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Did that mean Finn was rich?

“If you like it, I can give it all to you.” Finn said seriously, “I'm not interested in money.”

Monica was speechless.

Although she was already worth hundreds of billions, she would never dare to say that she was not interested in money. She was more than interested in money, yet Finn could say otherwise so matter-of-factly.

“Monica, let's not suspect each other and keep things bottled up anymore. From now on, we have to tell each other everything, okay?” Finn said affectionately, “I really don't want us to lose each other again.”

“Alright.” Monica nodded.

She, too, did not want to lose him or have any misunderstandings between them again. On second thought, it was not easy for them to be together again after separating so many times. Since they had come a long way, they had to cherish each other.

Finn returned to the driver's seat and was still driving at the speed of a turtle. However, as he drove, Monica felt that the guy was a little abnormal as he would smile out of the blue and very strangely at that.

Was he possessed?

Monica could not help but ask him, "Finn, are you alright?"

Finn had a wide smile on his face as he said, "I'm fine. What's wrong?"

"What's wrong? Do you know how scary it is when you start smiling without context? What the hell are you smiling at?" "No, I'm not." Finn denied it. "I'm not smiling."

"Do you think I'm blind?"

"What are you hiding from me again?" Monica got angry.

If Finn had any thoughts, that sentence could directly make Finn submit to her.

With that, he said, "It just suddenly crossed my mind that I'm your only man..." When he said it, his smile widened.

F*ck. Did he have to be so happy over such a small thing? Did he not say he had gotten over it? Did he not say that he did not care at all?

At the hospital, Nox was lying on a VIP bed, staring at the ceiling in despair.

He did not even dare to take out his phone as he was afraid that his hands would betray him and that he tap open the news to watch it. As for the news, it was obvious what they would write.

"Ahhh!" Nox screamed.

At the thought that he had become the laughingstock of the entire country, he really wished he was dead. How could he still live in this world after being so humiliated? He did not deserve to live.

"Mr. Winter, what's wrong?" The door was pushed open, and the nurse rushed in worriedly.

She had probably heard the cry of Nox's cry, so she barged in. However, she was a little stunned when she saw Nox lying on the bed.

"It's nothing." Nox did not even look at the nurse. "Get out."

"Mr. Winter, don't take things too hard," the nurse could not help but say with concern.

"Get out!" Nox did not want to talk to anyone.

So what if he could not take it anymore? Even if he wanted to take things too hard, he would lock himself in a sealed space for the rest of his life. He did not want anyone to care about him or disturb him.

"Mr. Winter..."

"I told you to get out of here..."

Suddenly, he held his tongue because he saw his grandfather. Seeing that old man, Nox almost fainted from anger again. Hence, he looked at the old man and then turned around to face his back to him.

He had sworn to ignore his grandfather for the rest of his life. Since the latter could be so heartless, he would stop caring about him. He had thought it through very carefully, and his decision was firm.

Nox's back was facing his grandfather, and he refused to turn around and look at him until..

"Ah!" Nox shouted, "Why are you poking my head?"

Nox turned around and shouted at Wade. He was baffled as to why his grandfather would poke the big bump on his head. Did he have a death wish?

"I wanted to see if it was soft or hard," Wade replied frankly.

'F*ck you!' Nox cursed to himself.

He would know if he fell! Was his grandfather here to make things difficult for him? Did he think that he had not pissed Nox off enough yet and wanted to stab him in the heart again?

“Get out. I don't want to see you again. From now on, our relationship as grandfather and grandson is severed. I'll pretend that I don't have you as my grandfather anymore!” Nox said agitatedly..

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He should have cut ties with his grandfather a long time ago because that old man could really kill him!

“Oh,” Wade replied, and he did not seem to care.

That reply infuriated Nox. To think that he was so respectful and nice to his grandfather! At the thought of all the torture his grandfather had done to him over the years, he really regretted it.

“Since we have nothing to do with each other anymore, don't come or show up in front of me again. Get out!” Nox drove him away, refusing to see his grandfather for even a minute.

When he saw his grandfather, all he saw was his grandfather looking at him like he was an idiot. Before his grandfather, he would always be the world's biggest “idiot”!

“Actually, I'm not here to see you,” Wade said bluntly.

'Since you're not here to see me, hurry up and leave. Stop talking nonsense. How old are you to still be two-faced?' Nox thought.

"I'm here to see Shelly," Wade said calmly.

Nox was stunned for a second. Then, he suddenly remembered that he did run into Shelly in the hospital last night and almost lost control of himself with that woman.

Speaking of which, was Shelly seriously ill? Was that why she was hospitalized? Could it be some terminal illness?

"Shelly will outlive you!" Wade looked at his grandson and knew what he was thinking.

