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"At this point, how can you still be arrogant! No wonder people online are calling you shameless, you totally deserve it!"

"I deserve it? Then you deserve it for being implicated by me?"

"You..."

Tracy Mendoza couldn't help but also walked up to Sheila, and said to the camera: "Ellinor, why have you become such a mess? You ruined Sheila's career! She was about to be mentored by the great director Pollock and become a new star, bringing glory to the Mendoza family! But because of your sabotage, that opportunity is gone! You even spread rumors that my Sheila isn't Arnold's biological daughter, causing conflicts in our family! Luckily, Arnold

gave us another chance to do a paternity test, proving that Sheila is indeed our daughter, and all the disputes were

caused by you! Now you're out there doing deceptive things to tarnish the Mendoza family's reputation! Ellinor, what the hell is wrong with you?"

"Deception? Tracy, isn't that your specialty? Didn't you get into the Mendoza family by deceiving? And didn't you help Sheila get Pollock's resources through deception? It's just that when people found out the truth, you didn't succeed! Why are you blaming me? Besides, I'm not as good at deception as you are, I can't steal your bread and butter!"

Tracy's face turned pale instantly. "What did you say?"

How did Ellinor become so quick-witted today?!

She used to be somewhat polite to them in front of Arnold..

Sheila snatched the phone and shouted, "Ellinor, how dare you talk to my mom like that! Who do you think you are! I warn you, apologize to my mom right now, or else..."

Ellinor was annoyed by Sheila's sharp voice, she casually cleaned her ear, then directly hung up the video call.

Sheila called again, but Ellinor ignored it.

She really doesn't have time to listen to the Mendoza family's nagging now, she has important things to do.

[Chase, handle those flowers at the Mendoza family's door, find a way to stop those radical netizens from sending these things to the Mendoza family]

There was no response from Chase. Ida Gipson's message popped up: [That guy already went out to check on the thing you just assigned]

Ellinor rubbed her temples, she almost forgot because of the Mendoza family's nagging...

[Ida, you send someone to do it then!]

Ida “Okay, don’t worry! I will send someone to notify all the flower shops and funeral services in the city, so that they will not dare to accept any orders for deliveries to the Mendoza family”

Ida went offline to handle the matter.

Ellinor began to deal with the criticisms she received online.

She opened a special software with a red mark hidden in an encrypted folder on her computer, after clicking to open it, she entered a long password, accessing the deep web that ordinary people can’t reach....

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Just as Ellinor was about to delete a series of illegal posts and tweets that exposed her personal info online, a user with a virtual ID named ‘Bryanderful’ popped up, sending her three excited emojis in succession.

“Finally, you’re online, I need your help!”

This ‘Bryanderful’ was none other than the young man from the Howard family, Byran Howard

After a series of recent incidents, Ellinor had even less affection for the Howard family [What’s the matter? Bryanderful: “A friend of mine is being cyber attacked, could you help me delete those posts that defame her, revealing her personal info? The belittling of her in those posts is untrue! I’ve rallied our AJ Alliance friends to fight back and delete them, but some posts have high-level defense barriers that our tech can’t crack.”

Ellinor was taken aback. Byran, the guy notorious for protecting Patricia Howard, was trying to help her behind her back? What’s happening here?

She remembered that day at the hospital, Byran’s disappointed look at her, even pointing at her nose and lecturing her.

Ellinor was curious and typed back. “Isn’t this Ellinor you’re talking about Patricia’s romantic rival? I remember you scolding her before, how come she’s your friend now?”

“Yes, she’s Patricia’s rival, but Ellinor isn’t a bad guy. She even helped me out big time before. Recently, she was misunderstood by Balfour Howard and Patricia, nearly got jailed, so I feel guilty I can’t just watch her take the fall, I want to help her! Please, I’m begging you!”

Although Byran can be a bit of a tsundere, he was still a lot better than Balfour who’s all talk but no action. At least Byran knew right from wrong and could reflect on his actions

How could Ellinor not help herself? So she went along with his request: “Alright.”

Bryanderful was very excited, “Awesome! Thank you!”

It took him three seconds to react, “Wait, how did you know the Ellinor I want you to help is Patricia’s rival? I couldn’t seem to tell who it was!”

Ellinor began to mind her own business, ignoring him.

Bryanderful sent another starry-eyed emoji, “You really are one of the top two hackers in the world, you know everything!”

