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At that moment, Jasper suddenly swayed slightly and his

expression changed abruptly. "Wait, something's not right.

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Jasper hurriedly walked towards the door of the private room and tried to open it.

However, the door was locked from the outside, so it couldn't

be opened. Jasper exclaimed, "What's going on? Why won't the door open?"

Lionel knew exactly what had happened. He knew that the people who pretended to kidnap Veronica were hired by him. He had previously stated that if Veronica refused to drink the drugged water, they would use gas to knock her out and lock the door of the compartment.

Seeing Jasper about to take out his phone, Lionel immediately snatched it from Jasper's hand.

Veronica frowned, "Lionel, what are you doing?"

"Give me back my phone!" Jasper seemed to have realized

something and tried to rush over to grab the phone. However,

after taking a few steps, she stumbled and fell to the ground.

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Veronica is now clearly feeling unwell, as if she could fall

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asleep at any moment. She staggers towards Lionel and asks

him in a stern voice, "Lionel, what is going on?"

"Sister... um... I don't know either, I..." Lionel suddenly rolled his

eyes and pretended to faint.

Veronica struggled to take out her phone and call for help, but as she finally managed to retrieve it, her fingers suddenly lost their strength and the phone slipped from her grasp. In the next moment, she collapsed onto the carpeted floor.

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After a moment, Lionel opened his eyes and stood up again. "Sis, I did it all for you, for the good of our Barlow family!"

This special gas was secretly released by him after they entered the private room and refused to drink water. He had taken an antidote beforehand, so he was naturally

unaffected.

Lionel walked over to the door of the private room and knocked rhythmically. The door opened immediately. The young men inside had already changed into the uniforms of the cleaning staff. Lionel put Jasper and Veronica into the prepared cleaning bucket, and the young men quietly left through the back door.

Meanwhile, outside, cars were already waiting to pick them

On the way, Lionel anxiously asked, "Did you really destroy all

the surveillance cameras?"

"Yeah, we definitely have to destroy it, otherwise we'll be easily caught, right? But we got lucky today. You just said that these two women, one is your sister and the other is Jasper from the Reed family," one of them said.

"Yeah, she's one of the triplets from the Reed family," Lionel said. "I never thought she would come along with my sister."

"With Jasper from the Reed family in hand, it should be even more certain to obtain the ransom."

"Sure, how much ransom would be appropriate? Even a few billion would do!"

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"Yes, we need a billion, and in US dollars! Anyway, the Reed

family has so much money!"

A group of young people were discussing, but Lionel became more and more frightened as he listened. "What are you talking about? A billion-dollar ransom? Didn't we agree that you would help me stage a fake kidnapping?"

"What fake kidnapping? How can there be a distinction between real and fake kidnapping?" The other person

chuckled.

"How can you do this? I, I'm not doing it anymore!" Lionel

shouted.

"You are the mastermind, how can you not do anything? This whole thing was planned by you. You were the one who led them into the private room, released the gas to make them unconscious, and finally, you were the one who took them out and put them in the car. Look, it's all because of you!" said the

other person.

Lionel was dumbfounded as he realized that he had already fallen into the trap set by the other party.

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"We're just here to assist you. Anyway, if you get caught, you'll

be the one with the heaviest charge. So, Mr. Barlow, it's best

for you to cooperate with us now. That way, we can all be safe and sound!" The other person spoke while patting Lionel's

shoulder reassuringly. "Now, you're on the same boat as us. If

you want this matter to end well, you need to cooperate with

our actions!"

Lionel is at a loss for words. He only intended to stage a fake kidnapping, but now it has turned into a real one.

Jasper and Veronica went missing at the nightclub, and the

driver was the first to notice.

Immediately, the driver nervously reported this matter to

Jason.

Next, the nightclub was surrounded by both the police and members of the Reed family.

Some of the surveillance equipment was damaged, so there is currently a lack of specific information about the disappearance of Veronica and Jasper from the nightclub.

According to the driver who brought them here, Jasper came

with Veronica to find her brother.

At the moment, Lionel's whereabouts are unknown.

