

The Secret 501

[Chapter 501 Group Change](#)

Roxana refuted that immediately:

—I think you're wrong. We are just acquaintances and not close.

Cristina raised an eyebrow and decided to try her luck.

—In that case, can we change groups for the play? Cristina asked, hoping that Roxana would say yes and she could be the one who was paired with Luciano.

Roxana was moved when she heard her proposal. However, she remembered Jorge's words and began to have doubts.

"Can we still change groups?" Her," she asked, looking unsure.

Cristina realized that Roxana did want to do it, so she nodded excitedly and said:

—As long as we're both willing, I don't see why not. All we have to do is inform Miss Garcia of our decision.

Roxana felt hope and nodded in agreement. Before, Jorge had not been able to comply with his request to change groups, since he would have difficulties coordinating the change with the other parents. However, Cristina was the one who suggested making the change and they were both willing, so she did not think that Jorge and Pilar had a reason to reject it.

After reaching a consensus with Cristina, they both returned to their own seats, as they had planned to inform Pilar of her agreement later. Andrés and Bautista took Roxana to her seats and she gasped when she saw where her seats were. She had no idea that the children sat next to Estela. That meant that she would have to sit next to Luciano!

Roxana refuted as soon as possible:

—Crao qua sa equivocava. We are only acquaintances and we are not close.

Cristina picked up a box and decided to try hers.

—In that case, can we change the groups for the play? —Asked Cristina, hoping that Roxana would say yes and could go where she was protected by Luciano.

Roxana was moved when she heard her proposal. However, she remembered Jorga's words and began to have doubts.

"Can we still change the group?" she asked, looking uncertain.

Cristina knew that Roxana did want to do it, so she nodded affectionately and said:

—While both of us are at odds, there's no reason why not. The only thing we have to do is inform Miss Garcia of our decision.

Roxana felt apprehension and nodded in agreement. Before, Jorga had not been able to fulfill her request to change the group, because she would have difficulties coordinating the change with the other parents of the family. However, Cristina was the one who suggested making the change and both were disagreeable, so she did not think that Jorga and Pilar had reason to reject it.

Luago came to a consensus with Cristina, both harassed her own ass, because they had planned to inform Pilar of her agreement later than her. Andrés and Bautista took Roxana to her seat and she went there with her mouth open to the man where they found her seat. She was not aware of the fact that the children were holy on one side of Estala. That would say that she would stay qua santarsa to one side of Luciano!

“Mommy...”

The children cautiously nudged her when they realized she was dazed and rooted to her spot, not intending to sit up. Roxana shook off her shock and gave them a forced smile before sitting down awkwardly, her body tense from her.

—I see that Miss Jerez is very popular. I didn't know she was so friendly with the other parents...

Roxana frowned slightly, confused by her mockery. Then she turned to him and noticed him looking at Cristina coldly. Cristina realized that she was watching her and blushed. Luciano frowned disdainfully and looked away. Roxana smiled wryly and said:

"If you're referring to that woman, then it's all thanks to you, Mr. Fariña."

Luciano's gaze darkened upon hearing his scolding. He knew she wouldn't bother to explain even if she asked him to, so he left it at that.

At that moment, Pilar entered the room with a father who was late. After seating everyone, she counted them, and she was pleased to see that everyone had attended.

"Since everyone's here, we'll begin our discussion of play scripts," he said with a smile.

Before the discussion could begin, Roxana got up quickly and said:

"Miss Garcia, Miss Cano and I want to switch groups."

They were all puzzled. They couldn't understand why he would let such a great couple like Luciano go

and ask for a change. Pilar looked at Luciano hoping that she would give her a sign of her opinion on the matter. Luciano was frowning and his eyes full of indignation. On the other hand, Estela felt anguished. Pilar understood how Luciano felt and was in a difficult position. She turned to Roxana and tried to change her mind.

—Señora Jerez, the groups have already been finalized. Besides, Andrés and Bautista get along well with Estela, so...

Roxana felt a little influenced, but she hardened her heart and insisted:

—I've already discussed it with Miss Cano and she's willing to do it.

Pilar was against a rock and a hard place. She couldn't find a reason to deny Roxana's request, but, at the same time, she was aware of Luciano's reaction.

