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The face fizzled out. As Willow got up from the ground, everyone came up to show their concern.

Willow made a show of forgiving Eliana. I'm fine. I just lost my balance just now, It has nothing to do with Ehana. Everyone, please don't **blame** her. She **has** a misunderstanding about me, to begin with, but I hope I can reconcile with her one **day**"

Sharryl Zucker played along with her. Willow, what misunderstanding can she possibly have with you! You're the true daughter while she's a phony Logically speaking, she should be the one sucking up to you"

Charlene Hurst chimed in 100. That's right. This phony Eliana Davis usurped 18 years of your wonderful life. How could she still put **on** airs in front of you! She's simply too shameless!"

Willow's magnanimity formed a sharp contrast to Eliana's pushiness. Other students began to criticize in muted tones Eliana for going overboard.

Willow lowered her head. As she straightened her clothes, a sly smile crept across her face.

Eliana arrived at the tennis **club hall** with Stella Stewart. When she bumped into one of the upper-year seniors in the rest lounge, latter gave an update. "Eliana. Stella, I **have** good news for you."

"Oh?" Eliana smiled

Elsie Reed, the

Elsie continued. There is definitely something fishy about the votes for Willow Garcia on the school **belle** rankings. A few other seniors and I have been monitoring for a number of days.

"We realized that there were anomalies in the voting pattern for Willow. **Moreover**, when we randomly traced **the IP** addresses of some of the votes, we found that those votes came from computers outside the university campus. These votes were probably fraudulent. We've already reported it to the university"

Stella was overjoyed "Rrally" Then will Willow be disqualified?

However, Elsae cautioned, "If our suspicion turns out to be true, those fraudulent votes will be invalidated. Although such incidents are terrible, the repercussions still depend on how the university wants to deal with the perpetrators"

Stella then turned to Eliana. "That's great, Eli! Once we get rid of that scheming bitch, you will be number one! She **was** visibly more excited **than**

eliminated in the second round, the top spot of the third round would go to Eliana, It was obvious who would advance to become the

if Willow was new school belle.

However, Eliana felt **that** this matter was not as simple **as** Stella thought. Willow was full of tricks. "**Have** you found out where those fraudulent votes originated?"

Elur replied. They came from the south district. We couldn't pinpoint the exact **location**, **but** we **could** narrow **down** the IP location to an area.

Eliana nodded "Great! Thanks a lot for your help"

The senior smiled. "Don't mention it. Putting aside the fact that you're from our club, I'm **also** one of the organizers of the school belle competition. I have to ensure the fairness of the competition"

getting the water, they sat in the lounge and chatted. "I

As the girls were talking, a few **club** members came into the rest lounge to get water. After getting water, they wondered what program we're preparing for this year's Fall Festival"

They had been slacking off every year in the past, so they figured this year was no exception

When the Fall Festival was **announced**, Landon Muchell gathered the club members for a meeting. The agenda **was** to come up **with** a **program** for

Even if the club tended to lack off, he

off, he still **had** to submit a program.

The club members remained silent. No one wanted to be perplexed by their

lack of initiative. Landon felt **involved**. Landon felt **very**

At this moment, Eliana stood up from her seat and said. "**Can I** suggest a program?".

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Everyone's **jaw** dropped. They stared **at** Eliana with shining eyes as if the  
Landon sighed with relief, thinking that **Eliana** had **saved his** skin this time.

goddess

Everyone knew how difficult it was to put together a program, so no one **was** willing to c  
ome

ne up with **ideas**, let alone take the lead in performing the  
program.

If they were playing tennis matches, Landon didn't even need to ask for volunteers. Eve  
ryone was willing to participate.

However, no one was willing to volunteer and **embarrass** himself if the program had to  
be performed on stage.

Now that Eliana **was** volunteering, everyone was overjoyed. They exclaimed, "Eliana, y  
ou're our club's savior!"

Yeah, that's great. Is it finally our tennis club's turn to shine?" one member mused.

"I think someone performed a poetry recital on stage last year. What's the difference bet  
ween that and shitting on stage?" another lamented.

"Eliana, what **kind** of program do you want to perform? We will definitely support your"  
a third gushed,

Eliana shook her head. I haven't thought about it yet. Anyway, there's still time. **Since** n  
o one is willing **to** perform, I am willing to volunteer

She had issued a challenge to Willow in the seminar room today. She bragged that if th  
e tennis club did not perform any program at the Fall Festival this year, she would allow  
other people to slap her face.

Naturally, Eliana would never allow Willow to slap her face. Therefore, she decided to le  
ad this group of slackers for this year's program

"Let's give her a round of applause! The whole group responded enthusiastically.

Eliana felt that the club members were being too melodramatic. She gave an awkward smile and sat down.

At this moment, someone blurted out, "Those people from **Natalia Jewell's** dance club have pissed me off for a long time. The way they argued with us on the bus last time left us completely tongue-tied.

"That's right. I hope we can restore our pride during **this year's** Fall Festival?" another member whined

Stella asked curiously, "Who is Natalia Jewell!"

The senior sitting next to her answered, "She's the president of the dance club, as well as..."

She lowered her voice and continued, "The ex-girlfriend of our president.

"Damn" Stella was shocked. Who would have thought **that** there were such ill feelings between these two clubs?

No wonder they were at loggerheads for such a long time.

Wouldn't things get hairy if these two ill-fated ones face off in the festival!

Natalia Jewell and Landon Mitchell were together in their **freshmen** year. Natalia liked Landon very **much**, but they broke up in less than a month.

Natalia **was** heartbroken. After that, she took a leave of absence from school in her second year and went overseas to **take** up a **course** on dance. She only came back this year.

She had fled abroad for a year all because of a relationship that didn't even last one month. It could be seen how deeply the **breakup** with Landon had hurt her

year Natalia left, her good friends in the dance club began to hate the **tennis** club. That was how the **feud** between the dance club and the Tennis club, came about.

"Now that Natalia is back, those people from the dance club will be even more arrogant this **year**," one member **fumed**.

"Hell if Natalia is present, it won't be so easy for us to get a good ranking during **this year's** Fall Festival Sight" another grumbled.

Other members joined in to complain, but no one disputed the statements. This

is festival progratiui

is was because everyone

e knew the dance club's dominance when it

However, Landon had ample confidence in Eliana. He said, "Eliana, it's an honor for the club if **you** are willing to perform. All of us will support you. We believe that we won't lose to other clubs this year

"That's right! Our president is right. Defeat those damn girls from the dance club!"

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ings his romantic liaisons had chalked up.

Eliana now understood why Landon was so pumped up all of a sudden. It was all because of the bad feelings

It was no secret that Landon changed girlfriends frequently. Therefore, when he broke up with Natalia that year, he was very decisive **and** did not feel down at **all**.

However, the dance club became enemies with the tennis club as a result

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As the saying goes. "If you know the enemy and **know** yourself, you need not fear the result of a hundred battles"

After the meeting. Stella began digging for past juicy tidbits about **Landon and Natalia** through various channels.

"Natalia is the only daughter of the Jewell family in Drator City. She was already **proficient** in dance and the various arts from a young **age**. It **was a pity** her bright prospects hit a stumbling block when **she** succumbed to the charms of this prodigal son Landon."

"Landon's family owns a film-making company so he is used to being surrounded by beauties. When Natalia was **unable** to win Landon's heart completely, she was naturally dumped. After the breakup, Natalia was very heartbroken. She took a break from her studies and went **overseas** to the past behind her as well as pursue an advanced course in dance. I heard that she's back this semester, but she hasn't rejoined her classes yet. However, she will

definitely make an appearance during the Fall Festival. Stella prattled on endlessly to Eliana by her side.

“Eli, the dance club is a strong opponent. Will our club be able to defeat them during the Fall **Festival**? What program do you have in mind?”

Eliana leaned back in her chair and fiddled with her phone before replying nonchalantly, “I haven’t decided yet

Stella was incredulous. “What? Haven’t decided? But you **have already** issued them a challenge. Aren’t you asking for trouble!”

It had felt very satisfying to issue such provocative statements earlier, but now, Stella was panic-stricken. It would hurt a great deal if **Eliana** ended up getting slapped, literally

Eliana peeled her eyes away from the screen. “Relax. It’s just dancing, isn’t it? I want to see who’s the one **with** two left legs.

Three **days** later, Natalia showed up at Isonstead University campus.

When the dance club members learned that Natalia **had** finally returned to school, they skipped classes in the afternoon **to** gather at the club to meet her.

also looking forward to meeting Natalia.

Willow Garcia was also among them. She was al

**out** on Eliana

She had heard that Natalia was Landon’s ex. Eliana **was** hanging out with Landon now. If Natalia found out, she was bound **to** take **it out** on

**Willow** wanted to secretly stir up bad blood between Natalia and Eliana.

At this moment, the door of the dance club suddenly swung open. Everyone turned their heads in unison.

**A** pair of slender hands drew the pink—and—white curtain aside. The first thing that came into view was a brown university blazer and long, shapely leg under a pleated skirt.

