#### The Kiss 91

Chapter 91

"Whoa, really?"

*"Ellinor, you're a lifesaver* 

"Ellinor, you're such a big spender1"

Ellinor's eyes were wide as saucers, a mix of shock and annoyance as she stared at Theo.

Holy moly! Who said anything about footing the bill? It's a given in any class reunion that everyone paid their way! There were over a hundred classmates here eating and drinking Did he have any idea how mu ch that would cost?

Seeing her scrunched up face. Theo's lips curved up. He pulled back his hand that had been resting on her head, shoved his hand into his pocket, and sauntered out the door with grace

After Theo left, the classmates started to admire the generous Ellinor. The girls huddled around her, aski ng about the handsome parent, and Ellinor casually dismissed

them

On the other hand, the boys, didn't dare to approach her. After all, her rich parent was in the next room. They didn't have the guts to face him.

Once she managed to wriggle her way out of the girl's questions, Ellinor sat down huffily, took out her ph one and texted Theo: "Do you have any idea how unreasonable you're being?"

About half a minute later, Theo responded calmly. "What did I do?"

Ellinor gritted her teeth, "What was that all about? It was totally out of the blue!"

After a moment, Theo replied "Just taking some precautions to ensure no one gets any ideas. Wouldn't w ant to end up a cuckold."

Ellinor immediately sent back an eye-rolling emoji!

Meanwhile, in the other room

Theo, looking down at his phone at the emoji sent by the girl, his eyebrows slightly furrowed. Then his sle nder fingers quickly typed a reply: "What's up?"

*The emoji was a gif of a chubby little girl stomping her foot and pouting, with the caption: "I hate you!"* 

It was a pretty accurate depiction of her current mood.

"Theo, what's so funny? What could possibly make the usually serious Mr Blanchet crack a smile?" Jonah teased, leaning over to take a peek at his phone.

Theo calmly locked his phone and looked up at him, "Did I laugh?"

Jonah nodded, "Yeah, you did! Ask Kemp if you don't believe me!"

Theo's eyes darkened as he turned to Kemp

*Kemp took a sip of his drink, staying out of it. He gestured towards a table in the corner, "Fancy a game of poker?"* 

Jonah grinned, "Sounds good. It's been a while. But we only have three players?"

"Haillie and Byran will be here soon."

'Perfect!'

Seeing all the attention on Ellinor, Yvette, also a beauty from Creston University, felt like her limelight wa s stolen and she was unhappy about it.

Jealously watching Ellinor, she thought for a moment, then picked up her guitar case with a sneaky smile and walked over to her.

Yvette came up to Ellinor with a friendly, radiant smile and said. "Ellinor, I heard you're pretty good at gu itar. Today's our graduation celebration and farewell day. I plan to perform a song I wrote myself for our classmates Would you like to accompany me on the guitar?"

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Ellinor was sipping her juice slowly looked at Yvelle, she asked, "Can't you sing your own song?"

Yvette smiled gently, "Sure, I can sing, but that would be kinda dull. They want me to sing and dance"

She then turned around and asked the guys, "Isn't that what you guys want?"

Upon hearing the mention of a beautiful singing and dancing, the boys' faces lit up instantly.

"Absolutely, we haven't seen Yvette dance yeti

1 heard Yvette used to learn ballet. Her dance must be a sight for sore eyes!"

"Today is the last day of our graduation party. We might not see each other again. Having Yvette's song and dance as the final act, our college life would be the perfect curtain call"

"I can't wait to see Yvette's dance!"

Yvette felt the

support from the crowd. She then looked at Ellinor with a smile, 'Ellinor, everyone is looking forward to it How about we put on a show together?"

Ellinor took a sip of her juice, looking bored. "They want to see you dance, not me playing the piano. Why do I have to accompany you?"

Yvette instantly put on a sad face, "Don't you want to help me? You are willing to treat everyone to this party. I don't think you would mind helping me with this little favour."

Ellinor gave a slight smile, "Yvette, if I remember correctly, you are from the music department, and ther e are quite a few of your classmates here, it shouldn't be hard to find someone who can play the guitar, r ight? Why do you have to find me? We're not even close." Yvette was at a loss for words, "Because ... "

At that moment, a few girls came forward, chimed in one by one,

"Because you two are the beauties of our university! If you two perform together, it would be more attra ctive than others!"

