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Chapter 361 Richard stormed into the room , eager to witness the scene for himself .

He hadnt even knocked , just baryony in with his 11 And sure enough , the show was in full swing The moment the door creaked open , Jeremys gaze snapped to it , his heart pounding with the hope that it was Vic returning , to rescue him from the inevitable .

But when he saw the face that entered , his heart sank .

It was Richard .

Jeremy thought , I thought it was Vic , back to rescue me ... but its just Richards face ! The light in Jeremys eyes flickered instantly , replaced by a familiar , crushing emptiness .

Jeremy thought , Of course , Richard wont save me .

Hes probably just here to watch the show , And Richards the one who uses Yvones powers to fish , lure birds

Hes taken it way further than I ever did .

No wonder Im so bold , I mustve gotten the idea from Richards antics ! Jeremy paused , a sudden thought flashing in his mind .

He thought , Wait a minute ! Richards been using Yvones abilities for his amusement , too .

If anyones getting scolded , he should be part of it .

Richard continued to chuckle and toss out sarcastic remarks , completely oblivious that he , too , would soon feel the heat of the situation .

Ah , Jeremy , what did you do this time to upset Kelvin ? Richard walked in , pacing around them , his eyes lingering on Jeremys expression of utter despair .

The amusement was almost too much for him to contain , and it was evident on his face -he was barely holding back a grin .

Kelvin remained silent , Richards gaze settling on Jeremy with a hint of malicious amusement .

Jeremy , what did you do this time ? Look at how upset Kelvin is .

Do you even realize what youve done wrong ? I know , Jeremy muttered , gritting his teeth to hide his frustration .

Hearing the response , Richard was visibly pleased , nodding in approval .

Richard thought , Great , now this mischievous Jeremy constantly tries to steal Yvonne from me ! But after a moment of enjoyment , curiosity started to bubble up .

What exactly had happened to make things so tense between Kelvin and Jeremy ? The air between them felt unusually cold , which he hadnt seen in a long time .

It seemed like Jeremy had messed up this time .

He moved closer to Kelvin , curiosity shining in his eyes as he asked again , So , what did Jeremy do this time ? Kelvin glanced up briefly , his tone cold .

He crossed the line .

He used Yvannes abilities to attract swans for fun .

Richard thought , Attracting swans ? Yeah , that was pretty excessive ! But soon , a wave of familiarity washed over him , leaving him momentarily stunned .

There was that sharp , resentful look again Jeremys eyes fixed on him with an intensity that demanded attention .

Richard raised his gaze , and sure enough , there it was Jeremy staring at him , his emotions impossible to hide .

Richard thought , Using Yvannes superpower to attract swans ... wait , didnt I do something similar ? A chill ran down his back as he discreetly glanced at Kelvins cold expression .

The playful mood hed had earlier vanished instantly , replaced by an undeniable unease .

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1/3 19:59 Tue , 15 Apr Chapter 361 Richard had used Yvannes superpower to catch fish and even had her kare some rare birds on white be wood was w his camera , snapping pictures .

Most importantly , he ensured Yvonne didnt return and told they w Richard thought , If Tinley finds out , shell never let me take Yvonne out again .

When i think be , 1 hd th line : Sweat started forming on his back as he remembered what hed done .

Acrow from him , wiemy moved basis , dow say something .

Richard thought , This Jeremy is definitely about to complain .

At my age , having to stand her like a de how utterly embarrassing After thinking quickly for a few seconds , Richard made a snap decision .

He thought , No way am 1 standing her and sing this punishment .

Ill slip away , find Yvonne , play the victim , and pretend I have no idea whats going on ? If Jeremy tries to complain , I can deny everything .

After all , Im the elder here ! With that thought , Richard found a quick excuse and fled the scene .

The speed at which he moved was astonishing , and his silhouette made one wonder how he could be an older man .

Taken aback by his shamelessness , Jeremy stood there momentarily , stunned .

He had planned to report the incident , but found that the words stuck in his throat .

Ultimately , he thought , No wonder hes his grandfather , theres so much to learn from him As Richard exited the private room , his steps were quick and purposeful .

He was in a rush , eager to find Yvonne When he encountered guests along the way , his demeanor instantly shifted back to the composed , authoritative figure people were used to seeing .

He greeted them calmly and walked on without missing a beat , his pace never slowing Finally , after what felt like an eternity , he spotted Yvonne sitting and enjoying her cake .

All his urgency faded at that moment , and his eyes lit up as he rushed to her .

Yvonne looked delicate , dressed in a vibrant red outfit that made her resemble a little bundle of joy .

Many around her quickly recognized her identity .

Although a few guests had considered approaching her to express their presence , they were deterred by the cold faced Richard beside her .

His piercing gaze intimidated anyone who dared to get too close .

His stare carried the same uncanny one might feel when a sniper rifle is aimed at him , and the seasoned individuals in the crowd quickly deduced his identity .

They decided against approaching , silently marveling at how Tinley had openly brought in his special bodyguard without any attempt to conceal it .

Even more shocking was that the events host , the Adler family , didn't object .

They had allowed the bodyguard to enter , which was unheard of , especially considering that guests' drivers and bodyguards weren't allowed inside the event , no matter their status .

But no one could complain .

Once bitten , twice shy everyone understood the need for caution .

