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Tumed out that Theo and she had something in common. His mom went missing when he was just a kid; no one knew if she was alive or dead. Just like her mom

"So where's his dad now?"

Belinda heaved a sigh. "After Theo's mom took off, his dad stopped going outside. Not long after, he ran off to a monastery on Cloud Mountain and became a monk.

Putnam Blanchet kept sending people to Cloud Mountain to get him, but Theo's dad wouldn't come down. This pissed Putnam off so much that he got sick because of it.

Later, Putnam realized his grandson Theo was nothing like his son. His son was always messing around and living it up when he was young, while Theo was all about work and didn't show any interest in girls. This got people assuming that Theo might be gay.

Putnam was freaking out and pushed him to get married. He said any girl would do. If he didn't get married, Putnam wouldn't have surgery. And that's what led to all the stuff that happened later."

Ellinor felt a bitter pang while listening to this. "Did his parents just abandon him like that? How old was he then?"

Belinda thought for a moment.

"From what my mom said, he was about seven or eight. Even though he was just a kid, he understood what was happening at home, but there was nothing he could do about it.

Everyone thought Theo was born with a silver spoon in his mouth and that he had it all from the get-go. But no one knew that he had been carrying a heavy burden since he was a kid; he was always under a lot of stress.

He didn't have a normal childhood. His dad was a deadbeat and got cut off by his family. The elders at home put all their hopes on him.

From the moment he was born, he was seen as the successor of the company. The moment he opened his eyes every day, there were all kinds of classes waiting for him. From morning till night, he didn't have any time for himself until he became an adult."

Listening to Belinda recount Theo's past, Ellinor subconsciously dug her fingers into her palm, her mind in a whirl.

She had never asked about Theo's background, nor had she intentionally looked into his past.

Like most people, she thought he was born into a family where he was loved by everyone, worry-free, and had everything.

Theo never complained and never talked about his past. He just often smoked alone in silence.

There was a bitter feeling in her heart. She realized that even someone born at the top of the pyramid could have so much sorrow.

"Veronica is actually Theo's half-sister. The Blanchet family rarely has girls, so she was brought up in the family. Theo has always been good to Veronica.

And as his niece, he's also always been good to me. Theo might seem strict sometimes, but he has a gentle side. He's not a hopeless bad guy."

Ellinor actually agreed, nodding unconsciously.

Theo gave off a very cold and strict impression, giving off a "strangers keep out" vibe, but he wasn't a bad guy.

Belinda carefully asked, "So Ellinor, you're gonna give Theo another chance this time and make up with him, right?

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Though Ellinor was a bit touched by Theo's past, she wouldn't let it cloud her judgement.

She paused for a second before saying, "That depends on whether Theo can sort out his personal issues. I won't let anyone throw me off my game."

At this, Belinda broke into a happy grin. "Ellinor, don't stress; Theo can handle it. He's head over heels for you. I'm chuffed he found you. With you in his life, he's become more down-to-earth."

Ellinor was feeling a bit knackered. She shuffled down to lie on the bed and placed her head on a pillow, listening to Belinda recount Theo's past with a bitter taste in her mouth.

She grabbed her phone, opened up her chat with Theo, and sent him a message. "Goodnight."

A few seconds later, she got his reply. "Goodnight."

She put down the phone and slowly shut her eyes, drifting off to sleep.

Now that Ellinor was out cold, Belinda stopped talking and retired to a corner to scroll through her phone.

On the way to the Blanchet Corporation, Collin, sitting in the passenger seat, turned to respectfully report some news he'd just received. "Mr. Blanchet, Ms. Sophia has flown back to M State this morning."

Theo squinted his eyes slightly. "Didn't she lose all her identification?"

Collin voiced his speculation. "Maybe she didn't want to end her marriage with you, so she faked losing her identification?"

Theo stayed quiet, apparently deep in thought.

Collin frowned, voicing his worries, "Mr. Blanchet, Ms. Sophia didn't seem too happy when she left. She seemed a bit miffed at you.

