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Brian also saw the big bad guy who bullied Audrey. He snorted coldly, and he immediately stood in front of Audrey.

Unfortunately, he was too short to block Dylan's gaze from Audrey.

Brian couldn't help but feel a bit disheartened.

"There you are!" Aaron said.

Aaron immediately stood up and respectfully welcomed Audrey as soon as he saw her arrive.

Audrey nodded lightly in response, not giving Dylan any attention.

"You know these two, so I won't introduce them. Mr. Clifford is here today because of his health. The medicine I've prescribed is no longer effective, so I wanted to ask if you have any method to cure his illness."

After Aaron finished speaking, Dylan also looked at Audrey.

Audrey frowned slightly, her tone cold and indifferent. "Let's take a look."

Although Audrey didn't say much, it still made Dylan feel a bit relieved.

At least she was willing to examine him.

They followed Aaron upstairs, and when Aaron saw Shawn following, he glared at Shawn and said, "What are you doing here? Stay downstairs and play with Brian."

Aaron got angry as soon as he saw Shawn.

Shawn pursed his lips, turned, and called out to Brian, who was playing a mobile game on the sofa. "Kid, how old are you?"

Brian glanced up at Shawn and continued playing his game.

Brian thought, "The bad guy's friends are also bad guys."

"Hey, kid, why aren't you talking?" Shawn nudged Brian's shoe when the little kid ignored him.

Brian looked at Shawn and sneered, "Because you look kind of dumb."

Hearing Brian's words, Shawn—exploded and said, "Dumb? Can't you speak like a gentleman?"

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Audrey took it, opened it, smelled it, and then handed it back to Dylan.

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"No way to cure it." Audrey said flatly, "I'll come up with a new prescription for him to try, but I can't guarantee the results."

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Audrey discussed the case with Aaron in the study for a long time, which benefited Aaron greatly and made him respect her even more. They only went downstairs when the butler called them for lunch.

After lunch, Audrey was ready to leave with Brian.

Aaron had the driver give them a ride, but Shawn quickly said, “No need to trouble the driver. Let Dylan do it.”

“Yes, I’ll send them. Don’t worry, Aaron,” Dylan said.

Before Audrey could refuse, Dylan had already agreed.

Audrey frowned. She had planned to call for a taxi, but now that Dylan had spoken, she didn’t want to worry Aaron, so she didn’t refuse.

However, she thought to herself that it was time to buy a car to avoid situations like today.

It was really troublesome.

Thinking about it, Audrey felt a bit agitated again, especially remembering their last unpleasant encounter.

Dylan drove Audrey and Brian to the hotel. Knowing Audrey’s current resistance to him, Dylan didn’t want to push her too hard.

“Thank you.”

Before getting out of the car, Audrey thanked Dylan.

“You’re welcome.”

Dylan watched Audrey and Brian enter the hotel before looking away.

After Audrey and Brian got out of the car, Richard respectfully said to Dylan, “Mr. Clifford, Mr. Mauricio Cruz has been waiting for you all morning.”

Dylan’s eyes were cold as he replied indifferently, “Got it. To the company.”

Back at the hotel, Audrey received another message from the person code-named “Python.”

Python: [I have a lead on the person you’re looking for, but I need to confirm it in person. I’ll get back to you once it’s confirmed.]

Aud: [Where?]

Python: [In Northville, but I'm not certain yet]

Aud: [Thank you. Sorry for the trouble.]

Python: [No problem.]

Brian, sitting next to Audrey playing a game, lost again to his opponent and was in a bad mood. He threw himself into Audrey's arms, complaining, "Audrey, someone attacked me."

Audrey glanced at her son's stats and saw it was indeed terrible, with teammates blaming him in the chat.

"If you can't play, why take the role? You waste our time. Everyone, just surrender," a teammate said.

Ignoring the chat, Audrey took over Brian's game. Once she respawned, she quickly gathered resources.

As soon as her resources were boosted, Audrey went into a rampage mode.

Her slender fingers swiftly tapped on the screen, countering the enemy and taking down all five opponents for a pentakill.

Audrey wiped out the enemy instantly.

By the time the game was won, both sides were still in shock.

"What happened? Did they switch players?" one of the enemies asked.

"It was just a weakling, but now, it was a pro. Impressive!" another enemy said.

"Who's the pro player behind this account?" asked the enemy.

As soon as the game ended, the doorbell rang.

Ignoring the in-game chat, Audrey handed the phone back to Brian and went to answer the door.

When Audrey opened it and saw who was there, her eyes turned cold with disdain.

"Ms. Hernandez, may I speak with you?"

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Claire found out that Audrey had returned.

She had been searching for quite a while, but her son had protected Audrey's information so well that Claire couldn't find any trace of her.

After much effort, Claire finally discovered that Audrey was staying at this hotel and came directly to her.

Claire was surprised to find that Audrey was indeed staying here.

When she saw Audrey, Claire's eyes flickered with hatred.

The thought of Audrey staying in the presidential suite at the Grandview Hotel made Claire's expression even more displeased.

A single night there cost over 20 thousand dollars. How could Audrey, who had been kicked out of the Hernandez family and had served time in prison, afford such presidential suite?

Claire thought that her son must have paid for it.

The more she thought about it, the worse Claire's expression became, especially since Audrey had almost killed her back then.

Audrey said coldly, "I have nothing to discuss with you. Please leave."

Regardless of what happened seven years ago, Audrey had no memory of anything related to Dylan or of those events.

So she had no desire to talk to Claire.

Audrey finished speaking and was about to close the door.

Claire blocked the door with her hand, looked at Audrey with disdain, and said, "Audrey, since you don't want to talk, that's fine by me. I don't like seeing you either. I just came to say a few words, and then I'll be on my way."

"What do you want to say?" Audrey looked coldly at Claire, her eyes filled with hostility.

Claire said, "To be honest, I don't like you at all, and you should know that my son doesn't like you either. I don't care what your intentions are with my son, but he's about to get engaged to Sarah. I hope you stay away from him for good. I've heard you brought back an illegitimate child whose father is unknown. You're even less suitable for my son."

Claire looked at Audrey with disdain and took a check from her bag, handed it to Audrey, and added, "Here are one million dollars. If you spend it wisely, it should be enough for you and your child to live on. Take it and leave Northville."

Audrey looked at the check Claire handed her and sneered.

She mocked, "Mrs. Clifford, rest assured, I have no interest in your son and won't cling to him. You'd better go talk to your son and tell him not to appear in front of me. He's annoying."

Audrey finished speaking and closed the door without caring if it hit Claire.

When he saw the unpleasant look on Audrey's face, Brian also became sullen, especially since that bad woman had insulted Audrey.

"Audrey, let's never talk to that big bad guy again. They all bully you," Brian said.

"They can't bully me," Audrey said.