This rare moment of peace was a blessing for Yvonne .

She took a bite of the freshly served mini cake , her eyes lighting up with delight .

She stood up from the sofa without hesitation , ready to run off with the cake .

However , her little legs couldn't quite get her moving .

No matter how hard she tried , she remained rooted to the spot , her body instead slowly lifting off the ground .

What are you doing ? Grave asked , holding onto the back of her dress .

2/3 19:59 Tue , 15 Apr Chapter 361 Yvonne looked back innocently , still holding her cake firmly .

I'm going to give it to Jeremy .

38 % Grave gently lowered her back to the sofa , placing her at the edge before sitting beside her .

With a stern look , he spoke , You can eat it yourself .

Jeremy's not clueless .

If he's hungry , he'll find food on his own .

Yvonne tilted her head , puzzled by his words .

Yvonne thought , Thats such a strange thing to say , but I cant quite figure out whats so odd about it .

Still , she obeyed and settled down , quietly eating the cake in her hands .

Before long , Richard came rushing toward her with exaggerated noises .

Yvonne , you have to help me ! Richard cried , shamelessly seeking sympathy from a child .

The moment he appeared , Yvonne put her cake down and turned to him with a concerned look .

Seeing how much attention he was receiving , Richards mood immediately lifted .

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Chapter 362 Indeed , being cared for was something to be happy about even for a man in his seventies .

Yvonne didnt understand the complexities of adult interactions .

All she knew was that Richard was asking for her help She immediately set down her favorite little cake and looked up at him with a soft , pated face full of concern Richard , whats wrong ? Her voice trembled with worry , and her tiny hands clenched tightly Seeing her so adorably innocent , Richard couldnt bring himself to lie to her .

Feeling guilty , he gently pinched her cheek and cleared his throat .

Avoiding her clear , concerned eyes , he made a small gesture with his hand .

Its nothing ... Its just that Kelvin doesnt want me to go fishing anymore .

Ah ? 11 Richard thought , This is laughable theres no way Kelvin would have the nerve to stop me from fishing .

If I want to fish , n one can stop me .

This is just a story to fool Yvonne ! Upon hearing this , Yvonne believed him without question .

Her mouth parted slightly , her expression one of pure confusion Her small , uncertain voice asked, Why is Kelvin acting like that ? Then , she hugged Richards arm , tilting her little head and pressing her cheek against him as if to comfort Richard .

Its okay , Richard , well go secretly Yvonne loves fishing with me , right ? Richard looked down at her fuzzy hair , smiling as he asked The question made Yvonne hesitate .

She thought , Honestly , I dont enjoy it that much .

Its not as fun as playing with Bear But Richard looks so lonely ! If I dont go with him , hell have to go alone and probably wont catch any fish , and the other grandpas will laugh at him .

Thats why I always go , like a little accessory , carrying my bucket and fishing with him After a long internal struggle , Yvonne nodded , her kind heart shining through .

I like it , Richard .

Richard beamed and ruffled her hair , then began to charm her with his words again .

Kelvin found out that every time I go fishing , I have you do something special with the bait thats why hes stopping me .

But if you could help me out ... Before he could finish , the innocent , kind hearted Yvonne hurriedly nodded , afraid she might be unable to help Richard in time .

With a serious little face , she promised , Richard , I wont tell Kelvin ! Richard was even more touched .

He lovingly rubbed her little face , his heart softening even further Good girl , I havent spoiled you for nothing .

Next time , I will catch fish just for you to eat ! The truth was that most of the fish he caught were released back into the water , and a few were kept at home , mainly for display .

There was no way they could eat it all there was too much .

To avoid raising suspicion from his family , Richard always released most of the fish he caught before going home , keeping 1/2 19:59 Tue , 15 Apr Chapter 262 only a few lucky ones to return .

< 581 Yet , despite this , he still couldnt finish all the fish , and he kept bringing more home .

The problem was, he didnt even enjoy eating them , nor would he give them away it was pure torment for his family .

So, when Richard made that promise , Yvonne couldnt help but frown .

Just a moment ago , she could think clearly , but now her mind was full of fish .

Yvonne thought , Eating fish every day ... Im going to turn into a fish at this rate ! She wanted to run away right then , but Yvonne politely said , Thank you .

Richards face instantly lit up with a wide grin , so delighted that he almost wanted to lift her in excitement .

He certainly would have done it if he were younger , strong , and agile .

But now , with his strength fading , all he could do was imagine it .

Usually , he could control his emotions , never letting them show .

Others would never know if he was happy or angry .

But in front of Yvonne , he couldnt help himself his smile was so wide it was as if another spirit had taken him over .

The people around them couldnt believe their eyes .

A few even rubbed their eyes or pinched themselves to ensure they werent imagining things .

It was true Richard was smiling so happily .

Their gaze shifted to Yvonnas face , and they started to understand more .

They thought , Shes so adorable ... this is the power of grandparental love !

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Chapter 363 2 + 58 % 53 It was no surprise that Richard was so fond of her if they had a granddaughter as adorable as hers , theyd be just as smitten .

A few people , who were on friendly terms , gathered together and began talking in tones full of envy .

They hadnt noticed the plain looking man standing behind them , listening for a while .

