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#### **CHAPTER 761 MOVE IN TOGETHER**

The next morning, Jasmine was awakened by Barry's long, intimate kiss. But she had no energy to open her eyes.

Last night she threw herself at him and decided to go wild. Barry was excited about this, and she became more enthusiastic because she worked it out. They had long great sex. Now she was so sleepy that she could not open her eyes.

Barry gently kissed her lips and whispered in a husky voice, "Keep your eyes closed and stay asleep. I just want to tell you that I'm going to work."

When he mentioned this, Jasmine became sober, "I'll be there interviewing for new staff this afternoon."

Barry already handled everything for the new company they started.

The office building was rented, and all the procedures required for filing for the new company were done. Now they were going to decorate the office and recruit people.

Barry contacted the renovation company and construction team. The renovation was in full swing.

The recruitment was underway. A few candidates selected by Barry would do the interview this afternoon.

Jasmine remembered this very well and didn't want to be absent. After all, she would work with them together. So she had to handpick each employee.

Barry answered gently, "Okay."

And then he added, "Go back to sleep. I'll call you before the interview begins."

With Barry's promise, Jasmine went back to sleep at ease.

After washing up, Barry went to the studio to deal with some business and then drove to a villa in a busy area of town.

He owned this villa for a long time. Years ago, when he was admitted into a university in South City, Rosetta bought it for him. But he seldom lived there. For one thing, he liked to live in the dormitory with his roommates back then. For another, this villa was too far from the school.

Besides, Barry didn't want to feel extra special and kept a low profile. He did not want people to know that he could afford to live in such a luxurious house. And he wanted to hide his identity as Rosetta's

son. He was different from other young men who were born in the purple and the rich family gliding around the school. Otherwise, Jasmine wouldn't have thought he was from a comfortably-off family.

Rosetta invested in more than one property in South City. This villa was a special gift for Barry because he got into the university.

When Rosetta handed him the property ownership certificate, she winked and reminded him, "Remember to take precautions if you spend a night here with a girl."

But Rosetta didn't expect her son's villa to be used until years later.

Barry intended to live with Jasmine in this villa from now on.

Now his identity was known to Jasmine, so naturally, he was not afraid of showing her the villa. Since Jasmine accepted him, of course, he wanted the best for his woman.

Barry contacted the housekeeper in advance. When he arrived, he opened the door for the housekeeper and asked him to start doing a cleaning job. He went around upstairs and downstairs and then went straight to the supermarket for some basic necessities. He intended to let Jasmine do the rest of the decorating.

Since this was the place where they would live together, of course, the soft loading should be arranged on her personal preference. He would love the home she decorated herself.

In the afternoon, when it was time for the interview, Barry went back to pick up Jasmine and then went to the studio together.

The company downstairs was still under renovation, so they interviewed a few applicants in the studio.

Being young, Barry had a keen eye for talents. Jasmine ended up keeping almost all of the applicants, with only two being eliminated.

After the interview was over, it was getting dark. Barry held Jasmine's hand and said, "I'll take you somewhere."

Jasmine looked puzzled, "Where to?"

Barry did not drop the last veil, "You'll know when you get there."

Then he took her hand and walked away.

They got into the car, and Barry drove off straight to the villa he cleaned up during the day.

The internet was still buzzing with gossip about Barry, but neither of them took it seriously.

Jasmine knew what kind of person Barry was and also knew the identity of Ms. Lee. The harder they cursed now, the more embarrassed they would be when Ms. Lee's true identity was revealed.

So they should just sit and watch them curse and make a fuss.

After they arrived at the villa and parked the car, Jasmine looked at the single house in front of her and instantly knew Barry's intentions. Knowing that he was Rosetta's son, she naturally knew that he could afford to live in such a villa, and knew that he wanted her to move in with him.

Barry gave her a nervous look. Seeing that she wasn't reluctant, he took her hand and walked inside, "I'll show you around, and if you don't like it, we'll move on to something else."

Ms. Lee had plenty of properties in South City anyway, and he would keep changing them until she was satisfied.

Jasmine sighed deeply in her heart at this moment, "He has money to burn."

She could not afford to buy a house after so many years of working in this city, while he would directly move into another villa if she didn't like this one.

She walked in with him and asked, "When did you buy this house?"

She had known him for several years and he had never given away a single hint of his luxurious life. He hid it pretty well.

Barry chuckled, "It was a gift from Ms. Lee as a reward for my admission to college, but I've barely lived here."

Thinking about his previous life, Jasmine knew that he really didn't live here much.

He was her junior in college. Since she knew of his existence, he had been hanging out with his classmates and friends and got along well with them. He must be living at school but not in a villa.

As they talked, they entered the house. The villa had three floors, and the decoration was simple and comfortable.

Barry walked with her while telling her, "The interior finish is all previously decorated, and let me know if you don't like it when you feel it's outdated."

Jasmine shook her head, "I like it. I feel very comfortable."

It was obvious that the villa was decorated by a professional designer, and every item was expensive. How could it be outdated?

Barry smiled, "It's good that you like it. And then there's soft loading, which I'm going to leave to you."

Jasmine glanced at him and deliberately said, "I don't think I promised you I'd move in."

Barry, "..."

They were going up to the second floor, and next to them was the bedroom. Barry just pushed her in and pressed her against the door, "You slept with me. Why don't you come and live with me?"

Jasmine was flirted with his words and instantly blushed. He always smiled gently and didn't look vulgar, but she couldn't resist his flirtation.

In the end, she had to compromise, "I'll move in."

In fact, she originally did not intend to refuse to move over. She just said that just to piss him off.

Since she made the decision last night to be crazily in love with him, she would not run away or resist again. So it was okay to move in.

Barry smiled after he heard her say that. He still pressed her against the door and kissed her.

After the kiss, Jasmine thought he would finally let go of her, but he put his arm around her and gestured for her to look at the bed in the bedroom. He said when his eyes lit up, "Do you see that bed? I had it custom-made from abroad at a very high price. It's very sturdy."

Jasmine understood the obscene meaning of his words in a second, glaring at him and raising her hand to pinch his waist.

She didn't pinch it hard. Of course, she didn't want to really do so but just protested against his shameless words.

Barry was in a great mood and embraced her and whispered in her ear, "Jasmine, I love you and thank you for falling in love with me."

Jasmine blushed again, thinking that he was so confident that he said that she was in love with him.

However, she didn't deny his words, because he was telling the truth.

She was indeed in love with him.

What kind of woman could resist the pursuit of such a handsome man who loved and cared for her so much?

Since they decided to move in, they went back to pack up their things and moved out together and contacted the landlord to return the house they rented.

It was only after Barry confessed his identity to Jasmine that she learned that Barry was behind Caleb and Patty's miserable end.

After a deep look at the young man beside her, Jasmine whispered her thanks, "Thank you..."

Jasmine knew that Barry had done what he did because he wanted to avenge her because Caleb had cheated on her with Patty and hurt her.

Of course, this was Caleb and Patty asked for it.

After divorcing Caleb, Jasmine chose to make a clean break with Caleb and Patty, who had been pestering her and had annoyed Barry. They ended up having nothing to lose, which was their retribution.

When Jasmine thought about her current situation, and then thought about what happened to Caleb and Patty at present, all sorts of feelings welled up in her mind.

When she was cheated on by Caleb and fired from her job, Patty was so proud to show her love for Caleb and shamelessly invited her to their wedding. Patty looked like she had everything back then.

If Patty knew that she was now not only successful in her career, but also in love with the young master of the Rose Group, she would be pissed off.

## **CHAPTER 762 FEEL SORRY FOR HIM**

Patty and Caleb headed for their hometown respectively after their divorce and the bankruptcy of Caleb's company, because they had long been unable to keep a foothold in South City.

They once thought that Jasmine would be the one who would leave South City and not be able to live in a big city, but they never thought that they would be the ones who would leave miserably in the end. Jasmine, whom they had trampled underfoot and hurt, was having the time of her life.

A few days after Jasmine and Barry move into the villa, their home was then cleaned up and what they needed was purchased. They were settled in. Jasmine offered Barry a meeting with Rosetta.

Jasmine could naturally feel Rosetta's warmth and friendliness towards her. She should have met with Rosetta after the incident that night.

Barry, of course, had no objection, "I was thinking of visiting your parents after we've settled in for the next few days. Since you feel the same way, we'll visit them all together. We'll have dinner with my mom first, and then we'll go to visit your parents."

Jasmine's parents were not in South City, so they would have to make a special trip to visit them.

At the mention of visiting her parents, Jasmine gave Barry a hesitant look, "My parents are--"

Jasmine didn't know what to say. She had a gut feeling that her parents would not approve of her dating a younger man like Barry. She had been betrayed and hurt too badly in her last relationship, and her parents felt sorry for her and naturally wanted her to find a good, reliable man.

Although she regarded Barry as dependable, in the eyes of the elderly, Barry was not the man who could make them feel secure.

Barry guessed what she wanted to say, looked at her with a smile, and said, "I know what you mean, but don't worry. Whatever your parents think of me, I'm fine with it."

Then he tightened his arms around her and said softly, "I can I bear the way they treat me when I want their precious daughter for my own wife."

When Jasmine looked at his confident and relaxed expression, she became light-hearted.

Since she fell in love with Barry without hesitation, her parents would accept him as well. Maybe his parents would find him unsuitable when they first met, but they could naturally feel his sincerity as time went by.

She added, "My parents are actually pretty nice. They don't interfere with me much of the time and have basically respected my decisions since I was a kid."

Barry laughed out loud, leaned over, and asked her, "Are you worried about me and comforting me?"

The implication of what she had just said was that since she had chosen him herself, her parents would not object in most cases. After all, they had respected her opinion since she was a child.