Once she gets back to M State, she might go cry on her father, Thaddeus' shoulder. Thaddeus dotes on Ms. Sophia. We might have pissed off Thaddeus International Corporation. There could be trouble brewing ahead.".

Theo's brow furrowed slightly as he replied indifferently, "She signed the contract. Our marriage certificate means nothing to me, and she knew it."

"But Ms. Sophia has always had a thing for you..."

Theo rubbed his temples as he thought about this. He hadn't noticed Sophia's feelings for him because he never saw her as a woman.

If he knew about her feelings, he wouldn't have taken her help in the first place.

Now, ending the marriage might not be that easy.

Just then, Theo's phone rang, interrupting his train of thought.

It was Marissa calling.

Theo had barely left the house when Marissa called. Did something urgent happen?

He answered the call and heard Marissa's nagging voice.

"Theo, why did you leave so early? Didn't I tell you to wait a bit? I made soup for Ellinor this morning for you to bring to her. Why couldn't you wait?"

Theo rubbed his temples tiredly. "I have to deal with company matters. I don't have time to wait."

Marissa protested. "No matter how urgent your company issues are, can they be more important than your wife's health? I spent hours making this nourishing soup! You should go back and get it for Ellinor! Now!"

Theo seemed a bit helpless. "Grandma, you need to rest more; you don't need to do these things yourself. I'll have a nutritionist make soup for her when she wants

it."

Marissa rebutted. "Can anything they make compare to my soup? Get back here and pick it up! Don't keep me on edge!"

Theo replied, "Alright, I'll have Collin pick it up later"

Marissa clearly wasn't satisfied. "You should personally deliver it to Ellinor! We've been keeping your previous marriage a secret from Ellinor. I feel guilty just thinking about it. If you don't step up your game, how are you going to bring Ellinor home soon?"

Theo sighed and said, "Grandma, I get it. Don't worry anymore."

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Theo ended the call, cutting off Marissa's nagging, and looked up at Collin.

"Swing by home later and bring over the soup Marissa made."

Collin nodded. "Sure thing, Mr. Blanchet. Do I need to deliver it to Ellinor?"

"No need, I'll have it myself, Theo replied.

Collin looked at him, puzzled. "But isn't that soup Marissa made for Ellinor? You're going to drink it?"

Theo rubbed his temples. "Marissa spoils her too much; she adds all kinds of supplements to the soup, so it might not be good for her health."

Collin got it.

After giving instructions to Collin, Theo took out his phone to check his chat with Ellinor. His eyes couldn't help but soften when he saw the goodnight message she sent before she fell asleep.

He sent her a text.

"You up yet?"

Not long after, a photo of her half-eaten breakfast was sent over.

His eyes slightly squinted as he texted her. "You went to bed late, so why are you up so early?"

Her reply was swift. "You think I shouldn't be up this early, yet you've texted me this early. Are you trying to mess with my sleep?"

Theo frowned. "You have quite a sharp tongue. Can I see you?"

"How?" She asked.

Uncertain, Theo trod carefully with his next text. "Can I come to the Howard's?"

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Her reply was immediate. "No! We should minimize contact until that matter is settled."

Theo sighed. He realized his mistake and didn't pursue the subject.

Then she sent over a selfie. In the photo, she was staring intently at the camera.

"Just look at me like this."

A small smile made its way to Theo's face, and he chuckled. "Alright."

Even though she looked a little fierce in the picture, he found her quite appealing.

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At the Howard's.

After sending Theo a picture, Ellinor was about to put down her phone and enjoy her breakfast..

But then an international call came in.

She saw the unfamiliar caller ID and didn't want to answer, but it rang again after she declined.

Ellinor frowned and answered the call.

"Hello, who's this?"

"It's me, Sophia."

Ellinor was surprised. "Ms. Sophia, what brings you to call me this early?"

Sophia didn't offer her usual pleasantries. She scoffed, "I'm calling to inform you that I'm back in M State. I just got off the plane."

Ellinor chuckled. "Really? You should have told me earlier. I could have seen you off at the airport."