Audrey rubbed Brian's head, her expression softening slightly.

"But they made you unhappy," Brian said.

Brian's lips tightened, his usually bright eyes dark and his face grim.

His aura changed, and his soft, handsome face suddenly turned pale, with large beads of sweat rolling down his forehead..

Audrey's eyes sharpened as she coldly commanded Brian, "Brian, don't bite your lip. Breathe deeply."

"Mommy, it hurts." Brian's soft voice trembled with pain, his whole body shaking.

Audrey was shocked. She immediately picked up Brian and placed him on the bed, quickly fetching the medical kit and taking out a small box.

Inside the box was a neatly arranged row of golden needles.

When she heard Brian's cries of pain, Audrey's expression became even more composed, though she was distressed.

She quickly removed Brian's clothes and inserted the needles into his body.

"Mommy, it hurts." Brian's voice trembled with pain, barely audible.

Fearing he might bite himself, Audrey offered her arm to Brian and said gently, “Brian, don’t bite your lip, bite my arm.”

“Mom... Mommy, it’ll hurt you. I don’t want to.” Brian’s weak voice trembled, but he endured bravely.

“It’s fine. I don’t mind the pain,” Audrey gently coaxed him, using her other hand to hold his jaw, preventing him from biting his lip, and offered her arm to his mouth.

“It hurts,” Brian cried out in pain, his body shaking, his vision blurring. He bit into Audrey’s arm.

The sharp pain pierced through, but Audrey seemed not to notice, only looking at Brian with love.

She softly whispered into Brian’s ear over and over, “Brian, it’s alright. Just hold on a little longer. It’ll be over soon. You’re the best. You’re a hero.”

After half an hour, Brian’s pain finally subsided.

Exhausted from the ordeal, Brian fell asleep as soon as the pain eased.

Audrey withdrew her numb and bleeding arm, droplets of blood falling.

Ignoring her own injury, Audrey carefully removed the needles from Brian and covered him with a blanket.

As she stood up, she felt a bit dizzy, clearly having expended a lot of energy curing Brian.

After a while, Audrey finally regained her composure and let out a sigh of relief.

But her face was grim.

When she thought of Claire, a hint of murderous intent flickered in her eyes.

If Claire’s words hadn’t upset Brian, he wouldn’t have had an episode.

After tidying up the medical kit, she walked out of the room and saw the door of the suit being pushed open from the outside. A tall, straight figure walked in quickly.

Hearing his subordinates report that his mother had been here, Dylan hurried over.

He had rung the doorbell several times, but no one answered the door. Dylan worried that something had happened to Audrey and Brian, so he had his subordinates get a room card and enter without permission.

Seeing Audrey safe and sound, Dylan breathed a sigh of relief. But then he saw Audrey's bloody arm and her gloomy face.

He quickly stepped forward to check on her injured arm.

"What happened?" Dylan asked.

Audrey jerked away from his reaching hand, glaring at Dylan with coldness and anger.

Her lips parted slightly as she said in a sharp voice, "Get lost!"

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Thinking about Brian's episode just now, Audrey directed all her anger and hatred at Dylan.

The moment she exploded, her violent aura was overwhelmingly terrifying.

Even Dylan was shocked by Audrey.

Dylan's eyes shrank slightly as Audrey unleashed all her emotions on him.

He didn't know what had happened, but thinking that his mother's arrival might have driven Audrey to this point, Dylan tried to calm her and said softly, "What happened? Tell me."

"Out!" she shouted.

Audrey's cold eyes stared at Dylan.

That fierce and indifferent gaze made Dylan's heart ache.

"Alright, don't be angry. Let me bandage your injured arm first, then I'll leave immediately," Dylan said.

Facing Audrey's anger, Dylan could only compromise.

"Dylan, I want you to get out of my sight forever!" Audrey said.

Audrey remained unmoved, coldly looking at Dylan before turning away indifferently,

Watching Audrey's indifferent back, Dylan pressed his lips tightly. After a moment, he left the hotel with a grim face and instructed Richard to drive to the Clifford family.

At the Clifford family.

As soon as the car stopped, Dylan got out with a sullen look and walked straight into the house.

“Mr. Dylan.” The servant greeted him with respect.

Most of the staff at the estate had been with the Clifford family for decades. Seeing Dylan’s grim face, they greeted him respectfully and quickly left.

In the living room, Claire was drinking coffee. Seeing Dylan walk in with a darkened

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expression and a strong aura, she knew why he had come.

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“What, did she complain to you? Or you wouldn’t have come home,” Claire mocked as she looked at her son’s grim face.

Dylan stopped in front of Claire, his deep eyes coldly staring at her. Then he asked. indifferently, “What did you say to her at the hotel?”

Claire had already guessed that Dylan was here to question her about Audrey.

Hearing Dylan’s words, she scoffed, “What could I have said? Just told her not to waste your time and to leave you. Didn’t she tell you?”

“I told you before, I hope you won’t interfere in my matters with her, and I hope you won’t do anything.” Dylan’s voice was lower and more dangerous.

His cold eyes coldly locked onto Claire, the powerful pressure making Claire’s heart skip a beat.

She hadn’t realized how important Audrey would be in Dylan’s heart.

“Dylan, I am your mother. You expect me to make peace with a murderer who once tried to kill me?” Claire snapped.

Claire also looked angry.

Ever since Dylan got involved with Audrey, he had been defying Claire in every way.

“Since you know you’re my mother, you should understand the consequences of angering me,” Dylan said.

Dylan's eyes carried a warning as he looked at Claire.

Claire's eyes widened, and she angrily shouted, "Dylan, I am your mother. How dare you."

"There's nothing I don't dare to do," Dylan said coldly, his eyes icy.

Even Claire, seeing this side of Dylan, felt a bit apprehensive.

Dylan suffered from emotional detachment, so cold-hearted that even she, his mother, never mattered to him. Only Audrey could stir his emotions.

"If you go to them again, I will not let it go, even if you are my mother," Dylan warned. Seeing Claire's apprehension, Dylan left this final warning before leaving the Clifford family.

"Mr. Dylan, where to now?" Richard asked when Dylan remained silent after getting into the car.

"To the hotel," Dylan said.

Finally, the car stopped in front of the hotel. Dylan didn't get out. He just lowered the window and lit a cigarette.

Dylan didn't have a smoking habit and rarely liked cigarettes, only smoking one when he was truly agitated.

At this moment, he was surrounded by a strong aura, and under the swirling smoke, his refined, handsome face looked even colder and more detached.

Without any instructions from Dylan, Richard dared not say a word.

They waited almost until dawn. Only then did Dylan roll up the window and say calmly, "Let's go back."

"Yes," Richard responded respectfully, then drove away from the hotel.

Audrey had no idea Dylan had spent almost the whole night downstairs.

After taking a quick shower and rebandaging her wound, she went to check on Brian.