Nox rolled his eyes. As he said, he had never been able to defeat his grandfather since he was young. His grandfather knew everything he was thinking. It was as if a chip had been installed in his brain, and all his thoughts were controlled by his grandfather.

"Shelly's daughter, Bella, underwent an eardrum repair surgery," Wade said bluntly.

If his grandfather did not say that, Nox had even thought of a name for Shelly's tombstone.

"So her daughter's disability is in her ears," Nox said indifferently. That was why he thought she looked very normal to be disabled.

"The ward is on the 9th floor, ward 028," Wade said.

Nox frowned. "Why are you telling me that? I'm not going to see her."

Wade's face darkened for a second, but in the next second, he turned around and left. For some reason, it felt as if he found Nox hopeless.

Nox, however, did not care what his grandpa thought of him. Anyway, they had already severed all ties!

In the normal ward of the hospital, Shelly was taking care of Bella, who had been in bed ever since the surgery, and that was the first time Shelly saw the little girl so weak.

Seeing Bella like that made Shelly's heart ache, so she stayed by Bella's side and told her to be strong. After she was discharged from the hospital, she would be able to hear like a normal child without needing a hearing aid.

Bella had always been a good girl, and she would nod to whatever Shelly said. As such, Shelly had never regretted keeping Bella with her.

At that moment, because she was afraid that Bella would be bored, she took out a book and told Bella fairy tales. Her voice was so gentle and pleasant to the ears that even the child in the next room listened with great interest.

After the story ended, she looked up and saw a familiar person standing at the door. She rubbed her eyes, only to see Wade smiling kindly at her.

If Nox saw that smile, he would faint from anger again. Ever since he was young, no matter how he behaved, that old man had never smiled sincerely at him.

"Grandpa Winter." Shelly quickly stood up from the bed.

When she saw Wade, she was somehow a little excited as she did not expect him to come to see her.

"Am I disturbing you?" Wade walked into the ward and glanced at Bella, who was lying on the bed.

"No, I was just telling Bella some stories, and I'm a little tired now," Shelly quickly said,

She then found a chair in the ward and placed it in front of Wade, who did not refuse the offer and sat down.

As Shelly was sitting on the edge of the bed, she was very close to Wade.

“How was the surgery?” Wade asked.

“It went pretty well. The doctor said that everything went well, so she should be discharged from the hospital in a week and would only have to undergo regular check-ups after that. She should be able to recover a certain amount of hearing half a year later. Then, as she grows up and develops further, she should be able to recover the hearing of a normal person before she's ten years old,” Shelly quickly said.

“That's good.” Wade nodded.

“Grandpa Winter, why did you come to look for me today?” Shelly asked.

She did not ask him how he found her..

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She knew how powerful the Winters were, and finding someone for them was just a matter of minutes.

“Nothing. I just came to see Nox, and I remembered that you were in the hospital too, so I came to see you,” Wade said casually.

“Nox is in the hospital?” Shelly was surprised.

Was not he getting married? How did he end up in the hospital?

“Didn't you see the news?” Wade asked.

“I watched a little while waiting for Bella when she was undergoing surgery. I saw Nox preparing for the ceremony, and then Bella came out, so I didn't have time to watch,” Shelly explained. “Did something happen?”

“Oh, something big happened. You'll know when you watch the news later,” Wade said.

“Alright.” Shelly did not ask further.

If Nox was hospitalized, nothing good must have happened.

“Mommy,” Bella suddenly called out to Shelly weakly.

Shelly quickly turned around and looked at Bella. “What's wrong? Are you feeling unwell?”

“No, I want Mom to hold my little hand,” Bella said like a spoiled child.

Ever since she came out of the operating theater, she had not felt safe.

“Alright.” Shelly quickly held Bella's hand with a gentle look on her face.

Wade watched the interaction between Shelly and Bella and could not understand why Nox was so blind to have chosen Zoe over Shelly. He did not even want to admit that Nox was his biological grandson.

He said, “Shelly, I won't disturb you from taking care of Bella. Take care and rest well. Don't tire yourself out. I'll head off now.” “Let me send you off, Grandpa Winter.” “There's no need. Bella is so dependent on you. Stay with her.”

“Yes.” Shelly nodded with an apologetic smile.

Wade also smiled and left the hospital after that.

Shelly looked at Grandpa Winter's back and sighed. Actually, other than Nox, the Winters treated her really well. Even though Nox's mother had refused to allow her to bring Bella back, she knew that deep down, Nox's mother was good to her.

When she turned back around, she saw that Bella's eyes were closed, as if she was about to fall asleep. That was when Shelly realized why Bella wanted her to hold her hand. It turned out that Bella wanted to sleep but was afraid that Shelly would leave.

She lowered her head and caressed Bella's cheek. "Go to sleep. Mommy will stay with you."