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After further investigation into Lionel's recent whereabouts

and activities, the police discovered that he has been

frequently associating with members of social gangs. Additionally, they found records of Lionel purchasing gas with a special incapacitating function online. Furthermore,

there have been reports of Lionel mentioning words related to kidnapping.

Suddenly, someone began to speculate whether Lionel had kidnapped Jasper and Veronica.

When the Barlow family heard this speculation, they were almost fainting and kept denying that their son could never do

such a thing.

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However, unfortunately, Lionel is currently missing and all the relevant evidence points towards him.

After learning that her eldest daughter and Veronica had gone missing, Grace didn't break down in tears or faint, but her trembling fingers betrayed her fear.

"Will Lionel really be the one to do this?" Grace asked her husband. After all, Lionel is just a middle school student, and she has watched him grow up. Although the child is not likable, she doesn't think he has the courage to plan such a kidnapping event.

"I'm not sure yet, but even if he didn't do it, he might still be

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involved," said Jason.

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He naturally knew that a junior high school student, no matter how capable, could not have carried out such a kidnapping case. Or perhaps it was more likely that Lionel was being used

as a pawn.

I just don't know what kind of role Lionel played in this matter.

Grace saw a flash of cruelty in her husband's eyes and knew

that unless Lionel wasn't truly planning to kidnap someone, he wouldn't spare even a member of the Barlow family or a child.

After all, family is his bottom line!

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Afterwards, the police investigated various cars that left the nightclub during that time period and finally identified one of them. However, it turned out that the car was stolen.

The real car owner reported the case to the police on this side a week ago.

Next, a strange phone number sent a ransom message demanding that the Reed and Barlow families prepare \$1 billion to redeem the hostage.

One billion, the Barlow family naturally cannot come up with it, so they can only rely on the Reed family.

Jason was very straightforward and said that money was not a problem as long as the hostages were safe.

And these individuals are clearly not novices, as they are demanding that one billion US dollars be transferred to foreign accounts, not just one account, but a total of one

hundred accounts.

"I want to see if they are safe," Jason said.

After a moment, the kidnappers sent a video showing Jasper

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and Veronica bound and blindfolded, but unharmed.

Jasper was scared but remained calm and did not cry. Veronica, on the other hand, was unusually quiet. If it weren't

for her breathing and the fact that she was sitting up, one

might think she was dead.

Grace and Jason both wondered if she was too scared to make a sound after seeing the video.

The kidnappers had a TV on in the background, showing a current program to indicate that the two were still alive.

The kidnapping was being kept quiet by the Reed family and the police, so outsiders only thought something had happened at a nightclub and were unaware of the kidnapping.

"Don't let the kids know about this, especially Mason," Grace said, concerned about how their second son would react to the news about Veronica.

"We can keep it from them for as long as possible," Jason

replied.

However, when the couple returned to the Reed House, Mason was not there. According to the maid, he had left in a hurry after receiving a phone call in the afternoon.

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Both Jason and Grace felt uneasy.

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In the afternoon, is it possible? Could it be that coincidental?

At this moment, in a deserted wilderness, Mason was lying

motionless in the nearby bushes, with his deep black eyes

fixed on the abandoned warehouse not far away.

This afternoon, he received a call from Veronica. However, when he answered the phone, there was no one speaking on

the other end and the call was hung up.

He feels uneasy in his heart.

Signal tracking was immediately carried out. Even Veronica herself didn't know that a miniature signal tracker had been placed in the pendant of the necklace that was once given to

her.

This necklace is something she often wears.

I was originally worried that her relationship with Daniel would make it difficult for him to find her, so I did what I did. But I never expected it to come in handy like this.

Because... today she was wearing that necklace.

So he immediately instructed the driver to head towards the location of the signal, because according to the map, it was a

place she would never normally go to. He felt both curious

and slightly uneasy.

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Upon arrival, he realized that the situation was far beyond his imagination.

As their car approached the location, it was attacked and the driver, along with the car, crashed into a nearby tree and passed out. Several armed men dragged the driver out of the car and took him away.

He managed to jump out of the car at the moment of the attack and hide in the bushes, temporarily avoiding detection by the attackers.