[Chapter 502 Withdrawal](#)

When Estela heard that Roxana wanted to change to another group for the play, she pouted in anguish and looked to her daddy for help. Luciano looked emotionless, but his mouth was closed tightly. Although he didn't say anything, it was obvious that he was upset.

That morning, before heading to kindergarten, he told himself that he would avoid arguing with Roxana. However, he couldn't help but feel furious at how adamant he was about switching groups with Cristina.

Suddenly, Estela remembered what Luciano had told her the night before. She had told him that she would need her help to fix her relationship with Roxana. She diverted her gaze from Luciano and turned to see Roxana. He was huffing and puffing as he looked at her pitifully, his eyes red and teary. Her snorts were very noticeable in the silent room and everyone turned to look at her and Roxana.

—I love Andrés and Bautista! Estela yelled, pouting and gasping as she tried to control her tears.

They all felt bad for her and turned to look at Roxana disapprovingly.

— She is very lucky to be in the same group with Mr. Fariña. Many of us would fight for that opportunity, but she wants to change it. What's wrong with her?

“The children get along very well, but she insists on separating them. Can't she think of the children?”

The other parents began to whisper at the unexpected turn of events. Roxana was no stranger to Estela's anguish and the accusations from the other parents. For a moment, she almost decided to take it back after seeing how sad Estela was. However, she managed to be lucky, look away and say:

-Miss Garcia, if she has no objections, Miss Cano and I will confirm the change.

"Mommy..." Bautista begged as he tugged at his sleeve nervously.

At first, the boys had no problem with Roxana's request to change groups. They thought that Estela could continue to see her mother in the same way, even if they were in different groups. However, Estela's tears made them feel bad and they no longer wanted Roxana to change teams.

There was a visible feeling of helplessness in Roxana when looking at her children. Estela cried sadly when she heard Roxana insisting on the change. She wanted to get closer to her, but Luciano stopped her. Pilar was confused, in a dilemma between the crying little girl and a stubborn Roxana.

"Miss Jerez, as you can see, Estela only wants to do the play with her children..." she said.

Roxana looked away from Estela and tried to block her crying from her mind. She was very aware that Sonia knew about the anniversary celebration and she shuddered at the thought of the consequences if Sonia found out that she was going to act out a love story with Luciano and Estela. She didn't want her to jeopardize her opportunity to work with the Dorante family, which had been so hard for her.

Luciano glanced at Roxana. When he realized that he wasn't going to change his mind, a disgusted expression appeared on her face. Then he got up and announced:

—I have no problem with the change, because Miss Jerez is reluctant to work with us and insists on it. But, as you can see, Ela is going to suffer if she can't be in a group with Andrés and Bautista. Therefore, I ask for her understanding; we will have no choice but to withdraw from this year's presentation.

After saying that, Luciano bowed slightly apologetically and strode out of the room together with Estela, who didn't want to leave. She was hyperventilating from crying and struggled violently against Luciano. It was a heartbreaking scene and all the parents turned to Roxana in shock, waiting for her to save the situation.

[Chapter 503 Sharing A Kiss](#)

Seeing Estela crying and Luciano leaving suddenly, Roxana clenched her fists so hard that her nails dug into her palms.

—Miss Jerez... —Even Pilar wanted to speak for Estela.

At that moment, Cristina got up and said nervously:

—Miss Jerez, I'm sorry, but I don't want to change groups anymore. I should go reassure Ela!

Her eyes were filled with fear as she thought:

All I wanted was a chance to get closer to Luciano, but the deal ended up making Estela cry! If the Fariña family decides to pursue this matter, they will definitely blame me!"

In the end, Roxana gritted her teeth and looked down as she gave in to the pressure. Later, she walked towards Estela and said:

"Don't cry anymore, Ella. I'm not changing groups, okay?"

Estela was crying so much that she couldn't stop sobbing at the same time that she looked up at Roxana, who felt pain in her heart when she saw Estela's face full of snot and tears. When she reached out her hand to help wipe away those tears, Estela just stood there obediently and let her do it. Roxana was still trying to think of a way to reassure Estela when Luciano's voice sounded behind her:

"You don't have to force yourself if you don't want to, Miss Jerez." Still, Ela never participates in activities like these.

The feeling of guilt intensified in Roxana after hearing that.