Seeing that Brian's condition had stabilized, she felt relieved.

Stepping out of the room, Audrey made a phone call.

"It's me. Help me find a laboratory," Audrey said.

“Come to my research institute, Jessica said with concern on the other end. “Did Brian have an episode?”

“Yes, but it’s not convenient to go to your institute. Just find a lab,” Audrey said.

Aripany Research Institute was filled with international talents and even some intelligent dangerous individuals.

Internationally, Aripany Research Institute was also known as “Prison One.” Although Jessica was the director, getting in was still too much trouble.

“Okay, I’ll take you tomorrow,” Jessica agreed immediately. “Is Brian alright now?”

“He’s stable for now I need you to find someone to take care of Brian for the day,” Audrey said.

“No problem, I’ll arrange it,” Jessica said.

The next morning, Jessica brought someone to take care of Brian.

After instructing Brian, Audrey left with Jessica.

Jessica’s chosen laboratory wasn’t far. After parking the car, Jessica called the lab’s director.

Then they got out of the car and walked towards the lab.

Not far ahead, a man and a woman walked hand in hand towards them.

Seeing the pair, Jessica glanced at them indifferently.

“Jessica, why are you here?” the man asked.

The man and woman clearly saw Jessica and Audrey too. The young, pretty woman quickly let go of the man’s arm and explained. “Jessica, don’t misunderstand. There’s nothing between Nathan and me. I just needed his help, so I asked him to pick me up.”

The handsome young man wore a deep blue suit, but his gaze towards Jessica was filled/ with disdain and dislike.

Hearing Carly Morse’s words, his brows furrowed in displeasure.

“Carly, you did nothing wrong. Why explain so much to her?” Nathan said.

“Nathan, don’t let Jessica misunderstand.” Carly’s eyes flashed with a hint of smugness, though her face showed concern.

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Nathan McCarthy frowned and looked at Jessica displeasedly, saying, "What are you doing here? Did you come here just because you knew I was here?"

"Relax, I didn't misunderstand you, and I'm not here for you," Jessica said coldly.

Carly didn't believe that Jessica would not be upset when she saw her husband with another woman. She thought Jessica was just pretending.

"If you aren't here for Nathan, then maybe you're here to see someone in the lab? I can help you get inside. Or people like you can't enter the lab without assistance," Carly offered, her tone condescending.

Carly was an intern at the lab, a position she had worked hard to obtain.

Since she had started working at the lab, Nathan had treated her differently.

After all, the lab only recruited one or two interns every three years, and if Carly completed her internship with high marks, she could stay.

In Carly's eyes, Jessica, despite being Nathan's wife, came from a humble background and only worked as a regular office worker at a small company.

How could someone like her deserve to be Nathan's wife? She was nothing compared to Carly.

Carly looked at Jessica with a sense of superiority, expecting Jessica to show envy and jealousy.

However, Jessica remained indifferent, unmoved by the situation.

Nathan also frowned at Jessica and said coldly, "Jessica, stop causing trouble. Why can't you be more like Carly? She's two years younger than you, yet she's already in the lab working on a major project. And look at you, dressed like this every day, working as a lowly clerk. You don't feel embarrassed, but I do."

Nathan glanced disdainfully at Jessica's white T-shirt and jeans.

He couldn't understand why his mother had insisted he marry Jessica, who wasn't worthy of being his wife.

His wife should be someone like Carly, excellent, beautiful, gentle, and kind.

Hearing Nathan praise her while belittling Jessica made Carly even more smug.

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She said shyly, “Nathan, I’m not as amazing as you say. I’ve just worked here and don’t know much yet.”

“But in my eyes, you’re amazing,” Nathan said

Jessica watched their affectionate display with cold eyes, showing no emotion.

This left Carly feeling frustrated. She had gone out of her way to upset Jessica, yet Jessica wasn’t reacting at all.

In fact, Jessica didn’t care about the two of them.

She glanced apologetically at Audrey, sorry that Audrey had to witness such a scene..

Just then, the lab director hurried over.

Carly’s eyes lit up when she saw the middle-aged man. She grabbed Nathan’s hand excitedly and said, “Nathan, that’s our lab director. Let’s go greet him. Your company is looking for a lab to partner with for a project; right?”

Nathan’s eyes brightened, and he nodded. “Alright.”

Nathan thought, ‘Jessica is worthless compared to Carly.

The two of them walked towards the director

“Mr. Cooley, I’m Carly, an intern at the lab, and this is my friend Nathan,” Carly introduced eagerly.

“Nice to meet you, Mr. Cooley. I’m Nathan McCarthy from McCarthy Pharmacy,” Nathan said, extending his hand politely.

Samson Cooley nodded at the two standing before him and said, “How do you do?”

Nathan awkwardly withdrew his hand when Samson didn’t shake it.

Carly was thrilled that Samson greeted them. She quickly said, “Mr. Cooley, my friend has a project...

Samson interrupted, “Sorry, I need to pick someone up. Excuse me.”

He hurried past them without waiting for a response.

Carly, worried Nathan might be upset, quickly said, "Nathan, Mr. Cooley must have something urgent. I'll introduce you another time."

Nathan, though disappointed, nodded in understanding.

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Just as they were about to leave, they saw Samson stop in front of Jessica.

"Ms. Miller, sorry for being late. I'll take you inside now," Samson said respectfully to Jessica.

Jessica nodded slightly and said, "Thank you."

She didn't even glance at Nathan and Carly as she and Audrey followed Samson into the lab.

It wasn't until they disappeared that Carly reacted.

"How do they know Mr. Cooley, and why did he let them in?" Carly said.

This lab strictly prohibited outsiders from entering. Even as an intern, Carly was only allowed to stay outside and couldn't access the core areas.

Nathan frowned, surprised that Jessica knew Samson.

Inside the lab, Samson personally took Jessica and Audrey to a private room equipped with all the necessary instruments and materials.

After Samson left, Audrey turned to Jessica and asked, "Was that your husband?"

"It's a sham marriage. We'll divorce sooner or later," Jessica said flatly.

Audrey nodded and said coldly, "He's indeed unworthy of you. Too foolish."

Audrey then immersed herself in researching the medication for Brian, while Jessica went to find Samson for some matters.

When Audrey went out of the lab, Jessica was already waiting outside. "How did it go? Were you successful?"

Audrey looked pale and shook her head, saying, "No, it's still missing an ingredient."

“What is it? I can help you find it,” Jessica said.

Audrey shook her head and said, “You won’t be able to find it.”

Seeing that Audrey didn’t want to elaborate, Jessica didn’t press further.

Audrey’s resources were vast, and finding something shouldn’t be difficult for her.

“If you need anything, just let me know,” Jessica said.

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“Alright,” Audrey said.

Audrey spent the entire day in the lab, with F messages started pouring in.