Bella nodded obediently and soon fell asleep, with Shelly staying by her side. Since Bella was asleep and Shelly had nothing to do, she took out her phone and saw the news about Nox.

Previously, it was a long story about the wedding. Now, it was about Nox getting cuckolded! Shelly clicked on a random piece of news, and only then did she know what had happened.

It turned out that the moment she put down her phone, Nox's wedding had taken a dramatic turn. The fact that Zoe cheated on Nox was exposed at the wedding, and most importantly, the person exposed was Nox's grandpa, the kind Grandpa Winter who had just come to see her. Was Grandpa Winter trying to kill his grandson?

She finally understood why Nox was hospitalized. The news said that he fainted from anger and then had a concussion. However, Shelly felt nothing as she watched the news. She just... did not expect it to happen.

At that moment, she could not help but sigh at how soft-hearted Grandpa Winter was. Although the scandal on the wedding day was a little infuriating, at least Nox and Zoe did not get married.

She was still hoping that after Nox married Zoe, he would have countless children who were not his — or maybe one of them would be his. That way, the two of them would be entangled with each other for the rest of their lives, and Nox would be cuckolded for the rest of his life.

Ultimately, although Grandpa Winter's way of handling things was not very kind, he was still on Nox's side. Upon realizing that, Shelly only thought it was a pity and nothing else.

Out of boredom, she opened the comments section. When she saw the comments in the comments section, she was about to die of laughter.

Other people would usually be sympathetic when someone was cuckolded, but Nox being cuckolded was entertainment to the public.

It was probably because Old Master Winter exposed Nox's sorry state so unreasonably that the other netizens did not show mercy to Nox. She even saw some comments saying that Nox was using his life to entertain the public!

Someone said, "Does Nox think that not much on the news has been trending lately, so he's offering himself?"

There were also people who said, "Come, come, come. Let's raise funds from the public and give Nox an award!"

Shelly thought she would die laughing from reading the comments one day.

At that moment, she could not help but laugh out loud.

"Is it that funny?" Beside her, a cold male voice suddenly sounded..

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"Is it that funny?" Nox gritted his teeth and asked.

At that moment, he even saw the words "Nox Got Cuckolded" on Shelly's phone screen. Therefore, he knew what Shelly was laughing about. She was laughing at him for being cuckolded so badly!

Nox's voice startled Shelly. She raised her head and saw Nox's grim face facing her like he wanted to strangle her.

Shelly shuddered and figured she had to be more careful when he saw others make a fool of themselves in the future. After all, it would be awkward if she was discovered.

The two of them looked at each other for a few seconds. Just as Shelly was about to shift her gaze away, Nox snatched her phone away. Shelly's expression changed. "What are you doing?"

'What are you looking at?' Nox said coldly. Shelly was speechless. "It's not what you want to see anyway."

"It's none of your business!" Nox glared at Shelly.

Shelly ignored him. Anyway, if Nox wanted to torture himself, it was his business. She was even hoping that he would be angered to death.

In the quiet space, Shelly focused all her attention on Bella and ignored Nox.

Nox had been able to control himself from not watching the news as he, too, knew that nothing good would come out of it. However, when he saw the

news...

'F*ck.' Nox felt like his heart attack was about to relapse! Was he that f*cking funny? What the hell were those comments?

Nox immediately uninstalled the news application and threw the phone at Shelly.

Shelly was shocked by Nox's sudden action. Although she caught the phone with both hands, it hurt a little when the phone hit her palm. However, she held her tongue.

She did not want to argue with Nox since it was useless anyway, and she might as well get rid of Nox as soon as possible.

To be honest, she felt that the Nox in the news was much cuter than the Nox in real life. As for the Nox in real life... she just wanted to stay as far away from him as she could.

“Let me tell you, Shelly, don't think you can laugh at me just because I've been cheated on. Even if I've been cheated on, there are still many women who like me, and I can still find many women who are better.” Nox lost his temper, and for some reason, he was venting his anger all on Shelly.

Shelly was speechless.

Fortunately, before she could say anything, she heard a young father in the next room berate them, “This is the hospital. If you want to quarrel, go home. Don't disturb my daughter's rest!”

Shelly pursed her lips, and Nox was also a little unhappy about being scolded. Looking at the little girl sleeping on the bed beside him, he held himself back and did not say anything else. Meanwhile, Shelly remained silent and said nothing about Nox being cheated on.

Nox was inexplicably furious. Whether Shelly laughed at him or not, he would not be happy, and he did not know why he was so frustrated.

He could not help but speak again, but his voice was much lower. “Why aren't you saying anything?”

“There's nothing much to say,” Shelly said coldly.

Her eyes were fixed on Bella, and she did not even spare a glance at Nox.

Nox was furious. “Shelly, can you not be such a hypocrite? Do you think I don't know what you're thinking just because you don't say anything? You must feel very happy knowing that I've been cheated on, right? That this day has finally come for me? That I didn't want you back then, and now I'm being cheated on?”