«I want Ela to get better. She's finally starting to adjust to being with her classmates, but she got sad because of me... »

With that in mind, Roxana caressed Estela's plump cheeks and said:

—I'm sorry, Ela. I take back what I said before, okay?"

Estela nodded and let go of Luciano's hand before throwing herself into Roxana's arms. Having her in her arms, Roxana felt her heart soften.

—Now that the group issue is resolved, let's start discussing the plot change! Pilar suggested, sighing with relief.

They all agreed and started arguing among themselves. Roxana got up and took Estela to her seat. Andrés and Bautista, who were sharing a chair, immediately got up and let Estela sit down when they saw her approaching. She smiled with her nose still red and sat next to Roxana.

Watching Pilar, Roxana had a conflicted feeling in her heart, as she hoped that they could change the plot of "Sleeping Beauty"

—As you may have noticed, we have chosen fairy tales with different themes for this activity. The reason for choosing fairy tales is to help children understand different relationships between people," Pilar explained with a friendly smile. Then, she looked at Roxana and Luciano before continuing. Romantic relationships are no exception.

Roxana felt her heart sink a little when she heard that.

"Therefore, we don't plan to make any changes to the plots of those fairy tales. Is there anyone who

opposes this decision?

No one had any objections. Roxana was the only one with an uncomfortable expression on her face.

"If they don't change the plot, Luciano and I will have to share a kiss at the end of the story!"

Thinking about it, Roxana instinctively looked at Luciano and, at the same time, she met his indecipherable gaze. They stared at each other for a few seconds before Roxana looked away from her and tried to act natural.

[Chapter 504 We Work Well Together](#)

And so, the meeting ended after a brief discussion. Pilar stood in front of the classroom door and said goodbye to the parents as they left. Roxana walked towards her with a concerned expression and asked,

"Miss Garcia, are you sure you don't want to change the plot for Sleeping Beauty?" I don't know if the final scene is appropriate for children...

Pilar gave her a comforting smile and replied:

—Don't worry, Miss Jerez. Kids already know about that kind of stuff. Also, they're not actually going to kiss in front of them. They will arrange themselves so that it looks like they are kissing.

Then Pilar looked behind her and asked,

"I'm sure you'll offer your full cooperation, won't you, Mr. Fariña?"

Roxana tensed upon hearing that.

"Of course," Luciano answered and his voice sounded like he was whispering in his ear. Roxana looked down and stepped to the side before turning to look at him.

"Don't worry, Mr. Jerez. I'm not the type of person to take advantage of others. Also, you and I are parents. There's no way we're doing something inappropriate," Luciano said with a cold expression on his face.

"Relax, Miss Jerez. They'll just be a bunch of kids selling the work —added Pilar.

Roxana wasn't sure what to say, so she nodded with a forced smile and said:

"Thank you for what you did earlier."

"You don't need to thank me. He was just doing my job! Pilar responded casually with a giggle.

After that, Roxana spoke briefly with her before leaving. She was about to open her car door when she again heard Luciano's voice behind her.

"Since he's agreed to work with me, she's not going to bring his personal emotions into the play, is she, Miss Jerez?"

Roxana turned and nodded calmly.

—You can be sure that I will fully cooperate with the kindergarten, Mr. Fariña.

Roxana purposely emphasized that she was only going to do the play because it was part of the kindergarten activities. Luciano's gaze turned somber upon hearing that.

"That's good to hear." I hope we can work well together.

Roxana felt a bit uneasy as she nodded in response.

«I know him and I know that he will not let me go so easily. Fortunately, I have already prepared an excuse!

To Roxana's surprise, Luciano turned and got into his car without saying anything else. Roxana froze from the shock when she saw him start his car and leave.

"Miss Jerez," Cristina called her.

Roxana woke up and turned to her.

"I'm sorry I put you in a difficult situation earlier. I didn't know that Mr. Fariña's daughter was so close to hers, her children," Cristina said regretfully as she approached her.

Roxana gave him a small smile in response and said,

"Okay." I was also willing to change groups.

Cristina felt a little relieved to hear that and then she asked:

—W-What about Mr. Fariña?

They both knew very well what she was implying. Cristina was the one who suggested the group change, so she was afraid that Luciano would get upset and go after her. Therefore, she wanted Roxana to help her talk to him so that she wouldn't. She was a little reluctant to remember Luciano's cold expression and said:

"I don't think you need to worry about it. After all, the matter has already been resolved and Mr. Fariña

is not such a petty person.