As one’s eyes were drawn upward, one could already tell **that** Natalia was indeed a well—born daughter of a wealthy family in Dratora City without even seeing her face. When he

er face came into sight, she was very beautiful and had delicate features and **flawless** skin. "**Natalia**, you're here!"

Most importantly, her bearing was even more elegant than her facial features. She learned **dancing** from a young age, and the gracefulness that went beyond ordinary folks showed in the way she carried herself.

Even if she mingled in the crowd, people **would** notice her at a **glance**.

More disconcertingly, her bearing resembled... Eliana **Davis**.

an air of noble refinement a

and class that made her stand out

from ordinary people.

Eliana grew up **in a** rich family. She exuded **an air**

After she returned to the **Davis** family, she gained an additional layer of languid insouciance which made people **green** with **envy**.

aily, **yet** she

It was precisely this sort of attitude that Willow hated the **most**. Willow was supposed to be the true daughter of the well-off Garcia family,

grew up in the working-class city area under the care of her **adoptive** parents.

Huna had usurped the wealth and glory that was meant to be hers. How could she not hate Eliana!

the handsome girl's shadow for far too long. She wanted to do everything si

ng she could to get rid of this girl and even

Willow had been living under th

And no

Eliana in Natalia's demeanor and actions, Willow's mind became **very**

y twisted

"Natalia, you're finally back! Everyone rushed up to her.

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Natalia smiled **at** all the members. “Long **etime**

no see, everyone. Looks like we have many new members.”

“Yes, yes? You haven’t been around for a year, and the club has recruited many more students. Here, let me introduce them to you. This freshman

Natalia came prepared with gifts for everyone when she returned to school this time. Every time a new member was introduced, she would dish out

gift. “It’s just a small token”

Thank you, Natalia Exclamations of delight rang out continuously.

“This is Willow Garcia. She’s a freshman who joined our club this year. Willow, come and say hello to our president.”

When it **was**

it was Willow’s **turn**, she gave **Natalia** a guileless smile. “Hello, **Natalia**. It’s a pleasure to **meet** you.”

Natalia returned the smile. “Hello, here’s a gift for you?”

As Willow glanced at the gift in Natalia’s hand, she cursed under her breath, “Who wants this sort of trash!”

However, she still accepted the gift with a look of delight. “Thank you, Natalia I like it very much”

Natalia demurred. “It’s good that you like it. It’s just a small token. The **small** translucent sachet contained a Dior lipstick and a small bottle of perfume

In reality, it was **a** very sincere gesture. After all, who would be so generous **as** to give everyone a gift, **and** to people she was only meeting for the

Therefore, every member who received the gift was very happy. Regardless of the value of the gift, it was still a nice surprise for the recipient.

However, when Willow opened the gift and took out the lipstick and perfume inside, a trace of disdain flashed across her

eyes. Only people who couldn't afford such stuff would cherish them. And the color of the lipstick **was so** ugly

Previously, the vice president took charge of the dance **clubs**. **Now** that Natalia had returned, the vice president handed **over** the reins to her without hesitation.

The first thing they had to discuss was the program for the Fall Festival next month. This **was Natalia's** first Fall Festival after her return, so she had to take it seriously.

Now that every member was present, it was an opportune time to call for a meeting. Willow took the opportunity to bring up the topic of Eliana's

The cheerleaders in the dance club became very worked up when Willow's words reminded them of their encounter. They immediately clamored noisily, "Natalia, Eliana Davis **is** too much! When their tennis club played in the league tournament this year, they had the nerve to chase all our cheerleaders off the **bus!**"

"That's right I get very angry whenever I remember this incident! I've **never encountered such** atrocious behavior before. That woman Eliana Davis as a troublemaker! Oh right, Willow Tell Natalia **what** happened when we went to the theater to **catch** a show."

Previously, you weren't around to sprak up for us, **Natalia**, Now that you are **back**, you must **stand** up for us!"

A glint flashed across Willow's eyes. Then, she quickly **recounted**, "Actually, it was nothing much. The **last** time we went to the **theater** to catch a show, the tickets were snatched away by Eliana and her gang. Sigh **Eliana** and her gang are more influential **than** us. We couldn't fight them. At first, I was the one who booked the tickets, **thinking** that I could invite everyone to the show, but I didn't expect.....

When she heard this, **Natalia** frowned slightly and asked, "Eliana Davis snatched your tickets? Who's this Eliana Davis?"

"Natalia Eliana **Davis** is a freshman!" one member shouted out.

Someone in the crowd whispered, "Oh, right.. Eliana Davis **is** also Landon Mitchell's new squeeze,

A **hush** fell over the room

Initially, Natalia thought that she had gotten over Landon, She was away for one year, but when she returned, she realized that she had not forgotten Landon. The first thing she wanted to find out when she returned to Dratona City was how Landon was doing

Upon hearing his, Natalia's heart tensed up Landon's new squeezer

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Natalia's expression changed very abruptly.

Everyone could tell from her expression **that** something was not right. The vice president, Yulila Laine, hurriedly explained, "Natalia, this is just **a** rumor. It hasn't been confirmed whether they're together

However, the news **that** Eliana Davis was Landon Mitchell's girlfriend had been spreading on accepted **that** as a fact.

campus

s for a long time, and everyone had tacitly

Moreover,

students had previously seen **Eliana** drinking from the same cup of drink as Landon in the campus cafeteria. It was not a rumor at

**Natalia** pursed her lips **and** forced **a** smile. It's fine. I **have** already broken up with him more than a year ago. Surely it's normal for him **to** get a new girlfriend, put **it**"

"Of course, there's nothing wrong with that, but Eliana Davis is very smug **now** because she has connections with the tennis club one girl whined

"That's right, that's right. **Natalia**, you have no idea how overboard Eliana Davis went

The feud between the two clubs was not something that **had** sprung **up** overnight. Coupled with the fact that all the cheerleaders for the tennis league tournament had been chased off the bus, the feud **had** deepened further.

A few of the girls in the cheerleading team began ratting on Eliana vociferously. They **even** exaggerated how Willow was bullied and how she got "beaten up" in class by Eliana

"She hat Willow? Natalia frowned.

That's right, that's right! If someone in **class** hadn't stopped her Willow would **have** been beaten up!"

Willow pretended to calm the agitated member down. "Don't say anymore. I believe Eliana didn't do it on purpose."

After listening to their account that **contained** embellished facts, **Natalia** developed a wrong impression of Eliana.

In addition, Eliana was Landon's "current girlfriend" This made Natalia hate Eliana even before she met the latter in person.

"Enough. I understand now, Since **that** girl Eliana **Davis** is so confident, we'll teach her a lesson during the Fall Festival this year. We'll let her know that no one can bully our **dance** club.

"That's great Everyone became very hyped up.

"Natalia, with you leading us to prepare **for** our program, we will be able to teach those tennis baboons a good lesson!"

When Willow saw how **much** the dance club **members** loathed Eliana, she was secretly pleased.

The news of Natalia's return to Is

return to Isomstead University spread throughout the **campus** in less than half a day.

**noon** on the second **floor** of the **campus** cafeteria, the members of **the tennis** club were having lunch together.

Eliana and Stella were also present. Roman Scott sat at the next table with members of the two clubs.

Natalia entered the cafeteria with the dance club members following in her **wake**. **As** soon as they appeared, students **in the** cafeteria began whispering To ok it's Natalia?

finally back. I thought she would never

come back."

"No way. The stage as art for the appearance of the remorseful male lead. **Look** over there. The gossip mill went into **overdrive**.

The seats next to the window were all occupied by the tennis club members.

Landon and bus buddies sat at the sortie **table** as Eliana. Nearby was Roman, who was both **the vice** president of the **tennis** clubs and the president of the student council. At two-thirds of the tennis club members were present.

When the presidents of the two clubs finally met, the **noisy** cafeteria fell silent.

The lurkers melded into the background and gawked **silently**

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Natalia gazed at Landon and felt a little bitter. She still remembered when they were together, Landon never ate in the campus cafeteria. Rich young men of his ilk looked down on the food in the campus cafeteria.

Yet now.

these same guys were

were **eating** with Elona in the campus cafeteria.

**Natalia's** eyes slowly moved to Eliana beside Landon. True to her expectations, Eliana was attractive—looking

Eliana, who was drinking soup, felt the hostile gaze on her. She put down her culery and **raised** her eyes to meet that gaze

Natalia looked very attractive in the smart university blazer. Her long silky hair cascaded over her shoulders, and her **facial** features were exquisite

and beautiful

The two girls locked eyes for a while before Natalia batted her eyelashes slowly

Stella whispered in Eliana's ear, "Eli, this is Natalia, Landon's ex"

Eliana simply glanced at Natalia impassively before turning to Landon and said in jest, "**Your** ex? Not bad indeed. She's quite a looker".

Landon and his buddies were also looking at Natalia. It had been more than a year since they last met, but Natalia had not changed at all.

Following that, he only gave an indifferent grunt in response.