Are you happy?

“I'm not that childish.” Shelly sounded a little impatient. “Besides, you and I have nothing to do with each other. What happens to you is your business. I don't think it affects me. It's just that the netizens' comments are a little funny, so I laughed.”

“Stop lying to me! I know what you're thinking. You're over the moon now, aren't you?”

“What's there to be happy about?” Shelly said to Nox. “That's your business. It has nothing to do with me.”

“Now that I've been cuckolded, Zoe and I will never be together.” Nox was still very certain. “That must be what you're thinking!”

Shelly did not want to waste her breath on Nox. However, Nox could be too cocky sometimes, and she had no choice but to make things clear to him. After all, overconfidence was not a good thing..

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Shelly said, “I already knew that Zoe was cheating on you.”

Nox was stunned. He thought he had misheard.

Shelly continued, “Zoe would often go to the nightclub to have fun. Since I was also working at the nightclub at that time, I met her many times. I also met her a few times when I was working as a waitress in a high-class restaurant. By the way, do you remember the time you drank with Dr. Jones? Zoe was in the room next to yours with another man—”

“Shelly!” Nox interrupted him abruptly.

His voice was so loud that even Bella, who was asleep, was startled. The little girl beside them was also crying in fear because of the sound.

The little girl's father was angry again. “Are you done?!”

Having been scolded again, Nox suppressed the displeasure he felt and dragged Shelly out.

Shelly turned to look at Bella. When she left the room, she could not help but say to the man beside her, “Sir, please help me keep an eye on my daughter. If she wakes up, call me.”

“Should I call the police?” the man asked as he did not think the two of them looked like husband and wife.

“Not at the moment.”

She said not at the moment because if Nox was really too unreasonable, she would call the police.

When Nox heard Shelly's words, he was furious. What did she mean by “not at the moment”? Who did Shelly think she was? What could he do to her anyway?

Nox dragged Shelly to the emergency stairway, where there was a fire door, so she could not hear anything from the ward at all. In other words, she would not be able to hear Bella calling her when she woke up.

A little angry about that, Shelly pushed Nox away. Nox took a few steps back, and behind him were the stairs. Did Shelly want him dead?

“What are you trying to do, Nox?” Shelly flew into a rage. “I already said that I knew about Zoe cheating on you a long time ago. Now that it's been exposed, it's all the same to me. What can I feel? I don't feel happy! I just thought it was a little funny. There was no other meaning. Regarding what you said about me thinking that I have another chance...”

Shelly paused for a moment, telling herself not to get too agitated.

She took a deep breath to calm herself down before saying, “If I really wanted to be with you again, I would have told you about Zoe cheating on you. I

wouldn't have waited for your grandfather to expose you.”

“You, you, you!” Nox was so angry that he could not say anything else.

He did not expect Shelly to have known all along. What was even more unexpected was that Shelly knew and did not tell him. She watched as he was deceived by Zoe like she was watching a joke. How could Shelly be so cruel?

“By the way, I also took 200 thousand dollars from Zoe. Don't you know that?” Shelly decided to tell Nox everything so that Nox would not think that she was fantasizing about being with him. “That 200 thousand dollars was to shut me up and make sure I didn't tell you that she cheated on you. I gladly accepted it.”

Nox thought his life was a joke. The critical hits he had suffered during this period of time were getting more intense each time.

As he looked at Shelly, the cold-blooded and heartless woman, he did not believe that she had no feelings or fantasies about him. He even wondered if he had a chance with Shelly should he and Zoe fell out...

That's right. When he heard his grandfather mention Shelly's ward, he made a mental note of it. However, he could not control himself from going to Shelly's ward to look for her, and that was when he saw her smiling at his news.

He was so agitated just now because he wanted Shelly to admit that she cared about him. In the end, the answer he got was not only that Shelly did not care, but she also chose to ignore it and even benefit from it.

Nox's eyes were bloodshot as he was really furious. If his heart were a little weaker, he would have died.

He looked at Shelly fiercely, wishing he could strangle that woman.

Shelly pursed her lips. She also knew that she had gone a little overboard. However, if she did not clarify some facts, she would be causing trouble for herself, and Nox would be a really big problem..

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She said, "If there are no other questions, I'll take my leave."

In other words, even if he died of anger right now, it would have nothing to do with her because she did not care about him at all.

"Shelly!" Nox suddenly grabbed her arm.

Shelly felt that if she had learned a bit of self-defense, she could have kicked Nox away.

"You wanted to marry me so much back then, and no matter how I chased you away, you refused to leave. Who would believe you now that you say you have no feelings for me? Are you deliberately taking revenge on me?" Nox argued, "You are taking revenge on me on purpose. You're taking revenge on me for all the harm I've done to you. That's why you didn't tell me that Zoe was cheating on me. You just don't want me to live a good life."