After skimming through them, she opened a

The message, sent at around 3 p.m., read, [T]

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Audrey immediately sent a message: [Where are you?]

Python: [Busy now. Meet me at Alcazar Bar at 9 PM. Details then.]

Audrey: [Okay.]

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Audrey went back to her hotel first, feeling reassured as Brian was being taken care of by someone Jessica had arranged.

At 8:55 PM, Audrey arrived at Alcazar Bar.

Audrey sent a message to Python: [I’m here.]

The next second, Python replied: [Room V16]

Audrey entered the bar, and a server led her to Room V16.

There, a woman in black clothes and a baseball cap with long hair sat on the sofa, the wide brim of the cap obscuring most of her face in the dim light.

Audrey sat down beside her and calmly said, "Python?"

The woman lifted her head slightly, revealing a delicate face under the cap, causing Audrey to pause in surprise.

The woman clearly didn't expect the person called "Aud" to be the former top socialite of Northville and Dylan's ex-fiancée.

Suddenly, Python smiled and said, "What a coincidence, Ms. Hernandez."

"Indeed, Elizabeth," Audrey said.

Audrey hadn't expected "Python" to be Elizabeth Hunter, the youngest award-winning actress in the entertainment industry.

Audrey and Elizabeth had met seven years ago, or rather, the original hot had met Elizabeth.

Unlike her previously elegant and noble demeanor, Elizabeth was now dressed in all black with a baseball cap, looking cool and stylish.

"Here, take this," Elizabeth said, handing Audrey a sealed bag.

"You can check it first. If everything's fine, I'll take you there. There's a match at 11 PM

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tonight," Elizabeth added.

Audrey didn't open it but said calmly, "No need. Just take me there later."

matter what was inside, she would be going with Elizabeth..

"Alright, let's go. It's a bit far," Elizabeth said.

Elizabeth stood up and led Audrey out of the bar.

They got into Elizabeth's car.

"Nice car, Audrey said with a smile, glancing at it.

"Want to race sometime?" Elizabeth looked at Audrey.

Those who knew cars probably had good driving skills too.

“Sure.” Audrey said.

“Deal,” Elizabeth said happily.

The two straightforward women got into the car, and Elizabeth drove away
bar.

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At 11 PM, Audrey and Elizabeth entered an underground club.

The loud cheers and music made Audrey frown slightly.

Elizabeth, on the other hand, was used to it and led Audrey to the innermost spectator
seats.

It was an underground boxing club.

Every night, it was one of the hottest spots in Northville.

“He has three matches here every week. The next one up should be him,” Elizabeth
said.

Elizabeth glanced at the time and then at the ring.

As soon as she finished speaking, the audience erupted with excitement as two fighters
entered the ring from opposite directions.

The moment David Lawson appeared in the ring, Audrey’s eyes locked onto him.

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In the original host’s memory, the little boy had grown up quite a bit.

Seven years ago, when Audrey was sent to prison by Dylan, the boy was only twelve.
Now, he was nineteen.

The young man had a tall, muscular frame, and his eyes were cold and fierce as he stared at his opponent.

The once fair-skinned boy who used to follow Audrey had grown up.

Seeing Audrey's gaze fixed on the boy in the ring, Elizabeth said, "David has been boxing here for four years. He has been in the club longer but started as a helper. He only began fighting to make money because it was fast, but he was too young back then. David spent the first three years getting beaten up. It's only this year that he's made a name for himself."

"Who's his opponent?" Audrey asked, her eyes on the tall, strong man facing David. And she frowned slightly.

"Seems to be a new signee to the club. Supposedly a former champion. This fight won't be

easy," Elizabeth said.

As the fight began, David's opponent immediately kicked at David.

David dodged, but before he could counterattack, a heavy punch came his way.

The continuous combo punches were so powerful that David had no chance to fight back.

David took several hits, his eyes growing more fierce.

Seeing David's fierce look, the opponent sneered disdainfully, "Well, weakling."

The opponent's strength and technique clearly surpassed David's. David threw a left hook and a right jab, quickly attacking.

But against such power and speed, David was no match, getting knocked out several times.

The brutal and intense combat had the audience screaming.

"Weakling, trash," the opponent mocked as David lay on the ground again, scornfully calling him names.

With one knee pressing hard on David's body, he started punching David's head repeatedly.

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The more violent it got, the more the crowd cheered.

The furious punches rained down on David's head, with no one stopping it.

Audrey's expression grew sullen, and her aura turned cold and fierce.

The next second, she started walking toward the ring.

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Elizabeth pulled her back, whispering, "The opponent is strong. Think carefully before stepping in."

She didn't want Audrey to get hurt.

"Don't worry," Audrey said.

Audrey glanced at the ring, then pressed a hand on its edge and swiftly jumped up.

In the next moment, Audrey grabbed the opponent's neck, forcing him to release David.

The enraged opponent tried to throw Audrey off.

Audrey's eyes turned cold. She kicked the opponent's leg and with a forceful move, slammed him to the ground with a thud.

The sudden scene left the audience in shock. The crowd stared at the young woman who stormed the ring.

Seeing Audrey's slender arms and legs, the crowd was even more astonished. How did she manage to throw the burly, muscular champion to the ground?

In the VIP room above the audience, Cade saw Audrey on the ring and exclaimed, "What the heck? Why is Audrey there?"

The next second, Cade sent a message to the group. [Dylan, Audrey's crazy. Come quick.]

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Cade added a short video along with his message.

In the video, Audrey's aura was too strong. Her cold eyes stared down her opponent with a frigid gaze.

Her demeanor was arrogant and slightly domineering, and her attacks were ruthless and precise.

The people in the group chat were stunned by the video.

Andrew: [Is this Audrey?]

Shawn: [Feeling a lot of pain.]

They had never seen this side of Audrey, and it was shocking.

Dylan immediately called Cade and asked, "Are you at the boxing club?"

Cade, a boxing enthusiast, often frequented this place, and Dylan knew it well.

With the phone in hand, Dylan got into his car and headed straight for the club.

"Stop her until I get there," Dylan instructed Cade before hanging up.

In the club ring.

Audrey delivered several heavy blows to her opponent's face, knocking him out cold. She placed her foot on his body, her expression icy and arrogant.

"Do you submit?" Audrey asked.

"Yes, I submit..." The man had underestimated Audrey just because she was a woman, not expecting her to be this terrifying.

Even the other spectators in the club were shocked, staring at the young woman in the ring.

Soon, cheers erupted from all around.

"Champion, Champion, Champion..."

The deafening cheers were the crowd's way of honoring Audrey.

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Even David, who had been beaten up badly by the opponent, now stared at Audrey with wide eyes. His usually fierce gaze softened with a hint of redness, and his mouth opened as if to speak but no words came out,

“Damn, Audrey is fiercel Dylan might get beaten up at home in the future,” Cade said.

