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Slowly, Gigi stood up, her face devoid of emotion. "I won't cause any more trouble. I'll go back with you." Damian finally heaved a sigh of relief. He wasn't sure how she felt, but she agreed to cback, and that was good enough.

He nodded and tried to give her his coat, but she stopped him.

"Don't be kind to me," Gigi said, closing her eyes in pain. "If you wantto let go of you, you have to stop being nice, whether you mean to or not." Damian understood and didn't push the coat on her.

They left the bar, and for the first time, Gigi sat in the back seat. She was quiet, looking out the window, lost in her thoughts.

Damian tried to talk to her. "We're going to Pearl's house. You need to be sensible-" "I'm no longer a kid. You don't need to tellwhat to do," Gigi coldly interrupted him.

Damian felt awkward and stopped talking.

Pearl and Richard were waiting at the door when they arrived.

Damian opened the car door for Gigi and said, "I'll bring your things to you later." "Thank you." Her reply was polite but cold.

Damian chatted with Pearl for a bit. For sreason, he didn't really want to talk to her. He was more worried about Gigi, who was quiet and trying to keep to herself.

He sighed when she ignored him and left.

Pearl approached Gigi, sensing there was a problem. She asked gently, "What happened? Why did you run away from home?" "That's not my home," Gigi said stubbornly, her eyes welling up with tears.

Pearl felt sorry for her. "What's so great about Damian? I'll find someone better for you." "It's okay, Pea. I don't need that." Gigi appreciated Pearl and Damian's concern. She was upset but not angry; she just couldn't accept things for now. Content belongs to Św"It's okay. Everyone has someone they can't have. But you need to yourself first. Then, maybe else will too. Do you unde Gigi Sght of the man leaning the wall with a shook her head. "I don't want with someone else." باج to Land fall belongs to englishsentent She was quite stubborn.

Pearl smiled bitterly, then looked at Richard, who smirked. "Gigi is just like you in love." They both were stubborn about their feelings.

Gigi took a deep breath and pretended to be calm. "Pea, Richard, I'm alright. Don't worry. I'm going to head hnow." She clutched the key Damian had given her tightly, feeling his lingering warmth. She wished all of this was just a bad dream. But he had pushed her away, and it seemed final.

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"Well, that house is empty. Why don't you stay here these few days?" Pearl kindly tried to persuade Gigi.

"Okay. Thank you, Pea." "It's okay, Gigi. We're family." Pearl felt sorry for Gigi, who had behaved so sensibly.

Pearl put her hands on Gigi's shoulders, and they walked into the house together. While doing so, she tried to make Gigi feel better. Seeing Gigi's red eyes, she spoke in a gentle and patient way.

After a long while, Gigi managed to calm down.

When Damian brought over Gigi's luggage, she felt settled at the Waldorf Residence.

Pearl asked Saule to stay in a nearby villa to keep things secret and safe. She wanted to make sure no one could find Saule so she could take good care of her.

After finishing her work one day, Pearl brought sthings for Saule but found her missing.

Pearl panicked, thinking Saule had been kidnapped. Just as she was about to call for help, Saule cback, looking happy with groceries, and Gigi was with her.

When Gigi saw Pearl, she was stunned. But she quickly relaxed. "What are you doing here, Pea?" Pearl was just as stunned, seeing Gigi and Saule together. "How did you two get to know each other?" Saule explained, "I was out getting groceries one day when my back hurt. Gigt helpedcarry them home. It turns out my sister raised her, and she is your sister. It feels like fate brought us together." Saule and Gigi had grown close. Saule loved having Gigi around because it made her feel needed, like a mother figure, which she couldn't be with Pearl, who was mere independent. "I'm glad you two are getting along." Pearl said, happy to see them support each other, especially since .n Saule was alone and Gigi was going through a tough time. S Saule held Gigi's hand warmly. "Gigi has been a great help. It's nice to have her around." Pearl jokingly said, "Seems like you two are closer to each other than to me!" Gigi looked down, shy and a bit worried. "No, you're her daughter. You're the most important to her." Pearl laughed it off and reassured Gigi, "Don't take it seriously, okay? I was just joking." Gigi nodded. "I know." Suddenly, Saule grabbed her head in pain. Pearl rushed to her, concerned. "What's wrong?" "It's okay. It's just the usual headache." Saule tried to downplay it, but it was clear this was no minor headache.