He stepped forward when their conversation was winding down and asked , Excuse me , I overheard you talking about the child with Richard .

Is she indeed Taylors apprentice from the Academy of Sciences ? At the sound of his voice , the group turned around as though they had just noticed him standing there .

They hadnt realized someone had been behind them .

His sudden appearance took them by surprise , but considering that anyone with an invitation to this event must have some status , even if they werent from their circle , it wasnt all that surprising .

Besides , the question he had asked was no secret to them ; it was something everyone in their circle knew .

Telling him wouldnt hurt , and leaving a good impression was always beneficial .

The seasoned businesspeople were the sharpest , but even the cleverest knew when to hold back .

They all understood that their information was what the Adler and Holmes families had implicitly allowed them to know .

So , when they gossiped , it was about trivial matters .

As long as neither family had approached them directly , there was nothing they couldnt share .

They were generous in their answers .

quite the rare sight .

Havent you heard about her before ? shes The man nodded , a slight apologetic smile on his face .

I dont usually keep up with things like this .

I only heard about it from your conversation .

Why would Taylor take such a young child as his apprentice ? group grew even more confident in their earlier guess about the man .

He wasnt from their circle if he were , he Wouldnt have asked such a question .

Of course , its for a partnership .

A partnership ? Can you elaborate ? What kind of partnership ? One of them paused ; then gave a straightforward example .

Its like a marriage alliance .

Its not the same , but the concept is similar .

In high society , marriage alliances were a standard method of exchanging favors and strengthening business ties .

So , they figured that having Taylor take Yvonne as an apprentice must be a strategic move to solidify the cooperation between the two families .

If they were in Taylors shoes , they would have chosen to send one of their younger family members to become his apprentice .

It was a perfect way to secure the partnership .

And if anything went wrong , it provided an extra layer of protection with no worries .

Although neither side had officially confirmed anything , they had already pieced together the details .

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After explaining this to the man , he was clearly still processing , lost in thought .

Unable to keep quiet , one added , When we first heard that Taylor was taking on apprentices , the technology hadnt been developed yet .

We were curious , but now everythings clear .

1/3 19:59 Tue , 15 Apr Chapter 363 It seemed the man picked up on something in that statement , as he suddenly asked , When did you say Taylor started accepting apprentices ? 58 % (+58 ½ He couldve easily checked this on his own later , and probably more accurately , but at that moment , it felt like a sudden realization , as if he was about to uncover something important .

Oh , it was quite a while ago .

Back then , Taylor hadnt made any breakthroughs yet .

Who would have thought the Adler family had already started planning ? Admiration filled their faces as they spoke , but it was mixed with a hint of respect .

They thought , Who would have thought ? This is truly impressive .

No wonder the Adler family has achieved this level of success ; theres a rea ehind it .

They sighed in awe , but by then , the man had stopped paying attention to the rest of the conversation .

His gaze was fixed on one point , his mind racing .

The man thought , If Taylor had truly made a breakthrough , he wouldve reported it .

He could not use his discoveries to strike deals with business people .

His current lifestyle and the lack of large sums in his bank accounts tell a different story .

The Adler and Holmes families are just funding the research institute , nothing more .

Taylor no children and values simplicity over fame and fortune .

So whats his real motive for this collaboration ? Its like a murder case theres always a motive .

In a partnership , the motive is usually fame or profit , but neither seems to fit here .

I hadnt thought of it before , but now something feels off .

Luckily , he had overheard their conversation and sensed something was wrong , prompting him to ask a few questions .

He asked a few more questions , but the answers were primarily speculations with little helpful information .

When he realized he wasnt getting anywhere , he thanked them and turned to leave .

After he walked away , the group chatting turned to each other , puzzled .

Who was that guy ? Have you seen him before ? I dont know , he looks unfamiliar .

I feel like Ive seen him somewhere , but I cant place him right now .

The man who spoke sighed in frustration , and another person comforted him .

Probably just curious , asking a few questions .

As for feeling familiar , most people here look familiar to me .

Though they werent all in the same circle , they crossed paths at various events , and after seeing so many faces , it was natural for some to seem familiar .

Once he left the group , the man walked to a quieter spot and quickly jotted down his thoughts on his phone , worried he might forget later .

The man thought , Looks like Ill need to talk to Taylor again when I return .

The Adler and Holmes families were reluctant to share their technology , so they set up a small research team to study Taylors findings .

Unfortunately , they havent made much progress so far .

Taylor wasnt fully aware of what was happening .

He claimed that his job was to provide the flowers for the Adler family , and he did not know how to extract the active ingredients .

But he could sense that Taylor was hiding something from them .

Recently , the leadership of the research institute had been working on him , trying to figure out what he was keeping secret .

2/3 19:59 Tue , 15 Apr 0 Chapter 363 Researching flowers in a lab was like finding a needle in a haystack .

If Taylor didnt cooperate , they would have to find another way to break through with the Adler family ..

And for Richard , he was utterly unwilling to make concessions , even refusing to discuss any terms .

Usually , they would do whatever it took to meet any demands , no matter how outrageous , because the technology was worth it .

But now , Richard wouldnt even talk on terms and had no interest in cooperating .

This had shattered their usual perception of him .

But now , seeing the softer side of him the way he cared for Yvonne gave him a potential breakthru you If I remember correctly , Alex mentioned that Taylor is particularly fond of Yvonne .

