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When Eugene heard this, he felt as if a knife was stabbed into his heart. “I’ve only been your boyfriend for a few days but you already think I’m annoying?” Olivia felt a little guilty. “I’m just afraid that George will find out.” Eugene coldly replied, “So what if he finds out? He’ll know about us sooner or later anyway.” Olivia frowned hard and said, “Eugene, are you trying to pick a fight with me?”

Eugene turned to look at her and he felt a little sad. I’m her boyfriend but why don’t I feel like it? Not only is it hard for me to meet her, but whenever we meet, the first thing she does is complain how annoyed she is that I went to look for her. I’m already trying my best to hold back my longing to see her!

“Why are you afraid that George might find out? Is it because you don’t know how to introduce me? Or is it because you don’t want to be with me at all?” He asked as he looked at her intently. Olivia’s face slowly darkened. What is he talking about? If I don’t want to be with him, why would I agree to try this out with him? I was just trying to get rid of George as soon as possible. If George finds out about us, it will be hard for us to be together! Besides, he has only been my boyfriend for a few days but he’s already pushing his luck!

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Olivia frowned in frustration and she secretly thought, Before you met me, we’ve been friends for seven years. If you don’t trust me, just break up with me! It’s better than both of us wasting our time and emotion from you being suspicious of me! However, she suddenly remembered she promised him that she couldn’t mention breaking up with him for no reason, so she suppressed the thought.

Olivia opened her mouth to explain but her phone in her pocket suddenly started ringing. She frowned as she pressed on the answer button and heard Sophia’s voice from the other side of the phone. “Olivia, we’re waiting for George for dinner but he went out and hasn’t come back yet. We don’t have his phone number so please call him for us!”

“Got it.” Olivia then hung up the phone and called George. Why would George leave the studio? The call went through but George didn’t answer. At that moment, Olivia felt a little worried. What happened to George? She made a few more calls but George still didn’t pick up, which made her anxious. She turned to Eugene and snapped, “Open the door!”

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Olivia took a deep breath and sighed. "If you had known sooner, you wouldn't have done what you did!"

“Olivia, my heart hurts!” Nathan muttered. Hearing this, Olivia said, “Enough. If your heart is aching, get to your feet and go get Kate back. What’s the use of drinking your sorrows away?”

“She already has a boyfriend. She doesn’t want me anymore! I lost her!”

His vague voice was mixed with sobbing and hearing it made Olivia pity him. “Pull yourself together. Even though she has a boyfriend, she’s not married yet. Whether or not you can win over Kate’s heart depends on your ability, but whether or not you want to go after her is based on your attitude. If you don’t even try, I will despise you, let alone Kate!”

There was a long silence from the other side of the phone. Olivia wondered if it was because Nathan couldn’t understand what she was saying, or because he had already passed out. At that moment, Olivia was annoyed with herself. Why did I have a long argument with a drunkard? All of them make

me worry. One ran away from the studio, one is drunk all the time, and another pesters me to give him an explanation. Why is my life so tiring?!

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The two men were held down by the motorcycle and couldn't dodge her beating. Soon, they started begging for mercy. "Madam, we're sorry! Please stop hitting us!" Hearing this, the woman was even more furious and she waved the studded bag in her hand again. As she beat them, she yelled, "Madam? Who are you calling madam?!"

The two men were so badly beaten, they covered their heads with their hands. "Please stop! Miss, we apologize for what we've done. We promise that from now on, we'll evade you whenever we see you. Please stop hitting us."

The woman was sweating from all the beating. "Stop hitting? I'm going to kill you both!" Meanwhile, George was watching from a distance and he frowned harder and harder. In the end, he couldn't help but speak up. "Enough! You might really end up killing them!" Hearing this, the woman finally stopped and said to the two men, "I'm in a good mood today so I'll let you two go. Scram!"

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George lazily replied, "No worries." After that, he sat back on the bench. The woman was slightly surprised. Did he just ignore my beauty? Even though I'm not drop dead gorgeous, the queue of men who are pursuing me can stretch out to the south of the city from the north. How can he not even take a look at me? This is a good opportunity to strike up a conversation. However, after giving it some thought, she realized that this man was handsome and elegant. She could tell that he was no ordinary man at a glance so he had the right to act proud.

So, she leaned close and sat next to him. "Hello, let's be friends. My name is Penny Nolan, what's yours?" Hearing this, George frowned slightly and asked, "Penny Nolan?"

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George looked at her coldly and he regretted the impulsive decision he made a while ago. Why won't this woman let me go? However, before he could say anything, they heard a female's voice from a distance. "George!"

George immediately looked over and his cold gaze instantly turned into joy. There was even a sense of relief. He quickly got up from the bench and looking at the pair of mother and son walking up to him, he asked, "Why are you here?"