Jasmine coughed to cover her emotions, "You should not take it lightly."

What if her parents weren't as wise as they used to be?

Barry embraced her and smiled, "You're reasonable, gentle, and tolerant, and I'm sure your parents are the same. Even if they have a problem with me, they'll see how I feel for you over time."

Barry was confident that her parents were also wise and farsighted since they had such a daughter.

They went to see Rosetta together first in the suburban town where the Rose Group was based.

But Rosetta lived in a very simple place, not a grand villa, but an old apartment building.

The interior decoration of the two-room house was simple, in keeping with Rosetta's forthrightness in character.

Rosetta warmly welcomed Jasmine into the house and explained to her, "I live alone all the time. There is no point in living in a house that is too big, too empty, and cheerless. It is not as good as this residential building. All around here are neighbors who have lived for decades. They are very comfortable to be around."

This house was bought by Rosetta and Barry's father when they hadn't made a fortune yet. They also spent some happy and warm time here.

Later, they established a garment factory which was doing well, so their life was just getting better. However, Barry's father died. So Rosetta worked hard to support the garment factory. She had no spare energy to think about other things and had been living here until now.

Later, the enterprise really grew bigger and she became a famous rich businesswoman in South City, but she was reluctant to move out.

In her most difficult time, her neighbors gave her a lot of help, especially when she had to bring Barry up who was a kid at that time.

Before Barry was kidnapped and sent away by Rosetta, he was looked after by Rosetta's neighbors.

So both Rosetta and Barry had a deep affection for the area.

Rosetta helped make a lot of improvements to the neighborhood after she got rich to repay everyone for taking care of her at the beginning.

Jasmine heard What Rosetta said, and she felt that Rosetta was very affectionate. She must be the same in business. No wonder she led Rose Group to this stage and even to the world.

After they entered the house, Barry went to the kitchen to prepare the meal.

Rosetta took Jasmine on a tour of her home and introduced a lot of things about Barry's childhood.

In Barry's room, Rosetta brought out several thick albums of Barry's photos, and while introducing them to Jasmine, she said, "Actually, I owe Barry a lot. Before his accident, I was so busy working at the factory that I didn't have time to be with him and take care of him. Then he had an accident, and I had to send him away. I was absent from his life all these years. I was afraid he might go wrong, but he turned out to be a surprisingly mature man."

Rosetta cried as she spoke.

If she had any regrets about her successful life, it was about her son Barry.

Jasmine's eyes were red. She had just listened to Rosetta talk about Barry's experiences from childhood to adulthood and couldn't help feeling heartbroken.

No wonder he was young but calm and stable. He needed to be self-reliant since he was a child.

Rosetta wiped her tears and said to Jasmine, "I'm telling you this mainly because I intend to take care of your children when you have them. I want to do my duty to his children that I had not done to him."

Jasmine, "..."

Something was wrong, wasn't it?

Shouldn't Rosetta tell Jasmine in her tears that she hoped that Jasmine would lead a good life with Barry and cherish him? Why would she mention taking care of their kids?

After realizing it, Jasmine was bewildered. Rosetta, in tears, urged them to have a baby.

She was urging them to get married. After all, it was not a good idea to have children without marriage.

Looking at Rosetta, Jasmine was completely speechless.

She recalled that Barry always laid up trouble for her and she felt he was similar to Rosetta in terms of this.

Rosetta was trying to trap her. Rosetta was the elder, so she couldn't ignore Rosetta's offer to babysit them and couldn't just say yes. If she said yes, wouldn't that be equal to agreeing to get married and have kids?

Rosetta saw that she did not say anything and continued, "I know that you must want to take care of the children yourselves, but you both have to work. I will retire when you have children and Barry will be required to run the Rose Group. I'll take care of the kids so you don't have to give up your job."

Rosetta spoke so sincerely that Jasmine laughed helplessly.

"Rosetta, I will consider your offer." In the end, she had to give Rosetta such a vague reply.

She just said she would think about it, but she didn't say yes.

It was not that Jasmine didn't want to be with Barry, but she thought it was too early to talk about it. She and Barry had only just been together.

At the very least, they should wait for some time to get along with each other before talking about

marriage.

She did not know that Rosetta and Barry had been conferring on marriage long ago.

Rosetta did not force her to do anything. After touring the house, they sat down on the sofa and chatted.

Jasmine wanted to go to the kitchen several times to check on Barry or to help him, but Rosetta held her back.

Rosetta said to her with a smile, "Let him cook us a meal. He won't be tired. You don't have to feel sorry for him."

Jasmine laughed awkwardly at Rosetta's words.

Rosetta kept talking to Jasmine. Rosetta's kindness to her put Jasmine's discomfort at ease.

Actually, Jasmine was overwhelmed by the relationship between mother-in-law and daughter-in-law. She had been with Caleb, whose parents had always been unkind to her, simply because Caleb had a successful career while she was just an obscure office worker. They always felt she was not good enough for their son, so they always had an inexplicable sense of superiority in front of her.

Caleb's mother, in particular, found fault with her, and Jasmine had a hard time when she spent time with Caleb's parents.

Now Jasmine realized that people who were truly successful never assumed an air of superiority in front of others because they didn't need to.

Only those who had never seen the world would feel superiority and hold their heads high.

Getting on with Rosetta, Jasmine felt respected and well treated which made her feel better. She had never felt the same way before. At the same time, she became more attached to Barry.

### **CHAPTER 763 PROPOSE SINCERELY**

Barry served the meal and took Jasmine into his arms for a kiss while Rosetta went to wash her hands, asking her with a smile, "What did you talk to my mom about?"

Jasmine remembered Rosetta urging them to have kids and felt too embarrassed to speak up.

Both she and Barry had been taking precautions. It was true that Jasmine and Barry didn't want to have a baby for the time being. After all, their new company was just about to run business, and getting pregnant at this time would be a mess. Therefore, Barry was careful with contraception every time.

Jasmine avoided the subject, "It's all about you as a child."

Barry gave her a deep look and didn't say anything else.

Barry knew Rosetta very well. Rosetta must take the opportunity to rush her to do something. But since Jasmine refused to tell him, he wouldn't pursue it. He was in the same position as Jasmine, which was not to have children for now.

Because Barry knew that Jasmine was very dedicated to her career, and he was willing to let her go on with her business. They would never think about having children until their company had a firm foothold in the industry.

It didn't matter to Barry whether he had kids or not. What he preferred was to live with Jasmine.

But apparently, Rosetta didn't think that way. As soon as he was in a relationship with Jasmine, she was desperate to have grandchildren. However, she was gonna have to wait a few more years. Fortunately, Rosetta was not old and could afford to wait a few more years.

The atmosphere when they are was harmonious. Jasmine didn't talk a lot, but Rosetta was a brilliant conversationalist. Barry talked a little bit and they felt comfortable with the chatting.

When it was time to leave, Rosetta was very sad to part with them but had to let them go, knowing that they had to visit Jasmine's family.

Jasmine had called her parents in advance and said she would bring her boyfriend back to meet them.

The call was made to her mother, who listened to her for a moment and then whispered to her, "Jasmine, if you don't have any intention of marrying him, you don't have to bring him back to us."

Mrs. Turner said this because she did not believe that her daughter would commit to a new relationship so soon. After all, her last relationship had hurt her too much.

Mrs. Turner was afraid that her daughter would start another relationship on a whim because she hadn't gotten over her last relationship. Although she didn't think her daughter was such an irrational person, it was inevitable that she would make bad decisions when she was hurt.

Jasmine laughed at her mother's words. She understood her mother's feelings and said softly, "Mom, I'm serious."

As soon as Jasmine said this, her mother stopped talking on the other end.

After all, Jasmine was her own daughter and she knew Jasmine well. At first, she thought Jasmine was a bit irrational, but after hearing her words, Mrs. Turner knew that she really meant it.

So she changed her tone later, "You can come back."

Their daughter, who had been mature and stable since she was young. They hadn't had to worry about her, but she made them lose confidence in her marriage.

Last time, they let her decide on her own on her relationship, but this time, they decided to help her take care of it.

Barry and Jasmine arrived at the Turner's in the late afternoon. Jasmine led the way and Barry followed behind her with gifts in his hands.

Some of the gifts were prepared by Barry himself, while they were forced to bring the others back by Rosetta. Jasmine had no choice but to bring them with her.

Jasmine was still apprehensive, but the young man behind her was not afraid at all.

As he walked, he chatted with her about the surroundings, which were quiet with a pleasing climate. Jasmine came from an ordinary family and her parents lived in an old neighborhood, which was really quiet.

When she arrived in front of her house, Jasmine did not knock, but turned her head to look at Barry, and wanted to say something to him. Barry saw the apprehension in her eyes, smiled, leaned over, and kissed her, trying to dispel the apprehension in her heart.

However, what they didn't expect was that Mrs. Turner heard a voice outside and opened the door and Mr. Turner followed Mrs. Turner to greet them out of courtesy.

Once Mrs. Turner opened the door, they saw their daughter kissing a young man.

Mr. and Mrs. Turner, aging and conservative, felt embarrassed and blushed.

Jasmine was flustered, pushed Barry away in a frenzy, and looked awkwardly at her parents, "Dad, Mom, we're home..."

Jasmine's face flushed as she said this.

She didn't expect her parents to open the door of their own accord, and she certainly didn't expect Barry to kiss her out of the blue.

Barry, however, smiled innocently at Mr. and Mrs. Turner, "Hello, Mr. and Mrs. Turner."

Mr. Turner sullenly glared at them, turned around with his hands clasped behind his back, and entered the house.

Mrs. Turner glared at Jasmine, then came forward and welcomed Barry into the house with a smile.