Now , Taylor and Taylor had a point of leverage .

Whether or not he could seize the opportunity would depend on his ability ,

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Chapter 364 11 Grave thought , If I miss this chance today , who knows when Ill see Yvonne again .

It might not be until her wedding , bur there are too many uncertainties .

If something goes wrong , Ill miss my shot This could be my only chance , and whether I can contribute to the organization depends entirely on me ! With that thought , he tucked his phone into his pocket and left the room .

Yvonne was still eating , and her focus was entirely on the food .

Richard had already left , his day pr Hed been by Yvonnas side the whole time , but Carol wasnt happy about it , so now and then , sor remind him to return .

d with responsibilities .

e had to come and Earlier , while he was here deceiving Yvonne , someone had already come twice to hurry him along , Reluctantly , that was why Richard had to leave .

Once he was gone , Yvonne resumed eating her cake , expressing pure contentment .

She smiled when she reached her favorite flavor ; its sweetness made her even happier .

Grave watched her for a while before suddenly speaking up , startling Yvonne and causing her to jump .

Richard is lying to you .

Yvonne stared at him , confused and shocked .

Grave didnt quite understand what had startled her so .

Her eyes were so strange that he wanted to ask what she was thinking .

What are you staring at ? Yvonne let out a soft , adorable Wow , and stopped eating , gazing at him intently with her large , sparkling eyes from her position below .

The light from the crystal chandelier gleamed in her eyes , sparkling like tiny glass balls .

How she looked up at him reminded him of a fan gazing at their idol from the front row of a concert .

At least thats what I think its like , Grave thought .

He had never been to a concert , nor had he ever been an idol himself .

But hed seen enough to recognize the intensity in her stare .

Yvonne still didnt speak , just continuing to look at him with those eyes , making him uncomfortable .

What are you staring at ? Grave asked again .

This time , Yvonne spoke up , carefully smiling and replying in her sweet , childlike voice , Mr.

Sterling , this is the first time youve talked to me , huh ? Grave paused momentarily , then responded , Ive talked to you before .

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Grave thought , How does Yvonne forget so easily ? Shes so young , but I didnt notice this before .

He thought about reminding her , but she beat him to it , nodding eagerly and saying , Thats right .

Yvonne set down her cake and began counting on her fingers , one by one .

Sterling , you always used to say things like , Are you done playing ? Are you heading home ? Arent you tired ? This is the first time youve talked to me like this ! You remember that pretty clearly .

He hadnt even summarized it well , but what did normal conversation mean ? 1/3 19:59 Tue , 15 Apr Chapter 364 He looked down , and Yvonne smiled at him , her big eyes sparkling like crescent moons , They locked eyes , and she opened her mouth again , Are you in a perfect mood today , Mr.

Sterling ? It was such a random question .

Grave replied flatly , No , then casually asked , Why do you say that ? Grave thought , Whos ever happy at work ? Every day , its like carrying a dull sense of exhaustion ! 4.58 %) Hed worked for the Holmes family for ten years , and his heart had grown just as cold as the blade he carried .

No matter how cute the little girl was , it couldnt warm the icy heart of a man whod spent years working in a weld of cold duties .

He and Yvonne were complete opposites .

She was lively , playful , and always energetic , like she never had a bad day .

Right now , she was seriously analyzing the situation , her sweet voice melting his heart .

Because you said something different to me today .

Sterling , are you in a good mood ? So thats what it is about , Grave thought , looking at her blankly .

No , he said .

The truth was , hed only said that because Richard had been tricking Yvonne , and as a soldier of the Holmes family , his loyalty naturally leaned toward them .

He still hoped Tinley would build him a house on the island .

Although every evening Wendy would routinely ask him about what had happened to Tinley during the day , he couldnt be bothered to mention the little things he had already classified as insignificant ; his mind was focused on finishing his work .

As long as things didnt cross the line , he pretended not to know .

But today , Richard had gone too far .

Yvonne wasnt foolish ; she was young and didnt understand .

Thats why she had asked .

Hearing his answer , Yvonne let out a small , disappointed Oh , her expression dropping like a sad little puppys ears .

But it lasted only a second before she perked up again , her energy returning .

With the same enthusiasm as before , she asked , So , Mr.

Sterling , what would make you happy ? Yvonne gazed up at him , her large eyes sparkling with innocence and curiosity .

What is it ? Grave asked , not immediately responding .

Grave thought , Its not that Im overly cautious , but with Yvonne , my usual guard seems to vanish .

Her thoughts are like an open book so clear and easy to read ! Yvonne smiled shyly and softly said , I just want to make you feel better , Mr.

Sterling .

Grave stayed silent for a long moment , processing her words .

Finally , he looked at her sweet , innocent face and asked cautiously , Should I ask Tinley to give me a day off ? Yvonne blinked , surprised , and then lowered her gaze , her hesitation evident , Grave thought , I had just found her adorable , but now it feels like Ive been stabbed in the back .

She said she wanted to make me feel better , but now my mood is even worse .

As he sat in his thoughts , Yvonne looked up again , her expression puzzled .

Sterling , Tinley said you enjoy working .

Grave thought , Thats the kind of thing that sounds completely ridiculous who enjoys working ? But Yvonne was serious .