\*Ellinor, please collaborate with Yvette just this once! Consider it a fulfilment of all our classmate's expec tations!\*

"Our college life is ending today. Witnessing a performance from you two beauties would be a sweet me mory for the future!"

These girls were Yvette's close friends. Their words stirred up the others.

Suddenly, all eyes were on Ellinor. She really didn't want to move, let alone perform in front of everyone. However, she had played the guitar on stage during the school celebration in sophomore year, claiming s he couldn't play now would be a hard sell. At this moment, it was hard to reject this invitation.

"Alright!

Ellinor stood up, took Yvette's instrument case, and said indifferently, "I'm not a pro, might not play the i nstrument well, hope you guys won't mind."

"No way!"

"Absolutely not!"

"Ellinor, you're just being modest!"

With her goal achieved, a triumphant smile appeared on Yvette's face

The party room was big, designed specifically for large gatherings, with two floors.

The lower level primarily had entertainment facilities, such as karaoke, pool, board games, and arcade g ames.

The upper level was more of a leisure area, with a library, a movie room, and other quiet chatting areas, and a beautifully decorated, atmospheric terrace.

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On the terrace, were two artificial cherry blossom trees and some plants Beneath the cherry blossom trees, there was a small stage for customers to play and sing quietly. The so undproofing downstairs was not up to snuff, and was pretty rowdy Even with the music off, the commoti on from the next room was still seeping in. So, the classmates suggested that the two beauties perform o n the terrace upstairs.

Upstairs, Yvette first handed the sheet music to Ellinor, smiling as brightly as ever. "Ellinor, here! This is my original composition. I'm sure you can play it!"

Ellinor took it and looked at the music she had written It looked good, but it wasn't something she could j ust play immediately Without some basic skills, it would be hard to play smoothly Seeing Ellinor struggling with the sheet music, Yvette smirked triumphantly, then feigned concern. "Ellinor, what's up? Is there a problem? Is my composition a bit tricky for you?"

Ellinor glanced at her, then back at the sheet music, sighed, and said, "It's a bit tough, but I'll give it a shot. I'll try my best to play it for you."

Yvette smirked inwardly but kept a pleasant face.

With Ellinor's amateurish skills, she dared to say she would try her best to play it. What a joke!

She had poured her heart into the music for a year, incorporating all the skills she had learned over a lifet ime. Even she could not play it perfectly, let alone an amateur like Ellinor!

But that was what she wanted, to see Ellinor make a fool of herself in public!

*Ellinor had been overshadowing her for four years with her top student status. On this last day of college, she was determined to put Ellinor in her place and take back the spotlight!* 

She wanted everyone to know that Ellinor's top student title was just for show. When it came to talent and charisma, Ellinor was nowhere near her!

*Ten minutes later, Yvette dragged Ellinor onto the small stage on the terrace, ready to start their perfor mance.* 

Ellinor found a convenient spot to sit, clipped the sheet music, and prepared to accompany her

However, when she opened the guitar case Yvette had given her, she looked startled, her eyebrows furro wing.

Seeing no

movement from Ellinor, Yvette turned and put on a concerned face, "Ellinor, what's up? Not ready yet?"

Ellinor looked at her and said regretfully, "Come and see for yourself"

Yvette went over and was surprised, 'Oh, my! I'm so sorry. I think I accidentally put a violin in the guitar c ase!"

By now, their classmates were getting impatient.

"When are you two going to start?"

"Yeah, we've been waiting for ages!"

"The instruments are all the same Just play whatever comes to hand!"

From the crowd, some wise guy shouted that out. Yvette took the opportunity to say

"Ellinor, they're right. You can play guitar music on a violin. Why not give it a try?"

*Ellinor raised an eyebrow at Yvette's subtly provocative expression, sure now that she had purposely swit ched the instruments.* 

Yvette quickly asked, "Ellinor, don't tell me you can't play the violin?"

Ellinor didn't say a word

Yvette quickly put on an innocent face, feigning apology", "Uh...my bad I thought a top student like you would at least know how to play a few instruments. looks like! was wrong!"

From the crowd, Yvette's friends started to chime in, crossing their arms and making snide remarks.

*"If you can't play the violin, get off the stage! It's better if Yvette plays and sings by herself. Don't ruin the piece our music department's prodigy worked so hard on!"* 

"Yeah, get off the stage! Don't waste our time. We want to see Yvette!"