Even so, Cristina kept looking at her with fear and pleading in her eyes. In the end, Roxana had no choice but to give in to her request.

"Okay, I promise I'll explain it to you."

-Thank you so much! Just let me know if you ever need my help with anything, okay? I will do my best to help you! Cristina thanked abundantly while she sighed in relief.

Roxana just pressed her lips and smiled without saying anything else.

[Chapter 505 Do It At Your House](#)

That night, when Roxana got home, the children were already waiting for her. They ran to her and watched her face warily as she walked through the door.

-What's going on? Roxana asked with a confused frown.

Bautista exchanged glances with Andrés before asking in his usual tender tone of voice:

"Are you upset, Mom?"

Roxana felt confused.

"What makes you say that?"

"You asked for a change of groups at school, but it didn't happen..." Bautista replied with his lips pursed nervously.

Roxana felt a little stressed when she remembered the play in which she was going to participate.

"I'm not upset, Bautista. Now be a good boy and get ready for dinner.

The boys were still worried about her and waited until she took off her coat before sitting down at the dining room table. Roxana saw a mountain of food when she returned from washing her hands. Andrés and Bautista continued to fill their plate with food, like worker ants feeding their queen.

"Okay, enough. Listen, I'm not upset or anything. I really feel bad for Ela," Roxana said with a giggle as she ran to stop them.

Seeing that the children were still unconvinced, Roxana gave them a reassuring smile as she returned some food to them.

"I can't finish all this by myself, you know?"

The children stopped trying to fill their plate, but from time to time they looked at Roxana with concern. She not only failed to change teams, but Pilar also said that there would be no change in the plot of the story. They knew how much Roxana wanted to stay away from Luciano, so they were worried that she would only agree to attend the activity for them. Andrés and Bautista spent the whole day blaming each other for what had happened. Not realizing what they were thinking, Roxana just continued to have dinner with them as usual.

After dinner, Roxana was about to go for a walk with the children when her phone began to ring. Bautista took the phone to give it to him, but his expression changed when he saw who was calling. Roxana felt confused when she saw the sudden change in her face. It wasn't until she saw Luciano's name on the screen that she understood her reaction.

"Why would Luciano call me at this hour?"

After doubting it for a moment, Roxana took the call and asked:

"What's wrong, Mr. Fariña?"

"The play is next week. When do you plan to rehearse, Miss Jerez? —Luciano said with his deep voice.

Roxana felt her heart sink when she heard him mention the play.

"Oh, that's right, I forgot we have to rehearse it. That means I'll be spending more time with Luciano...»

—This is the first time that our children will be participating in a play, Miss Jerez. I'm sure you want to make the experience easier for them, right? Lucien insisted. Roxana couldn't deny that.

—When do you want to start rehearsing, Mr. Fariña? You're much busier than me, so I'll do my best to accommodate your schedule," Roxana said after a brief pause.

"We can start tomorrow, after our children get out of school." If you don't have a problem, it can be at your house," Luciano replied.

It would already be night when they finished rehearsing, so Luciano wanted to prevent Roxana from rushing back home with her children.

«There is no way to escape the trial, so it doesn't matter where it is»

With that in mind, Roxana accepted her proposal.

[Chapter 506 An Extra Set Of Utensils](#)

The next day, Roxana was so busy working at the research institute that she got home at seven in the evening. When she entered her house, she froze in surprise when she saw Luciano standing in her living

room.

«I remember agreeing to rehearse the play after the kids got out of school, but I didn't think he would just walk in without informing me first...»

—Mommy! —Andrés and Bautista said with emotion when they realized that she was at home. Then, they lightly tugged on Estela's hand so that she would turn around.

At first, Estela had a disappointed expression on her face, but her eyes lit up as soon as she saw Roxana.

"Miss Sherry!" —Estela yelled as she ran and threw herself at Roxana before Andrés and Bautista could do it.

Roxana contained her discomfort and caressed Estela's hand before asking:

—When did you arrive, Ela?

"He came home with us!" Andrés and Bautista responded. Noticing the frown on Roxana's face, they continued explaining. Ela really wanted to see you, so we let her come home with us. But she got a little sad about how late you came home, mommy.