After all this time , Grave had never seen her lie , so was it Tinley who had said something so absurd ? 2/3 2000 Tue , 19 Apr Chapter 264 Tinley said its because you like me so much that you always stay with me , she said earnestly .

Grave froze .

He thought , So this is what Tinley said to calm Yvonne ? How shameless ! 8/8

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Chapter 365 58 % 11 Grave wanted to tell her everything about liking work or liking her was a lie that Finley had made it up to keep her from worrying But when he looked down , he was met with her large , innocent eyes , blinking up at him her head tilted in curiosity .

Alright , Grave sighed , his face showing a mix of resignation .

Finleys right ? Grave thought , How shameless , pretending to be cute ! Yvonne giggled in response to his words , her face brightening with a delighted smile .

Grave thought , Shes so innocent .

I cant understand how Tinley raised such a sweet , naive child ! Grave decided to shift the conversation back to the earlier topic .

Richard was lying to you Ab She still didnt understand .

Graves expression remained neutral as he explained , No one dares to stop him from fishing .

You should tell Tinley about it .

Grave thought , Even though the child struggles to express herself , if she says just a few words in front of Tinley , that sharp woman will figure it all out ! Grave thought , Then Richard wont be so carefree anymore ! After a pause , Grave thought she had understood , but she hesitantly looked up at him again .

But if I tell her , Richard wont be able to take me fishing .

Grave was surprised .

You know ? Yes , she replied , nodding .

She counted on her fingers , her voice soft and sweet .

When she reached a certain point , her brow furrowed with sympathy .

Richard could never catch any fish .

The other grandpas could , but not he .

Yvonne thought , Richard is terrible at fishing , but his pride is strong .

If he catches a fish , itll make him happy for days , so its worth it to help him ! Grave stayed quiet momentarily before asking , Does using your superpower make you feel tired or uncomfortable ? She looked up , surprised .

How do you know , Mr.

Sterling ? Grave gave her a blank look .

How could I not know ? The Adler and Holmes families , including Yvonne , never treated him like outsiders .

They didnt treat him like a person at all .

They spoke freely around him , as though he were nothing more than a background figure .

After all this time , it is evident to anyone who wasnt blind .

Hed been surprised at first , but not for long .

Before he was recruited , hed met a few others with abilities back when he was a killer .

His rank had been high , and the jobs hed been assigned were always big , involving extreme situations , including a former partner with an ability .

1/3 20:00 Tue , 15 Apr Chapter 365 57 % But none of them were like Yvonne .

His old partner had extraordinary hearing , which had been enough for the organization to treat him like a weapon .

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Grave thought , I cant even imagine if Yvonne were in my old organization , shed be treated like a treasure .

Im unsure about the specifics , but Id guess it has something to do with animals , Yvonne smiled brightly at him , shaking her head .

No , it doesnt make me uncomfortable She might get a little hungry , but a snack would take care of it .

Alright , Grave said .

Grave didnt mention the part about Yvonne telling Tinley .

He glanced at the small cake left on the side and asked , Are you going to eat it ? Yvonne shook her head , so he stood up , ready to leave with her , The eyes on them were everywhere too many to ignore .

Grave had become numb to it , and following Yvonne , being watched , had become a part of his daily routine .

Grave thought , Ive been trained to blend in , and Ive done it well yet here I am , still getting all this attention .

Yvonne took a few steps ahead , then turned back to him , her voice filled with excitement .

Sterling , lets go find Jeremy ! She suddenly remembered it had been a while since she had seen Jeremy .

She mumbled with a pout , I wonder where he is .

Grave already knew .

Jeremy was probably getting scolded at the moment .

When they passed by the pond earlier , he had seen everything .

Based on his observations and research on the Adler family , Jeremy couldnt escape a good scolding .

He said nothing and followed Yvonne , letting her lead the way .

When Yvonne grew tired and sat down to rest , he turned and walked back toward the hallway they had come from , grabbing a man along the way .

Graves face was cold , and a subtle but chilling aura surrounded him , making him feel physically uncomfortable .

Grave straightened his clothes , awkwardly explaining , Its a misunderstanding .

He had wanted to approach Yvonne earlier , but he hadnt dared out of respect for Grave .

After Yvonne finished eating and left , he followed them at a distance of about fifteen yards , staying behind .

Grave , still expressionless , asked in a cold tone , Who are you ? The man froze under the intensity of Graves gaze , which locked onto him like a predator eyeing its prey .

The man smoothed his clothes again and pulled an exquisite , gold embossed invitation from his pocket , holding it out to Grave .

Im not a bad guy .

I was invited to the event too .

He also pulled out his phone , opened it , and showed the screen to ease doubts .

I have it here too , you can take a look .

Grave glanced at the invitation , reading the name Luke Donovan .

As the two spoke , Yvonne , sitting nearby , leaned in with curiosity , lifting her small head to see what they were doing .

When he saw Yvonne , Lukes eyes brightened slightly .

He switched his phone to his left hand and waved with his right , offering a friendly smile .

2/3 20:00 Tue , 15 Apr Chapter 365 Hey , Yvonne .

Yvonne waved politely , her voice sweet , Hello , Luke .

Still looking at the invitation , Grave lowered his head and eyed Yvonne suspiciously .