"Oil I thought this legendary top student, Ellinor could do anything! Looks like she's all talk, no action!"

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"If Ellinor can't play the violin then hurry up and get off the stage Just let Yvette do the show!"

"Yeah, come on, get off! We've all been waiting, don't waste our time anymore!"

This time, Yvette finally felt she'd outdone Ellinor, and was pretty chuffed

However she didn't

forget to show her understanding and sympathy. She gently said to Ellinor: "Ellinor, since it's like this, I w on't give you a hard time anymore. You can go down first Let me take over!"

"Alright Ellinor nodded, and agreed. Anyway, she didn't want to play anymore!

Just as she put down the violin and got off the stage, she heard Yvette's friends in the front row talking lo udly.

"Humph! She can't even play the violin. Ellinor isn't that great!"

"She has such

a good family background, is her academic performance really as good as the rumours say? If you're rich, creating an image of an all–rounder genius isn't a big deal!"

"What good family background When I was assigned to organize the archives, I saw Ellinor's student file! She's just a student from the countryside. Before college, she was poor relying on grants to study!"

"What? Is she poor? Then how come her family has so much money to donate a building to the school to day?"

"Do you really think that's her family? I bet she met some rich bloke in Greenhaven because she's pretty! Some poor girls would always give up their morals for money!"

"That guy? You mean the handsome guy today is Ellinor's sugar daddy?"

"Can such a young man be her biological dad? Hmph! Nothing looks wrong on the surface, but who know s what's going on behind the scenes!"

"By the way'

I heard rumors that Ellinor was often called into the principal's office and stayed there for at least an hou r! Now I suspect she might have something with the principal! Otherwise, why would he favour her so m uch, even letting her be the finale at the graduation ceremony!"

"No way? Our principal could be her grandpa"

"What's impossible! The principal is also a man."

Their comments got more and more outrageous. Ellinor's eyes grew cold. She stopped, turned around an d walked towards those gossiping girls.

"What did you just say about the principal?"

Seeing Ellinor come over, the girls looked a bit guilty and panicked

"Eh, since you've heard it, why ask us?"

Ellinor coldly stared at them and said: "The principal has been educating people all his life. He's highly respected. Do you have the right to spread rumours about him?"

One of the girls snorted, "Huh! Our mouths are on our bodies. We have the freedom to say whatever we want!"

"Exactly' Exactly"

"Why are you so nervous when we mention the principal? Did we hit a nerve?"

Ellinor frowned, and grabbed one of the girl's collars, "Dare to say one more word?"

The girl was startled, struggling but unable to free herself from Ellinor's grip, but she didn't back down, " Ellinor, are you trying to hit someone? Ha, doing this will only make us think you're angry because you're embarrassed""

Ellinor

slightly narrowed her eyes, and released her hand, "I won't hit you, but you need to apologize to Mr Princ ipal in front of all the students for the untrue words you just

said"

The girl casually straightened her collar and said, "Want us to apologise? Unless you prove, you're a real genius, not a product of the principal's overpraise!"

Ellinor lightly said, "How do you want me to prove it?"

The girl laughed, "If you can play the violin, we'll believe there's nothing inappropriate between you and the principal, that you're truly a genius!"

She accurately judged that Ellinor definitely couldn't play the violin. Otherwise, why would she have give n up the opportunity to show off and left the stage earlier?

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Ellinor didn't immediately respond, but the girls around her started to get all riled up.

"What, can't play?"

"If you can't play, then your whole Miss Perfect' act is just a bunch of baloney!"

*"If you can't even play the violin, then isn't your whole 'Miss Perfect title just the Principal blowing smoke ? You said you don't have any special relationship with him. Who's going to believe that?"* 

*Ellinor had never called herself Miss Perfect'. This was all due to Creston University's Principal going over board with his praise, constantly boasting about her achievements, which led to this reputation.* 

And it was confirmed that she frequently got called to the Principal's office, each time staying for about an hour.

The Principal of Creston University was a math freak. Since she was an outstanding student in the math d epartment, the Principal would call her in to discuss complex math problems whenever he encountered o ne, even putting aside his position to ask her for solutions humbly

What was initially a very innocent had been twisted into something scandalous by these people!

The Principal's appreciation for her academic abilities encountered her in her studies.

She respected the Principal greatly and couldn't tolerate him being misunderstood because of her.

Thinking this, Ellinor said. "Alright, I'll play a piece for you guys then!"