"We need to get you to a hospital," Pearl said urgently, heading to the car. But then she heard a thump. Turning around, she saw Saule had collapsed.

Gigi and Pearl rushed to Saule, worried and scared. Pearl immediately tried to check Saule's pulse.

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Saule was having trouble breathing, and it was clear that this was no ordinary illness.

Pearl knew she couldn't wait any longer. She lifted Saule onto her back and helped her into the car.

"Gigi, I need to take my mom to the hospital. Richard won't be htoday. You can make dinner yourself, right?" Gigi stepped forward, looking worried. "Why don't I cwith you? I'm good at taking care of people. I could help." "It's alright," Pearl reassured Gigi.

So, Gigi agreed to stay and nodded. She stayed has asked.

Pearl gave Gigi a serious look before driving off. On the way, she called Waldorf Residence and felt better after talking to Ramona.

Then, she called Richard. "Richard, find an excuse not to chtonight." Richard understood when he heard that. "Okay, got it." * At the hospital, Pearl ran into Hugo again. It seemed like they were destined to bump into each other.

Pearl felt uneasy when Hugo looked at her calmly.

"What a coincidence to see you here again," he said.

Pearl rolled her eyes, showing she didn't appreciate the encounter. "Running into you feels like bad luck." "What brings you to the hospital?" Hugo asked, trying to sound casual while looking her over.

Pearl stepped back and put her hands in her pockets, her expression cold. "That's none of your business." "Why so unfriendly?" Hugo seemed surprised. "One day you'll see I'm the only one nice to you." Hugo's intense stare disgusted Pearl. "Stop flattering yourself. Do you really think you're a great catch?" Hugo was taken aback by her mockery. "How could you!" But Pearl was always cold and distant to those she disliked. Hugo found this most appealing about her, and it made him want to win her over all the more, especially since she was his type. Trying to hide his anger, Hugo smiled, "I like you and wouldn't hurt you, but I can't say the sfor t people around you." S the His words alarmed Pearl. "My mom..." If she connected her mom's sudden illness to Hugo's statement, she might suspect him of causing it.

But she had no proof yet.

"Don't give that look, or I might just have to tease you," Hugo saidet unaware of how his words can get across. He did whatever he pleased. Pearl felt a chill. Her hatred for Hugo intensified.

She stared at him, his smirk angering her. She warned him, "If you do anything to my family, I won't let it go."

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Hugo didn't want to argue with Pearl. Glancing at her stomach, he gave a weird smile. "You got rid of the baby. How nice!" Pearl almost forgot just how crazy Hugo could be. "I mean what I say. If you keep messing with my loved ones, I'll make sure you regret it." Pearl didn't want to waste her ttalking to Hugo. She gave him a sharp look and went back to the hospital room.

There, she found out Saule had inhaled sstrange gas, which made her faint. Thankfully, she didn't breathe in much, so she was okay.

Saule was still out cold when Richard got there, worried.

"What's going on? How did she just faint like that?" he asked.

After a moment, Pearl looked serious. "The doctor said she inhaled sweird gas. And I ran into Hugo. I think he's behind it." Richard's expression darkened. "But Hugo was at a business meeting with me. So, he didn't act alone." Then, who could it be? Pearl thought of a nbut immediately doubted it. It seemed unlikely.

Richard noticed Pearl looked troubled and asked, "Do you suspect someone?" "Yeah." "Gigi." "Gigi." Both of them spoke at the stime.

