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"You know this dog?" Oliver asked in surprise.

Bucky wagged its tail enthusiastically after con rming that Oliver was a good person .

"Yeah, Yvonne introduced me to it before, "Jeremy replied.

They were watching them . curiously .

Just then , Jeremy noticed a few tiny heads peeking out from the doghouse behind Bucky .

The puppies had been too scared to come out earlier because Bucky had been barking so ercely .

But now that they felt safe , they all scrambled out , looking adorable .

" Oh , she had puppies! No wonder she was so aggressive just now , " Oliver said .

Mother dogs were naturally protective of their babies . Now that Oliver understood , it

made sense . There were seven puppies in total , all round and chubby , like little stuffed animals - too cute for words .

The tiny pups were friendly , snif ng around the two of them before eagerly nudging their hands.

Their soft little whimpers melted hearts instantly . "They're adorable, "Oliver said, unable to resist picking one up.

" When my dad and I went to pick up Yvonne, Ms. Harrison told us that once the puppies were weaned, they'd give one to our family," Jeremy said proudly, as if these weren't just mutts but some rare, expensive breed.

Oliver felt a twinge of envy, though he didn't say it outright. It was written all over him. He wanted a puppy too .

But considering the ongoing tension between his family and Dani , Dani de nitely wouldn't be sending one their way .

The two of them played with the dogs for a while . When it was nearly dinnertime and Dani

still hadn't returned , they decided to leave .

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two go?"

Marian used to stay.

Nina's head snapped up in surprise.

closely as panic and fear

something else .

picks theirs up , we'll go too . "

cute .

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The driver dropped Oliver off

As soon as Oliver stepped inside , he saw Marian curled up in Nina's arms . The two of them looked as close as a real mother and daughter .

rst before taking Jeremy home .

" You're back?

" Nina smiled when she saw him . " The driver said you were with Jeremy . Where did you

Despite the incident last time between Yvonne and Marian , that was their problem . Nina

still hoped Oliver could stay on good terms with the Adlers , so she didn't interfere much .

Oliver handed his uniform to one of the maids and sat down across from Marian , speaking

in an almost offhand manner . " Nowhere special , just stopped by the orphanage where

' So Jeremy's right . She lied , Oliver thought . A strange sense of relief settled over him . He no longer cared to dwell on Marian's reaction and instead turned to Nina , bringing up

Oliver continued, " Mom, I saw some puppies at the orphanage today. They were really

Jeremy's family is getting one , and I'd like to have one too . "

Oliver nodded, his smile more genuine this time.

Mothers are just trying to protect their babies .

But Marian was still insistent . She shook her head more

And it's ugly - it's just a mutt . Can't we get a prettier dog instead?"

always barked at the kids , so they tied it up outside .

gradually stopped pretending to be a clueless little girl .

know what a mutt is?"

her mistake .

Oliver had said it deliberately . After speaking , he locked eyes with Marian , watching

ickered across her face.

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Nina hesitated for a moment , then smiled warmly . " Of course ! When Jeremy's family

Oliver glanced at Marian , whose eyes were darting away nervously . He replied , " No.

Bucky is friendly. It only barked at us earlier because it was protecting its puppies.

Hearing this, Nina found herself liking the dog even more. She said, "That makes sense.

Before the conversation could continue, Marian tugged on Nina's hand suddenly, shaking

her head frantically . " No , Mom ! That dog is mean - it always barked at us ! "

" Hm?" Nina looked at Oliver in surprise. " Is that true, Oliver?

Nina hesitated. On one side was her newly adopted daughter; on the other was her son. No matter what she chose , one of them would be upset .

Oliver tilted his head , watching Marian with a half - smile . " Wow , Marian . You even

Marian's heart skipped a beat . She had grown comfortable in the Yates family and had

Speaking like an adult felt more natural . But now , Oliver's comment made Marian realize

Her expression stiffened for a second . Noticing everyone's eyes on her , Marian clenched

" All right , let's not talk about this now ," Nina said , smoothing things over . " Oliver , go

her hands tightly and stammered, "I-I just heard someone say it before ..."

Oliver's smile deepened, unreadable. He didn't say anything else.

Oliver nodded and headed upstairs . Marian watched his retreating

call your brother down . It's time for dinner .

pressed into a tight line.

The once - empty house

but to the Adler family , they were a huge deal .

get to see this kind of carefree smile again .

" What's so funny?

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her room .

was hit with a strong

" When did you start growing

jasmine she'd given to Charles .

talent for growing

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Thinking this , Jeremy couldn't help but chuckle .

"Nothing . Just laughing for no reason," Jeremy said.

oral scent .

immediately, where several potted plants caught his attention.

Jeremy walked closer , looking at the three pots of

owers."

Blorence City, there was already noticeable progress.

relaxed.

er

rmly . " No , Mom ! That dog

gure subtly, her lips

Nina had a strange feeling , but when she glanced down and saw Marian's eyes turning red , that small suspicion faded quickly ,

daddy, they had truly begun to feel like one. Even better, Charles's condition was improving, little by little. The changes were small,

Back in Strate City , ten years of effort had led nowhere . Yet , in less than six months in

Yvonne didn't really understand why everyone was so happy, but seeing them smile made

her happy too . She beame soft cheeks forming dimples that made her look even cuter .

Jeremy couldn't help himself - he reached out and poked her cheek . He thought , ' Once

school starts in a few days , she'll be dealing with the harsh reality of classes . I doubt I'll

nally felt warm . Ever since Yvonne had started calling Kelvin

Compared to the Yates family , the atmosphere at the Adlers ' home was much more

" Yvonne tilted her head , confused . 1

Yvonne's expression grew even more puzzled . After dinner , Jeremy followed Yvonne to

It had been a few days since Jeremy had been here, and the moment he stepped inside, he

"Whoa, it smells amazing in here, "Jeremy said, his gaze landing on the small balcony

Yvonne followed behind him , her voice soft . " Reena took me out to buy them ."

owers?" Jeremy asked.

owers that were so vibrant they almost

owers this strong before ." looked fake . " I've never smelled With that , Jeremy thought back to the owers Yvonne had brought to school and the

ower that came from her room was impossibly beautiful and fragrant .

Jeremy couldn't help but shake his head in amazement . " Yvonne , you've seriously got a