As soon as she said this, the people around her started laughing.

"Ellinor, don't push yourself if you can't do it!"

"You just stepped down because you couldn't play. Now you want to go up and play again. Do you really think we'd believe you can play the violin? Hahaha

"When I say play a piece, I mean play a piece everyone admits is good! Not just strumming a few random notes!"

At this point, on the opposite balcony.

Byran, being too young, wasn't allowed to drink and play cards with Theo and Jonah, so he had to sit on t he balcony feeling bored out of his mind

Just then, he saw Ellinor being surrounded and provoked by her classmates.

"Is that the annoying Ellinor over there?"

Byran held a bottle of soda, watching the scene with focus.

His sidekick, Carlos, also leaned over to look, "Hmm, looks like it's really Mrs Blanchet!"

After he said this, he got a smack on the head from Byran!

"Mrs Blanchet, my foot! She's

not Mrs Blanchet! She doesn't deserve it! She can only be my sister!" Byran corrected him unhappily.

"Yes, Mr Howard! I misspoke." Carlos rubbed his head with a wronged look and sighed helplessly

Byran stared at the opposite side, his

handsome lips curled up slightly. "Those must be her classmates! Looks like there are quite a few people who don't like her. It's not just me! This just proves that there's definitely something wrong with this Ellin or girl!"

Carlos disagreed with Byran's opinion, I don't think there's anything wrong with Ms Mendoza, it's just those girls looking for trouble Ow!"

Before he could finish his sentence, he got another kick from Byran!

Byran coldly said. "If I say she has a problem, then she definitely has a problem!\*

Carlos was so wronged that he almost cried, "Okay, whatever Mr Howard says is right!"

"That's more like it!" Byran said arrogantly, "Carlos, go call Theo and the others right now. Let everyone see that woman's ridiculous act! I refuse to believe that some country bumpkin can play the violin"

### Carlos felt this

wasn't quite right, but he didn't dare to voice his opinion, afraid to get hit by Byran again, so he could onl y nod and go downstairs.

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Yvette and her posse were still goading Ellinor.

"Alright! If you can play a song today and get every single one of us here to applaud, you win! Then we'll do whatever you ask, no need for apologies."

# Ellinor remained stone faced, "Deal"

The lead girl continued. "But, if your performance slinks and can't get us all on board, you'll have to craw I out of here, and we're gonna film it and post it on the school forum! You still up for the challenge?"

Ellinor frowned, paused for a couple seconds, seemingly considering the proposition, then said, "Sure."

The girl smirked scornfully. "Then you go up and play, if you lose, don't be foolish!\*

Ellinor turned and took the violin from Yvette

*Yvette put on a pretence of concern, "Ellinor, you should bow out of this challenge. Girls need to have dignity, crawling out would be so embarrassing"* 

Ellinor smiled slightly. "How do you know I'll fail before I even start?"

*Yvette taunted. "Ellinor, the violin is way harder than the guitar. The fingering is tough. Im just trying to s ave you from making a fool of yourself!"* 

"Thanks for your concern!" Ellinor didn't say more, casually tuned her violin, then looked up at Yvette, " Weren't you going to sing? Shouldn't you be preparing?" Yvette just snorted. She didn't really care about Ellinor, she just wanted to see this country bumpkin make a fool of herself! *Yvette again feigned concern, advising Ellinor a few more times, then with a helpless expression, she look center stage, adjusted the mic, and prepared to sing.* 

However, she wasnt ready to start singing.

She had always believed Ellinor wouldn't be able to play well, she couldn't accompany her properly, and i n the end, she still had to rely on herself to play and sing!

Under the watchful and skeptical eyes of everyone, Ellinor finally started to play.

It was noise, not music!

*Ellinor was playing the violin haphazardly, it was chaotic and earpiercing, causing disgust among the students on stage.* 

"OMG, I almost thought Ellinor could really play the violin!"

"She dares to go on stage with such terrible playing!"

"This is just messing around! It's so bad!"

"She's just wasting Yvette's violin!"

"Exactly!"

Yvette and her friends were laughing secretly.

This was the effect they

were expecting Ellinor had lost face today, her image was ruined, she was no longer the legendary allrounder!

Not only that, she still had to crawl out soon!

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At that moment.

Several people were already standing on the balcony, each with an attractive expression.