Ellinor was speechless.

Was this the logic of fanatical fans? This kid really adored her!

Ellinor tapped her keyboard, entered a complex code, and went straight into Twitter’s backend control system.

Byran, lacking the ability to infiltrate a fully defended backend control system of a big corporation, could only follow her ID

Ellinor opened the backend of the search engine, prepared to search and delete all negative posts in one go.

However, she found the search results empty, all the negative posts had been cleared?

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get in.

The internet was now very calm, including those posts that publicly revealed her school, phone number, home address, and other personal information, were cleaned up

Ellinor was puzzled, she asked Bryanderful: “Didn’t your AJ Alliance already delete all the posts?”

“No, we didn’t! A lot of posts have defense mechanisms, several of us tried for a long time but couldn’t delete them. What happened, how come all those posts are gone now! They were really all cleaned up!”

Ellinor furrowed her brows, if it wasn’t Byran and his crew, then who could it be?

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Not many can hack into such a high-level encrypted system and remote control it!

Who would risk doing such a thing for her?

“Look, seems like it’s that anonymous ID!”

Bryanderful discovered that someone was deleting the ‘Ellinor purposely creating a scene’ videos that were circulating online. A few seconds later, none of these fake videos could play normally

Ellinor squinted her eyes. The encrypted hacker ID was.

Bryanderful, like a clueless lad, sent a message to the renowned hacker, asking him:

“Who are you? Why are you helping Ellinor? Do you know her?”

The hacker didn’t even bother with Byran and continued his work.

Ellinor snapped back to reality and typed a few words: [AAARes, long time no see]

[Hm, long time no see]

This short greeting left Bryanderful so shocked he nearly lost his head!

“Holy cow! AAAres? You’re the world’s top hacker AAAres!!!”

AAAs still ignored Byran.

And Ellinor didn’t bother him further.

AAAs, the mysterious person touted as the number one hacker, had won first prize in the global hacker competition for ten consecutive years.

When Ellinor started participating in the hacker competition, AAAres had already stopped competing. They never met each other on the battlefield.

However, because she also performed exceptionally in the global hacker competition, comparable to AAAs in his prime, people often compared them.

Two years ago, they met once at a global hackers’ offline forum.

Hackers are reluctant to expose their real identities offline, so at that forum, everyone was fully masked and armed. No one knew anyone’s real face, not even their genders, as everyone was using voice changers.

That was the first time she met AAAres. They exchanged views and found they had many in common, and they became friends.

However, their friendship was solely based on mutual admiration of each other’s skills, with no interest in their real identities.

But this incident, where the low-key AAAres actually helped her, surprised Ellinor.

AAAs didn’t know her real identity was Ellinor. Why would he help her?

At this moment, Bryanderful was still excitedly hopping around in the chat box: “I’m so pumped! I met Snow Bunny and AAAres online at the same time today, saw the meetup of the two top hackers in the world with my own eyes, I witnessed history!!!”

Nobody paid attention to Bryanderful’s self-celebration.

Ellinor ignored ‘Bryanderful’ and asked AAAres again: [Do you know the Ellinor who got blacklisted by the entire web?]

AAAs replied [Why, you know her too?]

The word “too” seemed to imply that he knew about Ellinor, but wasn’t certain

Ellinor was a bit surprised, but wanted to protect her identity:

“I don’t know her, someone just asked me to help delete her posts. So how do you know Ellinor?”

AAAs. “You seem quite interested in her?”

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AAAs: "Seems like you're interested in her?"

Ellinor kept silent.

She felt that although it was through the screen, she could feel a strong sense of protection and guard, and it might also contain a strong possessive desire. She might have touched a sensitive spot of AAAs. As hackers, they're usually pretty good at keeping their personal lives private, not liking to spill too much about their offline affairs. It's normal.

She might have crossed a line

Thinking this, Ellinor didn't continue to pry and changed the subject. "No biggie, just casual curiosity. By the way, are you going to the Global Hackers Summit this year?"

AAAs: "It depends"

Ellinor: "What's up? What could possibly stop you?"

AAAs: "Got hitched. Home commitments might keep me from traveling"

Ellinor found this amusing, didn't expect AAAs to be such a good guy!

She replied: "Congrats! That's fun, I just got married too."