Sophia snickered. "Don't celebrate too early, Ellinor. My return doesn't mean I'm giving up on Theo. On the contrary, consider this my declaration of war. You better watch out; I won't be going easy on you!"

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Ellinor was a bit curious. "Really? What else are you planning to pull on me?"

Sophia shot back provocatively. "Take a wild guess?"

Ellinor casually took a sip of her milk. "I can't be bothered guessing. Do whatever you want; you didn't have to call to tell me."

Sophia didn't get the reaction she was hoping for, so she was disgruntled. "Ellinor! Do you even know that my father is the well-known..."

Ellinor hung up before she could even drop her father's name. All Sophia got was an annoying beep from the other end.

Sophia's face fell, and she angrily threw her phone on the ground. No one had ever dismissed her like this.

Her attendant picked up the phone off the ground, wiped it clean, and handed it back to her. "Miss, don't get too worked up. If your father sees you like this, he'll be upset and blame us for not taking good care of you."

Sophia clenched her teeth and took the phone back. She looked at Theo's contact and sent him a series of messages confessing her long-time crush on him. But until now, she hadn't received a single response.

Theo was heartless. After knowing her feelings, he didn't even give her a shred of dignity.

An hour later, Sophia arrived back at her home in M State – the grand Thaddeus Manor.

A man in his fifties was leisurely fishing by the pond in the manor.

A servant rushed over. "Your daughter is back, sir."

Hearing this, the middle-aged man quickly handed his fishing rod to someone else and got up to greet his daughter.

Sophia looked upset. She got out of the car and stormed off as her attendant dragged her luggage behind her.

Thaddeus stepped forward with his brow furrowed in concern. "What's wrong, sweetheart? Who upset you? Tell me, I'll set them straight."

The middle aged man was casually dressed. Despite being in his fifties, he looked much younger thanks to good self-care. He almost looked like he was in his early forties.

Sophia threw herself into her father's arms and started crying. "Dad! Theo is ignoring me! He wants to cut ties with me because of some country girl."

Hearing his usually stoic daughter sobbing, Thaddeus felt both distressed and angry. "Oh! Haven't I always told you that you need to make the first move. Now some other girl beat you to the punch, right?"

He had always known about his daughter's feelings for Theo, and he wasn't exactly supportive of her one-sided love. He thought it was too wishy-washy; it wasn't her style.

Sophia lifted her head and complained. "Dad, I'm being bullied right now, why are you saying things that make me even more upset?"

Thaddeus showed extreme disappointment. "Did I say something wrong? You're my daughter, Sophia, but when it comes to love, you're nothing like me when I was

young."

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"From the get-go, you should've listened to me and straight up asked Theo whether he'd be your boyfriend or not. If he refused, so what? You wanted to start off as friends and wasted so much of your prime years!"

Sophia still didn't agree with her dad's perspective. "Dad! You just don't get it! Theo is different from other guys. If I'd confessed my feelings from the start, we might not even have become friends; he would've totally ghosted me."

Thaddeus scoffed seriously, "So what if he ghosts you? There are plenty of fish in the sea. My daughter won't be short of suitors, right? I can introduce you to guys way hotter than Theo."

Sophia firmly said, "How can any guy compare to Theo? Dad, I don't care; I don't want anyone but Theo. You must help me get rid of that Ellinor. I never want to see her around Theo again!"

Previously, Sophia didn't think much of Patricia. Although she was obsessed with Theo, she knew Theo didn't like fragile and affected women like Patricia; they

would never work out.

But she hadn't expected Ellinor to show up.

Originally, she didn't want to completely get rid of Ellinor, fearing it would create a rift between her and Theo or that if Ellinor died when Theo needed her most, she would become a scar in Theo's heart, making him miss her forever.

Now she couldn't care less, feeling that if she didn't get rid of Ellinor, she'd really have to watch Ellinor and Theo live a happy life together.

Although Thaddeus didn't like how Theo treated his daughter, he hated to see her sad and disappointed even more. He decided to make a promise to her.