Because of what happened at the door, Jasmine felt so embarrassed after entering the house that she was at a loss what to do and became speechless.

Mr. Turner sat down on the sofa while Mrs. Turner led Jasmine and Barry in and greeted Barry to sit down.

"Mr. Turner, Mrs. Turner, I'm Barry White, Jasmine's boyfriend. You can call me Barry." There was no need for Jasmine to introduce him because Barry just introduced himself gracefully.

Mr. Turner took a look at Barry's cheeky appearance and let out a snort.

The manners of young people nowadays really annoyed them.

Jasmine's mother got up to make tea, and Jasmine shuffled around in her chair. So she got up and followed her mother to the kitchen, leaving Barry to spend time with her father in the living room by himself.

It was his fault for what happened at the door anyway, and her father was obviously a bit annoyed by their unreserved behavior. She just let Barry please her father himself.

She felt that Barry, a born socializer, was cheeky and would have no problem being alone with her dad.

Barry was okay with it and wasn't afraid of Mr. Turner.

He considered himself too nice to be thrown out of the door.

As long as he wouldn't be kicked out, he had nothing to worry about.

After Jasmine left with Mrs. Turner, Barry looked at Mr. Turner and said sincerely, "Mr. Turner, I sincerely beg you to marry Jasmine to me."

Mr. Turner was shocked by his words, "Marry her?"

He then frowned and said, "You've only been together a few days and you want to get married?"

Mr. and Mrs. Turner had never heard their daughter unfold her new relationship to them before, so he concluded that she and the young man named Barry had been together for only a few days.

Now Barry said that he wanted to marry Jasmine, Mr. Turner was taken back.

His daughter's previous marriage ended badly. Jasmine didn't think it was a big deal, while her parents couldn't get over it. How could they possibly consent to Jasmine getting married again so quickly? So Mr. Turner resisted without thinking.

Barry calmly replied, "I don't think getting married has anything to do with how long we're together. Some people get married because they think they know each other well enough after years of acquaintance, but it doesn't end well, does it?"

Barry alluded to Jasmine's previous marriage to Caleb. Jasmine and Caleb went to college together and had known each other for a long time, but Jasmine was betrayed and hurt.

Mr. Turner stared at Barry but was speechless because Barry was right.

Barry continued, "By the same token, some people may end up being together happily even though they haven't been together long."

"Besides, Jasmine and I have actually known each other for a long time. I have always adored her and loved her, but she only recently agreed to be with me. I believe she is aware of my sincerity, otherwise, she wouldn't have broken through so many barriers to be with me."

Mr. Turner found Barry's eloquence unusually splendid.

But Mr. Turner was not to be trifled with. He changed the subject and didn't talk about marriage. He said, "Do your parents agree? What do your parents do?"

Barry laughed, "My father died when I was a child. My mother takes a fancy to Jasmine, saying that Jasmine is gentle with tenacity and worthy of my protection all my life."

Mr. Turner took a look at Barry, thinking that he was honey-mouthed. Every word Barry said touched him and he was pleased to hear.

Mr. Turner was pleased to hear from Barry what his mother thought of Jasmine. No parents wanted a man only to see in their daughter's beauty. Mr. Turner was relieved that Barry and his mother saw the merits in their daughter.

It was evident that they genuinely appreciated Jasmine instead of deliberately making up fancy words to coax him.

In just a few words, Mr. Turner could feel the respect Barry and his mother had for Jasmine. Having inlaws like Caleb's parents before, Mr. Turner felt that people like Barry and his mother were incredibly reasonable.

Unconsciously he was inclined in favor of their being together.

But Mr. Turner went on to ask him, "What does your family do?"

Barry felt a little tricky being asked this question.

So he looked in the direction of the kitchen and asked Mr. Turner, "Can I wait for Jasmine to answer this question when she comes?"

Barry did not dare to take the liberty to answer it. He was afraid to shock Mr. Turner.

He was afraid that Mr. Turner would kick him out because of his family background. Mr. Turner seemed to be very upright and would definitely feel that there was a big gap between the two families. He was also supposed to worry that Jasmine would be bullied if she married him.

It was like the drama aired on TV. A woman would be bullied by her mother-in-law and husband when she married into a rich family.

### **CHAPTER 764 TAKE A RISK**

Just as Barry finished speaking, Jasmine and Mrs. Turner came out of the kitchen. Jasmine was carrying a tray with a teapot and teacups on it.

They chatted in the kitchen just now. Mrs. Turner didn't know what to say after hearing that Barry was a few years younger than her daughter.

Most people believed that younger men were not mature and stable enough, and Mrs. Turner was also worried about this.

Jasmine knew what her mother was worried about and said, "Mom, I know what you're concerned about. I won't put in a good word for him. You'll know about his character as time goes by."

At this time, Jasmine did not know that Barry already talked to her father about getting married, but what Jasmine wanted with the visit to both their parents was simply to get to know each other and let them know that they were in a relationship.

Jasmine also wanted to have a stable relationship with Barry, but she hadn't thought about getting married which was deemed as too big a step.

Mrs. Turner glanced at Jasmine and nodded without saying anything else.

They made tea and came out. Jasmine sat down next to Barry, who reached over and took her hand, "Jasmine, Mr. Turner asked me what business my parents engage in, and I thought it would be better if you answered that question."

Mr. Turner stared at Barry holding Jasmine's hand. Did they know how inappropriate that would be?

He recalled that they even kissed in public just now. That was too much.

Barry felt the angry gaze from Mr. Turner, but he chose to ignore it and didn't want to release Jasmine's hand.

What was wrong with him holding his girlfriend's hand?

What was wrong with him kissing his girlfriend?

Barry felt nothing wrong with his behavior.

Jasmine was not as cheeky as he was, especially when her father was staring at her like this. She quickly tried to pull her hand back. But Barry deliberately held it very tightly. She couldn't pull it out and had to glare at him.

But thinking that her father was still waiting for her to answer the question, she just let it be. She couldn't argue with Barry in front of her parents but would settle the score with him later.

They discussed the topic of what Barry's family did before coming here. It would definitely be mentioned. Barry's family history was stunning. If Jasmine answered this question, their attention would be focused on her and Mr. Turner wouldn't be mad at his own daughter.

At this point Jasmine let Barry hold her hand and pretended to be calm when she looked at her father, "Dad, Barry's mother is doing some business on her own."

Jasmine chose to speak slowly step by step.

As expected, she heard Mr. Turner ask again, "What kind of business?"

Mr. Turner wondered why his daughter talked so hemmed and hawed. He was suspicious that Barry's family ran an underground business.

Jasmine replied again, "The clothing industry."

Mr. Turner glanced at her. Jasmine hurriedly continued, but this time, she spoke more slowly and apprehensively, "Have you heard of the... Rose Group?"

Mr. Turner nodded, "Of course I've heard of it. The Rose Group is so famous."

Mr. Turner realized something after he finished speaking, and turned to stare at his daughter incredulously.

Jasmine nodded at her parents' stunned stare, "Barry's mother is Rosetta Lee of the Rose Group..."

Mr. Turner and Mrs. Turner looked at each other, each holding their breath for a long time, and speechless.

Rose Group?

Rose Group!

It was a well-known demonstration company under the key protection of the South City government.

Now their daughter said that the young man in front of them was the young master of Rose Group and her boyfriend.

"Jasmine, you--" Mrs. Turner opened her mouth first, looking at Jasmine and then at Barry, not knowing what to say at all.

It was not that they belittled themselves. The gap between the two families was too big. Barry was ... out of their league.

Mr. Turner had the same idea as Mrs. Turner. At this time, they thought Barry was out of their league.

Barry promptly brought a cup of tea to each of them, "Mr. Turner, Mrs. Turner, have a cup of tea to relax."

His thoughtfulness brought Mr. and Mrs. Turner each back to their senses, and at this point, they really needed a cup of tea to calm down.

Mrs. Turner held her cup of tea and drank it in silence, her heart tumbling.

He was not only just a few years younger than Jasmine but also came from a rich family--

Mr. Turner also took a sip of tea and regained his composure before looking up at Barry. His sharp eyes fell on Barry's handsome face as he examined Barry carefully.

Finally, he spoke in a deep voice, "I didn't answer your question. I'll answer it now."

Barry knew it was the question that Mr. Turner avoided when he confessed his wish to marry Jasmine. He smiled and looked seriously at Mr. Turner, waiting for his answer.

In fact, Barry could also see that Mr. Turner's answer would not be what he wanted before Mr. Turner opened his mouth.

But he was not unhappy. The answer was what he had expected.

There was a long way to go.

He had the patience to wait for Jasmine to open up to him, and naturally, he had the patience to wait

for her parents to accept him.

Sure enough, Mr. Turner said seriously, "I'm not opposed to a relationship, but ... we don't agree to your marriage for the time being."

Jasmine did not know that her father was going to answer this question put forward by Barry. She was relieved to hear him say that he was not opposed to a relationship, and when he mentioned marriage later, she looked at Barry in surprise.

Barry took the initiative to confess, "I just told my uncle that I sincerely want to marry you..."

Jasmine took a deep breath before suppressing her impulse to kick Barry out.

He had just met her parents for the first time, and he dared to mention marriage in front of her father. He was audacious in the extreme.

"Dad, don't listen to him. I brought him back to confirm the relationship, not to talk about marriage."

Jasmine had always simply thought that this visit between her and Barry's parents was about establishing a relationship. So she thought Barry was thinking the same thing.

As a result, now-

"Is that so?" Mr. Turner replied to her, "I don't think he's talking nonsense."

Jasmine was at a loss for words, so she glared at Barry next to her, signaling him to dismiss those thoughts.

Barry just held her hand tightly again in front of Mr. and Mrs. Turner and spoke solemnly, "I really do not talk nonsense. I am serious."