Estela was so happy to see her that she didn't even listen to what Andrés and Bautista were saying. Roxana's heart softened when she saw Estela looking at her like that.

"I'm sorry to keep you waiting for my job, Ela.

Stella shook her head. As long as she could see Roxana, she would be happy. She had been sad earlier because she thought that Roxana was avoiding her again. After a few minutes of watching how they had fun, Luciano approached them with no expression on his face. The smile on Roxana's face froze as she realized she was getting closer. Then she looked into his eyes with a distant look and said:

"Mr. Fariña."

Luciano nodded slightly and asked:

"Ela came looking for her right after she got out of school, so she hasn't eaten anything. Could you please prepare a set of utensils for her?"

Of course, Roxana wouldn't refuse a request like that. Andrés and Bautista were excited that Roxana was going to let Estela have dinner with them, so they took Estela's hand and ran to the dining room. Roxana just shook her head and smiled when she saw her reactions.

"I have never seen them run to the dining room with such enthusiasm... They must be very happy, huh?"

The smile on her face gradually disappeared as she remembered that Luciano was still standing next to her. And just like that, the room fell into an awkward silence. Even after putting on his slippers, Luciano was still standing there with an expressionless face. Roxana turned to see the children and nodded to Luciano before entering the dining room.

The children stopped eating when they saw her coming and just watched her. Realizing that Andrés and Bautista had saved a seat for her next to Estela, Roxana sat next to her before instinctively looking towards the living room and noticing Luciano sitting on the sofa, alone. She could only see his profile, so she couldn't see the expression on his face clearly. Suddenly, Luciano turned his head and looked in his direction, as if he had detected his gaze.

[Chapter 507 I Will Kindly Accept Your Invitation](#)

Roxana tensed when their eyes met. Then she looked away and tried to act like she was looking at something else in her direction.

"Hurry up and eat." The food is getting cold," Lisa said with a smile.

Roxana came to her senses and nodded absently before beginning to fill the children's plates with food. Estela only looked at her food and refused to eat it.

"What's wrong, Ella?" Don't you like the food? Roxana asked with confusion.

«I don't remember him being a picky eater...»

Estela cautiously looked towards the living room before saying in a tender voice:

—My daddy...

Roxana's expression froze, because she knew what Estela was going to say.

—My dad hasn't eaten either. Can he join us? Estela asked with an expectant look.

Roxana let out a helpless sigh upon hearing that.

«I imagined that Luciano hadn't eaten either when I heard that Estela had come just after leaving school. Since he was here, I thought I'd invite him to the table to show him some basic hospitality. But he only asked if he could let Estela eat with us, so I didn't dare invite him. Besides, he didn't seem to want to join us either...»

"Miss Sherry?" —Estela said, tugging on her sleeve.

Roxana sighed silently and caressed Estela's head before saying:

—I'm sorry, I didn't know. I'll go invite your daddy.

Then Roxana turned to Lisa and said,

"Lisa, get us another set of utensils."

Lisa nodded and went to get the utensils in the kitchen while Roxana went to the living room. Luciano was on his phone when Roxana approached him. She wasn't sure if he hadn't noticed her presence or was waiting for her on purpose, so she said:

—Estela told me you haven't eaten.

Luciano looked up and responded coldly:

—Yes.

What the hell is wrong with that attitude? It's obvious that he was waiting for my invitation on purpose!" Roxana thought with a frustrated frown.

Since she had started the conversation, she had no choice but to continue with it and she reluctantly asked:

"If you don't mind, would you like to join us for dinner?"

With how cold her tone was, anyone could tell that she was just being nice and decline her invitation. However, Luciano raised an eyebrow as he looked at her and said,

"I don't mind at all, but I'm not sure if you do, Miss Jerez."

Roxana shot her an intense look as she forced the words out of her mouth.

—No, I don't mind...

Luciano put away his phone and got up from the sofa to say:

—In that case, I'll gladly accept her invitation.

Roxana nodded and returned to the dining room. Luciano was smiling happily as he walked behind her, as if her plan had worked perfectly. Although Roxana hadn't noticed his expression, Andrés and Bautista saw him clearly from the table and exchanged surprised glances in response.

"Who would have thought our daddy was such a cunning man?"