He watched the confident and arrogant woman in the ring, feeling a cold sweat for Dylan.

Audrey released her foot from her opponent and walked over to David. Seeing the bruises on his body, she frowned slightly and said in a cold tone, “Can you walk?”

David opened his mouth, then lowered his head, saying, “Yes.”

Audrey gave him a brief look and said, “Let’s go to the hospital first.”

With that, she jumped down from the ring, her graceful and confident move attracting a lot of attention from men.

Even some women couldn’t help but look at Audrey.

David gritted his teeth, enduring the pain as he climbed down from the ring.

“Are you alright?” Elizabeth, lowering her cap, walked over and glanced at Audrey, then at David behind her.

“Could you take us to the hospital?” Audrey asked Elizabeth.

“Sure, come with me,” Elizabeth said.

The club was crowded, and they had already attracted a lot of attention.

As they were about to leave, Cade rushed over, wanting to stop them.

He chased them to the club’s entrance, where three cars were parked.

Dylan was the first to get out of the car, followed by Shawn and Andrew.

Seeing the tall figures approaching, Elizabeth squinted and quickly handed the car keys to Audrey.

“I have something to do. You will drive,” Elizabeth said.

Without waiting for Audrey’s response, Elizabeth swiftly disappeared.

Audrey frowned slightly, looking at the car keys in her hand, then at Dylan and Shawn approaching. She understood the situation.

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Shawn glanced up and saw a familiar figure fleeing by. Upon closer inspection, Elizabeth was already gone.

He thought it was impossible to be Elizabeth and figured he must have seen wrong.

As soon as Dylan approached, David reflexively stepped in front of Audrey.

His fierce gaze glared at Dylan, his eyes filled with hostility, lips tightly pressed, looking like he was protecting Audrey,

“Move,” Dylan said.

Dylan coldly looked at David, his deep eyes filled with a sharp chill.

“Don’t bully Audrey, David said coldly.

David’s eyes were fierce, and his teeth were clenched as he coldly confronted Dylan without any intention of moving.

“Hey, bro, let’s get your wounds treated at the hospital, Cade said and quickly stepped forward, trying to pull David away.

He was afraid David would get handled by Dylan.

David brushed off Cade’s hand and continued to shield Audrey.

Seeing that David was so protective of her, Audrey felt touched and said calmly to David, “You go first, I’ll come find you later.”

David bit his lips and looked at Audrey worriedly. He nodded reluctantly, as if afraid she’d disappear again, and said in a hoarse voice, “The

you have to come find me.”

“Okay,” Audrey said.

David finally left with Cade.

Seeing the situation, Shawn and Andrew quickly made themselves scarce, leaving only Audrey and Dylan facing off coldly.

They hadn't seen each other for several days since Audrey had told Dylan to get lost..

Now, as they met again, Audrey remained indifferent and aloof, making Dylan a bit annoyed.

Recalling their last unpleasant encounter, Dylan felt a pang of dull pain.

"If there's nothing else, I'll be leaving," Audrey said, looking at Dylan with a calm gaze.

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"I'll give you a ride," Dylan offered.

"No need." Audrey said and headed toward Elizabeth's car.

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She had barely taken a few steps when Dylan grabbed her hand. Audrey frowned, trying to pull away, but Dylan said in a deep voice, Tapologize for my mother's visit. I promise it won't happen again."

Audrey turned around, looked at Dylan coldly, and said, "Apology accepted. Can you let go now?"

Dylan—saw the coldness in her eyes, hesitated, and slightly loosened his grip.

Audrey immediately pulled her hand back and walked away.

He had so much to say, but facing Audrey's icy gaze, he couldn't say anything. He could only watch her drive away.

Dylan pursed his lips and turned back to the club.

"Where's Audrey? Why are you alone?" Andrew asked as Dylan entered alone, looking behind him.

"She must have ditched him." Shawn clicked his tongue, laughing maliciously. "Want to see the video of Audrey in the ring?"

Dylan, lips pressed tightly, glared at him coldly.

The dangerous, cold aura around him made Shawn chuckle before playing the video he had just received.

In the video, Audrey's attacks were fierce and swift, each strike landing precisely at the burly guy. Even against a former champion, she remained unfazed.

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"Audrey secretly found a master to train, right?" Shawn said.

He rubbed his eyes, afraid he was mistaken.

Once he confirmed that the Audrey in the video was indeed the one he knew, he was even more shocked.

This was the same woman who used to only run after Dylan like a spoiled child.

Dylan knew that the current Audrey had some skills, but he never imagined she would be this good.

Her punches were fierce and decisive.

It had to be said that Audrey was too dazzling to be ignored.

However, deep down in Dylan's heart, there was an inexplicable twinge.

Andrew couldn't help but glance at Dylan, sighing inwardly.

Before the video ended, Dylan pursed his lips and took Shawn's phone, then turned and left with a cold demeanor.

"Hey, hey, hey, that's my phone," Shawn shouted desperately from behind.

Dylan didn't stop and walked out of the club, exuding a compelling aura.

Once in the car, Dylan instructed Richard, "To the hospital."

In Northville Hospital.

When Audrey arrived, David was already getting his wounds treated.

His eyes, which had been fixed on the door, suddenly lit up when he saw Audrey. There was even a hint of a smile at the corners of his mouth.

"How are you?" Audrey asked as she glanced at the bruises on David's face and furrowed her brows.

“The doctor said there’s nothing serious, just some superficial injuries. A few days of rest should do the trick,” David replied to Audrey

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Audrey nodded.”

Seeing Audrey approaching, Cade couldn’t help but look at her a few more times, recalling the scene on the boxing ring carlier. He took a step back involuntarily.

He was afraid Audrey would hit him.

Before long, Dylan also arrived.

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As soon as Dylan appeared, David’s hostility surged again, and he watched Dylan warily.

Ignoring David’s gaze, Dylan looked at Audrey.

“I’ll take you home,” Dylan said coldly.

“No need, I’ll take Audrey home,” David said before Audrey could.

Dylan squinted coldly, his icy gaze sweeping over David. Seeing him standing protectively in front of Audrey irritated him.

“Let’s go.” Audrey ignored Dylan, casting a cold glance at David before walking out.

Seeing Audrey ignore Dylan, David smirked, then gave Dylan a disdainful snort before following Audrey out.

When he was younger, David could only watch helplessly as Audrey was sent to prison by Dylan. Now, even if it cost him his life, David would never let Dylan harm Audrey again.

Dylan pursed his lips, his eyes darkening.

Cade, seeing Dylan like this, suddenly felt a bit sorry for him.

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After leaving the hospital, Audrey asked David, "Where do you live?"

David pursed his lips and was silent for a moment, then gave her an address.

Audrey frowned and asked, "Why do you live there?" If she remembered correctly, that place was a slum.