Do you know him ? No , she replied , her tone innocent and natural .

Grave blinked , speechless .

If you dont know him , why are you greeting him? he said , gently pulling Yvonne behind hir unsure if it was to protect her from this stranger or keep her from being so familiar with everyone .

< 57 % 11 elding her from Luke , Once Grave confirmed that Luke was indeed the guest .

He didnt let his guard down , keeping his sharp eyes fixed on him What are you following her for ? Luke placed the invitation in his pocket , cleared his throat , and glanced down , as if trying to look past Graves legs to where Yvonne was behind him .

I just thought she was adorable and wanted to talk to her .

It wasnt entirely untrue Yvonne did have a face that made you want to talk to her.

Before Grave could say anything , Yvones sweet voice came behind him .

Thank you , Luke .

She always made sure to be polite , no matter who it was .

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Chapter 366 His brow twitched when Grave heard Yvones sweet voice behind him .

He turned around and looked down at her .

She looked up at him with an innocent expression , blinking those big eyes .

57 % +53) They held eye contact for a moment , and after realizing her usual tactic of being cute wasnt working , she raised a small hand to cover her mouth .

Her voice escaped between her fingers .

I wont say anything anymore , Mr.

Sterling .

Grave took a deep breath .

You better not .

They had barely exchanged a few words , yet Luke couldnt help but speak up when he saw the scene .

He stepped aside from Grave , just enough to see Yvonne standing behind him .

Dont be too hard on Yvonne , Luke said , his voice warm .

Shes clever and polite who wouldnt like her ? His words , coming from an elders point of view , made Grave seem almost like the bad guy in the situation .

Graves gaze remained locked on Luke , his focus sharp as he asked , studying every subtle shift in expression .

What are you trying to do with her ? Even with such a direct question , his piercing gaze made it hard to speak , let alone lie .

Luke had already prepared an explanation , but under Graves intense scrutiny , he could not speak .

No matter how hard he tried , the words just wouldnt come .

Finally , reluctantly , he decided to speak the truth .

Lukes reasons werent precisely sinister ; much of it was motivated by his interests , just like the others who tried to get close to Yvonne .

He figured he could use that to his advantage since Richard and Taylor , who couldnt handle Yvonne , were interested in her .

Lukes methods were typical , and he considered himself on the side of absolute right .

Even if he didnt fully achieve his goal , he would never do anything inappropriate toward a child .

So his actions werent extreme , but Grave his expression cold warned him to stay away .

Then he grabbed Yvones hand and walked away without a second glance .

Luke , left standing behind , considered following them but hesitated when he remembered Graves chilling presence .

Luke thought , Hes too sharp .

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If I keep following them and get caught , what if he goes back and tells Tinley ? With a sigh of resignation , he stopped and reluctantly watched Grave lead Yvonne away .

After they had walked a reasonable distance , Grave finally stopped .

With a completely neutral expression , he glanced down at Yvonne and said coldly , People like him who get close to you have no good intentions .

Dont talk to them again .

His words were blunt , and Yvonne , nervously fidgeting with her hands , hesitated .

She thought , Im unsure if I should listen to Taylor or Mr.

Sterling For a four year old , this was truly a tough decision to make .

1/3 20:00 Tue , 15 Apr Chapter 366 When she didnt immediately respond , Grave repeated himself .

K57 % Grave thought , Im starting to realize Yvonne , though she seems clueless , is quite perceptive .

She knows what Im saying , but is probably holding back because shes considering something in her mind .

I shouldnt get too involved .

As long as Tinley knows , shell handle the rest .

Its not my place to worry about it He instructed her , Before bed tonight , tell Tinley what happened today , alright ? Yvonne , her voice soft and concerned , asked , Is it about Richard ? No , Grave replied , his voice firm .

Its about Luke from earlier .

Grave explained to her , then casually added , You dont want your grandfather to get scolded , do you ? The little girl nodded with reassurance .

Okay , Uncle .

Grave nodded .

He thought , She does look out for her unreliable Richard .

They wandered for a long time afterward , but still couldnt spot Jeremy anywhere .

Later , when the engagement ceremony began , Grave carried her to the venue and finally saw him .

Jeremy was standing at the front , unable to make his way over .

When he saw Yvonne , he forced a smile that was more painful than a frown .

Ugh , Yvonne ... He had already profoundly reflected on his actions , but once he got home , Kelvin would still give him an earful .

Kelvin had seen Yvonne when her magical power was drained .

At first , everyone had been careful with her superpower , treating her like fragile glass .

But as they spent more time with her and got to know her better , they realized she wasnt as delicate as theyd thought , and gradually , they became more comfortable .

Still , there was a balance .

Even in play , they made sure not to push Yvonne too far and always stayed away from harming her .

Yvonne was enjoying herself and getting even better at using her abilities .

But Kelvin spent most of his time at the office , so he wasnt aware of much that happened at home .

He hadnt been there to learn her superpower .

So when he saw Jeremy using her abilities to entertain cats and dogs , he was frustrated , thinking there was no regard for limits .

It didnt help that Jeremy had gotten unlucky , crossing paths with a group of aloof black swans when he was already in a bad mood .

Of course , he had to act all tough in front of them .

No matter how reckless Jeremy could be , he was always wholly controlled when Kelvin was around .

