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Chapter 531 Screwed Her Over

Their breakup was painful for Veronica, but it was painful for Matthew as well. As he restrained his fondness for her, he could hardly sleep at night and barely had any appetite. If not, he would not have lost his mind in the cave with Veronica when they went on a picnic together at Qurra Mountain. "Really?" Veronica asked doubtfully. "Don't you already know the answer?"

"I don't." Veronica shook her head, speaking in a serious manner. The truth was that she had really forgotten about that matter. Matthew's face darkened, and he pinched her waist gently with his hand that was wrapped around her as a small punishment. "Have you already forgotten about the incident in Qurra Mountain, hmm?"

When he mentioned Qurra Mountain, Veronica's face reddened, and her ears heated up as she lightly pursed her red lips. "Uh... It was so long ago... O-Of course I've forgotten."

Although more than a month had passed, she would definitely not forget about something as wild and exciting as that. She was only ashamed to say it out loud.

for more." Though his words were innocuous

my mood." Upon seeing her pure yet seductive expression, Matthew was

and said, "Now that I think about it, you must've

the sound of the elevator from the hallway,

not like we're doing something shameful. Why are

exiting the elevator. All of a sudden, her eyes widened, and a look of panic flashed past her eyes. In the next moment, she grabbed Matthew and

leaned against the wall

lips, signaling him to keep his voice down. "It's Ruka. I didn't expect her to be in this

country first. As Ruka was worried about Hendrey, she didn't ask any further questions. However, she did not know that Veronica did not return to Destor at all, but had

Matthew felt that it was time to announce their

mall and thought you swung the other way. If she found out that you're dating me now, she'd easily guess that I was the one who kissed

long do we have to keep this up?"

talk about it later." After saying that, Veronica did not forget to warn him. "Also, you must not let Yvonne know about our relationship. If she knows that we're dating, she might think that I paid

and she also bore Conrad's child, which gave that child too much influence on the

you say."

sharp eyebrows lifted as he raised his hand to caress her cheek, his thumb tracing her red lips. "There's something I want to know. How did you

too much of a hurry and still didn't know the specifics

some pills beforehand, he can somewhat

understood what Matthew meant. However, not only did she not feel guilty, but she even felt

for all the rotten things he's

she had also taken revenge

Chapter 532 The 'Burglar' in the Bathroom

She was so nervous that her heart nearly jumped out of her throat, but Matthew still remained completely unfazed. He even got more excited when he sensed her panic, which made him enjoy himself even more, and naturally, he became bolder.

"Roni?" Seeing that no one responded, Yvonne called out again.

"I'm in... Mmm..." Due to Matthew's teasing charged attacks, her voice suddenly trailed off into a moan, causing Veronica to immediately cover her mouth in horror before she replied, restraining herself, "The bathroom... My stomach hurts."

She was afraid that if she didn't tell Yvonne, she would most likely break into the bathroom. Fortunately, the doors to the bathroom in this hotel were not transparent, or it would be truly over for her. But on second thought, if the bathroom was see-through, Matthew would have never dared to let loose here.

"Oh, are you okay?" Yvonne slipped on her slippers and walked to the bathroom to knock on the door.

Knock, knock!

Veronica so much that she held her breath, clasping her hands on the edge of the

Veronica angry and furious, yet doubly stimulated. In a situation like this, she was unable to control her body's

You should

as she spoke, but Yvonne

like you're having a hard time. Do you... want me to send you to

but she could only force herself to play it cool. Behind

a bathroom break. Why did

need to go to the bathroom as well? No, that wasn't right. There

up, so I came out to see you. I was... afraid you'd be gone." Her emotions plunged into depression, she leaned back against the doorway of the bathroom and lowered her head while playing with the hem of her shirt, saying morosely, "I know I said too much to you in my house

Stop apologizing. Can

teasing her again and again, making her tremble repeatedly and frantically, unable to stop biting

again. "Good thing I didn't bring my baby back in the first place. If I'd handed him over, I would've been

I went to his company to look for him that day, I coincidentally saw the insurance contract. Besides, why did I believe it when someone called me and said that he had saved me as 'Honey' on his

tears poured down like rain, and she looked up at the ceiling helplessly, letting her tears slide down her cheeks as she sobbed uncontrollably. Whenever she thought about what happened to her, her heart

had not had enough fun tried not to make a sound, he never intended to let Veronica go. She tried to resist, but he restrained her firmly, giving her no chance to escape; she did not dare to

was at

by him..." She spoke quickly, afraid that

get back to sleep. We have a lot of work to do tomorrow," she added, praying that Yvonne would go back to the bedroom as

can't fall asleep.