Jasmine was annoyed.

He showed his true feelings word by word, "But I know you don't believe me right now, but that's fine. There will be ample time. I am sure you will be willing to let me marry Jasmine when you see what I am."

Mr. Turner looked at Barry and suddenly laughed.

He was confident, but his honesty made it easier for them to see him.

In the end, he didn't say anything harsh, but said, "Okay, we'll give you a chance."

Jasmine was surprised that her father had relented. She had thought that he would have refused Barry, and she had even thought that he would not even allow her to go out with Barry.

Mr. Turner didn't say anything else, got up, raised his hand, patted Barry's shoulder meaningfully, and left.

It was not Barry's sweet words that moved Mr. Turner, but his sincerity.

If he really loved her and was infatuated with her, a few words could not reveal the whole of his feelings, but his eyes, his movements, his gestures, and his casual gestures.

Mr. Turner was not that stubborn and conservative. Seeing Barry's affection for his daughter, he didn't want to interfere anymore.

The atmosphere in the living room lightened up after Mr. Turner left. Mrs. Turner was not as difficult as Mr. Turner. Instead, she was very gentle and chatted with Barry over a cup of tea.

After a long conversation, Mrs. Turner looked at Barry with a smile in her eyes.

She was satisfied with him.

There was none of the immaturity she had expected of him, none of the insolence of a rich man, and he was extremely agreeable.

And Mrs. Turner breathed a sigh of relief when she heard from him that Ms. Rosetta was very fond of her daughter.

It was also true that there would be a long time to come, and it was only the first time they had met, wasn't it?

He had made such a good impression on them. It was believed that he should not let them down after a lot of contacts.

Mrs. Turner chatted for a while and then went to the kitchen, saying that she was preparing dinner.

As soon as Mrs. Turner left, Jasmine glared at the young man beside her, lowering her voice and questioning him, "Barry, it's only your first time in my house and you dare to mention marriage?"

Jasmine was pissed off.

Barry defended himself with a straight face, "I can show my sincerity by mentioning marriage the first time I come, can't I? After all, I risked being shot and thrown out of the house."

Jasmine, "..."

He was very good at making excuses for his own misbehavior.

Barry reached out and took her into his arms, "Don't be mad. It's okay, and your father agreed to give me the chance to marry you. I'm happy with that."

The young man put his arm around her and said seriously, "Most of the time, we have to fight for opportunities for ourselves, even at the risk."

Jasmine was speechless. Since when did he become her life coach and give her reasoning?

"These are all nonsense!" She commented, then raised her hand and pushed him, "Behave yourself in front of my parents and stop hugging me!"

Barry laughed and let her go. He thought he was taking a great risk by just mentioning marriage to Mr. Turner.

But it came out good.

That was enough.

CHAPTER 765 JASMINE IS HAPPY TO BE WITH BARRY EVERY DAY.

Jasmine thought that her parents would mind Barry's wealthy family, but she didn't expect them to pay little attention to it and felt a little puzzled.

When Barry went to show off his cooking skills in the kitchen to Mrs. Turner to gain favor, Jasmine came to Mr. Turner who was watering flowers on the balcony.

"Dad..." Jasmine called out to Mr. Turner and whispered, "Do you ... not mind that Barry's family is superior to ours?"

Mr. Turner concentrated on watering flowers without looking up and responded, "He doesn't regard himself as a rich man. Why should I bother to remind him of it?"

Jasmine, "..."

No matter it was Barry or Rosetta, they had never put on airs in their daily life. Especially Barry, as the heir of the Rose Group, he never looked like a playboy.

This showed that he didn't value his wealth and power but considered himself an ordinary man

"His disposition is attributed to his mother's good teaching and his life experiences." Jasmine rarely put in a good word for Barry and then told Mr. Turner about his experiences.

Barry had gone through a lot. At a young age, he lost his father and was once kidnapped. Later, Rosetta sent him to a new boarding school, and then he had been living and studying on his own all these years.

After hearing Barry's life story, Mr. Turner paused to look back deeply at Jasmine and went on watering the flowers in silence.

But when Barry came out of the kitchen, Mr. Turner's attitude softened.

He couldn't help but feel distressed for Barry because of his rough and lonely experience.

Jasmine and Barry stayed for dinner and the night and left the next morning. They were busy and needed to go back to work on their new company.

After returning to South City, they feasted many friends and announced their relationship.

They originally wanted to invite Bertha and the boy team, but they didn't do that to avoid unnecessary trouble considering that the boy team hadn't yet officially terminated their contract with Roman.

Although they did their best to avoid trouble, a public quarrel still happened when Bertha and the boy team announced that they were joining Jasmine's company after their official termination. It was understandable that the fans of the boy team and Bertha were unsatisfied with their signing with Jasmine, but obviously, someone was leading the fans to curse Jasmine.

The manipulator was Roman.

Because he lost both the boy team and Bertha, he was naturally annoyed and would have a hard time in the entertainment circle later.

To speak bluntly, Roman's company would go bankrupt sooner or later.

The boy team and Bertha were the mainstays of Roman's company. Now that they left the company together, other lesser-known artists were more restless.

So, in the face of Roman's paid forum posters' abuses of Jasmine, she and Barry didn't scold back on the Internet or rush to explain it but secretly arrange for someone to nudge the slightly famous artists to break their contract with Roman's company.

In this way, Roman would have no time to continue his smear. After all, once some more artists canceled their contract with him, he would declare bankruptcy.

Then Roman was busy pacifying his artists and could no longer smear Jasmine. Soon the online curse against Jasmine gradually subsided. Besides, the boy team and Bertha spoke up for Jasmine in the first place, so their fans calmed down.

In contrast to Jennie's fierce fans, the boy team and Bertha had benevolent fans.

When the news of Jennie's participation in a variety show came to light some time ago, Jasmine's studio's microblog was attacked by her fans.

They scolded Jasmine why she arranged for Jennie to participate in the variety show and claimed that she would ruin Jennie's career.

But Jennie's performance in the variety show proved that her fans were wrong. They had to admit that Jennie showed a different side of herself and captivated them.

Jennie spoke less and did more than any guest in the show.

She noticed the details ignored by other guests and then did it without hesitation. Most importantly, she could easily solve other guests' difficulties.

Other guests looked tired and spiritless every day, while Jennie seemed to be on a leisurely vacation. Even if the program team arranged her to herd sheep, the sheep obeyed her order to graze there, and then she lay on the grass to close her eyes for rest.

Jennie's fans were going crazy because they thought she would still keep an aloof image to attend the variety show. After all, an actress with this persona would only end up being scolded when in a variety show, so they initially feared that the storm of opprobrium would descend upon Jennie.

To their surprise, Jennie was so kind and easy-going in private. Although she spoke little, she radiated a sense of warmth.

After that, no one scolded Jasmine anymore but thanked her for putting Jennie in the variety show. Hence, they could see Jennie's warmth, while Jennie attracted more fans with her character and succeeded in bringing this show to a hit.

The show investors were happy to profit much and held out an olive branch to Jasmine, who was Jennie's agent. They invited Jennie to participate in the second season of the variety show and be the female lead of their other TV dramas or movies. It was surprising that Jennie was more popular than before.

According to Jennie's current popularity, any drama or movie she acted in would receive a high audience rating.

Jasmine and Jennie didn't intend to participate in the second season, so they politely refused it.

Jennie wasn't a variety artist. Since the public knew what she was like in private through the first season of the variety show, her purpose was achieved. She wasn't interested in the follow-up anymore, not to mention that the audience would probably be less curious and tolerant of her in the second season.

Because of her timely withdrawal, Jennie was the biggest winner.

After this variety show, Jennie, Jasmine, investors, and even Jennie's fans were all winners.

Since then, Jennie's fans no longer scolded Jasmine, because they saw that Jasmine could bring Jennie fame and fortune.

So when Jasmine was scolded by the boy group and Bertha's fans, Jennie's fans supported her and scolded them back.

To be honest, it wasn't a scold but a "kind" reminder to the boy team and Bertha's fans, "Beware of being proven wrong after scolding."

Jasmine had never bothered to explain these doubts because she would later prove her ability with actions and had the confidence to lead the boy team and Bertha to be more popular.

Jasmine and Barry didn't rush to clarify Ms. Lee's identity but chose to make it public on her birthday. Ms. Lee was Rosetta.

As the most famous businesswoman in South City, Rosetta had been unable to keep her birthday low-key. Even if she didn't want to, some business partners and relevant government personnel would warmly hold a birthday party for her every year.

Rosetta enjoyed crowds, so she spent a lively birthday party every year as they wished.

However, Barry hardly attended her birthday party. In the beginning, she didn't want Barry to be exposed and attract bad things. Later, Barry could stand on his own feet and still didn't attend it. As Rosetta's son, he would inevitably be flattered and drawn in by some people, but he disliked this sort of thing.

So every year Barry usually came home a day early to cook for and send her gifts to celebrate her birthday.

This year, Barry openly attended Rosetta's birthday party with Jasmine.

Barry did this just to announce Jasmine's identity, which was the greatest respect for her.

On Rosetta's birthday, Barry released a photo through the official blog of the Fighting Film and Television Company. In the photo, Barry put an intimate embrace on Rosetta, and Jasmine was beside with Rosetta a warm and bright smile.

A text was attached below the photo, "Dear 'Ms. Lee', my Rosetta mother, happy birthday! May you always be young and beautiful!"

He added quotation marks to Ms. Lee to emphasize it.

Seeing this, the public suddenly understood that Ms. Lee with older age than Jasmine was Rosetta.

What surprised them more was that Barry addressed Rosetta as his mother. It meant ... Barry was Rosetta's son, the heir of the Rose Group!