Natalia then proceeded to the next **table** with her club **members**. Thomas **Davis** and Adam **Hall** exchanged looks as they felt pressure emanating from Natalia

felt the **oppressive**

"Long time no see, everyone. **It's** been more than a year since we last met. Your tennis club seems to have many new faces." **Natalia's** voice was gentle as she spoke

Cameron Wright leaned back in **his** chair and pursed his thin lips slightly. He only looked at Eliana opposite him and ignored Natalia completely

Thomas **gave** a muted response. "Natalia, when did you  
did you come back!"

Adam's reply was more friendly. "It's been a **long** time indeed. We thought you weren't coming back."

"How can I not come **back**? I only went overseas for some fun and relaxation. I still have many friends in Dratora City. I can't abandon my social

The Jewell family was **one of the** wealthy families in Dratora City. Therefore, Natalia hung out in the same social circle as Thomas et al., from a

**young** age.

Natalia did not know Eliana so she did **not** think of her **as a daughter of a wealthy family**. She **on**

**only** thought that she **was** an ordinary freshman from Isonstead University who was lucky enough to get into the tennis club and even luckier to catch Landon's eye.

While they were talking. Eliana was eating silently.

"Aren't you **going** to introduce her? Is this a newcomer in your club?" Natalia asked.

Eliana realized that **Natalia** was talking **about** her, **so she** **injected** at Natalia. **Then she took the initiative to** introduce herself. "Hello, I'm **a** freshman,

To her surprise, Natalia cut her off brusquely. "Did I **ask** you?"

Natalia's tone was too sharp. Anyone could tell that she was deliberately trying to make things difficult for Eliana.

If this had happened to an ordinary person, she would be at a loss to know **what** to do. Stella, who was sitting beside Eliana, also felt her palms- sweating a little. However, Eliana maintained her smile

The long heard of **you**, Natalia. Now that I have met **you**, **you** certainly live up to your reputation™

Landon frowned slightly and finally spoke. "Who offended you! Have you lost your manners after going overseas to further your studies!"

**Natalia** replied in mockery, "Yes, Have no **mamers**. She is the most well-mannered, Thomas and Adam stared.

in speechless silence. Both of **them** could tell that Natalia had not forgotten Landon And **Eliana** was e

a was caught in the

discreetly sign

Eliana and hinted to her **to** prickly **leave** after **eating** so that she wouldn't be on the receiving

Eliana caught his drift at once and picked up her tray. "Lajoy your meal. I have **classes** in the afternoon"

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Natalus ire.

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Stella als hurriedly got up to leave with Eliana to get out of this tense atmosphere.

The moment the two girls turned around, someone walked **out** from behind **Natalia** and deliberately bumped into Eliana. In an instant, the contents of the dining tray were knocked to the ground.

Clatter! Everyone at the tables was startled by the commotion

Thomas sprang up. "Eli! Are you alright?"

A trace of imperceptible anger flashed **across** Eliana's eyes. She looked at the plastic crockery on the floor with the spilled gravy **and** food leftovers. She then turned to look at the person who bumped into her.

She recognized at once that the girl was the cheerleading team leader who had spoken up for Willow on the bus previously and a member of the dance club. Her name was Yulila Laine.

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Eliana looked at Yulila steadily.

Yulila raised her eyebrows defiantly as if to say, "What are you

are you going to do about this?"

She **was** practically asking for a beating with such provocative behavior, yet her words were a total contrast. "Gosh, I'm so sorry. I **didn't** notice you walking our just now. Are you hurt from that earlier bump?"

"Isn't she standing there perfectly fine! How can she be hurt..." Another dance club member "helpfully" stated the obvious,

by the cutlery""

**Thomas** quickly walked to **Eliana's** side. "Eliana, are you alright? Did you get cut by

Eliana smiled. "I'm fine."

Thomas then turned to **Yulila in** annoyance. "Are you blind or what?"

Yulila had

the nerve to behave like this because she believed that Natalia would back all the dance club members up now that she was back. They would not have to pay any price for any of their actions.

Sure enough. Natalia glanced at the mess on the ground and then turned to Eliana. "It was **just** a light bump. You didn't hold your tray firmly. How can you blame others?"

Thomas glared in fury. "Natalia, what did you say?"

Natalia crossed her arms in front of her chest. Her gaze was sharp as she replied. "There are so many people in the cafeteria. Is it very strange to accidentally bump into someone while walking? If she had held her tray firmly, nothing would have happened"

Anyone with **a** discerning eye could tell that the dance club members were deliberately stirring up trouble. Yet **now**, Natalia was brazenly covering up for them. This undoubtedly fueled those members' arrogance.

Since Natalia had already made her **stance** clear, Eliana didn't want to be Ms. Nice Guy anymore

Eliana turned sideways and casually flipped the plate **on** Stella's tray onto **Yulila's** body

.

“Argh!” Yulila screamed in shock and hurriedly **brushed** the **food** remnants and gravy off her body.

She glared furiously at Eliana and began lashing out. “Eliana! What are you doing! Are you nuts?”

Eliana crossed her arms and repeated what Natalia had **just** said. “Is it very

strange to accidentally bump into someone while walking? If you hadn’t stood in my way, nothing would have happened.”

“You Yulila gritted her teeth

“What I didn’t even blame you for bumping into me. But then **again**, it’s **just** some leftovers and gravy. What’s the worst **that** can happen? Don’t tell me you are made of paper?” Eliana was quite good at being sarcastic, and even better at throwing shade by mimicking others

Yulila was so angry that her hands trembled. “Eliana, are you deliberately looking for trouble? Who do **you** think you are.

Before she could **finish**

she felt the **eyes** of all the guys at the tables boring into her. **She** clammed up at **once**.

Yulila felt a chill down her spine. She had forgotten that Eliana had these **guys** backing her up. **How could** a mere girl like her be **a** match for all the guys? Turteluer, Yulila looked at Natalia sheepishly. “Natalia...”

When Natalia saw her club members being bullied, she naturally had to speak up for them.

Natalia was already biased against Eliana, to begin with. After seeing Eliana bully a member of the dance club with her own **eyes**, **she** immediately concluded that Eliana was a scheming gold-digger.

Natalia continued where Yulila left off. “Diana Davis, you are **just** a freshman yet you are so arrogant? Who do you **think** you **are**? It’s not up to you to

Eliana had already noticed that Natalia was determined to be obnoxious to her right

from the start. However, she still accorded

her the polite severbujes. Natalia still refused to let up. At this point, Eliana also didn’t want to feign civility anymore.

or promoter to bully other former goul leader. What kind of follower can such a leader possibly have?"

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"Well said Stella would have clapped and cheered for Eliana, but she was **well** aware **th** **at** she shouldn't interject at **this** tense moment

Natalia was totally **outplayed** by Eliana, and Stella could not resist gloating **inwardly**.

Natalia did not miss Eliana's **insinuation**. In the p

past, when she was on campus, even the upper-year seniors would extend some courtesy to her. However, after being absent for just one year, a mere freshman had become brazen enough to lecture her in public.

She immediately raised her hand to slap **Ehana**, "Bitch!"

All the gawkers gasped. Stella and Thomas were already scrambling to block Natalia's hand when all of a sudden, a deep, icy male voice from another table shot out. "Natalia. I dare you to hit her"

Cameron Wright's voice was neither loud **nor** soft but it was filled with menace. He was still leaning against the back of the chair like he had done earlier. His bearing **was** dignified yet indifferent, and he was a class act all of his own. His face was impassive, but he gave people the feeling **that** his deep, **dark** eyes had become **much** sharper than before,

**Natalia's** hand suddenly stopped in mid-air. Her slender fingers trembled slightly before she lowered her hand.

She turned to **look at** Cameron and asked in disbelief, "Cameron, what was that supposed to mean?"

Everyone present was shocked though timid whispers **could** still be **heard**. "**Fuck!** One sentence from Cameron Wright **actually** subdued the raging Natalia Jewell!"

Very few onlookers knew about the expansive political connections of Cameron's family and his forebears' illustrious military contributions.

However, Thomas and his buddies knew very well, as did the members of the dance club.

In spite of her earlier question, Natalia knew very well **what** Cameron meant. However, she did not expect that someone as aloof and indifferent as Cameron would stand up for a woman.

Cameron shot out again. "Are you deaf? Or do you no longer understand human language after going overseas for one year?"

Natalia was so angry that she could not speak, but more **than that**, she was shell-shocked

Had this freshman Eliana **Davis** already occupied such an important position among the girls' clique? So much so that even Cameron was willing to stand up for her, much less Thomas **et al.**

She saw with her own eyes.

Willow was lurking among the dance club members and was **equally shocked** to witness this whole exchange

Didn't they say that Eliana **and Landon** were romantically linked? Could it be that this bitch also hooked up with Cameron?

**Natalia** realized **that** she could forget about slapping **Eliana**.

She smiled resentfully with a knowing nod. She then looked at Eliana and said, "So **you are** Eliana Davis, are you? Very good. I heard that you boasted that your tennis club will be number one in the Fall Festival contest this year. Then we shall wait and see!"