Yes, she could not deny that she had such intentions. However, that was only when Nox came to annoy her, and she hated him.

She said, "I wanted to marry you before because I felt that the Winters could give me wealth and glory. I wanted to strive for a more luxurious life in the future, so I worked harder. However, when I realized that it was not possible, I let go of the idea, and it really wasn't because of feelings. As for you saying that I'm taking revenge on you on purpose, I'm not taking revenge on you. I just hope that you can get married soon and stop pestering me."

"Shelly!" Nox was about to explode from anger.

If she could compromise a little and give him a way out, he could allow her to return to his side! Could she not see what he was thinking?

"Personally, I don't think many women will like you. After all, your personality is very unlikeable, and most of the women who are willing to be with you are greedy for your money. I am, Zoe is, and all the women who get close to you in the future should be." Shelly looked serious. "I advise you not to be too serious about your relationship in the future. Otherwise, you'll be hurt again, and I don't know how bad it will be."

Nox really wanted to bring Shelly down with him.

At that point, Shelly felt that although Nox was angry, he should believe what she said about having no feelings for him and would not come looking for trouble for no reason in the future.

Then, she left without even bothering to inform Nox as she felt that there was no need. In any case, it was better for two people who did not have a good relationship to forget about each other and pretend that they had never known each other.

With that, she turned around and left.

Nox did not stop her this time. Instead, he shouted at her back, "Shelly, if you leave now, it'll be impossible for us to be together in the future. Don't even think about coming back to me. Even if you come back to me for money, I won't give you a chance. I mean what I say..."

Before he could finish his sentence, the door to the emergency stairway closed.

Shelly had left without hesitating or feeling threatened by him.

Nox kicked the wall hard until his feet were swollen. At that moment, he was so angry that he could kill someone.

He swore he would never look for Shelly again. In the future, even if Shelly kneeled in front of him and begged him, he would not spare a glance at that woman!

He opened the security door and walked out angrily. Just as he walked out, he suddenly collided head-on with someone.

"Don't you have eyes?" Nox roared at the passersby.

"I'm sorry, I'm sorry. I didn't do it on purpose." Benjamin quickly apologized.

The moment Benjamin lifted his head and Nox saw him, Nox paused for a moment. He wondered why the guy look so familiar and where he had seen him before.

Benjamin could not help but ask, "Are you here to see Shelly's daughter too?"

"Who are you?" Nox asked directly.

Benjamin was stunned again. Did Nox not recognize him?

"I'm asking you. Who are you?" Nox was furious.

Shocked, Benjamin quickly answered, "Benjamin. I fought with Shelly in high school, and you came to avenge her. In the end, you told me to pursue Shelly."

That was why he was wondering why that man was so unpleasant to the eye. It turned out he was that damn brat who kissed Shelly back then!

"Are you here to see Shelly's daughter?" Benjamin asked.

Nox finally remembered.

"Am I crazy to come to see her?" Nox's face turned dark..

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"I thought Shelly's daughter was yours."

"What nonsense are you talking about? Shelly, having a kid with me? In her dreams!" Nox said irritably.

He was so frustrated that all he could do was throw a fit.

“Oh,” Benjamin replied as he probably did not know how to talk to Nox anymore.

“What? Are you here to pursue Shelly again?” Nox suddenly asked coldly.

“Not really. We used to be classmates, and her daughter is hospitalized, so I'm here to take a look.”

Nox sized up the man, who was wearing a pair of refined glasses and looking like a nerd.

“I think you want to pursue Shelly again.” Nox was certain.

“If we develop feelings for each other, I won't refuse.” Benjamin said, “Mr. Winter, you wouldn't mind, right? After all, you don't like Shelly, and Shelly's daughter isn't yours.”

“Will I mind? Am I crazy? Hurry up and pursue Shelly so that you can be with her. ”

“I'll try my best.” Benjamin smiled.

When Nox heard Benjamin's words, a burning rage was simmering in his heart.

“I'm going to see Shelly's daughter.” Benjamin politely said goodbye and walked into Shelly's daughter's ward.

Nox looked at Benjamin's back before turning around and slamming into the wall in front of him, simply because he was so angry!

“Mom, why did this man hit himself on the wall?” A child walked past Nox and asked curiously.

“Don't look, don't look.” The child's mother quickly pulled her child away and quickened her pace. “That man is mentally ill. He'll eat children.”

“Let's run.”

The child pulled his mother away and ran.

Nox's face turned red with anger when he heard the mother calling him sick, and he went back to his ward angrily.

In Shelly's daughter's ward, Shelly was surprised to see Benjamin as she did not expect Benjamin to come. In fact, she had never told anyone about her daughter's illness, so how did Benjamin know?