At this time, Bryanderful suddenly interjected. "You two, did you get married offline? Wow! You're like the Romeo and Juliet of the hacker world! Just to clarify, you two are a guy and a girl, right? Snow Bunny, you're a guy, right? AAAs can't be a girl, right? Wait, you two aren't both guys, right?"

Ellinor and AAAs were both speechless.

Ellinor booted the chatty Bryanderful from the chat.

Then, she sincerely said to AAAs: "Anyway, I hope to see you at this year's Hackers Summit. I look forward to discussing the latest vulnerabilities and hacking techniques of computer systems with you"

AAAs: "Mhm, we can exchange ideas if there's a chance"

Once everything was handled by AAAs, Ellinor logged off.

She suddenly remembered she had the design order for the Blanchet Corporation's new office building to work on!

She initially planned to send a draft to Theo within three days, but now three days had passed and she hadn't even started due to being caught up with other things.

Might as well start now while she has the time!

Ellinor immediately opened her drawing software and got to work....

In his study, Theo also logged off, tiredly pinching the bridge of his nose.

He checked the time on his phone and then sent a message to Ellinor.

"Can't I come over for a while?"

Ellinor was engrossed in her design when her phone buzzed. She checked the message, furrowed her brows and replied: "What for? Do you need something?"

"I just want to see you"

Ellinor turned on her phone camera, gave a fake smile and a hand gesture, then sent him a selfie, saying: "Feast your eyes on this! Goodnight, no need to reply, I'm going to bed"

Theo was speechless.

He was amused by her behavior! She was irritating and endearing.

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The Howard family

Balfour was sitting in a wicker chair in front of a tidy built-in bookshelf, one hand holding a book and the other a steaming cup of coffee

Secretary Quinton was standing by, dutifully reporting

"Mr. Balfour, about the incident online, Ms Mendoza's situation is really pitiful. Should we help her out?"

Although Quinton wasn't really a fan of Ellinor's attitude towards Mc Balfour, he had to admit that she did help their elder at The Bund of Trent River. If it wasn't for her, the elder would have definitely been harmed by the internet starlet.

Balfour squinted his eyes, remembering Ellinor's indifference towards him:

"She's Theo's girlfriend, so we don't need to intervene in anything"

Quinton agreed, Mr. Blanchet should be capable of protecting his own girlfriend!

Well, it seemed that he was worrying too much Balfour elegantly put down his coffee cup and continued, "Right now, the main thing is, how did the video on the internet get leaked and where did it come from Do help me find out"

Quinton replied somewhat helplessly. I've tried to find out, but really can't find it. We confiscated the internet starter's phone on the spot, there's no way she had time to backup. The phone was then in your possession, only given to the police for evidence collection, no one else touched it."

A flicker of alertness crossed Balfour's eyes, "So you're saying someone messed with the phone while I wasn't paying attention?"

Quinton hesitated for a moment before nodding, "I believe, that's the only possibility"

Balfour closed his book, "I've been keeping the phone in the drawer of this study, if someone messed with it, it must be an inside job!"

Quinton thought it was unlikely to be someone from the household, "Uh usually only Miss Patricia would dare to enter your study without your permission, no one else would dare to "

As Quinton was saying this, Patricia bustled in with a plate of snacks, smiling brightly

"I brought back pizza, specifically for you to try!"

Balfour rarely saw Patricia so happy, even though he wasn't interested in sweet foods, he still took a piece of pizza to please her, taking a small bite to taste.

Patricia blinked expectantly, "How is it? Yummy?"

"Yep, anything you buy is delicious"

Patricia giggled, her smile sweet.

Balfour was tasting the sweetness of the pizza, when he suddenly looked at the innocent Patricia and fell silent, then he asked her, "Patri, have you been in my study recently, did you touch the phone in the drawer?"

Patricia looked surprised, then innocently said, "No! What happened?"

"Do you know about Ellinor being attacked online?"

A hint of tension flashed across Patricia's face, quickly replaced by calmness. She nodded, "Yeah, I overheard some people talking about it when I was out eating with friends, but I haven't checked it online yet. What happened?"

Balfour frowned, his gaze becoming serious, "Patri, are you sure you don't know what happened?"

"I really don't know!" Patricia looked hurt, her eyes filling with tears, "Are you suspecting me?"

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Seeing Patricia's eyes well up with tears, Balfour's heart softened. He reached out to wipe away the tear at the corner of her eye and comforted her, "Alright, Patri, don't cry. I was just asking"

Patricia sniffled, pouting. "Your tone just now was clearly not just asking casually. You were so serious!"