With that, Natalia stalked out of the cafeteria with the dance club members in tow

Everyone's jaw dropped. To **think** that the **first** confrontation would end with **Natalia** backing down and **leaving** with her gang!

Landon immediately apologized to Eliana. "Eliana, I'm so sorry. She probably behaved like this because of me

Eliana gave him a sympathetic look and advised, "Your serial-dating past will catch up with you one day. I wish you **good** luck.

"**Hut** then again, I am not totally innocent. After all, I was the one who dragged you to the cafeteria to play-act **with** me in the first place

Back then. Eliana deliberately dragged Landon to the cafeteria to share a drink with **him** just to spite Willow **and** her **gang**.

Now, it was blatantly clear that she had reaped what she sowed though she did not foresee a **chain** reaction like this. She could only resign herself to

“How dat dangs have progresse muttered sheepishly

kay” Eliana gave a slung

to this stage, let’s prepare for the Fall **Festival program** diligently. We don’t want to embarrass **our** club” Landon

After dus incident, Elana bergan to think about the program for the Fall Festival diligently.

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If they wanted to outshine the dance club, they **had** to beat them at their own game. Therefore, it would have to be a

dance

program

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After Stella learned of Eliana’s plan, she exclaimed in surprise, “Dance program? Eli, you know how to dance!”

Eliana gave an enigmatic smile. She did have some dance foundation, thanks to her purported mom and dad.

Back then, her supposed parents Andy and Victoria Garcia had signed her up for ballet lessons when she was young. However, as the ballet practices became more strenuous and tiring, the Garcia couple couldn’t bear to see Eliana suffering. Thus, they only sent Eliana for two years of ballet lessons before switching her to piano lessons.

Initially, Eliana had not thought of achieving much in this field, but oddly enough, dancing played an intrinsic part in her **past** life. She missed a golden opportunity when a **female lead** role **was** snatched away by Willow Garcia during her graduation **year** in her previous life.

At that time, the **instructor** thought highly of Eliana because she was the most accomplished in her department. She **had** told Eliana very early on that the production team was going to choose the female lead in this class, and the female lead had to be the number one dancer in the capital.

Eliana made up her mind to land this role and started **practicing** early to turn herself into the most suitable choice.

The dance she practiced was none other than one of the **most** difficult contemporary dances, Street Jazz

Back then, in order to learn Street Jazz, Eliana suffered a lot of hardships and practically started from scratch. Fortunately, her hard work yielded **results**.

During the audition. Eliana's dance wowed the **casting** director **and** assistant director, and she was given the role of the female lead on the spot.

Unfortunately, Eliana's joy was short-lived. Less **than a** fortnight later, the casting director called Eliana to tell her that the role had been given to Willow Garcia by their management.

Eliana's effort was all for **naught**. Puzzled, she had wondered whether Willow won the role because she was more outstanding

Later on, she found out that it **wasn't** because Willow was outstanding. The **reason** was simply Andy and Victoria **Garcia** had used money to secure the role for Willow.

After learning the truth, Eliana cried her heart out. **This was** because the moment she got the role, she happily called Andy and Victoria **to** share this good news

She even daydreamed about buying all **kinds** of gifts for them when she got rich after the film was screened and became popular.

However, it turned out that Andy and Victoria had ruthlessly stabbed Eliana in the back. They knew full well how much effort she had put into dance practice for this role. Eliana even went so far as to lose weight and read **up** on **the** history of Broadway **musicals**...

However, they still chose to spend money to snatch the role **that** she had worked so hard to get for Willow.

She could understand why Andy and Victoria did not care about her during her four **years** of university. She could also accept it when they no longer paid her tuition fees and living expenses.

But when she **had already** gotten it in the bag was **a** very bitter pill to

However, to have something forcefully taken away

swallow.

Even now, Eliana still remembered what they messaged her. (Willow will be the big star who basks in the spotlight in the future and be the center of everyone's attention. As for **you**, even if I give you this juicy role, can you act well? **You** don't **have** the talent to act at all. Can't you just **get** a day job **and lead** a **normal** life? Yet you still **want** to fight with Willow. You're such an ingrate!]

This message haunted Eliana ever since, and she grew to become an obsession that pushed her to prevail in the entertainment industry at all costs regardless of how badly she **was** treated and how many **hardships** she had to endure.

She was determined to prove to Andy **and** Victoria who was the true big star who **could bask** in **the** spotlight.

As she reminisced about her **past**, Eliana **was** gradually enveloped by a palpable air of melancholy.

"Eli, what's wrong?" A familiar voice rang out

Eliana snapped out of her reverie and forced a smile. "I only know one kind of dance. We'll go with this dance for the **Fall** Festival"

She asked curiously. "**What** dance is it

Eliana answered, "Street Jazze"

"Huh?" Images of women in show-stopping suits executing flashy synchronized moves in Broadway musicals **instantly** appeared in Stella's mind.

She looked at Eliana in awe.

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"Eli, it will be super exciting! I can already imagine it!"

Eliana specialized in contemporary dance which often featured more structured choreography, while Stella specialized in modern dance which emphasized individual expression.

It seemed like the Fall Festival would have

been a battle of the expression of emotion versus

technicality and acrobatic element.

After submitting Street Jazz as their program

in for the festival, Eliana started practicing her moves when she got

There was no dance studio in her home. After the servants cleaned up an unoccupied room on the third floor, Eliana used it as a makeshift dance

At first, she thought that she had already forgotten the Street Jazz's moves. This was because in her previous life, after she was dealt a blow, she never danced again until her death.

To Eliana's surprise, the moment the music started, all kinds of dance moves learned in her previous life flowed from her limbs instinctively

Her body **moved naturally** in tandem with the music. Since there was no mirror in the room, Eliana could not tell whether her execution was good

As the sound of music wafted out from the room, the servants tried to peer at Eliana discreetly through the small door lite. "Mi. Eliana dances so

"Yeah, yeah" another servant whispered.

At this moment. Owen Davis appeared behind the servants and asked in a stern voice, "What are all of you looking at?"

One servant turned around and made a hush gesture. "Sir, Mc Eliar is dancing inside. Come and take a look,"

Owen also pressed his face against the tiny door lite with the servants and watched Eliana dance.

After the song ended. Eliana did not feel tired because she had built up her stamina during the boot camp.

Just as she was about to retrieve her phone to review the recording of her dance, she saw a few faces pressed together at the tiny door lite from the corner of her eye.

Eliana turned to those faces with a smile. "Owen, why are you lurking behind the door?"

Owen gave a **ciuckle** as he strode into the room. "We didn't want to distract you, Eliana. You danced really well!"

"Gosli, I was only jumping around blindly. My university is having a Fall Festival. I have to perform on behalf of the tennis club. I can't embarrass myself and the club on stage.

“You still call that jumping around blindly? You are dancing so well. If this were a stage performance, who would dare to claim to be number one if – our Eli claimed to be number two? Indeed, Owen was quite good at flattering people.

Eliana laughed out loud. “Owen, is it really good for you to praise me so blatantly! I will become big-headed, **you** know?”

Gwen surveyed the room with a thoughtful expression. “This dance studio just doesn’t cut it. It’s so small and doesn’t have any mirrors. It will cramp your style. How about this, Eli? If you want to practice dancing, I can recommend a good place

“Studio Euphoria,” Owen answered solemnly.

academy

Studio Euphoria was a famous dance academy that trained dancers

in Dratara City. It was not just a dance studio, strictly speaking, it was more accurate to say that it

Many parents

to send their children to Studio Euphoria to learn dancing. There were many professional instructors at Studio Euphoria, and the variety of dances was especially comprehensive. The instructors who taught there were all outstanding dancers who participated in overseas

Street Jazz was self-taught because she did not have the money to pay for professional lessons from a teacher in her **previous** life

Then, back then Chana’s dance learning journey was more difficult than usual. Now, if she could get a teacher to teach her, she would be able to improve much

know how to dance, Teut Soucho Euphoria’s boss is my good buddy that Eli is a budding talent. If you want to learn, we have to get the most

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“That’s great, Owen!” Eliana couldn’t be happier to accept it, she would be **a fool** not to grab it.

to accept her brother’s help. She was still a novice. If an opportunity to dance better presented

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After Owen called **ahead**, Eliana dropped in at Studio Euphoria during the weekend.

The staff at the dance studio arranged an orientation for Eliana. They first showed her a round the **place** before bringing her to meet her designated

instructor.

“Ms. Davis, the Street Jazz Instructor you will be learning from is Ms. Leicester. I’ll bring you to meet her now.”

Eliana nodded and said politely, “Sure, thank you.”

Eliana’s designated instructor was a lady called Quinella Leicester. Strictly speaking, Quinella had stopped teaching a long time ago. Technically, she wasn’t even an instructor but one of the business partners running this academy.

Quinella was famed for contemporary dance, in particular the physically demanding Street Jazz. It would not be an exaggeration to say that Quinella was one of the best Street **Jazz** dancers in the country. She was the perfect candidate to coach Eliana.

