Jonathan.

Lawson."

Upon hearing this, both Yaxley and Yoanna were taken aback. Even Angela instinctively tightened her grip on Jonathan's hand.

"Yes, he is my husband. He coincidentally came to Northland for a business trip," Angela stated, a noticeable sweetness gracing her features.

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Yaxley nodded, recalling Jonathan's name from somewhere. After a moment of contemplation, realization struck him.

He gazed at Jonathan, initially with skepticism and then with certainty, eventually morphing into a clear expression of respect.

“My lecturer has mentioned you before, he remarked.

Yaxley’s remark created a slightly awkward atmosphere, though he remained oblivious.

Yoanna gently nudged at him, prompting him to snap out of his reverie and suggest, “Mr. Lawson, would you care to join us for dinner?”

Jonathan glanced at Angela, who nodded in agreement before accepting Yaxley’s invitation.

The four proceeded to the hotel restaurant, where the atmosphere among them was surprisingly much more pleasant than earlier in the car.

At Northland Airport, Christopher eagerly checked his phone upon disembarking from the plane.

Not finding any missed calls from Fanny, he felt a sense of unease.

Unable to wait until he left the airport, Christopher dialed Fanny’s number.

He feared Fanny’s strong feelings for him might lead her to act impulsively.

The call went unanswered.

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Meanwhile, over at the Kins Residence, in Fanny’s room, a phone kept ringing insistently.

Fanny was absent from the room, standing at the entrance of Kins Residence.

Britney shouted for an extended period before finally coaxing Fanny to emerge, appearing both haughty and irate.

“Are you trying to avoid me? Why did it take you so long to come down?”

Before arriving at Kins Residence, Britney had visited Fanny’s previous residence, only to find it vacant.

Fortunately, her quick thinking led her to surmise that Fanny might have returned to Kins Residence, which prompted Britney to head straight there.

Stopping a few paces from the iron gate, Fanny faced Britney. Her demeanor was not one of

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joy, but she concealed her displeasure, mindful of their surroundings.

“Why did you come here?” Her voice was hushed, clearly indicating her desire for privacy.

Britney, however, was unfazed and continued to raise her voice. “Why else would I be here? I am your mother. Can’t I come to see you?”

After spending the money she received from Fanny a few days ago, she returned to ask for

more money.

Initially planning to ask Fanny politely for the money, she was surprised when Fanny disappeared without a word and went back to Kins Residence.

This made her angry, and she had no patience left for Fanny.

“I am not your daughter. I am a member of the Kins Family, and I share no relation with you. If you’re looking for your daughter, go find Angela!”

Fanny was upset but kept her voice low on purpose.

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Britney was like a persistent nuisance, which irritated her. She was not only annoyed by Britney but also upset that Angela had returned the household registration back to Angela.

Fanny held Angela responsible for Britney’s current pestering of her!

Britney sneered, “The one on the same household registration as me now is not Angela but you, Fanny. I’m out of money now, so give it to me quickly!”

Fanny was easily manipulated, and Britney knew that very well. Whenever she thought about Mike’s death being connected to Fanny, she couldn’t help but feel a deep hatred toward her.

If Mike were still alive, Britney wouldn't be in this situation! She believed it was all Fanny's fault.

"Money? You won't get any from me!"

"If you hadn't caused your father's death, why would I ask you for money? It's your own fault!" Britney was furious, leaning against the iron gate and pointing at Fanny. Her voice was loud and intimidating, which caused Fanny to cover Britney's mouth in fear.

As Fanny tried to silence Britney, Britney stepped back,

"What are you talking about? You're spreading rumors! The police have cleared it up. It wasn't me!" Fanny was so anxious that she wanted to open the door and shut Britney's unguarded

mouth.

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Britney stepped back a few paces. With hands on her hips, she continued yelling from a distance from the iron gate. "I don't know how you managed to smooth things over with the police, but don't think nobody knows! You wanted Mike dead the most!"

Worried that Britney's loud voice would attract attention, Fanny angrily replied, "Shut up! How much do you want?"

Britney smugly held up a few fingers. "Let's start with this amount for now. I don't want to cause trouble for you, either."