Benjamin noticed Shelly's confusion and quickly explained, “Didn't I run into you in the hospital the other day? After you left, I went back to get my medicine and heard the nurse talking about your daughter. She said that your daughter was about to undergo an eardrum operation soon, so I asked a few more questions and found out that your daughter had an operation. I came over after class.”

“Oh.” Shelly nodded.

Before she went to sleep, she had indeed told the nurse about her daughter's condition. She was afraid that her sudden illness would affect her daughter's surgery, so she had to prepare for it first.

“How's your daughter?” Benjamin turned to look at Bella.

“The doctor said she's fine. She's asleep now.”

“That's good.” Benjamin nodded. “Oh right, this is a small gift I bought for Bella. I wonder if she'll like it. I don't know what to choose as a gift for a little girl, so I just bought a plushie toy.”

Then, he handed it to Shelly, a little embarrassed.

Shelly looked at the pink bunny and felt touched. She also seemed less resistant toward Benjamin.

She took it with a smile. "Thank you."

"You're welcome. It's nothing," Benjamin quickly said.

As Shelly did not say anything else, it was still a little awkward in the ward, so Benjamin quickly changed the topic. "I just saw Nox outside." Shelly did not have much of a reaction, so she responded.

"He seemed pretty angry. Did you guys fight?" Benjamin asked.

"No," Shelly denied. "He's just upset and angry at himself for being cheated on." "Oh, I see. I was wondering what happened to him. He looked so irritable." "Don't worry about him. That's just how he is."

"But it's only natural that he's a little mentally unstable after encountering such a thing." Benjamin was more understanding of Nox's situation.

'Yes.'" Shelly, however, did not comment much.

Then, the room fell silent again.

Still feeling uncomfortable with Benjamin, Shelly said, "Bella is fine. Why don't you go back?"

"Do you dislike me that much?" Benjamin smiled.

He was not angry at all.

"I'm just afraid it'll affect your studies."

"In university, you just need to study to get enough academic credits. It's not as hectic as studying in high school," Benjamin explained..

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“Is that so?” Shelly smiled. “I didn't go to university.”

“Actually, university isn't as wonderful as we thought it would be,” Benjamin quickly said as he was very concerned about Shelly's emotional changes. “By the way, how do you eat in the hospital?” Benjamin changed the topic.

“You can order food at the hospital.”

“Oh, I thought you wouldn't be able to have a proper meal, so I thought I'd bring you food from my canteen.”

“Your canteen should be pretty far from here, right?”

“That's true.” Benjamin smiled awkwardly. “I was just afraid that you wouldn't be able to eat in the hospital alone.”

“No, I'm fine. Besides, I'm used to taking care of Bella alone after so many years.”

“Is it hard?” Benjamin suddenly asked, his face filled with concern.

“I'm used to it.” She did not say whether it was hard or not.

Benjamin could feel the distance between Shelly and him, so he said, “I have to say that back when we were in high school, we were a little insensible. Are you still angry?”

“No, I'm not.” Shelly shook her head.

What was there to be angry about? If she wanted to be angry, she should be angry at Nox. She had never been angry with Benjamin.

If she were in Benjamin's shoes, she would have agreed to Nox too. After all, who could say no to money?

"Actually, I didn't do it for money," Benjamin said and then paused. "I've been wanting to explain it to you all these years, but I haven't had the chance. After all, you didn't go for the college entrance examination, and I lost contact with you."

"There's nothing much to say. I didn't take it to heart."

"I just wanted to tell you that I really liked you when I pursued you back then. I fought with you because I didn't like to see the girl I liked with other men. I was jealous and couldn't control myself from fighting with you." Benjamin still told her everything.

Shelly did not know what to say.

"Later, because you found out, I didn't know how to tell you what I was thinking. I was afraid that you would reject me or laugh at me. Now that I've finally said it out loud, I feel a huge weight lifted off my shoulders." Benjamin took a deep breath.

"That's good because I didn't take it to heart." Shelly could only speak her

thoughts calmly.

"Oh right, I just asked Nox if your daughter is his..."

"She's not," Shelly denied.

"I know she's not. I'm just saying that Nox told me to pursue you properly." As Benjamin spoke, he even smiled. "After all these years, is your relationship with Nox still so bad?"

“Indeed, it hasn't been good.” Shelly nodded. “But don't listen to Nox. I'm not thinking about dating now, so don't waste your time on me. If Nox says that he wants to give you money or something, I can cooperate with your act. Anyway, he's rich but stupid. He'll eventually be cheated of his money.”

Benjamin could not help but laugh. “You say Nox is stupid but rich, but he's a remarkable businessman. I'm studying international economics now, and we've learned some of his business methods. He's very impressive.”

“In that case, I guess he doesn't know anything except making money,” Shelly said bluntly.