"Don't worry, that woman is just asking for trouble by competing with my daughter for a man. You just got off the plane, so go take a bath and rest a bit. Leave this matter to me."

Sophia nodded sadly as she left her father's embrace and headed towards Thaddeus Manor.

While watching his daughter's aggrieved figure walk away, Thaddeus's face showed a murderous look. He ordered the people around him to immediately investigate the woman who was fighting for Theo with his daughter.

On her way back to her room, Sophia ran into a beautiful woman with a seven or eight-year-old girl. The woman was in her forties, with long hair falling over her shoulders, a gentle demeanor, and an aura of intellectual beauty."

Sophia glanced at the woman with disdain and muttered, "Vixen!"

"Sophia's back." The woman seemed not to hear her curse. She smiled gently at Sophia and then softly instructed the little girl beside her. "Lea, your sister is back; say hi to her."

The little girl, hugging a teddy bear, defiantly glared at Sophia. "I don't want to call her sister! She's not my sister; she bullies you. She's a bad woman!"

The woman said sternly, "Lea, how can you treat your sister like this? Apologize to her right now!"

The little girl arrogantly turned her face away. "I didn't say anything wrong; I won't apologize!"

The woman looked embarrassed and apologized to Sophia.

"Sophia, this child is too willful. She doesn't understand. After I teach her a lesson, I will make her apologize to you."

Sophia sneered. "Alright, you don't have to pretend in front of me. If you didn't teach her, she wouldn't treat me like this. Never mind, it's fine if she doesn't see me as her sister, I don't want to consider her my sister anyway."

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After Sophia left, the woman with a helpless look squatted down and patiently lectured her daughter.

"Lea, what's up with you today? Sophia just got home; why were you so rude to her?"

The grievances she had for Sophia were evident from Lea's expression. "But she insulted you, Mom. She disrespected you; why should I still call her my sister?"

The woman was at a loss for words. She had heard Sophia's curse earlier, but she didn't want to argue with her husband's daughter from a previous marriage.

Understanding her daughter's feelings, the woman didn't say much more and took her to find her husband.

As the mother and daughter walked to the lotus pond, they saw Thaddeus sternly commanding his subordinates to carry out tasks.

The woman knew her husband like the back of her hand, and by his look, she knew he was up to no good again. She didn't like his aggressive nature, especially at his age.

When his subordinates left after receiving the orders, the woman took Lea and walked over, asking, "Malloy, what did you just send them off to do?"

Thaddeus's real name was Malloy Reynolds, only those close to him knew this, and only his wife could call him that.

After seeing his wife and daughter, Thaddeus's face softened immediately. "Nothing much. I just sent them to investigate someone."

The woman frowned and asked, "Why are you suddenly investigating this person?"

Thaddeus didn't dare lie to his wife, fearing she would misunderstand that he was having an affair. He sincerely replied, "Bertha, don't overthink it. I just asked them to find out who the girl who is fighting over a boy with Sophia is."

The woman, named Bertha, was elegant and sophisticated.

Thaddeus's explanation did not make Bertha feel relieved, and she asked, "Why are you investigating her? Is it to help Sophia get rid of that girl?"

She knew Thaddeus's way of doing things; he was definitely trying to remove obstacles for Sophia.

But she didn't agree with Thaddeus doing this.

Thaddeus admitted it. "Ah! Sophia is only interested in Theo. If I, as her father, don't help her, who else can she rely on?"

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Bertha advised him with a worried face, "Malloy, I know you love Sophia, but you can't force love. Even if you get rid of that girl, would Mr. Blanchet definitely accept Sophia?"

"Bertha, you know I owe Sophia too much. Her mother passed away early when I was young. I was only interested in making a name for myself, leaving little Sophia to be taken care of by her grandparents. Now I want to make up for as much fatherly love she lacked as possible."

Bertha actually understood Thaddeus's feelings.

"But this is not the way to compensate her; you can't build your daughter's happiness on the pain of others. Mr. Blanchet has a woman he likes, and I heard that she's already pregnant with his child. It would be wicked if you broke them up."

