

### Chapter 44 The Wife Behaves Strangely Around Us

‘Impossible! Though Snow believed that it was impossible, she still looked at Nicole with worry-filled eyes after some time. “Then, is Cain really in the hospital now?” Even though Snow did not ask Nicole aloud, “Did you beat him?” That question was already written on her face. Nicole looked at Snow’s odd expression coldly. Nicole had already finished her food when Snow was in a daze, so she did not want to stay and continue being pretentious with Snow. “Didn’t I say you should ask him instead? I’m done eating, so I’ll be leaving now.” Nicole then stood up and walked away as Snow watched her leave. Snow’s eyes widened all of a sudden. ‘Who on earth is Nicole? How did she defeat that evil Cain?!’ Nicole left the cafeteria and thought about what Ms. Emerson had said in the morning. She asked Nicole to attend the Math Olympiad training classes every Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday afternoon.

It was Tuesday today, so Nicole turned and walked toward the lecture hall. Gary, who had also walked out of the cafeteria after finishing his meal, looked at Nicole’s carefree figure and squinted slightly. He had already seen the whole incident where Nicole sat together with Snow. In other words, he had also seen Snow’s mouth agape after Nicole left. It made him even more curious about the conversation between the two girls. Gary could not help but smile when he saw Nicole looking like nothing had happened. He walked slowly behind her at her pace, constantly leaving a short distance between them. When he saw the lecture hall in front of them, he hurried his steps as he walked into the class with Nicole. Raine was sitting in the class when she saw Gary walking in, and a surprise grew on her face. But her expression immediately turned sour as she saw Nicole walking in with Gary not long after. She asked Nicole while keeping her jealousy under control. “Why are you here, Nicole? This class is exclusively for students joining the Math Olympiad competition.”

Nicole looked at her indifferently, not uttering a word. Gary replied to Raine instead, “We are joining the competition on behalf of our class, so our teacher told us to come together.” Raine looked at them doubtfully as she sharply sensed that Gary was being protective by listening to what he had said, so her gaze toward Nicole turned more hostile. Nicole glanced over at Gary indifferently after listening to his reply. She was already aware of Gary following her from behind, but she did not bother to do anything about it as he had kept to himself. Now that he mentioned that Ms. Emerson asked them to attend the class together, there was no need for Nicole to expose him either. Nicole started walking and headed toward the last row of seats. Raine saw Nicole walking further, so she started a conversation with Gary. But Raine noticed Gary’s eyes following Nicole closely.

He completely ignored what she was saying. She got so angry she started to raise her voice, saying, “Gary, I’m talking to you! Why did you come together with her?” Gary furrowed his eyebrows as he wondered why he had not noticed how annoying and unreasonable Raine was before. If he had known how irritating she was, he would not have allowed her to follow him around so much anymore. He then walked toward the last row of seats. But when he was halfway there, Raine suddenly rushed over and dragged him to the first row. Coincidentally, the school bell rang, so Gary did not push her away. Subsequently, a bald man ran into the lecture hall in small steps and stood on the stage as he introduced himself. “Hello students, I’m Mr. Louis, your teacher for this Math Olympiad training class. To be able to, I believe you are all elite students from your classes.

I’ll save the unnecessary talk and hand out last year’s example questions. We’ll discuss the solutions for the first half of the class. For the second half, we’ll have a test to see what level you’re at.” Upon speaking, he took out a pile of example questions and a stack of answer sheets as he passed them down. Nicole looked at it and arched her brows, keeping the example questions in her bag. She filled in all the sections of the answer sheets beautifully and placed them at the corner of her table. She then took out a book and started to read it. Mr. Louis was teaching passionately on stage. He seemed like he did not mind what Nicole was doing. Nicole was so engrossed in the book that class ended before she realized it. She was really interested in the hacking strategies in the book, so she had never raised her head throughout the whole class. Raine, who was leaving the lecture hall with Gary, mocked Nicole when she walked past her. “It’s fine if you come from the countryside, but you actually don’t want to pay attention in class.

Could it be that you don’t understand a single thing being taught?” Nicole finally started to find Raine’s loudmouth annoying, so she kept her book away and looked at Raine coldly. Nicole then submitted her answer sheet and left right after. Raine continued behind her back, “Know your place and stop humiliating yourself here!” She even answered her answer sheets fully. How pretentious! Isn’t that right, Gary?” Gary watched Nicole leave as a sudden urge grew in his heart. He did not even bother to respond to Raine, and he walked out of the lecture hall with Nicole. And Raine was left behind, angrily calling Gary from behind. Nicole walked a distance before she sensed that she was being followed again, so she turned to look at Gary, frustrated. Gary secretly cheered when he saw her turning back, but he still acted apathetically and asked, “Mr. Louis was quite fast back there. Could you really get what he taught? We’re from the same class anyway, so feel free to ask me for help if you’re having trouble with something.” Nicole was not touched by it as she looked at Gary and said flatly, “The only reason I didn’t listen is that it was too easy. There’s no need for me to waste my time.” Gary was stunned upon hearing Nicole’s response.