In the past, many aspiring learners wanted to sign up to be Quinella’s protégés for one-on-one coaching, but Quinella did not take in any of them. She once said that she would only take in three protégés in her life. Currently, she already had two protégés receiving her one-on-one coaching

The final protégé would only be **accepted** after the candidate passed **very stringent** selection criteria.

Quinella had only agreed to give Eliana some pointers about dancing. Whether this girl could qualify to become her protégé remained to be seen. After all, she **had** to test the girl’s aptitude.

After a while, Eliana **arrived at** the stipulated dance studio under the staff’s lead. “Ms. Leicester, Ms. Davis is here.”

When the staff opened the door and ushered Eliana in, three figures could be seen practicing in front of the full-height studio mirror. The one in the middle was Quinella. She cut a refined, **elegant**, and flamboyant figure despite dressing in an austere black leotard

Beside her were two short-haired girls in white dance leotards.

“Good day, Ms. Leicester!” Eliana called out politely.....

When all three figures turned around, Eliana realized with a start that the two short-haired girls beside Quinella were the Yardley sisters, Laroya

and Ramona

When Latoya and Ramona saw Eliana, their eyes almost popped out. They both exclaimed in unison, “Eliana Davis?”

Eliana was still shocked. “It’s you two!”

When Quinella **saw** their reactions, she asked in her gentle and mellow **voice**, “**Latoya**, Ramona, the two **of you** know her?”

Latoya replied. “Yes, Ms. Leicester. When we attended the league tournament previously, **she** represented the Isonstead University’s Tennis **Club**”

Ramonu asked **skeptically**, “Eliana, **are you** here to learn Street Jazz!”

Eliana recovered from her surprise quickly. “Yes, I am, I didn’t know **you** were **Ms. Leicester’s** proteges.

Ramona replied somewhat proudly, “That’s right”

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Quinella said. “Alright. **Since** you’re already here, don’t waste time. Eliana, if you want to learn Street Jazz, I can **give you** some pointers, b whether you can qualify to be my protégé is another matter.”

“Tunderstand” Eliana nodded.

“Now, show me some of your moves” Quinella gestured **for** Latoya **to restart** the music. Then the **three moved aside** and gave Eliana the floor.

Eliana did not hold back either. After the music started, die cexecuted hier dance **moves** with confidence.

The Yardley twins were genuinely surprised by Elana’s visit. Before she **showed** up, Latoya and **Ramona** only knew that the Coming wasa girl from the Davis family.

who was

The Davis family was a force to be reckoned with: **Generations** of business magnates in **Dratona** City hailed from this family. Furthermore, **the** Family in Dratona City was the direct lineage and not a branch family.

This news caused quite a commotion in

Dr **Davis** family recovered the daughter who had been taken away by mistake at birth. The history of Dratona City, and all kinds of rumors.

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The most widely spread rumor was **that** this daughter was so ugly and vulgar **that** she family did not hold a homecoming party for her and did not bring her out to attend

Latoya and Ramona had also believed such rumors before they met Eliana

presented in public. That was

was why the Davis

Before Eliana arrived, the twins were looking forward to meeting this “vulgar daughter of the **Davis** family. They even thought **that** it was wishful thinking on that daughter’s part for wanting to receive one-on-one coaching from Quinella.

girl Eliana was that recovered daughter of the Davis

However, now that all the pieces were in place, the twins were astounded to find out that this girl. family.

In what way was this girl “vulgar?” The person who spread the rumors must be brainless

Eliana broke out a few nifty technically **challenging** moves as the music neared its denouement. When the song ended, both **Latoya and Ramona** stood mesmerized. After a while, applause broke out,

“You are pretty good” The twins gushed excitedly.

Quinella was also very pleased with Eliana’s performance. As a professional **dancer**, she could see the shortcomings in Eliana’s routine. However, she was impressed with the elegance, the confidence, and the pizzazz Eliana injected into her dance. This was the most important consideration.

Thus, she expressed her approval too. "Not bad indeed. If this raw gem in front of her was polished well, it would definitely shine radiantly. There was no doubt that Quinella was very pleased with **Eliana's** ability.

"Alright, if you want to learn the Street Jazz dance, I will help you."

statement

"Thank you for agreeing to be my coach, Ms. Leicester, Oddly enough. Quinella did not **raise** any objections to Eliana's sta

Latoya **and** Ramona looked **at** each other. They knew that Quinella detested presumptuous youngsters who assured they were automatically Quinella's protégés just because she gave them a few pointers.

Since Quinella **did** not voice any objection to Eliana's assumption, did this mean that Eliana had a high chance of becoming Quinella's final

prolegr

After practicing in the **dance** studio for a long time, Eliana's grasp of the Street **Jazz** dance style **had** improved significantly under Quinella's coaching

Eliana **only** left the dance studio when it was almost dark. Latoya and Ramona also bid farewell to Quinella and left the **dance** studio.

"Hey! **Eliana!** Wait up" While carrying a **backpack**, **Ramona** trotted up to Eliana. "I didn't know you were the lost **daughter** of the Davis family that people were talking about a few months ago. Gosh, what a surprise!"

Eliana did not slow down. "What's wrong? Is it that surprising?"

Latoya said. "It just surprised that you look nothing like what the rumors described,"

What did the rumors say about my appearance?"

Ramona laughed and said, "**Rumor has** it that you were very ugly and vulgar, wild and uncultured. Because your parents weren't willing to **hold a** homecoming party for you, everyone claimed that the reason **was** you were ugly"

she was silent for a second. The truth was, she did not want Sebastian **Davis** and his wife Lucy to hold a homecoming party because she had just returned from Avragus and had not fully recovered from the injuries caused by the traffic accident. Besides, she did **not care** about these things, so she didn't mind going without such celebrations.

umors had spread like wildfire over a seemingly minor thing! “Now **that** you know, please help me debunk these rumors the rat tune you hear people spreading them, Eliana said wryly.

Ranua declared, “No problem

Latoya then said cautiously,  
“Elana, **Ms. Leicester** seems to **like you** very much. Maybe you can become her final protégé. In the future, we will have many chances to learn together”

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Of course, it’s good to get

Ms. Leicester’s approval. However, I don’t know whether I will get to be her final **protégé**. She hasn’t

Camiona looked her chance with a thoughtful expression “Based on my understanding of M. Leicester, there’s a high chance that she’ll **accept** you.

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“Forget it. Let’s not **talk** about this for now, Eliana, why do you want to learn Street **Jazz**?”

Eliana replied indifferently, I **have** to perform on stage for the university’s Fall Festival”

Isonstead University’s Fall Festival was quite famous. Many students from the other universities would also join in the fun and **catch** some of the performances.

Therefore, Latoya and Ransona knew about the dismal performance, or rather the lack of performance, of the tennis club every year.

Ramona roared with laughter. “Did you

your club send you

you on stage this year to embarrass yourself? **Hahahaha....**”

Latoya was much more circumspect than Ramona. She cleared her **throat** twice and interjected, “Under Ms. Leicester’s coaching, it’s impossible for anyone to go on stage and embarrass herself. She will no doubt win some award or something.”

At this juncture, Ramona sheepishly collected herself. “Oh, **that’s** true. Then your club is truly lucky to **have** you this year! Latoya and I will go and watch you perform. We’ll cheer for you and I’ll hold up a banner for you!”

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The Yardley twin sisters were quite decent characters. Eliana walked with them **all** the way to the street to wait for their respective family **cars**.

The Davis family’s car was already parked by the roadside. The driver got out and opened the door for Eliana.

Eliana nined to wave at Latoya and Ramona. Til make a move first. See you two tomorrow

Before the Fall Festival, Eliana had to practice dancing every day, an she would be spending a lot of time with these two sisters.

“See you tomorrow then!” The two twins **waved** goodbye enthusiastically,

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In the blink of an eye, more than **half** a month **had** passed.

were mnly seven days left to the Fall Festival

in the face and sweaty all over before stopping

On this afternoon, in Studio Euphoria, Eliana practiced until she was red in the face to perform in your school’s

Quinella nodded in satisfaction. “Not bad. Eli. You’ve improved very quickly. This level is more than enough for you to p program, but 1 think you can still do better”

As Ramona handed Eliana **a** towel for her to wipe her face. Eliana beamed happily. Thank you, Ms. Leicester.”

Quinella’s smile grew broader. After **spending more** than half **a month** with Eliana, Quinella grew more pleased with her. She felt that she had finally found her one-in-a-million final protégé

After some consideration, Quinella **suddenly said**, “Eli, do **you** want to be my protégé?”

When Latoya and Ramona heard what Quinella said, they were overjoyed

Pam and then were also gloating that they were proven right when they guessed that Eliana would be accepted as Quinella’s final protégé

in “Of course!”

Eliana was stunned for a moment. Then she broke into a wide grin. “Or

Quinella smiled. “Alright, from now on, **you’re** my **final** protégé

The process of becoming her protegee **was very** simple. It **was just a** simple oath-taking procedure without any ceremony. Quinella did not care about such niceties.