Reluctantly, Fanny went to get the money.

"If you come knocking on my door again, don't expect to get any money!" she warned before handing over the money.

Britney took the money and began counting, ignoring the warning.

Not only that, she gave Fanny a disdainful look after counting the money.

Provoked by her gaze, Fanny angrily asked, "What's with that look?"

Britney put the money away and pulled out a newspaper from her **bag**. "Why do you look at yourself! You've made a fool of yourself in the newspaper!"

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She then threw the newspaper at Fanny's face.

Seeing Fanny's confused expression, she continued, "If you hadn't embarrassed yourself in the newspaper, I could have gone back to Lynch's village!"

Britney was deeply embarrassed. She was already humiliated in Lynch's village by rumors accusing Fanny, Mike's biological daughter, of causing his death.

Now, Fanny was spotted entering a hotel with a man known to have a girlfriend, an incident that made its way into the newspapers.

She remained oblivious to the news article about Fanny until someone from Lynch's village reached out to her, seeking to verify its truthfulness.

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Upon receiving a call from a fellow villager, Britney purchased a newspaper. After perusing it, she felt that Fanny had been thoroughly humiliated. The residents of Lynch's village were likely aware of Fanny's predicament, and upon her return, she would undoubtedly face inquiries.

Contemplating this, Britney could not help but harbor disdain towards Fanny again. Fanny was taken aback when the newspaper struck her. She retrieved the paper from the ground and discovered her image on the front page. The newspaper displayed a photograph of her and Christopher embracing as they entered a hotel. Despite the grayscale print, the bold headline was striking.

Fanny nearly gnashed her teeth. Her visage contorted as she tightly clutched the newspaper, exclaiming. "This must be the work of the Martinez Family!"

"Does it truly matter who orchestrated this? **Is** it not a consequence of your lack of self-restraint?! Now, I've lost my dignity because of you!" Britney disregarded the publisher's identity, directing her dissatisfaction solely toward Fanny!

As this incident was publicized in the newspaper, Fanny found herself unable to hold her head high among the people in Lynch's village. Furthermore, the publication in question was the Riverdon Daily. It exaggerated Fanny's reputation as a woman of loose morals, which would be widely known throughout Riverdon.

Fanny glared coldly at Britney. "You've taken the money. It's time for you to leave."

"Settle your own issue. Do not implicate me in your troubles!" Britney retorted before walking away with the money.

She had not completely severed ties with Fanny **as** she still hoped to obtain money from her. Following Britney's departure, Fanny did not retreat to her room but instead went to George's quarters.

"Dad, Ms. Kourt has returned and issued threats against me."

With a quavering voice, Fanny knocked on the door and burst into tears as soon as it opened.

"Why does that woman dare to return?" George, who has been relatively reclusive lately, recalled the encounter when Linda accosted him and subsequently encountered Britney at his doorstep.

During that encounter, he, too, was threatened by Britney. He realized that Britney had obtained Fanny's whereabouts from him. Not only did she abscond with Fanny's money, but

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she also instilled fear in Fanny, leading to Fanny's hospitalization.

He felt a pang of regret, so as Fanny tearfully approached him, he could not help but feel sympathy for her.

"She saw me in the newspaper and proceeded to insult me Fanny sobbed. Tears welled in her eyes as she choked, "I was photographed while pleading with Christopher to seek medical assistance for my mother."

Upon mentioning Scarlet, George snatched the newspaper from her grasp and read the headline and photograph of Fanny and Christopher.

"How dare Britney stoop to this level! After all, you are still part of the Kins Family. Who gave her the right to **pass** judgment on our family members?" George's countenance

darkened as he was frequently questioned by the authorities regarding the events at Scarlet, causing intermittent bouts of anger.

Upon hearing that Fanny was striving to revive Scarlet, he endeavored to suppress his temper.

Fanny softly wept, "I fear that Britney will come after me, all at Angela's behest. Moreover, Dad's previous predicament was also linked to Angela."

George listened intently to Fanny's words and was incensed upon learning of the hidden machinations behind everything. "Is this truly the case?" he inquired, his tone laced with

anger.