She did not think highly of Nox, and Benjamin did not refute her. He said, “Nox didn't give me money to pursue you. Don't misunderstand.”

“Alright.” Shelly nodded.

“But I really want to pursue you,” Benjamin suddenly said.

Shelly was stunned.

“I've never forgotten you. All these years, I've been restraining myself from looking for you. But when I saw you that night, I really couldn't control myself, so I decided to come and see you.”

“As I said, I'm not thinking about dating right now. Besides, I have a child, so I'm not suitable for you.”

“As long as you don't have a husband, we can raise the child together.” Benjamin said seriously, “I like children too.”

“You haven't even stepped into society yet, so don't tell me you want to raise a child with me.” Shelly rejected him seriously.

Benjamin was silent, probably because Shelly's words hurt him a little.

He said, "It's true that I don't have the ability to earn money on my own yet, but

I'll graduate from university next year. Then, I'll be able to support my family."

"Let's wait until you can really support your family." Shelly was downright rejecting Benjamin.

It was because she looked down on him, but because she knew very well that if she were to be with Benjamin in this situation, she would be harming him..

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Not only would he be pressured with money, but the world would also look down on him. She had never thought of harming anyone.

"Yes," Benjamin replied.

Although it was a little uncomfortable to be rejected by Shelly, he knew he could not give Shelly a sense of security when he was powerless.

"Then, can we be friends now?" Benjamin looked hopeful.

Seeing that he was compromising, Shelly could not refuse.

She could really not leave any leeway for Nox because she did not owe him anything, so she could do whatever she wanted to him. However, with Benjamin, she could not bring herself to resist his kindness.

When she was in school and Benjamin was pursuing her, she was also touched by Benjamin's kindness.

She hesitated for a moment before nodding.

Benjamin smiled brightly and said, "Alright, let's start as friends." "There's no start. We're just friends," Shelly said frankly.

"Okay, let's be friends." Benjamin quickly corrected himself, like he was afraid that Shelly would get angry.

It was very similar to a boyfriend's endless compromise and pampering of his girlfriend.

From that day onward, Benjamin often visited Bella's ward, and he soon developed a great bond with Bella. Moreover, as an innocent child, Bella would naturally be nice to whoever treated her well. Occasionally, when she did not see Benjamin, she would ask when he would come over.

Today was the day Bella was discharged from the hospital, so Benjamin came over early in the morning to help Bella with the discharge procedures. Although he was very busy, he did not complain at all. In fact, he was even very enthusiastic about the work.

Shelly observed how busy Benjamin was. It would be a lie to say she was not touched, even though she had been suppressing it and not letting it show.

Once everything was sorted, Benjamin carried Bella out of the hospital. Shelly wanted to carry Bella herself, and if not, Bella could walk on her own. However, Bella refused to let go of Benjamin, and there was nothing Shelly could do. As such, she could only let Benjamin carry Bella out of the hospital.

As the three of them took the elevator downstairs, Shelly was still reprimanding Bella. "The doctor said you can walk on your own."

"No, I want Uncle Ben to hold me. I like it when he holds me." Bella grabbed onto Benjamin's neck and refused to let go.

"It's okay. She's not heavy anyway. Not only can I carry you, but I can also lift you up high." As he spoke, Benjamin lifted Bella up.

Bella could not stop laughing at Benjamin's teasing. Infected by their laughter, a smile appeared on Shelly's face too.

At that moment, the elevator door opened, and Nox suddenly walked in, only to see the scene in front of him.

Shelly also saw Nox immediately, and the smile on her face instantly faded. She frowned, not expecting Nox to be hospitalized for a week.

He had only gotten a bump on his head, which would heal in a day or two, yet he stayed on for a week. The life of a rich person was probably too boring.

When Nox saw Shelly, Benjamin, Bella, and the smiles on their faces, his face darkened. He realized that Shelly had never smiled at him as brightly as she was at Benjamin right now.

What did Shelly like about Benjamin, that pauper? He suddenly felt an inexplicable pain in his heart and realized that Shelly liked Benjamin.

Suddenly, the space became a little stiff.

Benjamin held Bella in his arms and said, "Mr. Winter, what a coincidence. Are you getting discharged today too?"

Nox returned to his senses and tried his best not to look out of the usual.

Who Shelly liked had nothing to do with him, and she could like whoever she wanted. He did not care at all.

He said, "Yes."

"Are you sick too, mister?" Bella blinked as she asked Nox.

Nox glanced at Bella with a long face. He was inexplicably unhappy that she was in Benjamin's arms.

Bella could sense that the man in front of her was in a bad mood. She grew up fatherless and only had her mother, who was very busy, so she had always been more sensitive toward others.

At that moment, she was a little afraid. She hugged Benjamin's neck and hid in the crook of Benjamin's neck, not daring to look at Nox again.