Byran laughed and said, "Theo, did you see that? What is Ellinor playing? It's just terrible!"

Haillie also smiled, her eyes full of contempt, looking at Ellinor across, clearly enjoying her embarrassmen t.

This was the expected outcome!

How could a girl from the countryside possibly understand the art of elegant music?

Those from remote areas, in order to make a difference, might really work hard academically, and it's no t surprising to become excellent students, but when it came to artistic cultivation, it's hard to reach a high levell

Kemp looked on indifferently, with no obvious expression on his face.

Jonah shook his head and sighed, putting his hand on Theo's shoulder, "Theo, it looks like your new bride can't play an instrument!"

Theo's eyes were deep, he squinted, a smirk playing on his lips. "Really?"

Jonah raised an eyebrow, what else could it be? Her performance was already this bad, what was there t o doubt?

Just then, the ear-piercing noise from across became pleasant.

Jonah was taken aback, he turned to look again, thinking someone had replaced Ellinor, but to his surpris *e*, it was still her playing the violin!

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*Ellinor's expression was casual as her playing shifted from n random pluck to a rhythmic strum. The song she was playing was exactly the one from the guitar sheet music Yvette had initially given her* 

Downstage, the faces of the students turned from dissatisfaction to confusion, then admiration and intox ication.

Yvette and her friends were stunned

They didn't expect Ellinor to actually play the song!

As the situation took an unexpected turn, it was crucial not to panic. Yvette's friends started to nudge her

"Yvette, don't be fooled! You sing tool"

"Yeah, Yvette, drown out Ellinor with your voice!"

"Yvette, don't forget to dancel"

With the prodding of her friends, Yvette came back to her senses. Once she caught the rhythm, she starte d singing her own lyrics, twirling and dancing.

She sang her heart out, trying to pull the student's attention onto herself, outshining Ellinor!

In fact, she succeeded. Some of the students did turn their attention to her.

So, Yvette danced with even more vigour

But who would have thought, the rhythm of Ellinor's playing accelerated. Her fingerwork was so fluent a nd it didn't look like she was a first-timer!

The song got faster and faster, but it never went off key or missed a beat. This was definitely a mark of hi gh skill level.

*Yvette's singing and dancing obviously couldn't keep up with the rhythm anymore. But she wouldn't give up, she sang and danced faster* 

However, the faster she sang, the less stable her breath became. She didn't even have time to catch her b reath, let alone dance. She got dizzy and fell uncontrollably onto the stage, and looked embarrassed!!!

There was an uproar downstairs

Yvette fell!

"How can she be unfamiliar with the song she wrote herself!"

"Yvette sounded like she was out of breath, Ellinor's violin performance was better!"

"Yes" Ellinor proves her genius once again. She's not even from music major, but she plays the violin so w ell!"

Yvette was down, and Ellinor stopped playing her song

She glanced at Yvette, who was unable to get up, then addressed the crowd "Yvette's song is a modern st yle, which can be played on a violin, but it's not quite right. Let me play a song that suits the violin!"

"Great!"

'Cant wait!"

"Start, Ellinor, we're listening!"

Ellinor nodded and smiled, "This is for my soon-tobe parting classmates. Forgive me if it's not well played."

The girl gently pulled the violin strings, the melody was light, embodying courage and tenacity

it was touching, a perfect blend of strength and softness.

As the song ended, the place quieted down.

Everyone was still absorbed in the thrilling melody

The first applause came from the terrace across

Ellinor turned her head and saw Theo?

Theo stood there clapping nonchalantly, his applause crisp and vigorous

On his cool handsome face was a faint smile, as if he was appreciating and mocking at the same time.

When did Theo get there? How long had he been there?

And his friends were there too! Were they all here for the show?

*Especially that guy Byran, he looked somewhat dazed, snapping back to reality only to glare at her fiercel y!* 

"Very good, very good! The violin sounds great!" Jonah laughed happily, leading the applause that imme rsed the students in the music. Suddenly, the applause was

thunderous.

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"Ellinor is truly an all-rounder She plays the violin even better than the music students!"

"My God. I'll never doubt her skills again"

"Me neither! Now I get why Ellinor is known as "Miss Perfect, and why the principal admires her so much!

It became crystal clear, everyone in the room was singing praises, clapping their hands off

But Yvette and her buddies looked like they'd just eaten a sour grape.

