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Melissa's eyes showed disgust when she saw how Arielle looked at her.

However, she sensed that Arielle was acting oddly today. She was much more composed today than she had been a few days before when she had experienced anxiety and fear.

Was Arielle acting it out?

Melissa raised her brows and said bluntly, "I'm not accepting patients now since I'm already off duty. Please leave my office."

Emily was furious at how she was acting.

She had never lost face with Melissa since marrying into the Sherman family. However, Melissa treated her spitefully, although she was being polite.

Emily felt Melissa had overstepped her bounds.

She sneered and stormed out because she was so furious.

Arielle looked up at Everett instead of rushing to go after her mother.

"Everett, it has been a while since I last saw you. Can you drop by later and see me?"

"I'm quite busy," Everett said flatly. "You can go now."

"Everett..." Arielle pleaded once more.

She couldn't embarrass herself now that Melissa was still around.

"Everett, you promised me. We..." Arielle said as she moved closer to him and looked up at him with pleading eyes.

"It's no longer relevant." Everett cut her off.

Arielle's face went pallid at his remarks.

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She smiled as a sense of bitterness and killing desire surged uncontrollably from the depths of her soul. However, she suppressed her emotions.

"I'll go first because you're clearly upset. Let's discuss it when you're feeling up to it already."

She then furiously made her way out.

Finally, the charade was over.

Melissa stretched out on the chair and glanced at the food Everett had offered her.

"Did your mom ask you to give this to me?"

"Yes." Everett pulled up a chair and sat down. "It just so happened that I passed by here."

As he talked, he removed the lunch box's lid, and the food's aroma floated out.

There was a pork chop, stir-fried cauliflower, and soup.

All the dishes were Melissa's favorites.

She was starving and eager to dig in. Suddenly, she realized that Everett was still around.

"How come you're still here?" Melissa asked.

"I also haven't eaten."

Everett took out a fork and got ready to eat.

"Stop!"

Melissa instantly stopped him and snatched back the fork as she thought about Leilany, who had just run out enthusiastically.

"Go get yourself something to eat. I'm not sharing my meal with you."

Everett looked at her helplessly after being taken aback by her actions.

He pursed his lips and carefully got to his feet.

"My family sent me away so I could bring you food, but you're also forbidding me to dine with you. I have no place in this family."

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Then he let out another heavy sigh. He was the Mayfield Group's CEO, but it was hard for him to find a place to eat.

People in Andeport would make fun of him if the story got out.

Melissa started feeling sorry for him and decided to invite him to eat.

The sound of someone gushing from outside interrupted her before she could speak.

"Wow! Melly, I think I just caught a whiff of the food."

Leilany walked through the door the second she was done talking.

She immediately stopped smiling when she saw two people staring at her. She turned back, embarrassed, and prepared to leave.

"I'm sorry. I'll..."

"Leilany!" Melissa said quickly, "Come here. He was only dropping off something."