Balfour sighed helplessly, explaining patiently. "Patri, because that phone is always in the drawer of my study. Now someone has edited a video from that phone and posted it online to discredit Ellinor. I was just trying to rule out any suspects from within before letting Quinton investigate others. Why would I ever not trust you?"

Patricia wiped her tears, nodding understandingly. "I see if that's the case, it's understandable that you suspect me. After all, I'm the only one who can freely go in and out of your study"

Seeing her understanding, Balfour felt guilty and patted her head affectionately

"But I really didn't, and I wouldn't do such a thing. Recently, I'm not the only one who's been in and out of your study. Haven't you been making Byran finish his homework in your study every day lately? Carlos, who's in charge of taking care of Byran, and the people who've been bringing him tea

and water, they've all been in and out of your study a lot these days We should investigate each of them to see who's trying to smear Ellinor online

"Byran?" Balfour's face tightened, becoming serious

Patricia hesitated, then looked worried, "You don't think Byran might have done it to get back at Haillie, do you? Byran and Haillie are close, and seeing Haillie taken away by the police, he might have.

Balfour thought of that good-for-

nothing Byran and sighed, "He's in no position to take revenge for anyone. Haillie Knotts committed a crime, and she had the audacity to use your safety to frame Ellinor! She deserves her punishment. It's not up to Byran to avenge her"

Patricia saw Balfour getting angry and hurriedly tried to soothe him, "It might not necessarily be Byran, I'm just worried."

At home, besides that good-for-

nothing Byran, none of the other servants even knew who Ellinor was. So, who would have the motive and time to smear someone they didn't know?

Balfour thought for a moment and then calmed down, "Patri, you've been feeling unwell and you went out with your friends. You must be tired. Go get some rest, I still have

some work to deal with"

"Alright, I won't disturb you. Take your time to investigate, I'm sure you'll find out who did it."

With that, Patricia turned

and walked out of the study. As soon as she stepped out, her sweet and understanding face darkened, and she gritted her teeth in anger.

What a terrible decision!

She didn't expect Balfour, who was usually indifferent to others and didn't waste time, to spend time investigating Ellinor!

Worst case scenario, if Balfour found out it was her, she was done for!

So, she had to deflect the suspicion onto Byran first....

Balfour sent away Patricia who couldn't bear the pressure, then his expression immediately became serious, and he told Quinton to say "you go get Byran over here."

"Yes!"

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"Quinton went to find Byran, who was feeling bummed about being kicked out of Underworld Web by Snow Bunny

He wanted to get back into Underworld Web, but couldn't because Snow Bunny had locked his ID, banning him for 48 hours.

Why would Snow Bunny do that?

Byran helplessly smacked his keyboard, and then flipped over to Twitter to check out the latest on the Ellinor Frame—Up Incident.

All those posts and videos attacking Ellinor online had disappeared at least things wouldn't get worse

Next, he needed to find a way to help Ellinor clear her name, otherwise she wouldn't be able to move freely in public, she would be surrounded and attacked.

Should he ask Balfour for help?

Balfour was notoriously unhelpful unless it concerned him or the Howard family, otherwise, he definitely wouldn't waste his time.

So no matter what Ellinor's situation was, he wouldn't lift a finger to help.

Byran leaned back in his chair, his arms behind his head, deep in thought.

However, Balfour had that internet celebrity's phone, if he could get the original unedited video from the phone and post it online, it would clear Ellinor's name,

But how could he get the original video from Balfour?

"Byran, Mr. Balfour wants to see you!"

Suddenly Quinton's voice came from outside the door, startling Byran out of his thoughts, causing him to fall over in his chair with a scream of pain.

Hearing the commotion, Quinton asked cautiously, "Byran, are you okay?"

Byran got up and replied, "I'm

fine! I've finished all my homework for today. What does Balfour want with me?"

"I'm not sure, you'd better go and ask him yourself!"

"Okay, I got it! You go ahead, I'll be right there."

Byran had a bad feeling about this. Every time Balfour called him, it was either to scold him or force him to study, never anything good.

Five minutes later, Byran reluctantly arrived at Balfour's study.

"Do you need me for something?"

He knocked on the door, but after a long while, there was no response

So he tried to push the door open and saw that nobody was in the study

"Balfour?"

"Are you here?"