This breaking news startled the public, especially those who had once smeared that Barry was kept by an old woman.

According to Rosetta's wealth, she certainly could afford Barry's luxury car.

She could buy eight or ten luxury cars, let alone one.

After accepting the fact, they began to be jealous of Jasmine.

She was so lucky to meet such an excellent man like Barry.

Barry had taken her to Rosetta's birthday party, and she stood beside Rosetta with an intimate handshake, so her relationship with Barry was obvious.

However, the outside world's reactions didn't affect their relationship at all.

As Jasmine spent more time with Barry, she was glad every day that she had agreed to a love relationship with him.

He treated her very well.

Whether at work or in life, he was her best partner, friend, and lover.

It turned out that Mr. Right could bring her happiness and joy every day.

CHAPTER 766 HI, SWEETHEART 1

When Gina was eighteen years old, Cynthia had an operation on her lung.

It wasn't a major operation, but Cynthia's age increased the risk.

Cynthia's operation was performed by the lead surgeon at Nick's HD Hospital. In addition, Nick was in the operating room to control the whole situation to ensure its success.

Even so, Gina remembered clearly that Carl sat weakly on the bench outside the operating room during Cynthia's operation.

She believed that Carl would never choose to live alone in case Cynthia died in operation.

Their deaths together might be cruel to their children but a relief to themselves.

Whether Cynthia or Carl left the world first, either of them would be tormented to live.

Undoubtedly, they were going to pass away together.

Gina had heard about Carl and Cynthia's love story in their youth and then witnessed their sweet life over the years, so she knew that neither of them could live without the other.

The night before Cynthia's operation, Carl called Hathaway and Albert to talk in his study.

Later, Gina heard Hathaway crying in Leon's arms, "In case my mother dies in operation, Dad is sorry for me and Albert because we will lose them at the same time."

After saying that, Hathaway leaned against Leon's chest and cried out loud.

Seeing this, tears moistened Gina's eyes.

She envied Carl and Cynthia's deep love and longed for a man to treat her like this one day.

Likewise, she was bound to respond to him with all her passion.

In her opinion, love should be strong with a sense of destructive possession of each other.

Fortunately, Cynthia had a successful operation. After she was discharged from the hospital, Carl decided to take her to a suburban town to recuperate because the quiet environment and fresh air there were conducive to the recovery of lung patients like Cynthia.

Leon had houses in the town. It was said that Aggie's father took the lead in settling there, and Tam also bought a house soon. Later on, Leon bought several houses there one after another. Over the years, they occasionally went to the town for holidays to relax.

Hathaway was worry about Carl and Cynthia and wanted to take care of them, but she couldn't get away because of her busy schedule.

Hathaway and Jessica's styling studio had long become the hottest one in South City for the artists, while Cynthia handed over her studio to Hathaway a few years ago. With the two popular companies to manage, it was hard for Hathaway to take care of her parents to do her filial duty.

However, Carl didn't want his children to follow along and comforted Hathaway, "You guys can't help much there. What's more, your mother is used to my care alone."

Immediately, Hathaway protested with discontent, "Dad, you want my mother all to yourself."

On the side, Gina was also uneasy about her grandparents staying in town alone at their age and volunteered, "How about I go to the town with my grandparents?"

Hathaway shook her head at Gina. "You're a student. Your father has finished all your formalities, so you'll be leaving for school within a few days."

Gina inherited her parents' good genes. She resembled Hathaway in appearance and Leon in intelligence. As a straight-A student since childhood, she received an acceptance letter from Stanford University at the age of eighteen and would go to study abroad soon.

So when Gina said she wanted to go to the town with her grandparents, Hathaway disagreed with it.

Gina called Hathaway to the side and whispered, "Mom, I don't want any regrets in my life, so I want to postpone my studies to accompany my grandparents. Now that they are old, I should stay with them as much as possible."

Gina had been raised by her grandparents and naturally had deep feelings for them. Although she couldn't help Carl much, it was a companionship for them.

Carl just said that he didn't need Hathaway or Albert to go to the town only because he didn't want to delay their busy work. Frankly speaking, Carl and Cynthia longed for someone's company.

Gina looked at Hathaway's hesitation and continued, "I'm a straight-A student, so a year late entrance won't affect my study."

After Gina's witty and confident remark, Hathaway laughed and agreed to her request.

Then they told Leon about it and received no objection from him. Since Hathaway had agreed to it, what could he object to?

In the end, Gina would postpone her studies for one year to stay with Carl and Cynthia in town, while Leon would handle her follow-ups.

Of course, Gina couldn't be idle all day during her company, otherwise, outsiders would find it strange. Why a young girl didn't go to school but stay at home?

After a discussion, they decided to send Gina to the high school in the town for her senior year. However, Gina had long finished her senior year and could consider her upcoming study in town as a life experience.

There were two high schools in the town. One was No. 1 High School, a key school, and the other was No. 5 High School, known for opening fights.

In Leon and Hathaway's opinion, Gina had better go to the key high school, but Gina chose No. 5 High

School and said firmly, "Since it's a life experience, I'll go to No. 5 High School."

Gina was a privileged girl and had been in contact with the children of upper-class families from birth to now, so she was eager to experience a different life.

After staring at Gina for a while, Leon was about to express his objection, but Hathaway agreed readily, "Okay, you'll go to No.5 High School."

Leon, "..."

Gina got up and gave Hathaway a big hug. "Mom, you know me best. I love you."

Then she made a gesture of hand heart to Leon, who was sullen and disagreed. "Dear Dad, I have to trouble you again with my admission procedures."

With that, Gina left happily for Dara who was a month older than herself to give her extra lessons.

Leon protested to Hathaway with a worried look, "Why on earth did you agree to her going to No.5 High School?"

He hated the school because of its bad reputation for fighting.

If it were Elmer, he had no objection to it, but now his precious daughter was going to No.5 High School.

As Hathaway had decided that Gina could go to that school, he must bear it despite his reluctance.

Hathaway snorted and refuted him, "You usually dote on your daughter, but you don't know much about her."

Leon said with a frown, "What do you mean?"

Hathaway looked at him with serious eyes. "I mean Gina inherited my adventurous spirit, so it's reasonable for her to choose No.5 High School. If she just chose No.1 High School, it would be abnormal."

No one knew a daughter better than her mother. Although Gina had never worried her and Leon since she was a child with a gentle and generous personality, Hathaway knew that Gina wasn't what she looked like.

This time, her choice of No.5 High School revealed her adventurous nature.

Given Gina's adventurous nature, Hathaway agreed to her going to No. 5 High School.

She related to her feelings and was willing to satisfy her adventure and curiosity.

People should experience more at a young age, wasn't that so?

Leon cast a complicated look at Hathaway.

Only after hearing Hathaway's words did Leon suddenly realize that he knew little about Gina.

He had always thought that Gina was gentle and sensible. When she chose No.5 High Schoo just now, he was completely shocked but understood her behavior now.

Gina was Hathaway's daughter, so how could she be a quiet girl?

At this moment, Leon was glad that Gina also inherited his calm gene. It could neutralize Hathaway's adventurous gene.

When Carl and Cynthia went to the town, Leon, Hathaway, Albert, and Jessica all went there with them.

In Albert's Car.

Dara leaned over the back of the driver's seat and protested to Albert, "Why can't I go with my grandparents? I want to go, too."

Dara was unhappy with Gina's being allowed to accompany Cynthia and Carl, so she had been complaining about it recently.

Albert snorted while driving, "When you become an A-student like Gina and can ensure that your study isn't affected by your absence for a year, you'll be welcomed to talk to me about it."

At the sound of her study, Dara slid listlessly to the back seat and lay half down. "Dad, I can't understand why you always push me in my study?"

"What's the point of a girl studying well? I'm bound to marry someone, so I just need to find an excellent husband." Dara threw out her argument.

Albert was angry with Dara's remarks and admonished her, "If you have the ability, try to find an excellent husband!"

Originally, he wanted to say, "How can an excellent boy fancy on a girl with poor grades?"

To be honest, Dara wasn't a poor student. According to her learning level, she could easily get into a second-tier university, but compared to Gina, who got an acceptance letter from Stanford University, she was a poor student.

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Dara ignored Albert's disdain and responded, "Dad, don't you often seriously exhort me not to have puppy love? Now you want me to find an excellent husband. You are so contradictory."

Dara was eighteen years old like Gina, but one month older than her.

Different from Gina's self-taught high school course, Dara was still struggling with her senior year. Besides, Albert and Jessica had no intention of sending her to study abroad. In other words, Dara must take the college entrance examination to determine her fate.

As Dara was a beautiful and lively eighteen-year-old girl, Albert exhorted her not to have puppy love.

If she approached or talked more to a boy, she was bound to face Albert's jealous and sullen face at home.

Now that Albert even told her to find an excellent husband, she certainly argued back without hesitation.

Albert, "..."

His life was...

When he was young, he was defeated by Jessica's eloquence, and now so was her daughter.

Without hearing Albert's response, Dara gave a bright smile. "Dad, don't go back on your words. I'll bring you an excellent son-in-law."

At the sound of this, Albert almost fainted from a myocardial infarction.

He came to his senses and then yelled through gritted teeth, "Stop it! How old are you now?"

Dara answered him naturally, "I'm an 18-year-old adult now. At this age, you've coaxed my mom to get married in Hong Kong."

Albert, "..."

Why did he have a daughter to anger him?

Other people's daughters were considerate, but why did his daughter treat him in this way?

At this point, Jessica in the front passenger seat was woken up from sleep by their talking. As soon as she opened her eyes, she saw Albert's gloomy face and realized that Dara must anger him again, so she reprimanded Dara at once, "Dara, how can you take this attitude to your father?"