David pursed his lips, said nothing, just lowered his head.

"Speak." Audrey's voice turned colder. She remembered she had given David some money back then.

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David replied, "After you went to prison, I went to the Hernandez family to ask for help. They beat me up and even used their connections to shut down the orphanage. They took all the money you left me. I had no choice but to find another place to live with Scarlet and the others." David's voice grew lower as he spoke.

Scarlet Terrell was the director of the orphanage, and she was also driven out of the orphanage.

Audrey's aura became even colder as she listened.

She knew it was Rebecca's and Sarah's doing.

"Come with me to the hotel first. Tomorrow, I'll have someone find a place for Scarlet and the others to stay," Audrey said in a cold tone.

Seeing that Audrey's expression wasn't too good, David obediently agreed. He followed her into the car.

Several times, David wanted to ask Audrey where she had been all these years and why she had only come back to find him now, but in the end, he didn't ask anything.

Audrey didn't say much either. Her gaze fell on the black car following them, and she pursed her lips slightly.

Stepping on the accelerator, she quickly sped up, wanting to shake off the car behind them.

In the car behind, Richard saw the car in front passing the traffic lights, ready to catch up. But just then, the light turned red, and another car came from the other lane, so he had to brake.

By the time the light turned green, Audrey's car was nowhere to be seen.

Dylan's face grew even sullen.

"Let's go back," Dylan said.

After parking the car, Audrey directly placed the car keys at the front desk and then took David upstairs.

On the sofa, Brian heard the sound of the door opening, rubbed his eyes, and sat up, complaining, "Audrey, why did you only come back now?"

"Ms. Hernandez, Brian said he would only sleep after you came back." The maid

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Audrey glanced at both of them and then nodded. "Finc."

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“Thanks for today,” Audrey said.

“You’re welcome. Next time you’re free, come out and have a drink. My treat,” Elizabeth said.

“Sure,” Audrey said.

Audrey hung up the phone. They didn't show any interest in each other's personal lives.

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In Room 8 of Nomad Club, smoke wafted through the air.

Shawn said, "Let me tell you guys, you shouldn't spoil women. The more you spoil them, the more of a scoundrel they become."

Shawn raised an eyebrow, held a glass of wine, and leaned against the sofa, exuding an air of laziness and wickedness.

"Well, aren't you a scoundrel? How come you haven't broken up with Elizabeth after so many years?" Andrew glanced at him indifferently.

"Well, I'm too charming, and that's why she can't leave me." Shawn proudly raised his eyebrows.

Andrew reminded him, "Behave yourself. Be careful not to mess things up and end up getting dumped by a woman."

"Impossible, I can have any kind of woman I want." Shawn looked nonchalant. "Not everyone is like that guy."

As he spoke, Shawn's gaze intentionally or unintentionally landed on the man sitting beside him.

"Don't cry when she dumps you." Andrew glanced at Shawn, who looked like he needed a reality check, then turned to Dylan.

"Impossible. It's always been me who dumps women," Shawn said.

Shawn raised an eyebrow and then kicked Cade, who had been playing games on the side.

"Cade, have you finished that lousy game of yours?" Shawn asked.

"Almost done, stop rushing me. The opponent is too skilled. I'm having a hard time." Cade was immersed in battling the opponent.

He thought he would easily defeat the opponent, but instead, he was killed by the opponent.

Cade felt like he misjudged the situation.

In the battle, he saw the brilliance of the once-famous Blizzard.

After the game, Cade clicked on the account information of the opponent named “Mommy, I Got Hit and found no information. He thought he must have been mistaken.

Blizzard disappeared completely after becoming famous, so how could it be someone who sounded like a kid?

Just then, Andrew’s phone rang.

Andrew glanced at it and answered, “Mom? Audrey? Okay, I’ll contact her.”

As soon as Audrey’s name was mentioned, the three people in the room looked at Andrew.

After hanging up the phone, Andrew cleared his throat and looked at Dylan’s deep, cold eyes.

Andrew said, “Well, my grandfather has been discharged from the hospital. My mother said we owe a lot to Me

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house for dinner to express our gratitude. So, could you give me Audrey’s contact information?”

Andrew could hardly stand Dylan’s icy gaze, but he couldn’t disobey his mother’s order, so he had to face it.

“Phone.” Dylan looked at Andrew, his tone rather indifferent.

Andrew immediately handed over his phone.

Dylan entered the number and then handed the phone back to Andrew, putting it on speakerphone.

Seeing Dylan’s actions, the other three were stunned. What a jerk.

“Who’s that?” Audrey’s cold voice came from the other end of the phone.

“Ms. Hernandez, hi, it’s Andrew.” Andrew introduced himself, afraid that Audrey would hang up directly.

“Well, my grandfather has recovered very well and has been discharged from the hospital. My family wants to thank you and invite you to dinner.”

“Thank you, but it’s not necessary. I have something else to do, I have to go.” Audrey’s cold voice came through, faintly accompanied by the voices of a young boy and a stranger man.

Dylan’s face became even sullen.

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He stood up immediately, emitting a cold aura. He said faintly, “I’m leaving.”

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After saying that, Dylan left the room.

“Tsk, I think we should call him ‘Dylan the Jealousy’ from now on.” Shawn looked at Dylan’s retreating figure and laughed.

After leaving the club, Dylan instructed Richard to drive to the hotel. He rolled down the window, took out a cigarette, and lit it.

After finishing one cigarette, Dylan, with a cold demeanor, got out of the car and called Audrey.

The phone rang several times before Audrey answered, her voice cold and impatient. “What is it?”

Dylan cleared his throat, and after a moment of silence, he said coldly, “Come down!”

“No,” Audrey said coldly, about to hang up.

Dylan gritted his teeth and said coldly, “Then I’ll come up.”

“As

you wish,” Audrey said.

Audrey remained indifferent and hung up the phone.

Dylan pursed his lips, his gaze cold as he looked at the phone that had been hung up. The next moment, he walked into the hotel.

Audrey was playing games with Brian and David when they heard the doorbell. Annoyed, she furrowed her brows.

She told them not to bother.

After a round of gaming, the doorbell continued to ring. Audrey's eyes grew colder. She looked at Brian and David and said, "You two keep playing. I'll be right back."

Audrey opened the door to the living room, her expression cold.

As the door opened, a hand reached in and pulled Audrey out.

Audrey's eyes darkened. She was about to react, but Dylan had already approached and fiercely pressed her against the wall, kissing her passionately.

Audrey's eyes were filled with anger, and her hands were restrained. She tried to push

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him away with her legs, but she received even more frantic kisses from Dylan.

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Almost savagely, Dylan bit Audrey's neck, her face darkened as she stared coldly at Dylan, who seemed to have gone insane.

Stripped of his usual aloofness and elegance, he seemed like a madman, dangerous and terrifying.