Byran quietly entered the study, confirmed Balfour was not there, and suddenly had an idea!

He could take this opportunity to back up the original video from the internet celebrity's phone and post it online to help Ellinor clear her name!

He had noticed while doing homework that Balfour had taken out the internet celebrity's phone, which should be in the drawer on the left side of his desk.

Having made up his mind, Byran once again checked his surroundings to make sure no one else was around. Then he went over and opened the drawer, and as expected, he found the internet celeb's phone!

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Byran quickly pulled out the cell phone from his drawer, found a USB cable to connect it to Balfour's computer, then pulled out a flash drive and plugged it into the computer. His actions were smooth and practiced

But just as he was about to back up the video files from his phone to the flash drive

"What are you doing?"

Balfour's deep voice suddenly echoed in the study

Byran froze, lifting his head stiffly. I was just looking for some study materials"

Balfour squinted, "On my computer? Don't you have your own?"

Byran was flustered, "Um... I just remembered a point I had forgotten to look up when I walked into your study I was afraid I might forget it again, so I used your

computer

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While talking, Byran had quietly unplugged the USB cable and pocketed the celeb's phone

Balfour, with a poker face, easily saw through his little trick. He stepped forward, extending a hand, "Hand it over"

Byran played innocent, but he was clearly uneasy, his gaze darting around, "Hand over what?"

Anger flashed in Balfour's eyes, "Caught in the act and still lying? Your grades don't improve, but you've earned all these little tricks!"

At the mention of his grades. Byran felt deeply ashamed and knew he couldn't hide from Balfour any longer. He honestly took out the phone from his pocket, I'm sorry I admit I took this phone, but I just wanted ."

Balfour took the phone, interrupted him, "No matter what you were thinking, you should never twist right and wrong, or smear someone who once helped your grandfather"

Byran was taken aback, not understanding what Balfour meant, "What?"

Balfour snorted, "Those online stuff, do you think pixelating grandpa's photo is enough? I pointed out Ellinor at the police station because I thought she hurt Patri, and we couldn't be lenient for Patri's safety. Now that the police have cleared Ellinor, but you're still trying to smear her? Aren't you afraid of making people think we, the Howards, are ungrateful?!"

Byran felt wronged, "What are you talking about? I didn't do those stuff online!"

Seeing Byran's firm attitude, Balfour started to doubt...

"Balfour, Byran, what's going on? I was about to go downstairs for a drink and heard you two arguing?" Patricia suddenly walked in wearing her nightgown, looking like she had rushed over at the noise

Seeing his beloved Patricia, Byran immediately ran to her and complained, "He's being too much! He wrongfully accused me of posting stuff online to attack Ellinor!" After hearing this, Patricia frowned, patted Byran's arm to comfort him, then turned to Balfour, "You have no proof that Byran did this: What if you're wrong..."

Just then, Quinton walked in, reporting the latest investigation results, "We found video editing software and the source file of the viral video on Byran's desktop and laptop. along with the login record of the female celeb's Twitter account"

What?!

Byran finally realized that Balfour called him over just to transfer him away so Quinton could investigate his computer!

But how could his computer have those things Quinton mentioned? That's impossible!

What on earth was going on?

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Balfour frowned, slamming the influencer's phone onto the table and glaring at Byran with disappointment

"You don't study hard, but you do these hacker things on the Internet! Do you think that as long as you learn some basic skills, you can do evil without being discovered? If you're gonna pull off these uncool stunts, at least remember to not leave criminal evidence!"

Byran blinked back tears, his eyes reddening.

"I admit I was involved with the hacking, but that video of Ellinor wasn't edited or spread by me. I never meant to hurt her"

"You still deny it in the face of hard evidence?"

"I'm not denying I truly didn't do it!"

Balfour was clearly agitated, "Quinton, take him back to his room. No food until he admits his mistake!"

Quinton obviously hesitated, but finally obeyed,

as ordered' Byran wiped the tears that were about to flow with his arm, and said stubbornly I won't eat it! You are a fool. You misunderstood Ellinor before, and now you're misunderstanding me! Someday, you'll be misunderstood too!"

Worried that Byran would further infuriate Balfour, Quinton quickly ushered him out.

Seeing this, Patricia breathed a sigh of relief, a smirk playing on her lips. She was thoroughly satisfied.