"But why would she do this? How did she start conspiring with Hugo?" Pearl felt distressed. First, it was Silas, now Gigi. Hugo seemed to target Pearl's friends and made them turn against her. "I think we'll find out soon." Richard's comment made Pearl think. "Are you talking about Damian?" "Hugo knows how to mess with people. He used Silas's get you the fact that Silas easily upset." It made sense.

SW "Hugo probably used Gigi's feelings for Damian to stir up trouble." Pearl paused. "Should I talk to Gigi? Help her see she's making a mistake?" Gigi meant a lot to Pearl. Besides, Gigi was different from Silas. If Silas messed up, his family was there. But Gigi only had Pearl as fami "Let's not tip off Hugo yet." Richard thought it over and suggested, "We might use this to catch Hugo." * Saule got better and went hafter two days in the hospital.

Back home, Gigi was cooking. She cover, all happy to see them. "Aunt Saule, Pea, Richard, you're back."

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Gigi went up to Saule and asked with a worried look, "Are you feeling alright? I got really scared when you fainted that day. I'm so happy to see you're okay now." "Yeah, I'm all better now." Saule grinned.

Pearl gently pulled them aside and took Saule upstairs to rest. "You've just gotten back from the hospital, and you need your rest. I'll cto get you when it's tto eat." Gigi sensed that Pearl was acting a bit cold toward her and started to worry.

Pearl noticed but gave a friendly smile. "Gigi, why do you look upset?" "No, I'm just really concerned about Aunt Saule. So, I... Oh, it's good you're hnow. I've just finished cooking. Let's eat." Gigi smiled and led them to the dining table, then returned to the kitchen to bring smore food out. "I'll bring Aunt Saule's food to her in a bit." Pearl picked up a potato and said calmly, "No, I'll do that later." "Pea, why do I feel you've been acting cold tosince you got back?" Gigi looked sad.

Pearl felt colder inside but said, "You're overthinking." Stunned, Gigi stopped talking.

Three days later, a shocking piece of news spread.

It was revealed that the Jordan family's second daughter, who was thought to have died years ago, was actually alive and had a daughter, Pearl, who was married to Richard.

This news, along with an old scandal about Saule, caused a big stir. People gossiped that Richard's uncle had assaulted Saule, making Richard and Pearl cousins.

It was a marriage of close relatives! Crowds of reporters and onlookers gathered outside Waldorf Residence, making a lot of noise about the scandal.

Gigi looked worried as she listened to the noisy crowd outside. "Pearl everyone knows now. What are we going to do? Your and Aunt Saule's reputations are in trouble." 1Pearl remained calm, watching TV and then glancing at the crowd through the window with a smite. "Gigi what would you do in this situation?" Content belongs Śwsto "I-I don't know," Gigi mumbled, then whispered, "Maybe I would get a divorce..." Pearl smirked. "Yeah, I'll get a divorce." "What? I was just saying... You et shouldn't get a divorce just because of what I said." Gigi was afraid, thinking her words had led to this decision. Content belongs to ŚwPearl shook her head. "No, I've decided I want a divorce." Gigi was shocked. "So, are you really cousins?" Pearl looked at Gigi seriously. "It's up to what people think. What about you?" Gigi nervously fiddled with her clothes, sensing something in Pearl's words.

Pearl stood up, stretching her sore shoulders, and walked to the door, opening it suddenly.

The crowd outside went quiet when they saw her.

"What do you want?" Pearl crossed her arms.

Someone sneered, "You've caused a scandal, yet you act so proud."

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"A scandal? I'm curious about what you think a scandal means." Pearl smiled gently at the woman, which made the woman feel a bit scared.

The woman straightened up. "You know Richard is your cousin, yet you married him. That seems wrong to me." Anyone could see she was upset when she said that. It was as if Pearl had taken her dream man away by marrying Richard. "You sound like you're into Richard." The woman was so shocked by Pearl's comment that she didn't dare to say anything silly, especially with reporters around. "Richard is a famous rich man in Enswood. Of course, everyone will like him." She didn't directly answer Pearl's question, but it was clear she admired Richard.