Fanny nodded solemnly. "I am. You must have been influenced by Angela, which is why the police kept bothering you. She had conspired with Linda before to harm me, don't you

remember?"

As she recounted the past, she appeared deeply upset with teary eyes.

When Fanny mentioned Linda again, George's expression changed, and he slammed the table forcefully!

"Yes! It must be Angela who influenced my Linda! Otherwise, Linda wouldn't have done such a thing!"

George was so agitated that the wounds inflicted by Linda were throbbing, but he clenched his teeth and directed all his anger toward Angela!

"Yes, Linda must have been manipulated by Angela to become like this," Fanny echoed George's words. "Linda might have turned into what she is now because of Angela."

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Angry at Angela's malice, she feared the consequences if Linda had not gone mad. She might have accused him of pushing someone.

"It's Angela, for sure! She must be afraid that Linda will expose what she made her do, so she did something so extreme." After saying this, Fanny observed George's expression.

Concerned that George might not believe her, Fanny continued, "Dad, one morning, I was tied up at a construction site, and Angela must have arranged it. She enjoys these kinds of schemes."

"She did that to you?" George was furious. Fanny *had* always been *sheltered* in *their* family and never allowed to *endure any hardships, especially due to her fragile health*, as *we* always took *extra care of* her. *How dare she have someone tie up our Fanny*, he thought.

"We'll go confront her. I'm not afraid to face her and demand the truth." George was outraged, growing more furious as he spoke, ready to confront Angela.

Recently, due to the issues with Linda and Scarlet, he distanced himself slightly from the family. Still, Scarlet ended up in a coma, and Linda went insane, making him realize that his children were his top priority. On top of that, Angela, who dared to harm a member of their family, completely disregarded him.

Seeing that George fully believed her, Fanny continued tearfully, "But Angela has gone to Northland now, Dad. Please don't be upset. Please don't jeopardize your health. Jonathan and Joseph said that they will find a solution soon."

George slammed the table. "Wait for them to find a solution? By then, it will be too late. Fanny, trust me. I'm taking you to Northland now. We will confront Angela face to face!"

"But Jonathan and Joseph advised me not to leave home, and my relationship with Christopher has become public knowledge throughout Riverton. I-1..."

If her reputation had not been tarnished in Riverdon, Fanny would not have had to implore George. Among the Kins Family, only George, with a straightforward mind, could truly assist her in this situation.

Seeing Fanny with teary eyes, George recalled the news in the newspaper and declared, "Dad will go alone, you stay here. I will ensure that Angela explains this."

Upon discovering that Angela was not in Riverdon, George became enraged. He had recently sent Angela to visit Scarlet, instructing her to find a way to awaken Scarlet. However, she failed to comply with his request and secretly fled to Northland.

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Clearly, she did not take me seriously, he thought.

He resolved to travel to Northland, retrieve Angela, and compel her to awaken Scarlet.

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“Dad, you may not be able to leave Riverdon now. The police in Riverdon are still investigating you, aren’t they?”

With this reminder from Fanny, George suddenly remembered why he had been staying home these days and became even gloomier.

“In that case, Fanny, you go to Northland. Find Angela and make her come back to Riverdon! As for Jonathan and Joseph, I will talk to them.”

This was the best plan George could come up with.

“Are you sure, Dad?” Fanny asked hesitantly, but her tears had stopped.

“Of course! Don’t worry. Angela doesn’t have support in Northland, but I know people there who can help when needed.” George reassured her.

Upon hearing this, Fanny brightened. She thought she could only rely on George to persuade her brothers to let her leave Riverdon, but she didn’t expect that he also knew people in the Northland.

So, when I arrive in Northland, Angela will be in for a surprise, won’t she? It turns out that playing the victim in front of George is effective, she thought.

Having achieved her goal, Fanny did not stay long in George’s room.

Before leaving, she continued her sentence in tears, “Dad, please talk to Jonathan and Joseph about this matter. Otherwise, they won’t feel at ease with me leaving home.”