So , he didnt dare to explain himself when they were in the private room .

He didnt even consider explaining ; his mind was consumed with wishing someone would come and pull him out of the mess .

It wasnt very comfortable .

As Richard gave his speech , Jeremy didnt hear a word of it .

His eyes kept drifting toward Yvonne .

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Chapter 367 Is Jeremy upset ? Yvonne , being carried , looked toward Jeremy , her voice filled with concern .

Grave responded with a quiet , Its to be expected .

35 / % They had barely entered when , before the waiter could approach them , Wendy appeared out of nowhere .

Silent as ever , she appeared beside Yvonne , who was still stunned , staring at her for a few seconds before reacting .

Wendy gently reached out to take Yvonne .

From this moment on , Yvonne would be safe with her , and once Yvonne was in her care , Grave could leave for the day .

It was part of his day .

He always looked forward to Yvonne waving goodbye to him .

Ill probably never see her again , Grave thought , though for some reason , today he found himself saying Goodbye in return .

Wendy shot him a puzzled look before carrying Yvonne to her seat .

The seat had a perfect view , allowing her to watch everything .

Even Richard , in the middle of his speech , managed to sneak a wink toward Yvonne .

When she giggled , he returned to his formal tone .

The entire scene was visible to the audience .

Carol felt a flicker of irritation , but this was Yvonne's engagement banquet after all .

She knew the cameras captured everything , and every eye in the room was on her .

The scene that had just unfolded would undoubtedly have people wondering how she would react .

Even though she felt annoyed , she kept her composure .

She needed to ensure that every media coverage would reflect positively on the family .

She gently nudged Anthony , and together , they turned their attention to Yvonne , offering warm , affectionate smiles .

Their adoring expressions were so sincere that anyone would believe it .

The cameras captured the moment perfectly .

The media , warned not to focus on Yvonne , instead turned their lenses toward Carol and Kelvin , capturing their every move .

Tomorrows headlines would likely align with Carols desires .

Outsiders couldnt see the thoughts running through her mind .

All they could do was sigh about how fortunate Yvonne seemed , casting a few curious glances in her direction .

But most could only make out her outline , not her face .

The Holmes family had been lying low for the past couple of years , and after finding Yvonne , they kept her out of the spotlight .

It was her first major event .

As the rooms eyes turned toward them , Wendy remained unfazed , subtly shifting to shield Yvonnnes face from view .

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Ever the picture of composure , Ian smiled politely , his expression neutral .

He looked down at Yvonne .

Are you hungry , Yvonne ? Would you like something to eat ? I can get it for you .

Yvonne had arrived a little late , so only some light appetizers were left on , the table .

But she had just finished eating about an hour ago .

She pressed her small hand to her stomach , shaking her head , her delicate face a picture of indecision .

1/3 20:00 Tue , 15 Apr Chapter 367 The appetizers looked tempting , but she couldnt eat anymore .

Im not hungry , Ian, she said , her voice almost a whisper , as if forcing the words out .

At that moment , Wendys expression shifted .

She pulled out her phone and angrily typed a message on WhatsApp to someone who had just finished their shift .

57 % [How many times do I have to say this ? When Yvonne is hungry , let her have a small snack , but dont let her eat too many sweets or she wont be able to finish her meal .

] Outsiders didnt know why her face suddenly changed , and they speculated in their heart Carol , however , had noticed the exchange between Ian and Yvonne .

She could tell what was going on from their expressions and gestures .

Then , when she saw Yvonne glance at the appetizers with a troubled look , she quickly pieced it together .

Unable to hear their conversation , Wendy quietly formed her theory .

She thought , The appetizers are all cold dishes and desserts probably not to the childs taste .

So , what Ian had asked Yvonne earlier if she wanted something to eat made sense .

Yvonne had glanced at the appetizers , but when she didnt find anything she liked , she shook her head .

Such exchanges were common , but Carol found herself mainly focused on this one today .

To be blunt , she was focused on the person involved .

The smile from earlier had already caught the attention of the media and the guests .

Now , she needed to find a way to solidify or amplify the situation .

Her mind quickly spun , coming up with a plan .

Carol knew that everyone was watching her .

She scanned the room , then waved over a waiter , giving him a few quiet instructions .

The waiter left quickly , but those who had witnessed the earlier scene were now filled with curiosity .

At that moment , Richard was giving his speech , a critical part of the ceremony .

Even the food service had paused , and no waiters were allowed to move around .

So why was there something important to address right now ? Soon enough , the waiter returned , quietly entering from the rooms far side .

His entrance was subtle , but it drew attention since no one else was moving .

He approached with a tray of cute , kid friendly snacks intended for Yvonne .

He bent down to place them on the table beside her , then lowered his voice .

Miss , the ceremony will be going on for a while .

If youre hungry , you can have a little something , or just let me know if you want anything else .

It might have seemed like a breach of protocol , but it was done to ensure Yvonne wasnt hungry , and the slight boldness was forgivable .

Most importantly , breaking the rules for Yvonne indirectly spoke volumes about their relationship .

When Teresa noticed Carols intentions , her expression darkened slightly .

Today , the three of them were most passive , yet , as secondary players , they couldnt do anything about it .

They were at a disadvantage .

Teresa was frustrated .