"But too bad for you! He wouldn't be interested in you even if he were single." It was an embarrassing truth. The woman was plain-looking and had said smean things. Richard would never give her a second glance.

When the reporters heard this juicy bit, they started taking photos.

The woman, afraid of becoming a joke in tomorrow's news, quickly disappeared into the crowd.

Pearl looked over the crowd and asked, "Any more questions?" "Miss Pearl, there's a rumor that you and Richard are cousins. Will you stay together?" Finally, someone brought it up.

Pearl smiled kindly. "No, we'll get a divorce. It's too big of a scandal to ignore." Divorce! Her words got everyone excited and paying close attention. They coming here was the right.

"So, when is the divorce happening?" Content belongs to swnow and "Divorce? Is it that easy for you to get one?" "What will you do after the divorce? Marry someone else, or..." Then someone yelled out, "Marry me, Pearl! I've loved you for a long time!" "And you think you're good enough for her? She should marry me!" Pearl didn't say much more. She was about to go back inside when a man blocked her way.

"Miss Pearl, I work for the Morning News.

I have an exclusive interview with you?" He was Set not even smiling. Content belongs to vasStunned, Pearl looked him over. "What's your name?" "Yulian Hayes." "Alright. Cinside." Mǔ Seeing how easily Yulian got Pearl's attention and permission, the others regretted not seizing such a opportunity themselves. C belongs to englishS If they had been brave enough to ask Pearl, they might have been the ones getting the interview.

Once the door closed behind them, the outside noise vanished.

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Pearl asked Yulian to sit on the couch, and then she went to the kitchen to prepare ssnacks. She cback with a plate of cut fruit and two cups of hot tea and set them on the table.

"Miss Pearl, are you really going to get a divorce?" Yulian asked.

Pearl smoothed her hair and nodded. "Yes, it's true. Things have gotten to a point where I need to get a divorce to stop the rumors." "But weren't you two very much in love? Won't getting a divorce hurt your relationship even more?" "It will," Pearl admitted, looking sad. "I'm not sure what will happen after the divorce, but I need to do it for my own good." Yulian wrote something down quietly.

"When are you planning to get a divorce?" "Friday," Pearl answered.

"Just a simple divorce?" Pearl laughed a little. "No, I'm planning to take it to court." Yulian flinched. He looked down and realized he had made a mark on his paper with his pen.

He switched to a clean sheet and asked, "Why take it to court?" Pearl looked around to make sure they were alone, then whispered, "Our relationship hasn't been good for a while. This scandal just gavea reason." Yulian was shocked. That seemed like a piece of big news.

His heartbeat quickened as he asked, "Is it that bad that you need to go to court?" Pearl played with her bracelet, her expression hard to read. "You might not know, but Richard's dad gavefifteen percent of the Waldorf family's shares. Richard thinks those should stay in the family. If we divorce, he wants them back." Yulian's eyes widened in disbelief.

Pearl smiled and continued, "But those shares were a gift. Richard can't just demand them back." "Yeah, Mister Dustan gifted them to you. Mister Richard has no right to ask for them back." Pearl leaned back on the couch.

difficult on purpose. He But Richard's making it wants the back by force." S "So you have to go to court?" "Yes, but I've got the best lawyer. Richard won't get the shares easily," Pearl said confidently.

Yulian nodded. "Is there any other conflict between you guys other than the shares?" Pearl was waiting for that question.

"Ah, ugh... Do reporters always dig this deep?" She flirted a bit, playing with her hair, but looked serious. "Alright, I'll tell you. But you must keep it to yourself." Even if she said that, Yulian was a reporter. She couldn't ask him not to expose that.