leave, I'll be... just

the pharmacy and buy me some medicine?" Suddenly, Veronica came up with a bright idea to

okay." Yvonne

long later, there was the sound of a door closing

Chapter 533 Caught by Yvonne

"Huh?" Veronica was taken aback as she recalled that Matthew was still in the bathroom. If Yvonne bumped into him, she would definitely know what had happened in the bathroom earlier.

"I said I need to use the bathroom," Yvonne replied while heading toward the bathroom.

Her actions nearly scared the soul out of Veronica. Her thoughts raced, and her eyes lit up all of a sudden as she grinned, pretending to be calm. "I think it's better if you use the bathroom in your bedroom. It... It stinks really bad inside. The ventilation in this hotel is too poor."

"All right." Upon seeing Veronica raise her hand to fan her nose, Yvonne nodded dully and walked toward the bedroom. Veronica took a few steps toward the living room and watched Yvonne enter the bedroom, making sure she heard the sound of the bathroom door closing in the bedroom before she let out a deep sigh and immediately opened the bathroom door. Instantly, she was met with Matthew's dark expression. His handsome face was slightly angry, and he fixed his dark eyes on her intently without blinking, complaining of his discontent.

"Hahaha..." Veronica smiled flatteringly and immediately went forward, tiptoeing to wrap her arms around his neck and kissing him on the cheek. "Oh, darling, I didn't do it on purpose."

Due to the urgency of the situation, she was forced to kick him back into the bathroom when she saw that he was about to come out. Who did she think he was? He had never suffered even when they were kidnapped by Xavier, but he got kicked by her today, which naturally made him angry.

arm around her waist, his sharp eyes narrowing. "Have you

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"Yes, yes, I did."
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"How?"

old age,

in front of her as he said in a deep voice that was full of

whatever you say." Veronica took his hand. "Hurry up and go. Quickly. If you

bathroom and pulled the

"Roni, you-"

Bang!

flung shut with a bang, slamming directly into his nose. He clung to the door with a stiff body, and surge of warmth coming out from his nose. Gritting his teeth, Matthew raised his hand to

fire. However, all of

and went to sit on the couch. As her mind trailed uncontrollably to what had happened in the bathroom earlier, she couldn't stop herself from flushing

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dining room, she said, "Yvonne, don't go anywhere today and just stay in your room. I

and took a sip before raising her eyes to look at Veronica emptily. "Okay,

later. You can

"Okay."

she went downstairs and drove back to Twilight Condominium. Before going home, Veronica had called Matthew, who was waiting for her at home. Hence, when she entered the living room,

Veronica entered the door

you so timid?" he asked

"Do I need to remind you

into his arms. "It doesn't matter

did I promise you?" His sudden question made Veronica

how you wanted

choose a way to

Chapter 534 We're Going to Get Married

"Do you know how mountain bandits get married?" Matthew's question came out of nowhere, causing Veronica to freeze before she heard him continue, "They kidnap their wives."

The moment he said that, Matthew's expression turned serious as he cupped her chin and said meaningfully, "Roni, listen carefully. Once you've slept with me, you're mine. In the future, if you dare to abandon me, it doesn't matter if I have to go to the ends of the earth, but I will definitely get you back."

He was still joking seconds ago, but he began warning her out of nowhere, causing Veronica to speculate inwardly if he had already guessed what she was thinking.

"I wouldn't want to run away." Veronica pursed her lips and smiled, wrapping her arms around his neck and planting a kiss on his lips. "My darling is so fit, handsome, and rich. You won't even be able to drive me away from a rare man like this."

that she would not leave, Matthew could sense from

bed and frowned slightly. "I'm going to see Master Crayson today.