Thaddeus loved his wife very much, but he also valued his daughter's wishes. "Alright, Bertha, I have some ideas about Sophia. You don't have to worry anymore. By the way, have we chosen a school for Lea yet?"

Bertha knew he was deliberately changing the subject. She shook her head helplessly and sighed. "When can you let me and Lea feel at ease?"

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Upon hearing his wife's words, Thaddeus bent over and picked up Lea. "Lea, come here. Daddy's gonna teach you how to fish."

Lea, clutching her teddy bear, turned her face away in displeasure, giving her dad the cold shoulder. "I don't wanna play with you."

After seeing his daughter's reaction, Thaddeus squatted down, pretending to be heartbroken and saying, "Lea, why don't you want to play with Daddy? Did I do something to upset you?"

Lea gave out a loud humph. "Daddy is gonna bully people again. I'm not a fan of you anymore."

Lea was the daughter Thaddeus had later in life, and he cherished her immensely.

Thaddeus spoiled both his first daughter, Sophia, and his second daughter, Lea, striving to treat them equally.

But Sophia didn't accept her stepmother, Bertha, or acknowledge Lea as her sister, telling everyone she was an only child. Thaddeus didn't make a big deal out of it because he felt guilty for having neglected Sophia in the past.

Fortunately, Bertha didn't care about all this. She was more concerned about his attitude.

Thaddeus picked up Lea, speaking softly to the child as he tried to explain himself. "Lea, you've got it all wrong. Daddy's gonna punish the bad guys who bullied your sister, not innocent people."

Lea never really liked Sophia and didn't mind people who bullied her. After hearing her father's explanation, she pouted and then snuggled up to him without saying a word.

Thaddeus had sent people back home to investigate Theo's girlfriend. This reminded Bertha of something, and she asked, "Oh, by the way, Malloy, have you found the girl who donated blood to me?"

While cuddling Lea, Thaddeus replied, "No, not yet. The hospital's blood donation records and surveillance footage were all wiped clean. Our people can't trace her. It's strange; donating blood is a good deed, but that kind girl was so cautious that she wiped all traces of herself."

Bertha sighed a little. "Maybe she just wanted to do a good deed without leaving her name. I heard from a nurse that she was pregnant when she donated blood to me, and she also found another donor. I'm really worried that she might have hurt herself by donating blood. I wonder how she and her child are doing now."

Thaddeus tried to comfort his wife. "Bertha, don't worry. A girl as kind as her will be fine. I'll keep sending people to look for her. She's our savior. That day we argued, and I upset you so much that you took Lea and left home. If that girl hadn't donated blood to save you in time, I would've regretted it all my life."

Bertha shot him a glance. "Alright, enough. It's getting dark. Think about what we should have for dinner. Sophia's come home today, so let's have a nice family

dinner."

Elsewhere, after hanging up Sophia's call, Ellinor put her phone aside and focused on her breakfast.

Balfour overheard every word she'd just said on the phone.

Knowing Sophia's background, Balfour was a bit worried. He asked, "Ellinor, what did Sophia say to you?"

Ellinor casually replied, "Nothing special, just some threats, claiming that she's gonna fight me for Theo."

Balfour frowned. "If she calls to harass you again, just ignore her. Let her deal with me if she actually wants to do anything."

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Ellinor didn't say no. She just gave a nonchalant nod and continued to chow down on her meal.

Ellinor, Balfour, and Byran were not the only people at the table. Their temporary resident, Belinda, was also there.

On seeing Balfour being all sweet and caring to Ellinor, she couldn't help but feel a pang of jealousy for Theo, and her eyes were vigilantly fixed on Balfour.

Balfour naturally felt the hostility from Belinda, but he brushed it off. After finishing his breakfast, he wiped his mouth, bid Ellinor goodbye, and left the dining room. After Balfour left, Belinda couldn't hold back and asked, "Ellinor, don't you think Balfour's behavior towards you is a bit off?"

Ellinor didn't think much of it. "Really?"