Dara, "..."

She knew Jessica very well. In Jessica's heart, Albert was more important than their children.

"I'm talking to my father about you being coaxed to get married at the age of 18." Dara deliberately stressed the word "coaxing".

"Don't talk nonsense!" Jessica defended Albert with righteousness, "I was willing to marry him at that time!"

Dara curled her lips. "If a handsome, rich, well-built man like my father were to propose to me now, I'll marry him willingly."

Jessica didn't hesitate to hit her. "I'm sorry, but you're not as attractive as I am."

Dara snorted coldly, "I'm so unlucky to have you as my parents. One despised my studies, the other said I was unattractive."

When Dara finished speaking, an unhappy male voice came from the back seat, "You guys woke up Mandy."

Albert drove a seven-seater business car only because he had a big family.

In the back of Dara's seat, a teenager was embracing a little girl who was rubbing her sleepy eyes with pursed lips.

The teenager was Albert and Jessica's sixteen-year-old son, Alan Feyrer, while the little girl was their five-year-old young daughter, Mandy Feyrer.

At the age of twenty-one, Jessica gave birth to her eldest daughter, Dara. She and Hathaway carried out the principle of having two children within three years. After that, the two women devoted themselves to their careers. So in those years from the birth of the children to their kindergarten, Albert and Leon had to slow down their careers and put more energy into their families.

Fortunately, they had reached the peak of their careers at that time, so their temporary slowdown had no impact.

Because they married young women with rising careers and didn't want their wives to give up their careers, they had to pay more for their families.

Hathaway often laughed at Albert and Leon, "You two have built your careers to the top during your thirty years of single life just to prepare for these years of child care. Accept your fate."

A few years ago, Jessica got pregnant by accident and didn't want to keep the baby, but the whole family wanted her to keep it. Moreover, she was young at thirty-three, so she gave birth to her little

daughter, Mandy. Since then, they became a family of five.

However, Albert and Jessica didn't have much difficulty raising Mandy because Dara and Alan could help them.

In particular, Alan doted on Mandy very much and always took care of her as long as he was at home.

Although Dara was restless, she was quite good at taking care of Mandy.

Judging from Dara's character, she should be able to look after a baby. Gina once asked her why she was so attentive to Mandy.

Dara gave an astonishing reply, "I am practicing in advance in case I get married and have children at a young age like my mother."

At this time, Alan gently coaxed Mandy, who was unhappy about being woken in his arms, and a while later, she put on a smile.

Alan and Mandy's good behavior brought great comfort to Albert in the driver's seat. The siblings of one mother had different personalities. Fortunately, Alan and Mandy were sensible and different from Dara in personality. Otherwise, Albert would be probably pissed off when his three children were all disobedient.

Compared to the lively atmosphere in Albert's car, it was serious in Leon and Hathaway's car.

Leon was driving, while Hathaway was in the front passenger seat with her eyes closed and occasionally took out her cell phone to handle her work.

As for Gina and Elmer in the back seat, one was reading a book quietly, the other was focusing on mobile games.

After glancing at Elmer in the rearview mirror, Leon tapped the steering wheel with his long fingers and asked him seriously, "When do you plan to go to the company with me for training?"

Elmer wasn't addicted to games, but it was the only time he wasn't in class to play games to his heart's content. In normal times, he had no time to play games because he studied in a noble elite school and Leon told his teachers to be extremely strict with him under his position as director.

Upon hearing Leon's words, Elmer was no longer in the mood to play games, turned off his phone, and looked up to protest to Leon, "Dad, I am only sixteen years old. Isn't it abuse for you to ask a minor to experience in the company?"

Leon ignored his complaints and responded to him coldly, "Your great-grandfather had brought me to the company when I was twelve years old. Now that you are sixteen years old, I am very kind to you."

"Given my grandpa's poor management skills, he had to cultivate you, but you are different from my grandpa. As the most capable man in South City, you can at least run the company for another twenty years. Don't rush to train me." Elmer began to flatter Leon.

Leon wasn't swayed and said in a colder tone, "Do you want to take over the company in twenty years?"

Elmer wailed, "Of course I won't let you toil for another twenty years. Can't you give me a few more years to enjoy my life?"

Leon had repeatedly mentioned to Elmer that he should go to the company to accumulate experience. As the saying went, "It is better to travel ten thousand miles than to read ten thousand books." In other words, no matter how high Elmer's future academic achievement was, it wasn't as real and profound as the experience he could pick up in the company.

Elmer had to study in school, but the company experience was also essential.

Every time he always rejected it on the pretext that he want to enjoy life first and see the kaleidoscopic world instead of being bound by the company at a young age.

After hearing Elmer's excuse to enjoy life once again, Leon snorted coldly at once, "I'm waiting for you to take over the company and then enjoy life with your mother."

Elmer, "..."

Before Elmer could say something, Leon added, "Your value is to take over the company from me, otherwise why do you think I had you as my second child? Your sister is enough to me."

Elmer was defeated.

He turned to Hathaway for help. "Mom, say something. My dad is bullying me."

Hathaway turned around and stroked his head. "Good boy, I can't help you since you are no match for your dad."

The implication was that he was always beaten by Leon in eloquence. Who could you blame?

Elmer threw himself on the back seat with a dejected look.

When Leon was about to order Elmer that he must go to the company in his future vacation, he suddenly heard Gina's voice.

But Gina was speaking to Elmer in a calm tone, "Elmer, when do you want to take over from our dad?"

Elmer was startled by her sudden question and couldn't understand what she meant for a moment.

Gina chuckled, "I have an idea. Once I finish my education, I'll come back to take over the company so that Dad can spend more time with mom. I will give you a few years to travel around the world, but you must come back to manage the company at thirty, how about it?"

"Gina!" As Gina finished speaking, Leon stopped her unhappily, "Don't spoil him!"

Elmer hugged Gina at once and cheered with excitement, "My dear sister, I love you."

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Leon felt distressed for Gina because of her thoughtfulness. She wanted him to enjoy life with Hathaway and was willing to meet Elmer's wish to live a free life for a few more years, so she took all the responsibilities.

He originally wanted to force Elmer into the company, but he didn't expect to put the responsibility on Gina.

He felt at ease about Elmer's suffering. Now that it was Gina to take the responsibility, he couldn't bear her to suffer a little bit.

Immediately, Leon soothed Gina in a soft tone, "I'm still young and don't need you to take over the company, so you just study and enjoy life."

Seeing this, Elmer didn't want to say anything. Leon was so biased that he told Gina to study and enjoy life but asked him to suffer in the company.

It seemed that Leon would never be able to change his thought of preferring daughters to sons in this life.

Elmer remembered that Hathaway was in charge of picking him up and dropping him off after kindergarten, and occasionally his grandparents did so, but Gina had always enjoyed Leon's daily pick-up and drop-off.

At that time, he wanted Leon to pick him up from school once because he admired his tall and handsome father.

So he would feel proud if Leon picked him up.

As a result, Leon refused to pick him up. It hit him hard.

Of course, Elmer wasn't easy to deal with. One day after returning home from school, he deliberately in front of Leon said that a man accosted Hathaway at the gate of his school and successfully attracted

Leon to drive him to and from school.

Seeing Leon's distressed look, Gina whispered a comfort, "Dad, I'll run my mother and grandmother's studios after my education anyway, so I can manage your company meantime. Elmer is young. It's good to give him more time to broaden his horizons."

It was hard to imagine that these words were from an eighteen-year-old girl. What a considerate and generous child Gina was!

Although Leon and Hathaway had given their two children a good life, Gina never thought that their life was easy-earned. On the contrary, she knew that their good life was hard-earned by Leon and Hathaway's hard work, so she took all this to heart profoundly. Therefore, she was willing to share her parents' burden and take care of her younger brother, Elmer.

Therefore, she volunteered to take all the responsibility.

After listening to Gina's sensible words, Leon hated to throw Elmer out of the car.

At this time, Hathaway interrupted the stalemate, "You are young and should focus on your studies. Let's talk about it later."

As a mother, Hathaway was distressed for her two children and adopted this neutral policy.

So the matter ended for now.

Hathaway and Albert led their families to the town and left after seeing Carl make all the arrangements, without even staying for lunch.

Cynthia was recovering now, so they couldn't stay for lunch. After all, it was very tiring to cook for the whole big family.

When Cynthia was in good health, they went back together almost every weekend. In the earliest years, Carl cooked and entertained them. As he was old, Hathaway and Albert hired a chef for them, but he didn't bring the chef over here.

So Hathaway and Albert thoughtfully chose not to stay for lunch. Before leaving, Dara took Gina's hand and said reluctantly, "Gina, I want to stay here, too."

Dara had been to the town for several vacations with her family before.

Because of her cheerful and dashing personality, she liked this secluded and free place. After this visit, she liked it even more, especially when she thought of Gina staying here.

Although Dara and Gina had different personalities, they were close to each other. Dara couldn't wait to

stay with Gina all day.

Gina comforted her helplessly, "You can ask your parents to send you here on weekends or holidays, but you have to remember that you are going to take the college entrance exam next year and should focus on your studies."

Dara muttered with her lips curled, "I'm sure I'll pass in the academic subjects. I can't understand why my dad forcing me to study more all day."

Dara intended to attend an art school that didn't require high grades in academic subjects. According to her current performance, she was able to pass it, and the rest depended on her art exam results.

Dara could sing and dance with good martial arts. She dreamed of being an actress, preferably a fight one.

Carl had good martial arts, so Hathaway and Albert's children were all watched practicing kung fu by him when they were a kid. Carl didn't want them to become martial arts champions and only for their self-defense, but to his surprise, Dara had the talent in martial arts.

Carl even couldn't defeat Dara, while Gina and other children were inferior to Dara.