When Dylan finally stopped, Audrey pushed him away abruptly. Then she slapped hard on Dylan's face.

Audrey's eyes narrowed coldly, with a fierce anger in them. "Don't vent your anger on me, and don't come near me! Get lost!" Audrey shouted.

Seeing the fierce anger in Audrey's eyes, Dylan felt a pang in his chest. His hands, hanging on his sides, clenched into fists.

He pressed his lips together, and his dark, cold eyes stared at Audrey without blinking, as if wanting to etch her into his eyes.

After a long time, Dylan said hoarsely, "Baby, come back, Okay?"

Hearing his address to her, even though she wasn't the original host, Audrey could still vividly feel the pain and bitterness inside her mind.

It was as sharp and piercing.

Audrey pursed her lips, feeling an inexplicable irritation.

That pain made her feel as if she had experienced it herself, even though she was not the real Audrey.

Audrey frowned, feeling like her head was about to explode.

After a long while, Audrey forcefully suppressed the pain and said coldly, "Dylan, the real Audrey is dead and gone because of you. You killed her with your own hands."

She died in prison, and it was he who personally handcuffed her and sent her in.

The cruel words made Dylan's eyes tremble, and his whole body slightly stiffened. Dylan looked at Audrey with red eyes.

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After Audrey finished speaking, she ignored Dylan and turned to enter the room.

It was as if she wanted to escape. She was afraid that if she didn't leave now, the pain in her heart would torment her even more, making her more miserable and irritable.

Seeing Audrey coming in with a furrowed brow and an unpleasant look, Brian couldn't help but worry and asked, "Audrey, who was that?"

David also looked at Audrey.

Audrey said, "Just a friend. You guys continue I'm going back to my room."

Audrey's face turned a bit pale as she turned and entered the room.

"David, is Audrey sick? She looks so pale. My face gets like that when I'm not feeling well," Brian said.

He looked at David, somewhat worried about Audrey.

David was also concerned about Audrey's condition and said, "I will go check on Audrey in a while. Go back to your room and get some sleep, Okay?"

"Okay," Brian said.

After Brian returned to his room, David got up and knocked on Audrey's door.

By now, Audrey was feeling much better. She opened the door and saw David outside.

“Audrey, are you alright? Brian is very worried about you, afraid that you’re sick,” David said.

“I’m fine. Tell him not to worry. You should go to bed too. There’s work to be done tomorrow,” Audrey said lightly.

“Okay, as long as you’re fine. I’ll go to sleep then. Goodnight,” David said obediently.

In front of Audrey, he was always obedient.

But in the moment he turned away, David’s expression turned grim.

A fierce and hostile light flashed in his eyes

David thought, ‘It must have been that jerk. Only that jerk would always bully Audrey, making her sad and upset.

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David had to become strong enough to protect Audrey.

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The next morning, after the three of them had breakfast, they left the hotel.

For convenience, Audrey arranged for a car and a driver.

As soon as they got in the car, Audrey received a message on her phone.

Carly: [Has the car and the driver arrived?]

Aud: [Yes.]

Carly: [I’m free next Monday afternoon.] There was a hint of grievance in her tone.

Aud: [Got it.]

Audrey put away her phone after replying to the message.

The car first arrived at the foot of Greencloud Mountain. Audrey planned to make use of a large piece of empty land at the foot of the mountain to build a new welfare home.

After determining the location, Audrey took David and Brian to rent some houses for Scarlet and the other children from the welfare home.

They would move to the new welfare home when it was built.

After they lived in the slums for a long time, the children's health would be affected due to the poor living conditions and diet.

After arranging the houses, Audrey had someone deliver a lot of blankets, clothes, and food before going to the slums.

Almost everyone living in the slums was at the bottom of Northville. Not only was their living environment dirty and messy, there wasn't even a decent road. There was only a narrow dirt road in the slums.

When it rained, the road was full of potholes, and passersby would get mud up to their legs with just one step.

The car couldn't drive in, so Audrey had the car parked outside the slums, and then she led David and Brian inside.

Audrey and Brian were both beautiful, and they were well-dressed. It was clear they didn't belong to the slums, which attracted the attention of many passersby.

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David glared at them fiercely, and those people shifted their gaze.

Before long, they arrived at the place where the people from the former orphanage lived.

Scarlet had been anxiously waiting outside the door. When she saw David return, she, was overjoyed.

Scarlet said, "You're back. If you didn't come back, I was going to go out looking for you.

"Scarlet, look who's here." David happily stepped aside, revealing Audrey behind him.

"Th... This is Ms. Hernandez. Ms. Hernandez is back. Thank goodness, Ms. Hernandez has returned safely," Scarlet said happily.

Scarlet looked at Audrey for a while before recognizing her, feeling excited and surprised.

"Scarlet, so nice to see you again." Audrey then looked at Brian.

Brian's pretty little face was filled with a cute and obedient smile as he said, "Hi, Scarlet.

"This child is so cute. Come on in," Scarlet said.

Scarlet finished speaking, then looked apologetically at Audrey. "I'm sorry about the conditions here. It's not very good. Please don't mind."

"No. It's fine," Audrey said.

Audrey showed no sign of disdain. She followed them inside.

"Scarlet, Audrey's found a new place for you. We're all moving there today and will stay until the welfare home is ready," David said.

"No, we can't accept this," Scarlet said.

Scarlet knew about Audrey's past imprisonment and being expelled by the Hernandez family.

It was precisely because of this that David went to plead with the Hernandez family, but he was severely beaten and nearly died. Even the former orphanage was demolished.

Scarlet felt that Audrey's life must be tough as well.

"This is the least I can do. Scarlet, take the children to the new place. The environment

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here isn't good for their health," Audrey said.

"How can we? Your life must be tough too. It has always been your mother and you helping us. We can't let you support us again Scarlet felt guilty.

"Scarlet, just listen to Audrey and move. The children are important. I'll work hard to earn money for the rest of us," David said.

David had grown up in the orphanage since childhood. After Audrey's mother adopted him, he was sent back to the orphanage by Rebecca after his foster mother's death.

Even though he returned to the orphanage, Audrey continued to support him and the orphanage, never giving up on him.

“Okay, Ms. Hernandez, I really appreciate your great kindness on behalf of the children. Scarlet expressed her deep gratitude.

“I can’t do much. I’m just doing what I can,” Audrey said calmly.

In the afternoon, Audrey arranged for someone to send them all to the newly rented house.

“Audrey, can I come often to play with them in the future?” Just in one afternoon, Brian had made several friends, and he felt reluctant to leave.

“Of course, you can come whenever you want, Audrey said.

Whether it was Lucas or Brian, perhaps because of their high intelligence, far exceeding that of children of the same age, both had few friends.

Brian’s willingness to befriend these children was a good thing.

Besides, she couldn’t be with her children forever. They needed a world of their own.

