Chapter 423 How Could It Be Possible

Marnie's words caused that relative to form several assumptions about how Shirley managed to raise that large amount of money, all of them negative.

Worried that Sergio might come to the same conclusion and get a bad impression of the Nelson family, he quickly shifted the conversation to a different subject.

But Sergio did reach the same conclusion. A young schoolgirl could only become a mistress or sell her body to earn quick money.

There were students from prestigious universities who had high-paying jobs immediately after graduation. Some of them even made two hundred thousand within a few months, but this was a rare occurrence.

Obviously, the girl Marnie mentioned was not one of them. The sick was none other than her father, so she had to do something for his medical bills since she was a dutiful daughter. But with limited options for earning money, she had probably resorted to drastic measures. It was a sorry tale common amongst the poor.

Sergio understood the girl's motivation for doing what she did to make the money, so he didn't think negatively of her.

He took the initiative to say, "Marnie, let's go and see your uncle when we return."

Since the kidney transplant had been performed, the cost of subsequent recuperation, immunosuppressant, and treatment of complications would only cost a few hundred

Chapter 423 How Could It Be Po... +120 Points at most thousand at most. He could give them this money and also introduce the girl to a charity to let her live a normal life.

Marnie was taken aback. She averted her gaze and responded noncommittally, "We can discuss it later when we return."

If she took Sergio to see her uncle, he could easily bump into Shirley.

Marnie was determined to keep Sergio away from Shirley. She feared Sergio's memory of his night with Shirley would resurface if Sergio saw Shirley again.

The memory of that evening at the resort was still vivid in her mind. The night had grown late and several of their friends were having a blast in a pub.

Shirley quoted not feeling well to leave first while others continued having fun.

It was Shirley who gathered her friends here, and Marnie didn't know any of them. Feeling uncomfortable, Marnie used the excuse of seeing Shirley off to leave after Shirley's departure.

But Marnie didn't catch up to Shirley. Instead, she walked slowly.

Shirley was Marnie's cousin, only a few months older than Marnie.

Both being young, they were often compared by the villagers.

When the villagers spoke about Shirley, they always praised her and said that she was promising.

Shirley attended a good university, though it was not the best university. She chose the best major offered at the

Chapter 423 How Could It Be Po... # +120 Points at most university to pursue her studies.

During every winter and summer break, she would return to the town to teach the students and earn some extra income.

Whenever Marnie was brought up, things were different. Those villagers seldom praised Marnie.

Marnie had dropped out of school and worked for a few years. Whenever she returned to the town, she was forced to attend blind dates, alluding to her as an unmarriageable girl. She didn't appreciate the kindness behind those blind dates.

Finding a girlfriend was effortless for those who were good -looking and had high-paying jobs.

Marnie had a high standard for the kind of man she wanted, and she looked down on every man she had a blind date with and summarily rejected all of them.

Gradually, the villagers realized Marnie was picky and stopped matchmaking for her.

Jamal chided Marnie for this, "Why so picky? If you were as excellent as Shirley, you can choose any man you want."

Over time, Marnie grew increasingly repulsed by Shirley, as she had been constantly compared with Shirley.

She wouldn't have come to this place if it weren't for Shirley's invitation. After all, she didn't have to pay. Why not give it a try?

The chamber they previously stayed in was on the third floor. Rather than use the elevator, Marnie chose to use the stairs.

Suddenly, she heard a woman's scream. The voice was

Chapter 423 How Could It Be Po... +120 Points at most familiar. It was Shirley's voice.

Marnie cautiously cracked open the fire escape door, only to see a strange man pushing Shirley against the wall. Shirley was so frightened that she let out a series of panicked screams.

Marnie was terrified of the scene she was witnessing. Her hands shook as she hastily closed the door.

Fortunately, the man was focused on Shirley and didn't notice her

Clearly, someone was raping Shirley.

Marnie's heart raced as the words repeated on a loop in her head. She shuddered, bile rising up in her throat.

A few minutes later, Marnie finally calmed down.

At first, she wanted to rush in and save Shirley.

But another part of her wanted to pretend she hadn't seen any of it.

If the villagers found out that Shirley was raped, would they still praise her? Would they allow their children to learn from Shirley? No. They would look at Shirley sympathetically and sigh that she was so pitiful. But in private, they would take pleasure in Shirley's misfortune and gossip about her.

Finally, Marnie chose not to push the door open, leaving Shirley behind.

Eventually, the screams ceased. After a moment of listening for movement and not hearing any, Marnie opened the door to take a look. There was no trace of anyone on the stairs. The only evidence that anything had happened was the drops of blood on the ground.

Marnie pretended nothing had happened and went back.

The next day, when Marnie saw Shirley, she inspected Shirley's expression carefully. Shirley looked a little haggard.

Shirley's friends were concerned, thinking Shirley was still not feeling well. Marnie was the only person who knew the real reason behind it.

Despite the gravity of the situation, Shirley opted not to involve the authorities. It appeared that she opted to preserve her reputation.

On Marnie's way back home, she kept brainstorming how she would expose Shirley's being raped to everyone. Then, she was stopped by several strange men.

The strange men grabbed her to a house and asked, "Can you recall where you were at eight o'clock in the evening three days ago while at the pub? What did you do then?"

Marnie's face turned pale and her body trembled. Three days ago, it was exactly when Shirley got raped.

Marnie thought the man who had assaulted Shirley knew she was peeping and wanted to silence her.

Fear gripped her body, causing her to tremble uncontrollably as she stammered, "I know nothing. Please don't harm me."

However, those men believed Marnie was terrified when recalling what had happened that night. So they took her to see Sergio.

It wasn't until that moment that Marnie put the pieces together and realized that Sergio, the son of the Blakely family, was the man who had raped Shirley. Chapter 423 How Could It Be Po... # +120 Points at most

While working as a shopping guide in the mall, Marnie encountered numerous wealthy individuals who spoiled their partners with excessive amounts of money.

She was envious of their girlfriends and wished to be in their shoes. However, her station in life made her invisible to those wealthy men.

Marnie was taken aback when she saw Sergio. It was hard to reconcile the image of the rude rapist with the gentleman in front of her.

Sergio admitted that he was intoxicated that evening and had lost control of his actions.

It was too late to call the cops since any evidence that could have been used to prove that Shirley was raped was gone.

Now that Sergio had dealt with the person who had drugged him and thought Marnie was the girl he raped that night, he offered Marnie two choices. She could either choose to take two hundred thousand as compensation or be his girlfriend.

Marnie couldn't believe it. Shirley was so lucky. The man who raped her was incredibly rich.

Marnie chose to be Sergio's girlfriend.

Then, she told Sergio that she was traumatized by the events of that night and didn't want to mention it ever again, neither did she want another person to hear of it.

Sergio promised not to mention it to anyone else.

Whenever people asked how they got together, Sergio would give them another reason.

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After being with Sergio for a while, Marnie became convinced that he was truly affected by the drug in the wine that night.

He was a calm man and never lost his temper. Even when she talked his ear off, he always listened.

But Marnie could feel that Sergio didn't like her.

When he gazed at her, he always seemed to be analyzing her. He was level-headed and logical in his observations.