She remembered how Widi had been playing with Yvonne earlier and , for a moment , felt a flicker of hope .

Subtly , she nudged Widi with her elbow .

Widi understood the hint but pretended not to .

She shifted away , clearly uninterested in taking any part in this .

She thought , Tch , playing dumb ? Fine , Im not going to do it .

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Chapter 368 Teresa wasnt ready to give up , continuously dropping hints .

Widi , however , was resolute in not getting involved , shifting further away with every attempt .

As the space between them grew , Teresa reluctantly realized it was time to stop .

But she couldnt shake the anxiety rising in her chest over her and Kelvins situation .

Driven by urgency , she leaned in and quietly whispered in Widis ear .

Widi , between you and Laura , who has a better relationship with Yvonne ? Widi knew the question wasnt as innocent as it seemed .

With a calm face , she replied , Neither of us .

To discourage Teresa further , Widi spoke coldly , Our relationship is pretty bad .

She wanted me to take her to play this afternoon , but I didnt .

She got mad and stopped talking to me now .

It was a lie , but her delivery was so casual and natural that Teresa didnt catch on .

Shocked , she turned to Widi .

How could you not take her to play ? she demanded , her voice tinged with strong disapproval .

Widi shrugged nonchalantly .

I dont enjoy playing with kids .

Theyre loud and annoying .

Seeing them makes me want to kick them out of my way .

The words hit Teresa like a slap , her face going pale with anger .

She struggled to maintain her graceful composure but remembered the setting and forced herself to steady her breath .

Yvonne is not the same as the other kids ! Teresa hissed , lowering her voice .

Widi knew what Teresa meant , but she played dumb .

With a calm tone , she replied , How is it different ? Theyre just kids .

As long as they can scream and cry , I dont want to be around them .

Teresa was left speechless , her anger building as she took a long , deep breath to calm herself .

What had happened to this child ? The change had been staggering in the few months shed been away in Blorencia City .

It dawned on her that whenever she tried to talk to Widi for more than a few minutes , she always ended up frustrated and unable to respond .

It was like Widi had this way of speaking freely , indiscriminately attacking people with her words .

Teresa decided to ignore her , turning her attention elsewhere .

Thats when she saw Ian leaning down to speak with Yvonne , drawing her attention away from Widi .

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Both of them were intelligent people , and Ian was no fool .

He could tell what Carol was thinking .

The smile earlier was one thing , but now he was aware of the undercurrents .

Yvonne could quickly tell the difference between genuine affection and pretenses .

The sudden smile had made Yvonne uncomfortable for quite some time .

Looking at the items on the table , Ian lowered his head and smiled , asking if Yvonne wanted some .

They looked cute , but unfortunately , Yvonne couldnt eat them .

She awkwardly shook her head .

Ian understood and motioned for someone to move the items farther away .

He then glanced up , meeting Carols eyes .

His gaze was faintly curved , but there was little warmth in it .

Keeping the items on the table was respectful ; moving them farther was more of a silent warning .

1/3 20:00 Tue , 15 Apr Chapter 368 Only those directly involved could genuinely comprehend the subtle exchange between them .

Teresa was well aware of this .

She had been watching it unfold and , seeing the items move farther away , felt a sense of relief wash over her .

Who would have thought that she had been so frustrated with Yvonne just moments ago ? She was used to rivalry with Carol , constantly feeling stung when they gained something she didnt .

Seeing them take a hit now , even without showing it on her face , lifted her spirits .

A sense of satisfaction filled her , so much so that even Widi couldnt help but glance at her mood .

Surprised by the shift in her Teresa thought , The petty games adults played were downright childish .

It reminded her of her rivalries in school with people she didnt get along with .

The feeling was strangely similar .

But that had been middle school .

Still , after today , Teresa would never again ask Widi to approach Yvonne .

Widi finally found peace .

Widi thought , Its not that I dont want to be around Yvonne ; I just dont want to do it with an ulterior motive .

Even if I went to Yvonne to please Teresa , Id know my intentions werent sincere , and that would make it feel off It would feel like betraying the bond we share ! Sure , theres no emotional connection between me and Yvonne , but thats why I dont want to go .

Jeremy didnt get to seek out Yvonne at dinner .

The seating was assigned according to the rules , and those around him were primarily young people , many of whom he had already met earlier in the day .

There were also a few people he didnt want to see .

They were from the Jill family .

When the waiter led him to his seat across from Nora Jill , he immediately noticed them .

He only furrowed his brow , didnt say a word , and quietly took his seat .

He hadnt done anything wrong , so he felt no embarrassment .

It was Nora , sitting opposite him , who seemed a bit uncomfortable .

She had regretted it deeply since learning about their identities from her brother a few hours ago .

For the past few hours , she had quietly stayed with her relatives , not participating in anything , as if she had been left with some kind of mental scar , afraid to face such a situation again .

Nora knew she had caused trouble for her brother .

She had considered apologizing , but then dismissed the idea .

Apologizing for something so minor would have been overreacting .

Her brother and his future wife were already engaged .

Whether she apologized or not would not change anything , so not apologizing seemed fine .

She held onto a glimmer of hope , planning to avoid such situations again if they arose .

But just as she thought this , two hours later , she found herself face to face with them .

And there they were right across from her .

All she had to do was look up