Since Yulian was no fool, he understood that she wanted him to learn about it. So, he listened carefully. "Okay, I'm all ears." "Richard was mean tobecause he knew I loved someone else," Pearl shared, looking annoyed.

"You're in love with someone else?" Yulian was both excited and nervous after hearing so many surprising things.

"Yes, but I can't say who. You'll have to find out on your own," Pearl said, stretching and pretending to implying she was done talking.

Content belongs to sw "I can't share anything more. Ramona, please see him off."

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As expected, the Morning News shared a surprising story about the Waldorfs that quickly spread across the internet.

The story presented the family in an unexpected way, leaving everyone shocked. This led to a lot of negative comments and rumors online.

[What? Are they really getting a divorce?] [It sounds serious. They're going to court!] [I heard Richard wants the company shares Dustan gave to Pearl. Can you believe that?] [Wait, it's not Richard's fault. Pearl fell for someone else.] [Anyone married to Richard would be unhappy. It's no wonder Pearl's looking elsewhere.] [Hey, are you okay? How can you defend cheating like that?] [When's the divorce happening? Will there be a big party?] * Hugo, at Sapphire Group, couldn't help but smile as he read through the news.

He turned to Yulian, who was sitting uncomfortably on the sofa, and asked softly, "So, she told you she's in love with someone else?" Hugo was excited to learn that Pearl disliked Richard, but he found it unacceptable when she was in love with someone else.

"Yeah, but it seemed like she was lying," Yulian admitted.

It seemed to Hugo that Pearl might not have been honest.

Feeling better, Hugo thanked Yulian, "You've done well. I'll transfer the money I promised to your account." Yulian smiled, looking smug. "It was nothing. I just got on her good side, and she opened up to me." Hugo's smile faded. "You're saying that she had a good impression on you?" Unaware of his mistake, Yulian bragged, Yeah, she seemed really into just She was even flirting a bit.

Butept it professionaland asked her questions." S Yulian was instantly attracted to Pearl's He et noeauty when he first met her.

d her stunning, especiall noticing her long, slender legs.

He also felt that Pearl was giving him special attention during their conversation. It was clear that she was interested in him.

Hugo's expression turned cold. "Then, you really did an amazing job. I need to thank you properly." Yulian, oblivious to Hugo's changing mood, his head in ne Barassment. "I really didn't do much. Just did what I was there to And I-" Suddenly, Hugo punched Yulian, knocking him onto the sofa.

Rubbing his hand, Hugo looked down at Yulian disdainfully and said, "Who do you think you are? You think she'd be interested in you?" Shocked and hurt, Yulian tried to hold back his anger, knowing Hugo's

influence. "I just meant she trusted me," he tried to explain. "You still dare to continue?" Hugo gritted his teeth.

Hugo's intimidating look frightened Yulian, who quickly shook his head.

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"No, I didn't mean that. She didn't trust me..." Yulian started rambling, trying to explain himself, but Hugo cut him short.

"Just go. And keep today a secret. Don't tell anyone you were here," Hugo said, dismissing Yulian.

Relieved, Yulian nearly fell to his knees. "Thank you, Mister Hugo. I'm leaving now," he said and quickly left Hugo's office. Hugo stood before the French window, gloominess gleaming in his eyes.

No one could taint Pearl.

* On Friday, Pearl and her companions arrived at the court. A crowd and reporters were already there, eager for a story.

When the reporters tried to question Pearl, Esther's fierce look made them back off.

"Stop asking questions. You'll know when the result is out," Esther snapped.

James, standing by, radiated an icy aura that made the reporters even more hesitant.

They remembered Yulian's earlier luck but realized they wouldn't have the sfortune today. With Pearl's imposing friends by her side, no one dared to bother her further.

"Ladies and gentlemen, please be patient. The details will be shared after the lawsuit," Pearl said, smiling, as she entered the court.

Then Richard arrived, immediately swarmed by reporters. His assistant and bodyguards quickly cleared a path for him.