"Yes, I..."

busy, it's best for you to not go. I can

only gone to work for a day, and I've been on leave ever since. Tell Miguel for me, or I'll

her a slap to finally sell a car at the auto shop. If she didn't receive her commission because

let Miggy

her. After the

still in Bloomstead, but he had the

had taken a leave of absence from the wedding company. With

brat?" His clouded eyes lit up with

was able to let out a sigh of relief. It was as if he was an elderly father

that Veronica did not come to see him after returning to Destor, he couldn't help but feel jealous. Looking furious, he shot her a glare. "I thought you had forgotten about

see Crayson walking over with a frown and a gloomy expression, his

Master Crayson." Veronica smiled fawningly and

Crayson to glare at her, directly avoiding her extended

offered embrace made

Matthew than

understand the meaning of his tone. She smiled and immediately walked to Crayson's side, treated her like his own child and had watched her grow up, so it was inevitable that he would of mind; I'd much rather not see you every day." Crayson waved his hand with a and closed the door before greeting Crayson. "Master

preoccupied with thoughts of them that he could not sit still at home and eventually came downstairs in the house, so I came out to get some fresh air." He roughly came up with an excuse and brushed it Chapter 535 Yvie, You're Not a Good Girl Anymore

"What about you?" Crayson asked while putting the cup of tea in front of Veronica. "Me?" Veronica smiled brightly before turning to glance at Matthew. Resting her head on his shoulder, she held his arm, saying, "I want to be with Matt, of course. You can't stop us this time, Master Crayson. You know how much he's done for me in Castron this time.

I'm touched, and I'm also grateful for that." As she spoke, she patted his knee and took his left hand before entwining her fingers with his. "So, I want to swear to you that I'll marry no one else but him." That was right; she'd marry no one else but Matthew. As long as she was still able to remain unscathed in the end, she'd definitely go to him and ask him to marry her.

Matthew looked as usual when Veronica's words reached his ears, but the look in his obsidian-like eyes was unfathomable. Turning his head slightly, he fixed her with a meaningful and probing look.

Sitting across from them, Crayson drank his tea without looking up. Then, he heaved a long sigh. "Sigh, there's nothing I can do about the affairs of young people like you. I'm too old for that." After a long while, he nodded. "Okay, I'll discuss it with your parents later."

of my parents. Otherwise, I'll quit being your apprentice," Veronica said like a

and witty demeanor, Crayson smiled from ear to ear while stretching out his hand to poke her forehead. "Look at that

bragged cheekily, "He likes me because I'm good-looking, of course. I look cute and attractive. What a sweetheart

her. "Uh-huh. Roni is the prettiest

laughed smugly. After a long time, she came to the point, asking, "Let's cut to the chase, Master Crayson. If I'm right, Floch and Rachel were supposed to take orders from you in the past. Have they gone rogue now?" If it hadn't been the case, Crayson wouldn't have warned her to stay

of this, Crayson paused for a moment. After taking a sip of his tea, he plonked the teacup on the table to vent his resentment.

sent the couple a video, causing them to turn traitor instantly. The video was about how the child born to the couple

the scenes found out about Tiffany and Veronica, he first devised a plan to kill Tiffany. However, after learning of Floch and Rachel's biological child, he changed his plan at the last minute, deciding to take Tiffany back to Castron and use her to his advantage. In the

but he also

it. She asked, "When should I return to the hidden clan, then? What is my purpose in

that you have to return to the hidden clan in a year. But now that the situation has

those people wanted to make Tiffany their puppet, they'd certainly hope that she'd become the real heir to the hidden clan. On the

anything. And besides, if they want to substitute you with Tiffany, they still have too many things to do," Crayson explained as he analyzed the current situation. Then, he continued, "While they're making preparations, we have to make preparations for that, too. And you..." He looked at Veronica. "You have to put all your work aside. I'll take you somewhere for closed training." They had

he had never asked if Veronica would no longer return or how he was supposed to be together with her if she were to return to the hidden clan and become the next head of the clan. Even so, the fact that he never asked about it didn't mean that

still have to undergo training? I still have to return to the hidden clan to deal with things, so I don't have

she could finish her sentence, Matthew cut her short. Fixing her with a frosty stare, he said, "We'll get married after

instantly. Knitting her brows slightly, she pursed her red lips as sadness surged up within her. After squeezing Matthew's hand, she finally forced a smile, saying, "Even so, you have to ask Master Crayson if he's okay with it. One has to gain permission from their parents to get married, so it's not up to me whether we can get married by

Chapter 536 Yvonne Has Lost It

Yvonne couldn't help but shiver. She swallowed, pretending to be calm as she said, "Yes, I was such an idiot before. I let you fool me with a few words, and I believed everything you said. Didn't you treat me like a fool?"