After Quinella left, Latoya and Ramona ran up excitedly. “Eli! I knew we could become **fellow** proteges. Haha!”

“That’s great. We definitely have to cheer for you during the Fall Festival now” Latoya grinned. Who would have thought that they would become fellow proteges with their opponent in the league tournament?

Today was Eliana’s **last** dance practice before the Fall Festival. **Since** the clubs would **have to start making** their conduct rehearsals starting tomorrow, Eliana would not have time to come here for practice anymore.

props and decorations **as** well as

After leaving the dance studio, the instructor and her three proteges went to a retro-themed restaurant nearby for a Quinella presenter Eliana **with a pearl** inlay bracelet gift in recognition of her protégé **status**.

for a meal.

During

in the **meal**.

The next **day**, Eliana was preparing the backdrop and props with the tennis club members when they bumped into the dance club members.

Everyone from the tennis club was holding flashy retro-themed props like neon signs **from** the **1950s**.

Meanwhile, the dance club members were all holding modern punk– style props. It seemed like they were probably going to do **some** cyberpunk

When the two sides crossed each other’s path while doing **up** the backdrops, they invariably squared off aggressively though **no** altercation **took**

but surprisingly.

dance club members saw the retro– themed props the tennis club members **were** putting up

When they

they went back, they rated

her

a group as going to do the Street Jazz dance” Natalia **narrowed** her eyes.

It is a difficult dance. Can she pull it off?

She is probably forced to do it. After all, Street Jazz can be very **impressive** if it includes more eclectic elements. It’s very suitable for winning

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“Tsk! What’s the use of making a few flashy moves? The overall integrity of the program is the most important. I bet that Eliana won’t be able to pull this dance style off?”

Natalia closed her eyes in deep thought. “Street Jazz is a very challenging style **that** combines both dance and music. Unless she **has** a **good** foundation in both aspects, she won’t be able to perform it well”

Willow Garcia quickly stood up and said. “As far as I know, she only learned ballet for two years when she was young before switching to learning piano. She does not **have** a good foundation in either arts, and most definitely does not know how to dance Street Jazz”

Yulila Laine

glared. “Isn’t it blatantly obvious? Eliana Davis is being forced to make good on her own boast!”

After listening to Willow, **Natalia** felt much more at ease

Although Street Jazz was challenging to perform, it was also very stylish and wildly **popular** in musical productions.

The dance club's choice of a cyberpunk **dance** was **more aligned** with the tastes of young people nowadays. It was completely different from the 1950s retro theme that Street Jazz typically used which played up elements of three-piece suits with bowler hats and flamboyant cars like the Cadillac. If Eliana could really dance well and coupled with the novelty factor, it **was** not impossible for her to **defeat** a big group of dance club

members by herself.

not worried

However, Willow had said that Eliana didn't know Street **Jazz** at **all**, so **Natalia was** not

Natalia knew very well that it was impossible for Eliana to turn into a good dancer within such a short time.

However, the dance club did **not know** that Eliana **had** already taught herself Street Jazz in her previous life. **And what** she learned then was already good enough

In this life, under Quinella's one-on-one coaching, although **Eliana's** Street Jazz had yet to reach the pinnacle, laymen would not be able to tell the difference

How many of those people sitting amongst the audience **watching** the Fall Festival were dance experts!

Everyone was just here to watch something exciting. Therefore, **Eliana's dancing** skills were more **than** enough.

It was not a given that the **dance** club would win. After all, the team that **could** produce the **most** stylish performance with the **best** props and hype up the mood the most would be the winner.

"But what if Eliana found a teacher to **learn from**?" someone asked doubtfully.

Yulila retorted, "**How** can she learn so quickly! She's only a human, not a machine. She **can't** simply become proficient overnight!"

Naulu countered softly. That's not necessarily true. If Eliana **can** find a very professional instructor to fast-track her learning, even if she **can't** leap frog to the best level, she **can** still put up a decent performance if she can pick things up fast

Yulila was puzzled. “Natalia, does such an instructor even exist?”

Natalia continued, “Quincila Leicester is widely accepted as the best Street Jazz dance instructor in the country, but she stopped teaching long ago, There’s no way for Eliana to learn from this instructor.

Yulila chuckled. “In that case, wouldn’t **Eliana** be embarrassing herself if **she** still performed on stage? Halu....?”

Everyone in the dance club burst into derisive laughter. Even Willow also covered her mouth **and** laughed. ‘Eliana, Eliana, **looks like** you’re going to be thoroughly humiliated this tune!

After putting away the completed props, the tennis club members returned to the tennis club hall.

They had never seen Eliana dance before and did not know if Eliana knew how to dance, yet they had full confidence in her. The members contributed money and effort. They were the ones who paid for the stage props and backdrop.

ly chrome

The difference between authentic props versus cheap knockoffs **was starkly visible**. In particular, the flashing neon lights and the sparkly coatings on cans with prominent taillights presented a rich and dazzling visual feast

was even a **voting**

re rich, so they bought **best**. Their ardent support for Eliana was visible in every detail.

Festival approached, the university

university forum published the program list submitted by the various clubs. There was even one for the “Most Longest Anticipated Program”

The dance clubs were presenting “3000” which was a

was a futuristic

cyberpunk–style program The tennis club was presenting “Sheri Jazz Razzmatazz”

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The two clubs were pushing two different styles from two different eras.

In the past, everyone always looked forward to the dance club's program, so the dance club got most of the votes for the "Most Eagerly Anticipated. Program" contest

However, this ve

s year, the tennis club uncharacteristically joined the fray with a worthy program, much to the **dance** club's consternation.

As a result, many people voted for the tennis club. In just one afternoon of voting, the tennis club was on par with the dance club. When the voting ended, the tennis club's votes far exceeded the dance club's by almost 3,000.

When the dance club members **saw** the voting result, they sneered, "The greater the anticipation, the greater the disappointment! Do those baboons in the tennis club even know **what** dancing is!"

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The popularity of the program voting **also** affected the voting for Eliana on the school belle rankings.

**As** everyone was looking forward to see what kind of program Eliana would present, many people **also** looked up the school belle voting and voted:

for Eliana

Willow Garcia, who was occupying the top position at present, was soon displaced by Eliana **Davis** by nighttime.

Willow

was constantly monitoring the voting on the school belle rankings. When she realized **that** Eliana had overtaken her, she was furious. She immediately contacted someone to do some vote rigging so that she could regain her top spot. She had to ensure that Eliana couldn't win.

Previously, only a small number of votes was involved in Willow's vote rigging and so the discrepancy was not **easy** to detect

This time. Willow was too anxious. The sudden big increase in the votes for her attracted the attention of many people. It not only caught the attention of the organizers but also the other participants on the school belle rankings.

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On **an** afternoon three **days** before the Fall Festival, in the corridor of one school building....

Of all the people on the campus Eliana could have crossed paths with, it had to be her bitter enemies Yulila Laine and the rest of the dance club members.

Initially, they could have just passed by each other, but those dance club members deliberately blocked Eliana's way.

If Eliana went left, they would go left. If Eliana went right, they would **also go** right. It **was a** classic **case** of **looking** for **trouble**.

On the other end of the corridor, Roman Scott had just returned **from** conducting dorm room checks with a few members of the student council. They happened to see Eliana being harassed by Yulila.

Roman narrowed his eyes and his face turned ominous.

"Eliana, don't get complacent just because you **have** more votes. You're nowhere **near** our caliber."

The campus clock tower rang at this moment. Eliana gazed at Yulila calmly with a textbook in her arms. A smile slowly crept across her **face**. "So **you** think you are pretty capable?"

Yulila glared back. "Even if I'm not **capable**, I'm still better than you. You'd better leave Landon Mitchell. Otherwise, don't blame us for not warning you?"

Lana taunted, "What if I refuse?"

Yulila was so angry that she burst out laughing instead. "Eliana, there's no point in talking big. If bragging **is useful**, the world will be full of millionaires. This society values power and wealth. Our club president's family is rich and powerful, and her family member is also on the university's board of directors. If you don't leave Landon, the only outcome waiting for you is expulsion from the university. If you don't believe me, just wait and see."

Eliana raised an eyebrow. "Ouh, **expulsion** from the university. I'm so scared. You may have better luck if you go and warn Landon to stay away."

Eliana and Landon were just platonic friends. **Yulila's** actions implied that the dance club members were unable to **lay a** finger on Landon and that was why she resorted to threatening Eliana instead.

Unfortunately, Eliana was not **afraid** of Yulila **at** all.

Huana tried to leave again but Yulila moved to laluck her again. "You're just a substitute girlfriend for our president, yet you're still so happy. How

Eliana per a scornful laugh. "Prit You, on the other hand, can't be a sulastitute even if yo

you want to. Why do you care so much about who Landon is

Cunknown if Llana bad but the nail on the head but Yulila was furious. She then tried to **slape** Eliana.