*Ellinor gently put down her violin and walked towards them. "Now, it's your turn to apologize to Principal"* 

The ringleader looked in disbelief, "You you're not even a music major. How could you play the violin so well?"

Ellinor calmly replied. "Well, I know how to play the violin!"

The girl was so funous with Ellinor's calm tone that she gritted her teeth, "You played better than..."

"Go on, what were you going to say?" Ellinor raised an eyebrow

The girl clamped her mouth shut. She didn't want to compliment Ellinor, feeling totally cheesed off!

Seeing her silence, Ellinor continued. "I've done playing Everyone's cool with it. Now, keep your promise a nd apologize to the Principal.

The girls looked at each other, hesitating, obviously none of them wanted to apologize.

"What are you waiting for? Hurry up and apologize to Ellinor and the principal!"

"Yeah, you started the mess Now you lost and don't want to say sorry?"

"Go apologize!"

Under the chorus of blame, the girls felt humiliated, only then they reluctantly went on stage.

"We're sorry. We apologize to Ellinor and the Principal for our irresponsible words, We were wrong. We hope you all forgive us."

The crowd started to buzz, discussing the girl's issue.

Ellinor got what she wanted and left, rubbing her ears, it was too noisy

She never planned to attend this reunion, but was supposed to meet Chase at the company.

But Theo insisted on giving her a lift, she couldn't go to the company That's why she let Theo drop her off here.

Since she was here, she had to step in to avoid raising any suspicion

Little did she know, there would be such a drama at this boring reunion!

*Just as Ellinor stepped out of the room, she heard someone calling her from behind.* 

"Ellinor! Stop!"

Ellinor stopped and turned back.

Yvette chased after her with the violin, huffing and puffing. "Ellinor, you broke my violin, and you want to just leave? Pay me for the violin first!"

"The

violin is broken? It was fine when I played it! Ellinor remained calm, and looked at the violin Yvette was h olding. Nothing seemed wrong.

Yvette shoved the violin in her face, 'Look closely! The scratches on the violin were definitely made by you on purpose! This violin is antique and very valuable, you know?"

Now, Yvette had dropped her pretentious and smug face in front of the classmates, her mask was off, sh owing a face full of hatred and dissatisfaction.

Ellinor glanced at the violin, indeed, there were many scratches. She frowned, "How much do you want f or it?"

Yvette feigned kindness and politeness. "Considering we're classmates, I won't ask for too much, just twe nty thousand dollars!"

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*Ellinor laughed. "Twenty thousand dollars? Yvette, do you take me for a fool? You'm not seriously trying t o scam me, are you?* 

Yvette sneered "Ellinor, isn't your family loaded? Your folks could buy a whole building for our school Wh y can't you afford to pay for a violin?"

Ellinor narrowed her eyes, "And if I don't?

"What if you don't? Yvette's eyes widened in shock. If you don't pay me for my violin today, I'm calling the cops! Your prints are all over it. Everyone saw you playing it. You can't deny it!

Ellinor shrugged unbothered

*Yvette was clearly upset about not being the center of attention earlier and was now trying to stir up tro uble. How boring!* 

"Fine, call the cops! They can verify whether this violin of yours is an antique and whether it's worth a hundred grand. And they can decide if you're trying to blackmail me

Yvette was taken aback, a hint of panic in her eyes. She hadn't expected this not to phase Ellinor and blur ted out, "Ellinor, you're so cunning!"

Ellinor smirked, "Am I cunning? Or are you just being unreasonable and trying to set me up?"

*"I don't care! You'll pay for my violin! You have to pay me today! If you don't, you're not guing anywhere !" Yvette, unable to out–* 

argue her, began to block Ellinor's way hysterically She thought. If I couldn't make Ellinor lose face earlier , now I'll make her pay. She won't be getting off easy!

In truth, she had scratched her own violin just to frame Ellinor!

And while her violin wasn't an antique, it was indeed expensive!

She couldn't let her plan to frame Ellinor fail, and her precious violin got ruined for nothing!

So, until Ellinor paid, she wouldn't let this drop!

Even the patient Ellinor was nearing her breaking point. She clenched her fists, ready to take action.

"Hi girl, why the temper?"

Suddenly, a deep, refined voice with a hint of wildness interrupted their quarrel.

Yvette thought a passerby was trying to meddle and was ready to snap at them, but she turned around o nly to be stunned by the sight of the man before her!