She laughed at herself, her laughter filled with an indescribable bitterness. Now that she recalled the way she had been extremely distressed when she found out that Conrad had cancer and had taken great

care of him, she felt like a fool. It was no wonder that Veronica called her an idiot. She was absolutely right.

"That's right. You're a fool. You're not half as smart as Veronica, and you're always so self-righteous." Conrad had completely removed his disguise and stopped playing games with Yvonne. "On the surface, you look innocent and lovely, but you're completely different in bed. I've always wondered if you've ever worked at a nightclub from the way you acted."

He had completely shed all pretenses, and every word he said was like a knife digging into Yvonne's heart.

After being insulted by him, Yvonne, who was pretending to be calm, could no longer stay calm and could not help but curse, "Conrad Kings, you f\*cking b\*stard. Serves you right that Roni ruined you completely with her kick. Karma, I'd say!"

pause, she hysterically roared,

hear her heavy breathing; it was obvious that she was furious. However, he laughed instead of getting angry, but his smile did not reach his eyes, making him look extraordinarily

let you off the hook? Yvie, you're the one who

the guts, come at

of which made a chill run down her spine. Yvonne didn't know what he was up to, but his laughter

you know what group

could she not know what it meant? However, what did he

you planning?" Her small hands tightened around her

you'll have to face the consequences." Saying that, he immediately

"Con-"

Beep, beep, beep...

ask something else, but Conrad had already hung up the phone. His decisiveness made Yvonne even more uneasy as her mind reverberated with his abusive words, and her whole

left the hotel and went home to change her clothes before going to the hospital. At the inpatient department in the hospital, in one of the wards,

bed, looking down at the computer in front of him. When he heard the door open, he didn't even raise his head, but the corners of his mouth curled up in a grin. "Not

that Conrad inclined his head, his sinister gaze trained

"I came over

red lips curled up slightly while her hands wrapped around her

difference? Haven't you already given birth to

was willing to back

me. What does he

how would you even

Yvonne was so angry that she became speechless. "What exactly did you

to the hospital gown he was wearing. "As you can see, I'm a patient now.

Yvonne said, as if she had heard the funniest

Chapter 537 She Wants to Kill Conrad

Back then, Conrad had painstakingly arranged for this day, but it had arrived sooner than expected. He leaned against the bed with a mocking smile on his face. "You look more attractive when you're angry compared to your pretentious look, hahaha..."

Conrad unrestrainedly humiliated Yvonne, trampling on her dignity, as if the only way to relieve the endless humiliation in his heart was to see her completely lose her mind. What happened with Zac was still fresh in his mind, and the pain she felt at this moment was the same as the pain he felt before. It was an eye for an eye—she was just getting what she deserved.

Yvonne kept stomping the laptop on the ground, her ears ringing with his words as she fell into despair. Her brain buzzed and she stared at him blankly, her face completely pale. The images in the video lingered in her mind, each of them a scene of shame and a stain on her life.

She thought that him faking a terminal illness was bad enough, but she never thought that he would do something so heinous. For a moment, her world collapsed. Her body kept trembling and her hands clenched into small fists as she had a mental breakdown.

After a long time, she asked in a

disappeared as a sense of humiliation surged in his heart. His eyes flashing, he snorted. "This is what happens when you make an

the things Zac had done? After all,

quickly restrained her emotions before asking, "You want to use the

that, she couldn't think of any

Hand over

having cancer. How do you

in Conrad and

into two halves on the ground. "I suppose you can refuse, but... thousands of people will probably see that gorgeous

sent chills down her spine, as if she had been dunked

gritted her teeth as she shivered uncontrollably. "Do you think I won't kill you right here

bet... you wouldn't dare." Conrad smiled playfully. "You're smart, so you should know that

to someone else to handle, or he could just log into the software and publish it in

a nightmare. Indeed, she did not dare to risk that. Yvonne was completely at a loss.

your video to be published." Saying

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bath sponge and pressed a handful of shower gel before frantically scrubbing her body. As if she

the bathtub, the water had turned cold, and she fell asleep while leaning on the tub in the end. Unsure of how long had passed, Yvonne woke up feeling dizzy, so she pulled a

lay around doing nothing for a full day. Her phone that was placed on her bedside had long since run out of battery and turned off automatically. Yvonne, who had been sleeping for a long time, only woke up when her stomach gurgled with hunger, but she still felt

for a moment before her eyes lit up abruptly and she sat up in a flash, reaching out to grab her phone and immediately charging it when she saw that it was

her phone, it kept vibrating incessantly. There were many missed calls from

message. 'Don't turn off your phone next time. You nearly scared me to death. I hurried to your house to look for you and saw that you were asleep, so I didn't disturb you. Have

you wake up

'Are you awake yet?'