Besides, Dara's artistic talent was also superior to them, so she had no great ambition for her studies.

Every time Albert admonished her about her studies, she either said that a girl just needed to find an excellent husband, or that she wanted to enter the entertainment circle with her pretty face.

"If you come first in the art exam, won't it be glorious when the public finds out about your excellent results after you become famous?" Gina appeased Dara unhurriedly, "By then, people will praise that Dara is an A-student and comes first in the art exam."

Compared to Dara's unrestrained personality, Gina was more like a big sister due to her composure.

Dara didn't know how to answer Gina and had to wave her hand at her. Then she rushed to hug Carl and Cynthia before leaving with her parents and siblings.

After Hathaway, Albert and others left here, Carl helped Cynthia back to their room to rest, while Gina went to her room upstairs to sort out her luggage.

They lived in a common two-story building in the town.

Over the years, the town had developed well under Jason's leadership and the overall economic level had improved a lot.

Carl came over in advance to hire cleaners to clean up the house and furnished it carefully, so they only

needed to tidy up their respective luggage today.

After putting all his belongings in place, Gina went downstairs and saw Carl preparing lunch in the kitchen.

Gina walked in and said, "Grandpa, do you need my help?"

Carl replied to Gina in a doting tone, "Don't stay in the kitchen and go to talk with your grandma."

Carl pampered Cynthia and was reluctant to let her do the housework, so he naturally would let his daughter and granddaughters into the kitchen to cook.

Gina responded with a chuckle, "Okay."

Then she walked out of the kitchen.

Considering Cynthia's physical condition, Carl arranged their bedroom on the first floor to avoid climbing the stairs. It was obvious that Carl was very attentive to Cynthia.

Gina knocked on the door and shouted, "Grandma."

Cynthia looked much weaker after her operation, but she was still beautiful and elegant.

She was wearing a loose beige robe and sitting on a wicker chair by the window reading a book quietly.

At the sight of Gina, she put down her book and looked at her gently. "Gina, come and sit down."

Gina walked over with a wide smile and sat down on the wicker chair opposite Cynthia.

Cynthia gave her a doting look and asked her with concern, "Are you tired after a long journey here?"

Gina shook her head and replied in a sweet voice, "I rode the car and didn't feel tired."

Leon should be tired because he was in charge of driving, not to mention that he had driven back and forth to the town several times to transport Carl and Cynthia's luggage before.

"Good," Cynthia continued with emotion, "You're a thoughtful child. You postponed your studies to accompany me to recover."

Gina smiled confidently, "I'm a straight-A student, but Dara can't do it."

Cynthia was amused by her words, "The Feyrer family has the unrestrained and reckless gene."

Carl was an example. He had waited for her for so many years.

Later on, Hathaway was more adventurous than Carl.

Cynthia originally thought Hathaway and Leon's children would be meek, but Gina's reckless gene was visible now.

It was all Carl's fault for passing on his adventurous and reckless genes to his offspring.

Gina gave a naughty smile in silence and acquiesced to Cynthia's evaluation of her.

After lunch, Carl was about to take a nap with Cynthia.

Gina was idle and rode out after informing Carl.

She wanted to look around and get familiar with the town. After all, she would live here for a year.

Carl allowed Gina to go out. Although she was a girl, he had taught her martial arts since childhood and was at ease with her going out. Besides, Jason and Josie's law office was not far away. The Davis family and the Wilson family hadn't had much contact over the years, but Jason wouldn't ignore it if something happened to Gina.

With a bright smile, Gina went out on her bicycle and came to the old town center.

Although the town had developed very well, it still retained some of the original buildings. It was said that Jason applied for the protection of the old building to retain the original and simple flavor of the town, so some developers finally failed to demolish them.

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When riding through an alley, Gina suddenly heard the sound of a fight.

She slowed down to stop at the entrance of the alley and pop her head out.

Then she saw a boy in black kicking two punks on the ground. They looked older than the boy, but they were beaten hard and begged him with their hands covering their heads, "Brother Mason, we were wrong, please forgive us..."

Two punks called the younger boy in black "brother" and were beaten by him. Gina felt that the picture was comical.

"You guys even robbed this grandma's money. Do you have a conscience?" The boy in black gave the two punks another few punches before standing up.

After the boy in black stood up straight, Gina found that he was tall, thin, and upright.

She judged him to be as tall as Leon.

"Get out of here!" The boy in black yelled at the two punks in a disgusted tone. Immediately, they got up from the ground and fled away.

The boy in black bent down to pick up his schoolbag on the ground and was about to step away, but he suddenly noticed something and looked up in Gina's direction.

At this moment, Gina saw his face.

The boy in black looked out of place against the clear blue sky.

He had a handsome face, but his insidious and fierce eyes made him look scary.

After receiving a glance from him, Gina's heart trembled.

In the past eighteen years of her life, she had never seen a person with such a strong and insidious aura.

His insidious eyes wrapped around her tightly like vines.

Even so, Gina felt no fear.

He just beat up the two punks to defend an old woman, so how could he be a bad person? Or why should she be afraid of him?

The boy in black saw Gina at the entrance to the alley. It was still hot at the end of September. She wore light blue jeans and supported her bicycle with her long and straight legs.

Her simple white T-shirt set off her good skin.

Her face was prettier than the peach blossoms.

The boy in black glanced at Gina and then withdrew his eyes.

He could see that this girl was from a rich family and had a noble temperament. She was out of reach for him.

So it was useless for him to look at her more.

The boy in black put his school bag on his shoulder casually and turned away without looking back.

After a few steps, he stopped in front of an old woman with silver hair and bent down to lift her miserable stall off the ground. Then he picked up the tea eggs scattered on the ground one by one.

The old woman stuffed a few eggs to him out of gratitude, but he didn't accept it and got up to leave.

When the boy's figure disappeared, Gina came to her senses.

Then she turned to look at the old woman in the alley and guessed that the two punks should have been beaten up for robbing her money.

After parking her bicycle, Gina step into the alley, stood in front of the old woman, and asked softly, "Grandma, how much is your tea egg?"

The old woman replied with a sigh, "Girl, I can't sell these tea eggs today. Two punks just kicked them over and soiled them."

Then she looked at her and said kindly, "If you want to eat, I'll pick up some clean ones and send them to you."

The implication was that she didn't want her money. Gina quickly waved her hand. "I don't mind it. I'll peel the eggs and eat them anyway. It doesn't matter if their skin is dirty."

With that, Gina took out the money from her pocket and said sincerely, "Grandma, I am a stranger here and heard that there was a lot of delicious food in the town, so I want to taste them all. Your tea eggs look authentic. Please sell me some."

The reason why Gina insisted on buying was that she was softhearted and kind. The old woman set up a stall at an old age, but her stall was just kicked over by two punks. It meant her hard work today was in vain.

She bought tea eggs in this way just to let the old woman earn some.

Hearing the beautiful girl's request, the old woman couldn't bear to refuse it.

She knew that the girl was helping her, so she carefully picked some clean ones and handed them to her. "To tell you the truth, I cooked these eggs with tea leaves from my tea garden. They are indeed delicious."

Gina responded with a smile.

The old woman sighed, "If two punks hadn't spoiled them, they would have tasted better."

Then she added, "Luckily, Mason saw it today, otherwise the two punks would spoil the tea eggs even more. Maybe you won't even be able to taste them."

After learning from the old woman what had just happened in the fight, Gina had no sympathy for the two punks and nodded seriously. "The two punks are hateful and deserve a beating."

If she saw the two punks bullying the old woman, she would stop them without hesitation, not to mention the boy in black.

He was right. The two punks dared to bully an old woman, did they have a conscience?

Thinking of this, Gina asked the old woman, "Mason ... is it the name of the boy in black?"

"Yes." The old woman responded and sighed, "Alas, he .... is a miserable child."

After saying that, the old woman suddenly realized that she shouldn't talk to this gentle and beautiful girl about Mason's privacy, so she smiled and stopped the topic.

Gina knew what she meant and stopped asking about Mason. Then she got up to say goodbye to the old woman and left on her bike.

However, she was in no mood to enjoy the town scenery.

Now Mason's handsome face and coldness filled her mind.

Gina returned home directly. It happened that Cynthia got up after a nap, so she gave Cynthia and Carl tea eggs and told them why they bought tea eggs.

After listening to Gina's story, Cynthia gently rubbed her hair and praised her, "What a kind girl!"

Cynthia was pleased with Hathaway's children.

Although they grew up in a privileged family since childhood, they maintained their kindness and innocence and never bullied others or tended to be an incompetent rich child.

Of course, this was due to Hathaway's good teaching.

Cynthia asked Gina gently, "You're going to school tomorrow. Have you preparing everything yet?"

Gina gave Cynthia a reassuring smile. "I have ironed my school uniform and put my textbooks neatly into my school bag."

Leon had prepared these trivial things for her, so she only needed to go to school.

Besides, he told the principal in advance to pay more attention to Gina. After all, it was No.5 High School instead of No.1 High School.

Of course, he asked the principal to keep Gina's family background a secret, so as not to make it difficult for Gina to gain a foothold in No.5 High School.

Gina was the daughter of the Davis family. If her noble identity was exposed, she would be ostracized, and no one would dare to make friends with her. After all, Gina had to stay here for a year, so it would be torture once she was isolated.

Cynthia reminded Gina, "Call your grandpa if you're in trouble. Don't handle it on your own. You're not in South City."

The implication was that South City was almost their territory. Because she was Leon's daughter, no one dared to bully her.

But the situation was different now. No one knew her identity in the town, and she looked gentle and good-tempered, so she might be bullied.

Hence, Cynthia thought that there were advantages and disadvantages to hiding Gina's identity.

