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Zayn sneered, but he continued to feign awkwardness by saying, "It's not that I'm unwilling to help all of you, but there's nothing I can do now. It's true that I saved Jordan's life and he owed me a favor, but he's already returned the favor to me."

Upon hearing that, they were dumbstruck.

With a sigh, Zayn continued to speak, "Having Jordan come to Grandpa's birthday was not considered a favor, yet it's your fault for driving me away halfway through the event and offending him. He was so furious that he wanted to destroy the Carters at one point. I managed to calm him when I called just now, but the favor that he owed me was returned. He is the patriarch of the Larson family. A big shot like him wouldn't come at my command."

The expressions on their faces were frozen, and they felt so bad as if they had just gulped down sewage. If they had known this would happen, they would never have kicked Zayn out of the party!

A thought occurred to Howard, so he hastily asked, "We're not going to ask for Jordan's favor anymore, but can we at least get back the birthday gifts he brought for Grandpa? He gave them to him, so they're considered the property of the Carter family now!"

Hearing his words, the rest of the family all agreed.

Jordan had given a box of white Alba truffles, a set of Kenneth Noland's paintings, an antique Black Forest cuckoo clock, and most importantly, one million dollars in cash! The total value of the gifts was three to four million dollars, was it not?

"They took back the birthday gifts that they brought with them ?" Zayn asked curiously.

"That's right, that's right. They took it all back and the gifts are worth three to four million dollars. Give Jordan a call, Zayn, and make him bring back the birthday gifts. How is it appropriate for them to take back gifts that they've already given away?" Hector said, sounding displeased. This sentiment was echoed by the

others. The Carter family was not doing well financially. Let alone three to four million dollars, even if the gifts were worth three to four hundred thousand dollars, it was a huge sum for them.

Even so, Zayn heaved a sigh and said, "How could all of you allow Jordan to take back the birthday gifts? Can we still take back something which someone has already taken back? I'm not affiliated with Jordan anymore now. He sounded annoyed with me during the call earlier, so there's nothing I can do to get the gifts back now..."

"No way..."

"Oh god, what have we done?!"

"Poof! There goes gifts worth four million dollars just like that..."

The numerous Carter family members whined bitterly as if they had just lost their parents. They were filled with regret.

George's face turned green with rage. In the end, he could not stop himself from slapping the faces of a few of the Carters. "It's all your fault, you bunch of brutes. Why did you have to embarrass Zayn and kick him out for no apparent reason? Now, you've offended Jordan! Our Carter family was supposed to get on the good side of the Larsons and rise to great success. As a result, we ended up with nothing, and I even lost my birthday gifts because of you, you hooligans! I'm going to beat all of you to death!"

George had an emotional breakdown. He began slapping the faces of Howard and the others madly. It was a fascinating scene.

After learning that Jordan would no longer pay attention to Zayn, which was equal to Zayn losing his value in the family, the Carters resumed their usual malicious attitude toward him. In fact, they had even begun to complain about Zayn not informing them of his acquaintance with Jordan in advance which resulted in them wasting a good opportunity to make a fortune!

On the way home, Ruby babbled incessantly. The more she talked, the more furious she became, and she even jabbed her finger at Zayn's forehead a few times.

Faye could not bear to watch anymore, so she glared at Ruby while shouting, "Mom! Can you please stop for a moment. Zayn didn't do anything wrong from the start! Had it not been Zayn who called up Jordan seeking his forgiveness earlier, our family would already be doomed by now."

"God, Faye! Who's side are you on, anyway? I'm your mother, yet you still have the audacity to talk back?" Ruby had her hands on her hips as she yelled, "In addition, have I wrongly accused him of anything? If he were to tell us about how he saved Jordan's life earlier, would today's incident have happened? I can see that he holds no respect for this family! Other matters aside, there's this issue about you having to sleep with Mr. Wilson in order to borrow three million dollars for the family. As a man, if Zayn had any conscience at all, would he still sit idly and do nothing? I bet the amount of three million dollars is just pocket change for Jordan, right?"

The remark pierced Faye's heart like a sword.