Shelly had raised Bella, so she naturally knew that Bella's current behavior was because she was frightened by Nox..

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She pursed her lips and did not say much. She was used to Nox's behavior anyway.

When the elevator opened again, Nox stood at the door and did not go out. As such, Shelly and Benjamin, who stood further inside, waited for a while.

Seeing that Nox had no intention of going out, Shelly whispered to Benjamin, "Let's go."

As her voice was low, it sounded very gentle.

Upon hearing that, Nox felt like he was about to explode with anger because Shelly had never been so gentle to him. Especially recently, Shelly had never once looked at him without a long face, yet she was so gentle to Benjamin.

At that moment, Shelly and Benjamin walked past him and out of the elevator together. From behind, they really looked like a family of three.

Nox did not know what was wrong with him, but he just could not stand the way they looked.

He said to their backs, "Shelly, do you really think Benjamin likes you? I used money to get Benjamin to pursue you. Don't think too highly of yourself!" Shelly stopped in her tracks, and Benjamin turned to look at Shelly.

Shelly eventually turned around and said, "I know."

"You know? What do you know?" Nox strode up to her. "When you were still in school, Benjamin was so nice to you because I gave him money to pursue you so that you could leave me sooner. Do you really think there are men out there who truly like you?"

He just wanted to see Shelly angry. In fact, he could not wait for Shelly to be angered to death.

"When you told Benjamin about it, I heard it from outside the warehouse on the west suburb street. You were going to teach Benjamin a lesson, but in the end, you told him to pursue me. I heard everything."

Nox stared at Shelly with wide eyes.

"At that time, in order to marry you, I followed you because Grandpa Winter said that if you slept with someone else within a year, you would be with me. I thought you went to look for a prostitute."

Nox was furious. "Since you know, why are you still with him?"

He was not just talking about now but back then as well. Back then, she knew that Benjamin had ill intentions toward her, yet she still got together with him. She even allowed Benjamin to kiss her. How shameless was she?

"I had never been treated sincerely by a man before, so I wanted to experience what it felt like. Fortunately, I experienced it, and only then did I know how unbearable it felt to force myself to be with you. That was why I could let go of the so-called glory and wealth and chose to leave you," Shelly said calmly.

Nox felt that he would be angered to death by Shelly one day.

“By the way, Ben has explained the situation to me. He really likes me. He's not threatened by you, nor does he want your money.”

Ben? That sounded really intimate.

Nox said sarcastically, “Are you so stupid to believe it when says he isn't threatened and doesn't want my money?”

“At least you didn't threaten him or give him money, right?” Shelly asked.

Nox was stunned.

“But he still treats me very well, and I think that's enough,” Shelly said bluntly.

“You must miss having a man so much that you're going crazy! I really admire you.” Nox did not say anything nice to Shelly.

If Shelly were not used to it, she would have been angered to death by Nox.

She said, “Yes, I just miss having a man. Fortunately for you, I don't want you. I like all men except you.”

“Shelly, who do you think you are? Do I need you to take a fancy to me? All I need to do is wave my hand, and there are many women who like me. Who do you think you are?”

“I'm just telling you what I'm thinking. At the same time, I'm reminding you not to get close to me. We don't like each other, so why bother?” “You better f*cking remember what you said!” Nox was furious.

What right did Shelly have to look down on him?

He was one of the most handsome and richest men in the country, whereas she was a single woman with a child and had nothing in her name. How could she say that she looked down on him? She must be sick!

Nox strode past them like he would feel disgusted if he stayed with them for even a second longer.

Bella watched as the man in front of her left. In her childlike voice, she said,

“Mommy, this man is really like the bad guys on television.”

Nox stopped in his tracks and clenched his fists. If Bella were not a three-year-old child, he would have beaten her to death.

Shelly suddenly covered Bella's mouth. She was really afraid that someone like Nox would not even let a child off.

She said, “Don't say it. If the bad guys hear you, they'll get their revenge.”

Nox ran out of the hospital while cursing Shelly. He hoped she would meet a

scumbag that cheated her of her everything and made her regret it for the rest of her life!

“Let's go,” Benjamin said when he saw that Nox had left.

At that moment, he seemed to be in a good mood. After all, judging from Shelly's behavior, she really had no feelings for Nox.

Shelly let go of Bella's mouth, and the three of them left together. As soon as she walked out of the hospital, she saw Nox, who had left earlier, surrounded by a group of reporters, probably getting interviewed about being cuckolded.

Shelly and Benjamin who was carrying Bella walked over from the other side. However, they did not seem to react to Nox being pestered by the reporters at all.

In their hearts, Nox was a stranger, and when a stranger encountered difficulties, it was naturally none of their business.

Nox watched coldly as the three of them drove away in a taxi like they were showing off to him..