Belinda nodded affirmatively. "Yes! The way he looks at you is so gentle; he's even more gentle than he is to his own brother. I suspect he has a thing for you; it's not safe for you to stay here. If you don't want to go to the Blanchet Villa, come to my place."

Ellinor, now full, stood up and patted Belinda's head. "Go home after you're done eating and stop worrying about me."

Belinda frowned. "How can I not worry? There's Balfour and also Bartlett. There are so many men eyeing you. It's a total threat for Theo. Ellinor, you're too irresistible. I can't relax!"

Ellinor just smiled and then looked at Byran, who was still munching on his sandwich. "Take her with you when you go to school later, and have the driver drop her home."

Byran raised his hand and made an OK gesture.

Then Ellinor slowly walked out to the yard to catch some sun.

Without getting any useful info from Ellinor, Belinda turned her attention to Byran. "Tell me! Has Balfour always had a thing for Ellinor? Did he sweet-talk her into staying here?"

Byran rolled his eyes. "You're overthinking."

Belinda glared at him. "Then why is Balfour so nice to Ellinor? I've never seen him pay so much attention to any other girl!"

Byran remembered his brother's warning not to reveal Ellinor's identity.

"Does a man have to have romantic feelings for a woman to care about her? Can't it be pure friendship? Look at me; I have zero feelings for you."

Belinda looked annoyed. "Duh! I have zero feelings for you too! But I wouldn't call you a good friend, let alone care about you."

Byran couldn't be bothered to argue further. "In short, things are not as you think. Are you done eating? If you're full, come with me. Ellinor asked me to take you home, so I've gotta do it."

But Belinda noticed something else. "Hold on! Byran, didn't you hate Ellinor before? You even said she's a scheming girl who was always competing with your sister for men. Now you listen to her so obediently?"

There was a flash of embarrassment in Byran's eyes. "Uh, who hasn't misjudged people and done stupid things when they were young? I misunderstood Ellinor before, but now that I know her, of course I'll respect her. Enough, what are you even talking about? We gotta leave now."

Belinda checked the time, and she indeed had some stuff to handle. It was time to go.

Anyhow, she and Byran would be in the same ride; she could grill him on the way.

So she got up and followed Byran out the door.

After getting in the car, Byran gave the driver instructions. "Drop me off at school first, and then take Belinda back to her home."

The driver responded, "Roger that."

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Belinda made her needs clear. "Nah, I ain't going home; take me to Crescent Society."

Upon hearing Crescent Society, Byran was all ears. "Why on earth are you heading there this early?"

Recalling her last phone call with Jacob yesterday, Belinda felt a bit ticked off and wanted to clear the air with him.

"I'm off to meet someone; got some stuff to sort out."

The driver started the car slowly. "Sir, do you want me to drop you off at school first, or should I take Ms. Wesley to Crescent Society first?"

Crescent Society was closer than Byran's school.

Without hesitation, Byran replied, "I've got time; drop her off first."

"Sure thing, sir."

The car headed towards Crescent Society.

Byran, arms crossed like a kid, guessed. "I bet you're going to Crescent Society to see Chase, right?"

Hearing Chase's name made Belinda's brow furrow unconsciously. "No! It's none of your business; stop guessing."

Byran eyed her sideways. "Alright, you're still playing coy; I saw it coming; you've fallen for Chase, haven't you?"

Belinda glared at him. "I'm not playing coy. I'm not going there to see Chase."

Byran chuckled. "Then who are you going to see? I won't make fun of you for liking Chase. Actually, I'd be pretty pleased. If you and Chase get together, I'd feel more

at ease."

Belinda was puzzled. "You'd feel at ease?"

Byran blushed a little but kept his gaze on her. "Because of my girlfriend, Ida. She's been living with Chase, and it's been bothering me. Chase is no good;

he seems flippant. I hope you can distract him soon and keep him away from Ida.".

Belinda made a face and said loudly, "I think you're overthinking! They're like family; they've been together since they were kids. Nothing like what you're worrying about will happen. No matter how flippant Chase is, he's principled. He's not as bad as you think."