Olivia was angry and anxious. "Why didn't you pick up the phone?" There was a guilty look on George's face as he explained in a soft voice, "My phone ran out of battery." Just when Olivia was about to nag at him, she saw the woman standing beside him from the corner of her eye. She turned to look at her and muttered, "Penny?"

Penny recognized Olivia too and the corners of her lips curled into a smirk of disbelief. Why do I keep bumping into her? "It's you again?" Then, she looked at George suspiciously and asked, "You two know each other?"

Olivia didn't bother to explain to Penny. In fact, she didn't like her at all so she simply ignored her. As for George, he never bothered about Penny from the beginning so this time, he was more straightforward. He grabbed Olivia's arm and said, "Let's go!"

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The two of them fell into deep silence and it was North who first spoke up. "Uncle George, that woman is evil. She quarrelled with my mommy and even took my mommy's money."

Hearing this, George turned to look at the child and asked, "Who are you talking about?"

"I'm talking about that woman just now!" North replied before he turned around and glanced at Penny in the distance. George frowned slightly and looked at Olivia. "What happened?"

Olivia replied, "She's the woman who prevented me from treating Eugene's grandfather and insisted on performing a craniotomy on Old Man Nolan. Later when Eugene paid me with a cheque, she snatched it away and said that she'll only give it to me after Old Man Nolan wakes up!" George had a sudden realization and recalled that Olivia told him about this matter before. "You're the genius Doctor Bailey. That was probably the first time you were treated disrespectfully, wasn't it?" Olivia chuckled and replied, "You're right! If it weren't for the fifty million, I would've just quit!"

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"Yes." After Eugene hung up the phone, he started the car and drove toward Ruby Palace. When he arrived, Alex was already there, and he couldn't help but complain when Eugene walked over, "You really are slow."

"And you're really into gossip!" Eugene rebuked and snorted.

Alex didn't care about his ridicule. "Well, that's enough to prove that I value you!" Eugene just glared at him and ignored him, then found a seat and sat down.

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Eugene responded, "Yes."

With a frown, Alex pressed on, "What about the guy you saw her with? Has she been unfaithful to you?"

Eugene put down the wine glass and leaned on the sofa before he answered, "He's her senior who's been having a crush on her!"

The crease on Alex's forehead deepened. "What does that mean? Is she having an affair with her senior?"

At first, Alex found the matter intriguing as gossip but the more he learnt about it, the more of a mess he found it to be.

He thought Eugene, a man who had been single for 28 years, only didn't know how to date a woman. He did not expect that he would even be dating someone who was having an affair!

Glaring at him with annoyance, Eugene snapped, "What nonsense are you spouting? She isn't having an affair!"

Alex snorted in response, "If that's the case, why are you so sulky? Tell me now, who's that senior and how long have they known each other? That guy must be quite outstanding to be able to snatch your girl!"

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Removing his arm which was covering his eyes, Eugene sat upright with enlightenment. "If that's the case, why does she want to keep her senior in the dark about my existence? Since her senior isn't her parents, he has no right to stop her from dating. Or, does she just refuse to recognize me as her boyfriend at all?"

Looking exasperated, he was adamant to believe that Olivia didn't care about him, or that he just didn't matter to her as much as George did.

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Alex found it hilarious because he had never seen him listening to his lecture so calmly without trying to argue back.

“As far as I know about Olivia’s personality, she wouldn’t have accepted to go out with you if she didn’t take this relationship seriously. Are you forcing her to make a choice between her senior who has been crushing on her for seven years and you, a boyfriend whom she barely started dating? Do you have enough confidence that she will still choose you over that senior for the second time? I know you’re bothered by this because you care about her a lot and you want to be properly introduced. However, I

must say you’re being too greedy to ask for so many things from her considering you two have only started dating each other.”

Keeping his eyes shut, Eugene could understand everything Alex just said but then again, he just didn’t feel like wasting more time that he could spend with her after they had missed out on each other for seven years. If it wasn’t because he was worried that she might not be able to accept what had happened back then, he would have told her right away that he wanted to always be with her.

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Since she had told him that they were not to meet each other for ten days, he would try his best to curb his desire to meet her during the period.

After all, there were only five days left and he was sure he could manage that. After reaching his own unit, he sent a message to North.

'Are you asleep?'

It was only after quite a long while did he receive a reply from him: 'I am!'

Eugene burst out laughing wondering how he could still reply to him if he was really asleep. Despite knowing that it was getting late, he just couldn't help but be curious about Olivia. "How's your Mommy's mood today?"

North: 'It doesn't look positive because she hasn't eaten much throughout the day. Did you make her angry?'

Taking a deep breath, Eugene didn't want to burden him with his problem so he replied: 'Nope.'

Yet, he could not hide anything from that little fellow who was a sharp observer. 'If that's the case, why didn't you help Mommy search for Uncle George?'

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