George immediately accepted her request. Ever since he discovered that Linda had turned into what she was now, all because of Angela, he had been itching to get back at

her. He felt a twinge of pain as he remembered how Linda had hurt him, although it had all happened in a chaotic and foolish circumstance.

After Fanny left, he could not resist visiting the hospital to find Linda. However, when he asked the nurse, he discovered that Linda was no longer there.

“Where did she go?” George asked loudly.

The nurse was startled by him and inexplicably looked at him. “She was sent to a mental hospital. She went crazy and had no family, so she could only be sent there.”

George felt heartbroken and asked which mental hospital it was, then went straight there.

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When he arrived, George saw Linda. Linda was quietly curled up in the corner of the bed, looking harmless and pitiful.

He called out softly. “Linda,” but got no response. He took a bold step forward, but she still did not show any reaction.

The person behind George said, “She has been like this since she was brought in. No response. Just staring at things blankly.”

“Is there any possibility of her recovering? **Has** she shown no other reactions?” George asked.

The person shook his head and said, “I’m just a part-time worker at this hospital, so I’m not very familiar with her situation. You might want to ask the doctor.”

George said, “I am her family. Can I take her out of the hospital?”

The person replied, “Go ask the doctor. I am not sure, but it should be okay.”

George was slightly annoyed by his lack of information but did not throw a tantrum. “Thank you anyway. I’ll talk to her before leaving”

The person left without saying a word, leaving only George and Linda in the cramped room.

Linda had remained seated from the beginning as if she had not heard a word of George’s conversation with the other person.

George closed the door and walked towards Linda. “Linda?”

Linda did not react, so he reached out, pulled her up, and lifted her head.

“Linda, it’s me. Are you awake?” George held her face, speaking to her up close.

Linda’s gaze was initially unfocused, but she looked around in confusion as her head was raised. When her vision cleared, she suddenly became frantic.

“A–Ah....”

Linda fiercely sank her teeth into his nose, then yanked back as if trying to rip it off.

George’s face contorted **in** pain as he attempted to push Linda away, but her vicious bite held firm. Bright red blood poured from the wound on his nose, flowing freely. At George’s screams, someone outside began knocking and banging on the door. Eventually, the door was unlocked with a key.

As the door swung open, everyon

was taken aback. George had lost consciousness, his nose

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was completely severed, and his face was drenched in blood.

On the other hand, Linda was chewing on something, her expression fiercely intense.

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A group of people rushed George to the hospital, where they discovered fragments of his nose in Linda’s mouth, too mangled to be reattached. Upon hearing the news, James and Joseph hurried to the hospital, shocked and perplexed by Linda’s attack on George. At the same time. Fanny arrives at the hospital disguised in a mask and hat to avoid being recognized.

Jonathan, Joseph, what happened to Dad?” George’s sudden hospitalization took Fanny aback.

Just moments before, she had spoken with George, who had promised to help her persuade

their two brothers.

That woman, Linda, attacked Dad.” Joseph, the first to arrive, provided more details.

“Why did he go see Linda again? She already harmed him before. Why would he visit that woman again? James, already stressed about work, grew even more frustrated upon learning of George’s return to Linda.

Feeling uneasy, Fanny lowered her head.

The brothers failed to notice her discomfort, and Joseph attempted to reassure her, “Fanny, don’t worry. Your situation is not resolved yet. You should head home.”

He feared Fanny might be recognized, as the Kins Family was already a subject of gossip, and he did not want to add more drama at that moment.

With a pale face, Fanny hesitated to leave. She feared George might reveal something after surgery, and she did not want her brothers to know that George visited Linda because of something she had said. Furthermore, she never expected George to return to Linda after mentioning Angela to him.

She could not comprehend George’s actions at all.

Did he believe his supposed true love could cure Linda, who is already unstable? she thought.

“Joseph, I’m worried about Dad. Please let me stay here,” Fanny weakly requested, leaning against the wall.

Joseph sighed at her words and her masked appearance. “Alright, Fanny. If you are unwell, you must tell me.”

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Three of them waited outside, with James reviewing documents while they waited. *The* company had been facing numerous challenges, keeping him occupied. Even in such a situation, he could not completely detach from *the* company’s affairs.

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