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Yulila's **face**

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Yulila held her cheek and glared at **Eliana** in shock and anger. "You!"

Eliana

mavaged her wrist **as** the gave a stern warning "There's a limit to my patience. You dan ce club members are as annoying as flies. You think you can simply slap anyone you lik e? Next time, tell Natalia Jewell to come at me in person. Let her tee for herself whether she will get slapped just like you!"

Natalia failed to slap her in the cafeteria last time. Likewise, Yulis failed to slap her in the corridor this time.

If these girls thought she was some pushover whom they could bully at will, they were g rossly mistaken

Some of the dance club members turned to Roman. They immediately clamored, "Rom an, you saw it just now, right? Eliana hat someone! Her behavior is abhorrent! The univ ersity must deduct her credits"

Her parents must be notified too!

"That's right" another one chimed in

Roman released **Yulila's** arm and **said** softly to **Eliana**, "Go for **your class** first."

Eliana stalked off without a

word

Disgruntled voices from the dance club members rose up at once. "Roman, you can't cover up for Eliana **Davis** like this! She hit someone just now?"

Roman's voice was emotionless. "She was just defending herself."

After saying that, he turned to look at the student council members behind him. "Did any of you see me covering up for **Eliana Davis**?"

No, Roman"

"Me neither" Various voices gave out similar replies.

The dance club members were totally floored. The whole student council was covering up for her!

The night before the Fall Festival, Lucy

**Davis gave**

Eliana a very eye-popping costume typically seen in lavish musical productions

The three-piece suit in the black gift box was folded neatly below a full set **of** accessories **and** a bowler hat. **At a glance, one's** eyes were irresistibly drawn to the glittering lapel brooch,

so stunning. The diamond inlay is so sparkly!" Eluna gasped.

Lucy was very happy to see that Eliana liked it

"Eliana, this is the costume I wore in my youth. You're the same size as I **was** when I was young. **Go and try** it on."

was a three-piece tailcoat tuxedo for female dancers. It was the costume Lucy wore in her **role** in the famed "Over the Top" musical

This dancers costume was a bespoke piece made of the finest Vicuna fabric. More importantly, the lapel brooches and **chain brooches** were hand-crafted with real silver and authentic diamonds. Just the bowler hat alone took eight weeks to complete.

The style would not be outdated even after another 30 **years** due to the addition of a naughty element. Instead of the **usual** long pants, the suit carried with hot pants and fishnet leggings, adding **a** dash of timeless sensuality

After Lury's performance, the film history museum wanted her to donate the costume to the **museum** but she turned them **down**.

Now, Lury had brought out this costume that was worthy of being displayed in a museum for Eliana to wear for a mere school musical production

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Eliana put on the costume and re-emerged. She then paraded herself in front of everyone.

Other Owen immediately voiced their approval with loud applause.

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Back then, when Lucy **was** acting in musicals, every member of the audience was her fan. At the... she was wildly popular in the world of musicals. Even now, Lucy's status was unshakable

However, **as** she got older, she could not help but feel nostalgic for the past. “You look so beautiful Eliana!”

Ehana skipped up to hug Lucy. “Thank you, Mom!”

“It’s such a waste to let this costume sit in the storeroom. It’s more valuable when worn by somebody, and in particular, you. Eliana, you’ll definitely win the festival contest! I will wait for your good news”

“You bet!” **Eliana** declared confidently.

The next day, after the morning classes ended, the stage preparations started at two o’clock and the Fall Festival was scheduled to start at seven in the evening

At seven sharps, the gates of Isonstead University were thrown open and the public swarmed.

The reception area was extremely lively. Stella rushed to the backstage when she saw the crowd. Wow! There are so many people outside. Ell. **This** is so epic! No wonder everyone **says** the Fall Festival is the festival of the year?”

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At this p

point. Eliana was doing up her stage makeup

When she saw Stella stumbling in excitedly, she smiled. “The organizer has been hyping up this event so vigorously. It’s not surprising to get so many people:

Stella stared at Eliana in the mirror and her jaw dropped slightly. “Oh my god..

At this moment. Eliana had completed her stage makeup. The strongly pigmented heavy makeup accentuated every feature of her natural beauty to perfection. Stella was spellbound at this sight.

She kept **gazing** at Eliana with a star-struck expression. “Eli you’re too beautiful, Oh my god, you look like some classical painting when you’re motionless. And the suit you’re wearing. Oh my god, why is it so alluring! The gems on this brooch are so realistic and beautiful..”

Stella assumed that the costume Eliana was wearing was just a knockoff, not realizing that it was a bespoke piece. The gems on the lapel brooch were real diamonds and they were priceless. **Eliana** was practically a walking showcase for a jewelry store..

Eliana explained. "My mom gave me this costume. It's gorgeous, isn't it? I love it too.

Stella clasped her hand in fervent adulation. "Your mom must be drop-dead gorgeous too!

I can't even imagine what kind of storm **you** will stir up when you **walk onto** the stage later. The audience will definitely be bowled over! Your costume is really too stunning and alluring

As she spoke, the other members of the tennis club walked in, chatting and laughing **noisily**. "There are so many people outside. Why do I feel that there are more people than in previous years?"

"Yeah, this year's attendees... Fuck!" Mid-sentence, the guys caught sight of Eliana at the makeup table.

"Eliana" You are so gorgeous! The whole group stood rooted to the ground with the same astonished expression that Stella displayed earlier.

Sella giggled cheekily. "See? I knew it. When **you walk** out later, the **audience will also have** the same reaction as these guys."

After the initial shock, the tennis club members crowd around Eliana in awe and wonder

Under normal circumstances, Eliana did not **dress** up much. She was always **wearing casual** sportswear, and when she was having tennis practices, she would be wearing the appropriate tennis court attire. Unlike Willow **Garcia**, she did not try to stand out from the crowd.

The tennis club members were used to **seeing** Eliana without makeup. Although she **was** also very beautiful without makeup, she looked downright

The current Eliana was **so** beautiful that she seemed **ethereal** and unattainable. It **was** not an understatement to say that **she** was a peerless beauty who only appeared once **in** a thousand years.

Stella mocked the members who were still ogling non-stop. "Stop staring. Quickly go to **the props** section to see if the props **are ready**. Don't delay

stage performance latest"

"Okay" our guy muttered grudgingly

Tiu really looking forward to watching ‘**Street** Jazz Razzinatazz **later**. The dancer and pr ops are already top– notch. I want to see who is blind enough to not vote for Eliana!” another guy proclaimed boldly

She doesn’t even need to date. I think we can still win if our Eliana simply **does a** quick **catwalk** show out there?”

Everyone chatted oootly as they proceeded to the props sectio

ella pulled a stool and sat in front of Eliana, staring at Eliana’s stage makeup up close li ke a fangirl. At such close quarters, the flawlessness of her

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chmal adjustment to the bowler hat on her head, a shout of panic suddenly rang out fro m behind. “Argh!”

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dadand back with horrified raperssions and wailed, “We’re done for Our props that are s tored behind are all **soaked** through! They

did this happear Stella quickly daslar to the back for a look.

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Sure enough, the retro– themed props that they had painstakingly prepared a few days ago wei water while othe rs were smashed.

It was **clear** that some people had deliberately **damaged** the

props.

ord. Some were soaked through with

Stella clenched her fists and yelled furiously, “Who did it? They are simply too vicious! H ow are we supposed to perform like this? How is Eliana going to dance without stage pr opi?”

Eliana came out with her walking stick prop and joined the group. When she saw the mess on the ground, her eyes turned icy.

“It must be those people from the dance club! Who else would do this?” Stella immediately jumped to one conclusion:

They have gone too far. How can they stoop so low?” one guy growled.

“They must be worried that we will surpass them so they resorted to such underhanded tricks. We can’t let them off lightly! Let’s go and look for the Outreach Department now. We must get them to investigate this matter thoroughly!” another one piped up.

“Yeah” The **tennis** club members **had no** evidence, yet the first suspect that came to everyone’s mind was the dance club

Eliana searched the ground carefully. Suddenly, she saw **something** glinting in one obscure corner. She walked toward that spot and picked up the item, which was a crystal stud earring. She examined it carefully and found that the stud earring looked familiar.

After pondering for a while, a figure suddenly popped into her mind, However, as she was not sure whether that figure was the right person, Eliana simply put away the stud earring for now.

At this moment, Stella approached her. “Eli, what’s wrong?”

Eliana showed her the stud earring. “I found this on the ground.”

Stella frowned at once. “Willow Garcia wears this, doesn’t she? I remember she even took it out to

show off during

boot camp

No one was allowed to wear accessories during the boot camp. Willow **had** sauntered around leisurely when there was no activity, wearing those pink crystal stud earrings against regulation. The glinting stones were especially **eye-catching**, **so** Stella remembered them well

“Could it be that Willow Garcia came here and destroyed our props?” Stella speculated.

“I’m not sure yet” Eliana frowned slightly.