Chapter 538 Yvonne's Deceit for Her Child

Ring, ring. Just then, a phone call from Conrad came again. Yvonne answered the phone without hesitation and yelled, "Conrad Kings, are you not going to stop until you've completely ruined my life?

What have I ever done to you to make you... come after me like this?" Holding her phone to her ear with one hand, she covered her face with the other hand as she cried bitterly.

"Tsk, tsk. Hearing the little princess crying so miserably really makes the heart ache." Conrad smiled coldly before he continued, "I've already told you that as long as you hand over the child, I'll delete the videos. All of it. Plus, shouldn't you know just how important that child is to me? As the child's father, why would I try to harm him?

Right now I'm fighting with Matthew to be the next heir of the Kings Family, so the boy must be by my side. He is my son; I will not bring harm to him. A tiger, though cruel, will not devour its cubs after all."

had his ways to gain his brothers' support. Moreover, with Zac's help from behind the scenes, it

Zac would abandon him the

hesitating, Yvonne tightened her grip on her phone as she pondered with a frown. She was actually taken in by the man's words. "I-If I hand the child to you, what guarantees do I have that you'll delete the videos?" She knew Conrad was still right at the end of the day, as the child was indeed

over for now to ensure the video got deleted first. Then, when the dust settled, she would find another way to get the child back from him. This way, everything

of my child. What good is there for

link you've

me to you." Conrad paused briefly before his tone shifted to

right this instant!" Yvonne was afraid that people who knew her would see the videos. If that came to pass, all

the best when she's well-behaved," Conrad said with a sinister smile before he ended

kept refreshing the page on her phone until the video was finally taken down three minutes later. It was only then did she feel a huge weight lifted from her shoulder. Leaning back against the head of the

together with Matthew. With her head on his lap,

for Yvonne to say it out

up and leaned against

lips pursed and one of her hands

want to

further my career was to prove myself to my parents. Now that I'm here... I can see that I am really lacking. S-So, I want to go back with my child." Left with no other choice, she could only lie to her friend. She knew

"Are you sure?"

that it was a good choice for Yvonne to return to Castron. Not only were her parents there, but they were also powerful and influential enough to shelter her from harm. Thinking back on what had befallen her, Veronica couldn't help but pity her. She knew her to be a good person who didn't want to only depend on her parents, so she decided to venture out on her own. Unfortunately, she came across that scoundrel, Conrad Kings. Ultimately, the feelings she had for Yvonne were closer to penitence, as she was the

she asked, "Do you mind asking Matthew when he

her head and glanced at the man beside her before she answered, "Don't worry, I'll give him a call and ask him now. Since you're the one who

"Thank you, Roni."

down her phone on the table before she turned to look at Matthew. With her head resting on her hand and her elbow propped on the couch, she said to him, "Yvonne wants to bring

Matthew furrowed his brow and said, "It sounds good, if

Chapter 539 Treachery

Yvonne felt touched, knowing that Veronica had done everything for her sake. The two of them sat in the living room and chatted for a bit, but Yvonne was out of it. When she noticed that it was already close to eight, her eyes lit up as she thought of a plan. "Roni, I won't ask you to stay the night here since I want to sleep with the baby. I'm afraid that... the baby will disturb you."

Looking at the warm scene of Yvonne doting her baby, Veronica felt slightly envious. "Alright, then you should have some rest. I'll be back tomorrow morning." She knew that Yvonne wanted to spend some time alone with the child as she hadn't seen the child for some time, so she didn't want to disturb the mother-son bonding time. Thus, after a few more pleasantries, she left the villa.

As there were many mercenaries stationed for the villa's protection, there shouldn't be any problems as long as Yvonne stayed put. Not to mention, it would only be one night before she flew back to Castron. Even if Conrad is fast in gathering information, news of the child returning to Yvonne wouldn't reach his ears that fast, she thought.

