

The secret 13

Chapter 13

There are no words to describe the pain in Estella's hand and the hurt that welled up from inside her after her fall. She massaged her little hand instinctively, almost bursting into tears.

After a while, she sobbed and stood up. Then, she took out a notebook from her desk and began to write something in it.

All the other kids weren't surprised by that. Since Estella was mute, she used to communicate with them by writing in her notebook. However, she rarely appeared as there was almost no one to play with her.

A while later, she turned her notebook over to Tammy after she finished writing.

Placing her hands on her hips, the latter snorted at the word "apologize" and sardonically asked, "How can you have the nerve to ask me to apologize to you? Estella, you are asking for it!"

With that said, she advanced towards Estella with her nose up and held out her hand, thinking of giving the poor thing another push.

It never occurred to Estella that Tammy would hit her again. Standing on the ground, she was unable to react.

Meanwhile, Archie and Benny had been watching them.

No one noticed when Tammy suddenly gave Estella a hard shove a while ago. Archie and Benny only found out when Estella fell to the ground.

Now that Tammy was going to push Estella again, they couldn't hold back any longer.

"Enough of that! How could you intimidate her!" Archie stepped in her way quickly, regarding her with a look of pure severity.

Tammy was stunned by her sudden appearance in front of Estella.

Archie said sternly: "Didn't your mother teach you to apologize after making a mistake? Since you pushed her just now, you must apologize to her!"

Irritated by Tammy's dominance, the young man exuded a surprisingly imposing aura.

An intimidated Tammy looked around her apprehensively, hoping the other children would back her up.

Moments later, when no one stepped forward to do so, she could only retort guiltily, "I, I..."

However, she had no words to speak for herself.

Seeing Tammy blush, Benny moved toward her resignedly. "You shouldn't hurt anyone however you want. It's bad behavior! We're not supposed to fight each other. Apologize to her, okay?"

Benny's voice wasn't as authoritative as Archie's, but there was still a touch of sternness you couldn't miss in his tone.

On the verge of tears, Tammy gave him a sheepish look.

Seeing that, Benny blinked a few times and relented. "Do not Cry. You will look ugly if you cry. Bad kids also tend to look ugly. Not to mention, only bad kids hurt others. If you don't want to be one of them, apologize to her sincerely. You will automatically go back to being a good boy after I forgive you!"

Tammy sobbed hard, fighting back from bursting into tears. No way! I don't want to be an ugly girl! But bad boys tend to look ugly...

After much hesitation, she snorted and apologized to Estella, "I'm sorry. I shouldn't have pushed you just now. Would you forgive?"

Estella looked at Tammy for a long moment before nodding.

Benny smiled happily. "That's right! We are all classmates and we should get along with each other!"

Tammy nodded awkwardly at Estella's willingness to forgive her.

The other children shared the same sentiments as Benny and echoed her words. Meanwhile, Archie turned to look at Estella. "Are you OK? Did you hurt yourself just now?"

Hiding her injured hand behind her back, Estella made a show of it and shook her head.

The next moment, Benny leaned closer to her and eyed her suspiciously. "I saw you touch the desk just now. How is it possible that you are not hurt at all? Let me take a look!"

Wasting no time, he grabbed Estella's injured hand. The latter flinched, trying to pull her hand away.

However, the small red spot on the back of her hand was fully visible against her fair skin.

When the unsightly redness appeared, Archie asked again, "Are you really not in any pain?"

With a serious look, Estella shook her head. Even so, her eyes were red.

Archie and Benny frowned in unison. The skin part of her has turned relatively red! How can it not hurt? She has even started to swell. There could be a bruise later!

"We'll take you to see our teacher now and let the school nurse attend to him." Archie sounded determined.

Estella wanted to remove her hand, but Benny grabbed it. He dragged her away and went after Archie, heading straight for the staff room.

Seeing the wound on Estella's hand, her teacher inquired about the event that had occurred earlier before rushing them to the school's infirmary.