Stella growled. The upper–  
year seniors are going to the Outreach Department. We can't let the culprit off so easily!  
”

The Outreach Department was in charge of organizing the Fall Festival.

Now  
that the props were destroyed, it was impossible to find identical replacements at the last minute. The tennis club members **had** to contact the department to discuss a solution.

After a while, Cameron Wright and his three buddies rushed to the backstage area after learning that the props had been destroyed. The first person they saw was in her alluring costume, and all their jaws dropped.

Thomas Davis gasped. “**Damn**, Eliana! **Your** outfit is amazing. Did your mom **pass** it to you? **It** looks like her old costume.”

**Landon** Mitchell murmured distractedly. “So **beautiful**..”

Adam Hall nodded his approval. “It's quite good indeed. The diamonds on the lapel brooch are real. This whole **set is** worth a lot!”

The Hall family was in the gemstone business. He could tell the authenticity of gemstones with **his** naked eye.

Cameron's eyes were **also** filled with amazement. Very beautiful.”

Elana siniled faintly. “What's the use of being beautiful! The props are destroyed. I may not be able to **proceed** with the **performance** anymore?”

Thomas cursed and swore. “Which asshole came and destroyed our props!”

Landon calmed himself down. I've already contacted the Outreach Department. Our program is scheduled right at the end. I don't **think** there are

any other options so we can only think of another way

For the sake of the program, Elana

prepared for so long. She **had** put in the most effort.

Her stage makeup and costume were ready. She was only one step away **from** presenting

the program. Who would **have** thought that the seniors would sabotage their program, she was unable to go on stage to perform.

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Eliana naturally wanted **to** proceed with the program since she did not want her hard work **to** go to waste. She **didn't** care about winning. She just wanted to prove to herself she could pull it off.

Cameron suddenly spoke up. "Since our program is the last one, there's still time to get replacement props."

Adam chimed in **too**, "Mm-hmm. I can also get people to borrow some of those retro-themed props."

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"Really? That's great. Although the props gathered by the club members were not bad, the items Adam could borrow through his **connections** were genuine professional musical props, which were infinitely better."

Landon checked the time. There are still two hours until our program. Let's hurry!").

Adam nodded and sprang into action. After a number of phone calls, they were ready to drive **to** the various theaters to pick up the borrowed props.

Everyone **was** furious that their props **wi**

were sabotaged. However, when they **found** out that Adam was able to borrow **professional** musical props, everyone's mood brightened.

"That's great. As long **as** we can get new props, we can set them up.

again. One member looked hopeful.

"That's right! United we stand" Another member pumped **his** fist **defiantly**.

"We've already sent our feedback to the Outreach Department. **They said that** they will definitely investigate thoroughly"

Meanwhile, at the dance clubs backstage,

ge, the participants 4

of the program were all putting on stage makeup.

At this moment, a dance club member ran in from outside and reported happily, “Good news. The props of the tennis club have been destroyed. It’s very likely that they won’t be able to perform on stage”

“Huh Their props are destroyed?”

“Serves them right for being so arrogant all the time. Tsk! This is their comeuppance One member gloated.

“Although they deserve this, I have to say that it is **really** sickening **that** their props are destroyed at this juncture.”

“Aren’t they **using** some retro-themed backdrop and props. Such items are probably hard to gather at such short notice. Let’s see how long they can hang on before giving up.” Another **girl** gave a sneer.

“Looks like we are going to win the contest

Willow Garcia **was** sitting in front of the mirror and putting on her stage **makeup**. When she heard everyone **discussing** animatedly, she lowered her head slightly and smiled.

Then she turned to Yulila Laine who was sitting beside her. The two of them exchanged knowing looks, and a trace of gleefulness flashed across

Yulila then turned to **Natalia Jewell** and said, “**Natalia**, it seems that the **stars** are aligned for us this time. The next time we bump into Eliana Davis, let’s see how arrogant she is. Let those tennis club members **bow** their heads in shame whenever they meet our dance club members **in** the future!”

Natalia continued to put on her stage makeup. She was not **as** happy **as** the rest. Instead, she mumbled, “Actually, I want to see how good her Street

like the other members, Natalia **was** genuinely interested to see Lluna **dance**.

As a dancer herself, she **was more** interested in the dance **even** though their club’s ranking was also very important

Nonetheless, she **was** very confident that she would not lose to Eliana. Therefore, she hoped that she could win Eliana fair and square on stage Instead of relying on these dirty tricks.

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When this thought pepped into mind. Natalia turned **to** look intently at the dance clubs members. “**You** girls tennis club, did your

Everyone was startled and quickly protested their innocence. “How could we do that? **Natalia**, we would never do such a thing

That’s right. Thus hand of tang is too underlunded. Besides, we’re archenemies with the **tennis** clubs. If their props are destroyed, they’ll definitely Hasjert us immediately. We will never do such a thing” Our girl pouted sullenly.

“Natalia, for all you know, they may be suspecting us now. Another girl voiced her worry .

**datalia** boword diglatly. The tennis club and the dance club were on such bad terms tha t it was impossible for the other party not to suspect the

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Since her club members had already declared their innocence, Natalia was relieved. She conti

However, she did **not** notice Yulila and Willow’s strained expressions.

in her stage makeup.

It took about an hour for that large fleet of vehicles to transport everything back to the university

The moment the various props were revealed, everyone exclaimed in wonder. “They look amazing!”

Indeed, stage props used in professional musical productions were in a league of their own, unlike those used in school musicals. Many of them were coveted collectibles after the musicals ended their run. Thankfully, many of the props had not been auctioned off yet

Everyone was trying to **imagine** how their own incredible beauty would look dancing among these breathtaking props...

**Stella** put her **hands** on her hips and hollered. “Everyone, don’t just stand there. Quickly assemble them. We’re running out of time!”

“Alright!” Everyone was full of energy. They divided the work and began to work **furious ly**. **In fact**, they raced through the last **half an** their lives depended on it

Meanwhile, the dance club was already preparing to go on stage.

The tennis club’s “Street Jazz Razzmatazz” was the last **program while** the dance club’s program was just before the tennis club’s.

hour as if

In the audience area, Latoya Yardley and her younger sister Ramona had arrived very early and found **seats** with the best view. They were **eating** snacks while getting their phones ready to film the performance.

The two sisters came on their own. To **their** surprise, after they arrived, they realized **that** many students from the Sports Institute were also present. Even Wallace Quandt showed up.

In fact, so many students from the Sports Institute showed up that they occupied one entire row of seats, Ramona grabbed **a** seat beside Wallace and asked, “**Wallace**, why are you here to watch the Fall Festival? I didn’t hear that you were coming.”

**Wallace** replied curtly, “I didn’t say I wouldn’t come.”

Isonstead University’s forum **was** open to the public. Anyone could view the voting results for the various programs to be performed during the Fall Festival. It so happened that “Street Jazz Razzmatazz” in which Eliana would be performing **was** the top-voted program

Wallace’s interest was **piqued**, so he decided to attend the festival to watch Eliana’s program.

Latoya mumbled, “Everyone is probably here to watch Street Jazz Razzmatazz” and “30 10”

Our student from the Sports Institute nodded. “Yeah, you girls 100? In the **past**, only the dance club’s program was interesting. I didn’t expect the tennis club to put up something this year. I remembered that poetry recital by the tennis club in the **past**. I almost laughed until my **stomach** hurt

“By the way, which club do **you** think will win this year?”

Ramona scoffed. “Eli’s Street Jazz Razzmatazz, of course!”

“**Who** Why are you addressing her ‘El all of a **sudden** When did your relationship with her **become** so good?”

**Ramona** and Latoya exchanged looks and then said in unison, “She **has** joined us as one of the **proteges** now!”

“What?” The **students** around the **twins** were shocked. Even Wallace **was** visibly stunned.

“One of the protegrat

Kamona elaborated further, “That’s right. Eli is now the final protege **taken** in by our dance **instructor**.”

Many student the Sports Institute knew that Latoya and Ramona learned how to **dance** from a young age. Their instructor **was** none other than the famed contemporary dance instructor, Quinella Leicester.

Her word to be one of the top **dancers** in the whole of Monorail. If what these twins said was true **and** Eliana truly learned Street jazz from Quinella, then this program would be very interesting **More than** that, it would be very exciting!

“Then I’m really looking forward to the students that Ms. Leicester **taught** are bound to be extraordinary!”

Ramona replied **proudly**, ‘Of course! Just wait and see. She will bowl all of you over!’

As they chatted, the host on stage announced the second last program.

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“Next, let’s invite the members of the dance club to **present** the funk dance titled 3010! Everyone, please welcome them! The audience applauded. enthusiastically

The lights were dimmed. When the curtain slowly rose again, nine dancers were already on the stage, with Natalia standing in the center position.

They were all wearing the same dance costume. As the electronic music began playing, their bodies started moving like robots with clockwork precision

Ramona took a sip of milkshake and clicked her tongue. “So it’s a funk dance, No doubt it’s quite cool but compared to Eli’s Street **Jazz**. I don’t **think** it’s that great...