[Chapter 508 We Can Start Rehearsing Now](#)

While they were having dinner, Roxana realized that Lisa had placed Luciano next to her. Throughout dinner, Roxana felt very uncomfortable, because Luciano turned to see her from time to time.

After what seemed like an eternity, they finally finished eating. Lisa cleaned the table while Roxana and the others went to the living room to rehearse the play. Although they had yet to finish casting the roles for the play, Luciano and Roxana became the obvious choices for the princess and the prince due to the kiss scene. The children stared at Roxana, as they were not sure what papers they would have. After reading the script, Roxana thought about it for a moment before saying uncertainly:

—Ela can play the role of a witch.

Estela nodded obediently in response.

"And us, mommy?" asked Andrés and Bautista at the same time as they watched her with emotion. They were curious, as they couldn't remember finding any role in the story that was suitable for both of them.

Roxana paused briefly before answering with a giggle:

—Mmm... You can be the fairies!

Andrés and Bautista's eyes widened in surprise when they heard her.

"That? But we are children! How are we going to act like fairies?"

Roxana burst out laughing when she saw their reactions.

"Okay, let's change the story a bit. You can be goblins instead of fairies and give blessings to the princess.

Andrés and Bautista sighed in relief as they accepted their papers. After having assigned the characters to the children, Roxana stood up and looked at Luciano, who was standing next to her. In response, he just stared at her coldly. The smile on Roxana's face gradually disappeared as she said:

—Looks like we'll have to take extra parts for this play. We will not only be the princess and the prince, but also the king and the queen.

To Roxana's relief, Luciano nodded in agreement without hesitation.

—This is the script. Take a look at your lines and try to memorize them the best you can," Roxana said as she handed her phone to the children.

The children huddled together as they read the script on the phone. Then Roxana turned to Luciano and said:

—We should also read the script. Could you look it up on his phone, Mr. Fariña?

Luciano took out his phone and looked for the script right there. When Roxana approached to read the script, Luciano was so close to her that they could both hear the other's breathing. Despite Roxana's best effort to focus on the script, she was getting too distracted. On the other hand, Luciano was completely calm and focused while he read the script. Roxana was so blushed that she barely remembered what she had just read in the script. Suddenly, she recovered her senses when she heard Luciano's voice:

"Do you want to read it again?"

Roxana shook her head and moved away from Luciano at the same time that she said:

—No, I'm fine. You can read it again if you need to, Mr. Fariña.

Luciano was amused to see his face flushed and he raised one of her eyebrows.

«The good thing that I had already read the script a couple of times before. Also, I don't have many lines either, since my character will be sleeping most of the time»

—We're done, mommy! Can we start rehearsing now? the children said excitedly after finishing reading the script.

Roxana nodded distractedly and instinctively turned to look at Luciano. Catching her gaze, Luciano put the phone away from him and nodded in response, indicating that he was ready as well.

[Chapter 509 In His Arms](#)

Playing the role of king, Luciano welcomed Andrés and Bautista, saying:

"Welcome to the party, little elves!"

Although he had said his line well, his tone sounded so cold that it didn't fit the character's vibe at all. As a result, Andrés and Bautista could not get into character. Roxana gave Luciano a helpless look and said:

—It's a fairy tale for children, Mr. Fariña. It will scare the children.

Luciano just frowned in confusion, as he wasn't sure what he meant by that.

—He needs to put more emotion into his lines. We're supposed to just have a baby, so he should be happier about it," Roxana explained. He had just said those words when he realized how bad it sounded.

"The king and queen are having a celebration for their princess, but you don't sound like you're celebrating!" Her," she explained immediately with a flushed face.

Luciano frowned and watched her in silence. Then, Roxana patiently reminded her:

—Try to remember how she felt when Ela was born.

Luciano's look became a little sad when he looked at Estela.

"His condition was terrible, so I felt nothing but anger and pain. There was no emotion...»

With that in mind, Luciano looked at Roxana and wondered how she felt when she gave birth to Estela back then. Roxana thought that he still did not understand what she meant and tried to guide him better.

—How do you talk to your Grupo Fariño employees during company parties?

"I speak to them the same way," Luciano replied without expression on his face.

"In that case, I'd better say this line." You...

Roxana wanted to tell Luciano to avoid talking if possible, but stopped herself when she remembered that he would have many lines because he was the prince. Luciano raised an eyebrow in confusion and Roxana gave an awkward laugh in response.