A handsome man with a commanding presence, tall and lean, striking features and a designer suit, was walking toward them.

Seeing this hunk, Yvette blushed, her previous tantrums quickly forgotten. She lowered her eyes demurely , playing the victim, "I'm sorry for disturbing you, Sir. She broke my expensive violin and wants to leave w ithout paying, that's why I'm so upset."

"Is that so? Destroying someone's property and not wanting to pay? That's not nice"

*Ellinor watched Jonah approach, recognizing him as Theo's friend, but couldn't fathom his intentions.* 

Why was he getting involved?

Jonah walked up to Yvette, gently asking. "Where is the damage? Let me take a look."

"Sir, look these scratches, they're all her doing!" Yvette blushed as she handed her violin to the handsome man while pointing the finger at Ellinor.

She thought this handsome man must be interested in her to come over and help. This proved she's more attractive, and more capable of capturing men's attention th an

Ellinor

Jonah studied the violin, shaking his head regretfully. "The scratches on this violin are indeed severe. A re al shame for such a fine instrument."

Seeing the distinguished and handsome man siding with her. Yvette felt a surge of confidence.

She thought for a moment, then began to weep pitifully. "Sir, you must help me! My violin is an antique, but she intentionally damaged it and refused to compensate me."

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"Don't cry, you'll ruin your makeup, and it won't be pretty"

Jonah gracefully pulled out a white handkerchief from his chest pocket and gently wiped away Yvette's te ars with a gentlemanly touch

Having such a handsome and noble man caring for her, Yvette felt incredibly moved and even more attractive

He must be her knight in shining armour!

She leaned towards Jonah and whispered. "Thank you, I'm fine "

"I'm glad to hear that Jonah said with a smile, handing her the handkerchief. I heard someone playing the violin beautifully in the next roo m. Was it you?"

Yvette's face tensed How should she respond?

If she told the truth, wouldn't that give Ellinor another chance to show off?

After thinking. Yvette gave a vague reply. "The music you heard was played on this violin, but sadly, som eone has damaged it."

"What? The person who damaged this violin is really nasty!" Jonah frowned and finally turned his gaze t o Ellinor. "Miss, why did you damage her violin?"

Miss? Why did he refer to her as Miss?

*Ellinor raised an eyebrow, locking contemptuously at Jonah She thought to herself. Theo was weird enou gh. Now even his friend was abnormal!* 

At this point, Yvette was stunned, her eyes wide in surprise. "What did you just call her?"

"I called her 'Miss' what's wrong with that? Jonah laughed, looking charming.

Yvette was in disbelief, her face turning sour, "How how could she be your "Miss"?"

Jonah chuckled, "She's my friend's wife, so naturally, she's my "Miss" "

"Your friend's wife?" Yvette was shocked, looking at Jonah, then Ellinor, unable to accept this reality.

How could Ellinor have anything to do with the prince of her dreams? So annoying!

Jonah turned

to a man standing not far away and said with a smile. "Theo, don't just stand there! Come over and see what to do. Your wife damaged this lady's violin Hearing Jonah's words, Ellinor turned her head and saw Theo walking over with his hands in his pockets.

Seeing Theo, Ellinor was somewhat irritable.

Jonah took the violin from Yvette and handed it to Theo, saying with a smile, "Theo, look at the scratch o n this violin. She said it was your wife's doing" Theo took the violin calmly, glanced at it, and smashed it a gainst the wall. The violin shattered all over the floor, leaving only the neck in his hand.

Then, without a care, he threw the neck away, like discarding trash Coming back to her senses, Yvette screamed in horror, "My violin!" Theo didn't show any emotion, ordering coldly. "Collin, compensate her." Collin nodded immediately, "Yes"

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Theo didn't pay attention to anyone else, turning to Ellinor, a trace of mockery in his cold eyes, "Ms Men doza, is your party over?"

Seeing Theo's action of smashing the violin, Ellinor was a bit speechless, and laughed awkwardly. "It's ov er, I plan to go home."

"Let's go then." He gently put his arm around Ellinor's shoulder and led her away

Not far away, Ellinor suddenly thought of something, stopped, turned around and said, "Collin, please co mpensate my classmate for the violin at its original price. Even if you pay a bit more, your boss wont reimburse you!"

"Uh "Collin twitched the corner of his mouth and agreed, 'I understand, Ms Mendoza."

After instructing Collin, Ellinor left the party with Theo,