This way, Balfour wouldn't suspect her anymore

While Byran was in Balfour's study, she had quickly tampered with Byran's computer system before Quinton brought in the investigators.

All the evidence Quinton had found was planted by her

She had to do this She couldn't let Balfour know the truth, only to make the innocent Byran a scapegoat!

It was a pity that she hadn't completely blackened Ellinor's name this time.

Snapping out of her thoughts, Patricia feigned concern, "About Byran..."

Balfour waved her off, "He's old enough to take responsibility for his actions. I'll handle this. You don't need to worry, go rest."

"Alright then, you should rest too!" Patricia sighed, feigning helplessness, and left

After settling Byran, Quinton returned, worried, "Mr. Howard, Mr. Blanchet has many resources. Even though Byran hid his IP Mr. Blanchet could still trace it. If he misunderstands and thinks you did it..."

Balfour raised an eyebrow, "So what if he thinks it was me?"

"I just think we should avoid unnecessary conflicts with the Blanchet family. The feud between our elders is already deep enough. It's even affecting Miss Patricia's marriage. If the feud escalates, Miss Howard, caught in the middle, would suffer even more... Today's incident, after all, was Byran's doing."

Balfour understood that Patricia still carried a torch for Theo, and this might last a lifetime.

Considering Patricia's feelings for Theo, he had to show some respect to the Blanchet family.

Rubbing his temples, he instructed, "Tomorrow morning, take Byran to the Blanchets to apologize and explain the situation. Hand over the original video to Theo. If he's still not satisfied, let him come to me."

Quinton nodded, "Yes, sir."

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Patricia quietly grabbed some bread and snacks and snuck them over to Byran.

Quinton, who was ordered by Balfour to have two bodyguards stationed outside Byran's door, saw that it was Ms. Howard who had come. After a moment of hesitation, they let her in without stopping her

Balfour always listens to Ms Howard, and even if Balfour himself was here, he would definitely be moved by Ms Howard's coquetry and let her in

If they stopped her, and Ms Howard went to Balfour unhappy, he would definitely get angry with them. So, they figured they might pretend to not see it.

Patricia entered Byran's room and saw Byran lying face down on the bed, burying his face in the pillow and crying

"Byran, get up! You'll suffocate like this!"

Hearing Patricia's voice, Byran was taken aback, then sat up, wiping his tears with a wronged and stubborn look.

"Why are you here? It's so late, haven't you gone to bed yet?"

"I couldn't sleep. I was worried about you, so I came to check."

Patricia took a tissue from the table and walked over to wipe his swollen eyes. "Look at you, such a big boy, why are you crying?"

Byran didn't want to cry, but he felt wronged

"I was misunderstood!

I didn't do what Balfour said I only wanted to get the influencer's phone from Balfour today because I wanted to get the original video to help Ellinor clear her name on the internet."

Patricia was startled, and the movement of wiping Byran's tears stopped. A hint of surprise flashed in her eyes.

Byran wanted to help Ellinor too?

What kind of charm does Ellinor have that not only made the usually cold Balfour take the time to investigate the source of the video, but also made the tsundere Byran risk going to Balfour, whom he fears the most, to steal the phone?

This was a hidden powerhouse

Seeing Patricia's dazed expression, Byran frowned, "What are you thinking about? Don't tell me you don't believe me either?"

Patricia snapped back to reality and smiled warmly, "Byran, what are you talking about! Of course I believe you. But, you know what Balfour is like. He only cares about results, not feelings. Right now, you don't have any evidence to prove you didn't do those things, so Balfour will absolutely not forgive you. So just listen to me, go to the Blanchet family first thing tomorrow and admit that the online incident was a moment of recklessness on your part, let Balfour and Theo cool down"

Byran was startled and immediately pushed Patricia's hand away, resisting. "What are you saying? You want me to admit to something I didn't do? I won't go! Why should I go!"

Patricia sighed deeply revealing a conflicted and disappointed expression, "Byran, I'm not trying to force you to admit to anything it's just... you know, my greatest wish in life is to marry Theo and spend the rest of my life with him. But because of the grudges between our Howard family and the Blanchet family's ancestors, our relationship has always been hindered. Now, if the online incident were to add to the conflict between our families, I would truly have no hope of ever being with Theo! Byran, I hope you can think of the bigger picture and endure it for a while, okay?"

As Patricia spoke, her eyes turned red. With her already innocent looking face, this crying made her even more pitiful.