Byran stared at her wide-eyed. "Oh! And you said you didn't like him? I just mentioned he seemed flippant, and you're mad? Isn't that because you like him?"

Belinda was at a loss for words. "You..."

Byran had a smug look on his face. "Did I hit the nail on the head? You're mad, right? Typical!"

Belinda was so angry that she wanted to punch him. Just then, the car pulled up near Crescent Society, and she saw Ida at the entrance through the car window.

"Byran, I think you're the one getting ahead of yourself. You claim to be Ms. Gipson's boyfriend, but I bet she doesn't see you that way."

Byran crossed his arms confidently. "What a joke! Me, get ahead of myself? Ida likes me; I like her; what else could we be if not boyfriend and girlfriend?"

Belinda pointed towards the car window behind him with a frown. "Maybe you should take a look outside the car window before you speak."

"Look at what?" Byran felt Belinda was messing with him, but he looked anyway. His handsome face froze, his pupils dilated, and his jaw clenched.

Outside the entrance of Crescent Society, Ida was standing with a man; their behavior suggested intimacy as they were chatting.

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Belinda feigned sympathy. "Byran, if you're really Ms. Gipson's boyfriend, then it looks like you've got competition. You might've been played."

Byran didn't give a damn about being played. Right now, he was just burning with jealousy. He completely ignored Belinda and angrily got out of the car.

Seeing this, the driver asked loudly, "Sir, why did you get off? You still need to get to school!"

Byran couldn't care less about school at this moment. All he wanted to do was find Ida, or else she might leave him.

He quickly walked up to Ida, pushed away the guy standing too close to her, and angrily asked, "Who is he? What were you guys doing?"

Ida was surprised at first by his sudden appearance and then looked a bit annoyed. "What are you doing here?"

Byran snapped, "If I didn't show up, what were you planning to do with this guy?"

Ida adjusted her gold-rimmed glasses, looking a bit helpless and annoyed.

The man Byran had pushed away didn't pick a fight with him. He looked at Ida with a puzzled yet elegant expression. "Ida, who is this young man?"

Ida apologized with a smile. "Sorry, he's a friend's younger brother and probably needs something from me. We might have to reschedule our meeting."

The man smiled at Ida. "Alright, I'll wait for your call then."

Ida nodded and waved goodbye casually.

The man's gaze was deep and full of emotions as he looked at Ida. He glanced at Byran before leaving, seeming to understand his feelings but not paying it much attention.

After watching the man leave, Byran spat out angrily, "You're seeing him again? What are you planning to do with him?"

Ida glanced at him nonchalantly. "Meeting my friend for a meal; is there a problem?"

Byran was ready for a fight. "Friend? Do friends need to be that close?"

Ida looked at him dismissively. "Ever heard of social etiquette?"

Byran crossed his arms stubbornly. "I don't care! I won't allow you to see that guy again. He's clearly into you!"

Ida was annoyed by Byran's presumptuousness and thought he was childish and unreasonable.

"So what if he's into me? If he's good, I might even consider him as my boyfriend."

Byran blew his top upon hearing this. "You're actually considering a new boyfriend? Ida, you already have me. Why are you even considering other guys? Are you trying to kill me?"

Ida was getting impatient. She had a meeting inside the company soon and didn't want to waste time arguing over such silly matters. She turned her gaze towards the car and said, "Where are the Howards? Are they not going to control Byran? Do I need to call Balfour?"

The driver felt incredibly awkward and immediately got out of the car. "Sir, let's go! We're running out of time. I need to take you to school, or you'll be late again."

Byran was still fuming and reluctant to move. In the end, he was practically dragged into the car by the driver.

Ida watched as the car drove off and rubbed her temples.

"Ms. Gipson, Byran seems to really like you." Belinda walked up to Ida and sighed.

Ida snapped back to reality, glanced at Belinda without responding to her comment, and turned to walk into the company.

Belinda followed Ida into Crescent Society, and they got on the elevator together.