-Forget it. Let's just forget about this part for now.

Luciano nodded without saying anything. Later, Roxana entered into character and smiled at Andrés and Bautista while she continued:

—Welcome to the party, little elves!

Both children entered character as well and smiled back at him.

"Thank you for the invitation, your majesty. Please let us give our blessings to the princess!

Andrés and Bautista began to dance with their magic wands while reciting some magic words. Roxana was about to thank them when Estela entered the scene as the witch.

"You guys are daring!" —Estela shouted while she looked at them with intensity.

Roxana almost burst out laughing when she saw how cute Estela looked. Then, she pretended to back away in fear, but she ended up in Luciano's arms.

-Who are you? Luciano asked, showing some emotion this time.

Later, Estela responded with her lines according to the script. Meanwhile, Roxana's mind went blank as she froze in Luciano's arms. She was so shocked by his sudden embrace that she forgot they were rehearsing and she pulled away from him instinctively. Her response was so sudden that Estela stopped reciting her lines and looked at her in confusion.

-What is going on mommy? Bautista asked with concern.

[Chapter 510 Let's Continue To The Next Time](#)

It wasn't until she heard Bautista's voice that Roxana came to her senses and remembered that they were rehearsing. As for Luciano's actions, they were necessary by the script. Realizing this, Roxana smiled at the children and said:

—Sorry for distracting me. continue.

After exchanging curious glances, the children obeyed. Meanwhile, Luciano was watching Roxana and had an epiphany that put a smile on her face. Ella Roxana felt so guilty that she didn't dare look at him, so she didn't notice the change in her expression.

The rehearsal continued and they had to change their roles. Roxana played the role of princess when she had already grown up and she did it with great serenity. It wasn't until the prince appeared while she was sleeping that her frustrations began to set in. Playing the prince, Luciano was either too aloof or not angry enough when he confronted Estela, which worried Roxana.

—Mr. Fariña, you are going to scare the children like that.

—Señor Fariña, you are facing a witch, not Estela. He has to look fiercer.

Luciano was speechless. After a few rounds, Estela was tired and he gave Estela a wry look, his face full of annoyance. Luciano couldn't help feeling helpless under the gaze of his daughter. Despite his desire to act well, his easy-going temperament made it difficult for him to express the right emotion.

Saying nothing, father and daughter stood and looked at each other intensely. Roxana could not help but feel funny when observing the scene. Despite knowing Luciano for a long time, this was the first time she had seen him being bad at something. When she saw Estela about to cry, Roxana caressed her head with a smile and said:

—Ela, why don't you take a break? I'll play your role in the scene with your daddy.

Estela nodded with a pitiful expression and left with her brothers, her head bowed. Later, Roxana put herself in her place in front of Luciano. Noticing her expression on her face, Roxana also felt exasperated.

"Mr. Fariña, you are here to rescue someone, not to kill them." Don't look so cold. Luciano frowned and took his advice before trying to adjust his expression to fit the character. Unfortunately, no matter how

hard he tried, he just couldn't get it right. Roxana sighed and extended her hand to press the corner of her mouth.

-Just relax. Don't be so tense.

No sooner had she said that when they both froze. Roxana withdrew her hand with an uncomfortable expression and returned to her place. As for Luciano, he maintained the smile that Roxana had drawn on her lips. Despite that, he was frowning, so he looked rather strange. When the children saw his reactions, they all felt equally confused.

After a deathly silence, Roxana was the first to regain her composure and checked the time as if nothing had happened.

-It's getting late. They have to go to school tomorrow, so that will be all for today," Roxana said with a smile as she looked at the children.

Taking into account how much closeness had occurred between them in all that period of time, Roxana was too embarrassed to look at Luciano. Fortunately, the children cooperated and accepted what she had said. Not hearing a response from Luciano, Roxana steeled herself and looked up to say:

—Let's continue to the next one, Mr. Fariña.

Luciano noticed the panic on his face and remembered the feeling of his touch, so he just nodded as an unknown emotion appeared in his eyes.

-OK.

As soon as he said that, Luciano went to Estela to take her hand. However, she looked at Roxana doubtfully and said:

—Miss Jerez, are we going to continue tomorrow?

Estela wanted to see her every day. In the end, Roxana responded vaguely, indicating her affirmation.