"Let Mister Richard through first, please," his assistant pleaded.

When the reporters realized they couldn't talk to Richard, they yelled, "Mister Richard, is what's in the news about you true? Do you want to take back the shares gifted to Miss Pearl?" Richard glanced at them coldly, and the person got too scared to speak anymore.

The crowd wisely stepped out of the way.

Inside the court, the proceedings were lengthy and unclear to outsiders. When both parties emerged, their expressions told different stories.

Pearl appeared calm and even managed a polite smile, suggesting things went well for her. The reporters, knowing she had a better temper, decided to question her.

"Miss Pearl, can you share any details?" one reporter asked.

Esther proudly lifted her chin and quickly bragged, "My boyfriend is amazing. With the best lawyer in Enswood on our side, guess who won?" James merely smiled, letting Esther's boast slide.

"And the outcome?" the reporters pressed.

Pearl purposely beat around the bush. "I can't share just yet. I'll post it online later." However, her composure hinted that she had not suffered any losses.

In the aftermath, it was evident Richard had lost the divorce lawsuit.

His defeat and the subsequent news hit Waldorf Enterprises hard. The company's stock prices fell, weakening the company's image.

However, something more serious happened. There seemed to be a problem with the company's internat management. Semployees anonymously posted on the Interhat the company was not managed welf and was about to go bankrupt. et Then, everyone learned that the seemingly prosperous Waldorf Enterprises was on the verge of collapse. It appeared strong on the outside but was crumbling witkin, putting it in jeopardy as opportunists piled on the pressure.

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People began to wonder if Waldorf Enterprises, a big company, was about to fail.

A few days later, Richard spread a rumor that someone wanted to buy his company. This news made many big companies interested. They all wanted to buy Waldorf Enterprises at a low price because, even though it wasn't as great as before, it was still worth a lot.

Richard rejected many offers. But when the Sapphire Group showed interest, he was willing to talk to them.

Hugo sent his most trusted vice president, Sam Lloyd, to talk to Richard, showing he was serious about the deal. Sam met Richard, who was relaxed and reading. For a moment, Sam didn't know what to say to ruin that silence. "Mister Richard, nice to meet you. I'm from Sapphire Group-" "Mister Sam, I've heard a lot about you. Take a seat. Don't be formal." Richard sounded calm and friendly.

Although Sam didn't know Richard well, he respected him. He knew Richard had built the company from scratch and made it successful, so he didn't look down on him, even though the company was struggling.

"Mister Richard, I think you know why I'm here..." Sam left his sentence hanging, hoping Richard would talk about the sale. "You're here to acquire Waldorf Enterprises, right?" "Yes." Sam was surprised Richard was so direct and didn't seem embarrassed about the company's troubles. This made Sam restless. "What's your offer?" Sam remembered his boss, Hugo, telling him to make a fair offer if Richard was sincere.

"Our president said he'll give you a good price if you're serious," he answered. Knowing he was on the winning side, he gave a smug smile.

But Richard, putting down his magazine to look at Sam, asked, "Did Hugo tell you that?" Sam nodded. He also said you could stay as an executive director after he buys Waldorf Enterprises, he added, trying to make the offer sound appealing, even though Hugo just wanted to keep an eye on Richard. "I have too much pride to stay if it's fit's sold. I'd leave," Richard said firmly "Tell your president if he really wants to buy, he should ctalk tohimself." Sam was taken aback. Richard's reply meant Sam wasn't important enough for this deal.

Though Sam was upset, he didn't argue. Richard's stern look made him feel intimidated, even if he remained quiet and did nothing. He looked frightening just by sitting there. And so, Sam left. Richard didn't even stand up to see him out; he just went back to reading as if Sam had never been there.

With a grim expression, Sam decided he had to tell Hugo how unyielding Richard was.

* Finally, Hugo agreed to meet Richard, but he said Pearl must be there too.

Everyone knew why he requested that.