“If you want to come over, I’ll bring you here, David indulgently said to Brian.

“Not you.” Audrey’s tone was cold as she looked at David and continued, “I’ve found several high schools for you. Choose one to attend for SAT.”

Upon hearing Audrey’s words, David was taken aback.

Ever since Audrey was sent to prison and the orphanage was demolished, David had to shoulder all the burdens of the orphanage. He hadn’t thought about going back to school.

At Audrey’s words, his eyes were slightly red.

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Back in the hotel room, Audrey received a message [The two blood samples you provided me didn’t match.]

Audrey glanced at the message, her lips pursing slightly, and her eyes darkened a bit.

Audrey: [I understand. I’ll get another blood sample for you to match.]

The other party quickly replied to the message: [When?]

Audrey: [Very soon.] After all, Brian’s health couldn’t be delayed.

Audrey put away her phone, changed into more comfortable clothes for movement, and then left the room.

She then drove to the building where the Hernandez Group was located.

When her grandfather and mother were still around, the Hernandez Group was the Holland Group. In just over ten years, the former Holland Group had been taken over by William and even changed its name.

Audrey pursed her lips and drove into the underground garage.

William had been very busy lately and had been feeling uneasy ever since Audrey kicked him out of his original house.

By the time he finished his work and came out of the company, it was already late at night.

After getting into the car, he leaned back in exhaustion, closing his eyes for a rest. Normally, the driver would drive off at this time.

But today, the car didn't start for a long time. William furrowed his brow and opened his eyes when he felt something was off.

As soon as he opened his eyes, he saw a figure sitting beside him, hidden in the darkness, which he hadn't noticed before.

The driver had passed out. Startled, William exclaimed, "Audrey, what are you doing?"

William's expression was angry. Thinking about the recent unpleasantness and the last time he was kicked out of the Hernandez family, he choked on his anger.

"Don't worry, I don't want to see you either, but I need something from you," Audrey said.

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Audrey's gaze swept over him indifferently.

William's expression changed slightly when he saw what Audrey took out, his voice becoming tense, mixed with anger.

"Audrey, I'm your father. What are you going to do to me?" William said.

threat. "I advise you not to move, or you'll suffer.

"I said I need to borrow something from you! Audrey's gaze was cold, her tone carrying a faint Despite feeling a chill from Audrey's cold demeanor, William was genuinely afraid. Then his face darkened, and he shouted, "How dare you!"

Just as the needle approached, William almost wanted to push the door and escape. However, as soon as he tried, he realized he couldn't muster any strength.

His eyes showed a hint of panic, and he said, "Audrey, I'll call the police and have you arrested. See if you will end up behind bars!"

Audrey moved swiftly, quickly taking a sample of William's blood.

Faced with William's threats, she remained unfazed and said, "Go ahead and call the police."

Audrey smirked coldly, her smile arrogant and defiant.

Since she dared to come, she naturally wouldn't let William catch any evidence against her.

After securing William's blood sample, Audrey noticed that the driver in front seemed to be waking up, so she got out of the car directly.

Audrey returned to her own car, sent a message overseas, and then drove out of the parking lot.

As soon as Audrey's car left, another car that had been following her all along slowly started up.

Richard said, "Mr. Dylan, Ms. Hernandez got into the chairman's car of the Hernandez Group and took a blood sample."

On the other end of the phone, Dylan received the message, his eyes narrowing slightly.

Dylan said, "Find out what she's doing with William's blood sample."

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"Yes, sir," Richard said respectfully before hanging up.

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Early the next morning, Audrey, accompanied by Brian and David, had just returned to the room after breakfast when she received a call from the hotel front desk.

“Ms. Hernandez, Ms. Byrne is looking for you at the front desk,” the receptionist said.

Audrey thought, ‘Ms. Byrne?’

Audrey furrowed her brows, not remembering anyone with the surname Byrne, “Hold on. I’ll come down now.”

After hanging up the phone, Audrey got up and went downstairs.

Sitting on the sofa in the lobby was an elegant lady.

Just as Audrey stepped out of the elevator, the lady looked up and saw her, smiling as she got up and walked towards Audrey.

Audrey was somewhat surprised, not entirely unfamiliar with the visitor. Phoebe Roscente’s last name was indeed Byrne, and she was Andrew’s mother.

Phoebe looked at Audrey tenderly and said with a smile, “Audrey, can I call you that? I finally get to meet you.”

“Mrs. Roscente, how do you do?” Audrey’s voice was warm and gentle.

Phoebe said, “You don’t have to call me Mrs. Roscente. If you don’t mind, just call me Phoebe.”

Due to the rumors and her infrequent outings, Phoebe’s impression of Audrey had been mediocre until now.

However, Phoebe realized that Audrey was nothing like the rumors. Audrey really healed Samuel and was Aaron’s master, which made Phoebe think even more highly of her.

The look in Phoebe’s eyes became tender and affectionate as she looked at Audrey.

“Alright, Phoebe,” Audrey said.

Phoebe smiled in response, pulling Audrey’s hand to sit down on the nearby sofa before continuing, “A few days ago, had Andrew call you to invite you to our house for dinner, as a gesture of gratitude. But he hasn’t gotten back to me yet. So, I had to come

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personally to invite you.”

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“I’ve received your gratitude, so there’s no need for dinner,” Audrey replied, not entirely comfortable with others’ warmth.

But Phoebe’s genuine and gentle demeanor made her hesitate to refuse.

Phoebe said, “Come on, I’ve come all this way to invite you. Won’t you honor me by joining us?”

Phoebe looked at Audrey with a warm and affectionate gaze.

Phoebe felt a twinge of sympathy when she thought about Audrey being misunderstood and her three years in prison.

She wondered what Audrey had gone through to become so distant and cold.

Audrey pursed her lips and nodded reluctantly.

Seeing Audrey’s agreement, Phoebe was overjoyed and said, “Let’s go, we’re heading home now.”

Knowing that Audrey had a child, Phoebe added, “Oh, and Brian, we’re taking Brian with us.”

Brian was with his friend upstairs, and they have something else to do later, so they won’t come with us,” Audrey said. She just wanted to have a meal and then left.

Besides, during breakfast, Brian was already insisting that David take him to see the friends he made yesterday.

“Alright,” Phoebe said.

Phoebe beamed with joy and led Audrey back to the Roscente family.

Throughout the journey, Phoebe’s fondness for Audrey grew with each glance, wishing she had a daughter of her own.

This thought took root and flourished in her mind. Phoebe kept looking at Audrey with a mix of tenderness and concern.

Fearing that she might startle Audrey, Phoebe toned down her enthusiasm a bit.

Yet, in her heart, she was already considering discussing this matter with her family the other day. If Audrey could become her goddaughter, it would be wonderful.

Just thinking about it made Phoebe increasingly excited.