Nonetheless, Veronica felt a vague sense of uneasiness. So, instead of going to Matthew, she decided to first stop by Vincere Games. Since she would be away from Bloomstead for a long time to undertake the Devil's training, she needed to take care of the company's affairs before leaving.

she would be out of contact for some time as she would be undergoing special training in Castron and that she would arrange for someone to take care of the company's affairs in her place. As the partners made no objections, she left

room. Sitting on the couch while working

aren't you sleeping yet?" Veronica asked while she changed into her indoor shoes. Then, she walked over to Matthew and wrapped her arms around his neck before she kissed him on the

and setting it aside on the table, the man then looped his left arm around

you're such a wonderful man." With a smile filled with desire, she rested her chin on the man's shoulder with her head slightly tilted enough for the man's face to

grant you your wish whenever you desire,"

However, I don't wish to

a little harder in raising

too hard

and felt her heart melt into a puddle listening to Matthew. Though he was several years older than her, he had always taken great care of her. She

but also my duty, so it won't be hard on me. On the contrary, it would be... my honor." Matthew pinched her cheeks. "Grandma has always wanted a grandchild. Don't you want to fulfill her

can make a baby on

you, do you think that I

man's deep black eyes, Veronica immediately waved the white flag in

Matthew lifted her up like she

Meanwhile, at the hospital.

Chapter 540 'Yvonne's' Returned to the Country

Yvonne looked back at Conrad, and upon seeing how he calmly and gracefully sat on the couch, she immediately knew that the two men behind her had stabbed her in the back. "You... I treat you both well. Why have you betrayed me?"

Her eyes were wide and red from anger. Hearing that, Jerry and Eric looked at each other before the yellow-haired Jerry said, "In your people's words, 'human beings die in pursuit of wealth, and birds die in pursuit of food'. Mr. Conrad pays us dozens of times more than you do."

"Tell me how much he is paying you." She then added with a roar, "I will double that!"

The brothers smiled at each other and shook their heads. "We have already betrayed you anyway. We will be marching into death if we go back on our words now." Eric sighed.

They knew there was no turning back from the moment they made their choice as they could already imagine the consequences of going back to Yvonne's side after betraying her.

Seemingly on the verge of losing her mind, she turned back and looked at Conrad as she hissed, "You despicable man!"

"I am despicable? No. You are the one who went back on your word." He tapped the ash off the cigarette between his fingers. "I gave you your chance. You were the one who didn't appreciate it."

After he finished saying that, he threw a speaking look to the man behind Yvonne.

All she felt was a pain in her neck before her vision went black, and she fell to the floor.

Another bodyguard had gotten himself ready to catch the child in her arms right when she went limp.

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by the time Veronica woke up, Matthew had already prepared her some immense joy even though he always made porridge or simple sandwiches for their breakfast she had not been eating much because of her loss of porridge I cooked for you.

in casual clothes and an apron, Matthew had rolled his sleeves up to his elbow, and was holding prepared state banquets.

she generously complimented him, only for Matthew to peek at her from the corner of his eye. "Fine. I will let

Elbows on the table,

blew at it. She was about to

spoon

"Ugh..."

her chest, but the next moment, she

my period in over a month, and

was hit by a feeling of doom all of a sudden. Many seconds had

been more than a month since she forgot to take a pill after she rolled in the

did her period not come, she had a loss of appetite, and would occasionally suffer

that it was her gastritis that relapsed, but

like she

knocked on the door. "Roni? What

hurts all of a

to hide it better, she took off her pants and sat on

porridge is going to go cold," he

"Mhm. Okay."

couldn't help feeling

for a while before she finally shuffled to the dining

uncertainty began to arise when she saw

eat if you continue being all wishy-washy." He was telling her to hurry over and

a spoonful of porridge. She then forced herself to eat it, but she didn't thoroughly chew in

bad?" Matthew asked all of

eyebrows were pulled together, and she was eating with her head lowered, as though she had something on her

took a spoon of porridge and tasted it.

shook her head. "N-No. It is probably due to something else. My throat doesn't feel too to put down her spoon when she finally couldn't force herself any longer. "I'm done," she stated. this and she would a clever man. She would be doomed if he found out the