Gina nodded and whispered, "I know."

It was Gina's choice to conceal her identity. She wanted to experience a free and unnoticed life.

Because of her parents' previous sensational love story in South City, Gina had been in the spotlight since birth as their first child.

Later on, she encountered this situation in school. Because of her identity, some tried to befriend her, and some stayed away from her.

So she had no real friends among her classmates. Only Dara, Lydia Finger, and Selina were her good friends.

Ashley and Nick gave birth to twins, Selina Jackson and Jerome Jackson.

Selina was Jerome's elder sister.

She was seventeen years old like Lydia, a year younger than Gina and Dara.

In daily life, Gina only had much to talk about them, but Lydia went to study abroad a few years ago. Now she only often met Dara and Selina. Because Dara was her age, they had a lot in common despite the big gap in their academic performance.

Now that she was in the town, Gina hoped she could live an ordinary life.

She hoped her classmates would make friends with her because of her kind personality and not because of her parents' status.

After dinner, Gina took the initiative to make a video call to Hathaway to relieve their longing for her.

At this time, her parents were indeed missing her, especially Leon.

Leon didn't want Gina to accompany Carl and Cynthia. Gina had never left his and Hathaway's side before, especially he had raised her when she was a baby and had deep feelings for her. When Leon thought that he would only be able to see Gina on weekends, he was very sad.

But Gina was willing to go to the town, and Leon understood that Gina and her grandparents have deep feelings.

Most importantly, Hathaway was happy that Gina went to be with her grandparents.

Hathaway wanted to go there by herself, but she had no time.

Now that Gina was doing her filial duty, Hathaway's bitterness eased a lot.

After some thought, Leon found that only he was sad about it and then drank wine at supper.

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During dinner, Hathaway frowned at Leon, who was drinking alone, and couldn't help but speak, "Leon, I don't want to make you sad."

Leon looked up at Hathaway and could guess that she must say something unpleasant.

On the side, Elmer held his bowl and was waiting for a good show. Hathaway had always defeated Leon. Today he was ridiculed by Leon in the car, so he couldn't wait to see Leon being hit by Hathaway at this moment.

He would be happy to see Leon frustrated.

Hathaway spoke nonchalantly, "If Gina didn't go to the town, she should go abroad now. In that case, you will not see her for months instead of five days."

Hathaway didn't want to see Leon's sad face as if she didn't miss her daughter, Gina.

Wasn't it five days without seeing each other? They could go to the town on weekends. Why did he look so sad?

Leon, "..."

He didn't know how to reply to Hathaway because her words sound reasonable.

If Gina went abroad, he wouldn't see her for months instead of fives days. Even if he and Hathaway went abroad to see Gina once a month, it wouldn't be as good as seeing her once a week now.

After this comparison, Leon felt much better.

Hathaway didn't bother to pay attention to Leon anymore and turned to answer Gina's video phone.

Elmer snickered with his bowl in his hands, while Leon glanced at him and felt annoyed.

When Hathaway gave birth to Gina, Leon was startled by the image of Hathaway's suffering and swore to himself that he would never let Hathaway have another child.

However, he never expected that Hathaway and Jessica agreed to have two children within three years and then devoted themselves to their careers.

Leon overheard their secret by accident. From then on, he had taken contraceptive measures, but sometimes he couldn't control himself, especially when Hathaway took the initiative to seduce him.

At that time, he was focused on doing intimate sports with her and neglected contraception. Later, Hathaway was pregnant with their second child.

Even when he learned this news, he still repelled keeping the baby.

It happened that Hale was sick. Then Hathaway coaxed him that this child could bring great joy to Hale to ward off the danger of his death and hasten his recovery, so the child was kept. As a result, Hale did get better and lived for a few more years because of Hathaway's second pregnancy.

When Elmer was four years old, Hale passed away peacefully and had no regrets in his life.

He saw that Leon had married his beloved woman and then had a son and a daughter, so he had no regrets.

Hathaway's video call with Gina was connected. Upon hearing Gina's sweet voice, Leon was in a good mood and quietly walked over to sat beside Hathaway with his bowl so that he could see Gina.

"Dad..." Gina saw Leon appear in the video and called out to him with a smile.

Gina could tell from Leon's face that he wasn't happy.

So she hastened to report, "I'm doing well here. This afternoon I rode my bike around the town."

Leon asked with a frown at once, "Did you go out alone? You'd better not go out casually..."

Before he finished his words, Hathaway walked away with her phone and complained, "Gina

volunteered to report her daily life to you, but are you nagging her?"

Leon, "..."

Wasn't he concerned about Gina's safety?

Across the table, Elmer couldn't hold back a giggle and then bowed to eat in silence under Leon's warning glare.

He had to admit that Leon's emotional intelligence was...

Fortunately, Hathaway had high emotional intelligence. Because of this, she had a cordial relationship with their children like friends.

On the contrary, Leon was a serious father.

Leon was eager to talk to Gina on a phone video, so he left the dining table after a few bites and went to sit down on the living room sofa. Then he shamelessly leaned close to Hathaway to see Gina and reflected on herself while listening to their friend-like conversation.

Where exactly did he go wrong?

Was it wrong for him to concern about Gina?

Luckily, Gina was considerate and took the initiative to say, "Dad, don't be upset. I don't mind your nagging. You are caring about me."

Gina's words instantly lifted Leon's mood. He glanced at Hathaway beside him with complacency in his eyes.

Gina didn't mind me, right?

It seemed that Gina had never complained about him, but Hathaway always hit him.

Thinking of this, Leon was somewhat agitated. Hathaway complained that he didn't know how to get along with Gina. Was she tired of him?

When he was young, Hathaway thought he was perfect, but she had been finding fault with him in the past few years. Was she critical of his manner because she didn't love him anymore?

Although she had reached this age, she still looked young and beautiful.

In particular, she gave birth to a child at a young age and then was back in shape well. Besides, she had been a keen exerciser over the years, so her slim figure was perfect compared to those young girls.

When Hathaway went out with her children, she didn't look like a mother but their elder sister.

Although Leon was well maintained in his figure and appearance, he was several years older than Hathaway...

On the other end f the phone, Gina watched Leon's face change and asked with puzzlement, "Dad, what's wrong with you?"

Hearing this, Hathaway turned around and saw Leon's dark face, so she quickly asked him, "What's wrong? You don't look good. Are you sick?"

After calming himself, Leon looked at Hathaway and then at Gina, saying in a hoarse voice, "I'm fine."

With that, he fixed her eyes on Gina again. "Call me if you need anything. Take good care of yourself."

After saying that, he got up and left.

Hathaway glanced at his back and then turned to look with Gina. Neither of them knew what was wrong with Leon.

Because of Leon's abnormal expression, Hathaway was in no mood to talk to Gina anymore, while Gina saw her worry about Leon and took the initiative to hang up the phone so that she could go to see him.

Hathaway went upstairs and found Leon who was smoking in the study.

She hadn't smelled cigarettes for a long time and was now frowning at this strong smell of cigarettes.

When Leon was young, Hathaway never stopped him from smoking because she knew he was under a lot of pressure as the president of the Davis Group and needed to relieve himself.

Later, Hathaway proposed to Leon once if he could smoke less or even quit smoking.

At that time, Hathaway hugged Leon and said softly that she wanted them to spend their lives together in good health.

Hathaway was the best at coaxing people. Soon, Leon softened and vowed to quit smoking.

Over the years, Leon rarely smoked, except when he was bothering about something.

Hathaway walked over to rob Leon's cigarette and pressed it out. Then she folded her arms and cast an inquiring look at him. Why was he upset?

Seeing Hathaway's eyes, Leon felt upset even more

He met her eyes and spoke in an astringent tone, "Do you not love me anymore?"

Hathaway didn't get annoyed by his question but asked him calmly, "Why did you ask this?"

Leon told the truth, "You're always critical of my manner..."

Hathaway laughed at his words, "Leon, why are you unreasonable at your age? Can't I tell you about your mistakes?"

Leon, "..."

Hathaway began to complain about him, "You are always stern-faced to Elmer and bring harm to his mind. Can't I point that out to you?"

"As for Gina, you think you're caring about her, but you're like a nagging woman. She'll get married one day. If you don't learn to stay out of her life now, when are you going to do it?"

Hathaway had long wanted to tell Leon about these. When Gina was a child, it could be understood that Leon kept a close eye on her, but now she was 18 years old and ready to fall in love. A few years later, she would get married. Now that Leon still wanted to interfere with her life, how could Hathaway not blame him?

She originally thought that Gina's study abroad was an opportunity for Leon to slowly learn to withdraw from Gina's life, even to the town, but Leon questioned that she didn't love him anymore.

Leon was simply...

Hathaway was speechless with anger.

After Hathaway's reprimand, Leon was depressed.

Especially when Hathaway told him to withdraw from Gina's life, his mood worsened.

Then Leon gave Hathaway a wayward response, "When Gina gets married, I'll live next door to her, or near her house. If her husband dares to treat her badly, I will beat him up on the spot."

At the sound of Leon's childish words, Hathaway glared at him and stopped coaxing him, "If you don't change your attitude, we'll have nothing to talk about. If you think that I don't love you anymore, I won't explain anything."

After saying that, Hathaway turned around and left the study.

Elmer, who was eavesdropping outside the door, was startled and scurried into the study after

Hathaway slammed her bedroom door.

Seeing Leon's gloomy face, Elmer coaxed him at once, "Dear Dad, my mom is wrong. I'm not hurt inside because of your seriousness and have sound psychology. If you don't feel at ease, I'll ask Aunt Aggie to give me a psychological test."

Elmer soothed Leon and complained secretly that he still needed the whole family to coax him at the age of 50 once he was unhappy

This made Elmer feel helpless.