However, his phone was lost during the jump and he didn't know where it went.

What worried him even more was that he overheard the attackers mentioning that they had kidnapped Veronica and Jasper.

Veronica was his girlfriend and Jasper was his sister!

Now without communication devices or a car, he couldn't risk leaving and going back to the Reed family to discuss a plan, nor could he recklessly charge in.

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Even though he was confident in his own abilities, he didn't know how many weapons the attackers had, and he didn't know the condition of Veronica and Jasper. Therefore, he needed to assess the situation before taking action.

Regardless, he was determined to rescue both Veronica and

Jasper!

However, at the thought of Veronica, he suddenly felt a sharp pain in his head.

If they ended things on bad terms before, would she be happy to see him if they met again? Would he be the one to save her?

Or maybe she's still angry with him after all this time?

On the other side of things, Jason found out that Mason had the driver take him away from the Reed family and began.

tracking the whereabouts of the Reed family's car.

It wasn't difficult to find the car's location since all of the Reed

family's cars have GPS systems.

Once they confirmed the location of the car that Mason was traveling in, the Reed family and the police rushed to the GPS

location.

Lionel was tied up and filled with fear. His sister and Jasper hadn't seen the true faces of these people, so they might have

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a chance to survive. But Lionel had seen their faces and might end up like in a movie, losing his life to these people.

At this moment, Lionel deeply regretted his terrible idea of faking a kidnapping.

He couldn't have thought of anything better and had to go and cause this fake kidnapping!

He could feel that the kidnappers were planning to move to a different location after bringing in an unconscious, bloodied person. They also occasionally looked at him with eyes that

seemed to want him dead, making him even more anxious.

Just then, one of the thugs who had been guarding Veronica

and Jasper in a small room in the warehouse came out,

holding his bleeding head and stumbling.

"No... something's wrong, those two women... they ran away,"

the man said.

"What? They ran away?" Upon hearing this, the other

kidnappers immediately changed their expressions. The

leader even rushed to the injured man and asked, "How could

they have run away? Weren't their hands and feet tied and their eyes covered?"

"Yes... that's true, but... I couldn't resist the temptation and wanted to have some fun... but then I accidentally made a

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mistake..." the man said nervously.

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Immediately, the leader didn't care about the man's bleeding head and slapped him in the face. "When will you stop thinking about playing around? Didn't I tell you not to touch

them?"

The man was almost unable to stand after being slapped. "I just thought that since we couldn't touch the Reed family girl, we could at least do something to Lionel's sister. Who knew..."

However, at this moment, everyone was more concerned about the whereabouts of the two girls!

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"Enough, how did they escape?"

"I... I don't know. They knocked me out, and I blacked out and didn't know anything!"

"How long ago did they escape?"

"No...I don't know, I wasn't paying attention to the time," he said as he stumbled out, having just woken up.

"Let's search the nearby area first. It shouldn't take long, and

they are two girls who can't go far in this deserted place!" said the leader, and the others agreed.

As these people were about to go search for Veronica and

Jasper, one of them said, "What about that kid Lionel? Did we

take care of him?"

"Keep it for now, it might come in handy later," said the leader.

"Let's go find someone and leave someone here to guard it."

After everyone left the warehouse, Lionel finally breathed a sigh of relief. At least he was still alive for the time being.

However, if no one came to rescue him, he would really be

done for.

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The person who stayed behind here is the one who was injured just now.

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Lionel stared at the other person. This guy actually tried to hit on his sister just now. It seems like he didn't succeed. If he had succeeded, even if Lionel was rescued, Mason would probably break his neck.

Thinking of Mason's violent behavior, Lionel felt scared.

The bandit, whose head was only roughly bandaged, was already in a terrible mood. When Lionel gave him a stern look, he became even more angry. "What are you staring at? Your

sister is lucky to have me. When the boss catches her and

brings her back, I'll have her right in front of you. You and your

sister can just wait and see..."

The other person was kicking Lionel hard while cursing at him.

Lionel is in excruciating pain, but unfortunately, his hands and

feet are tied up, so he can't do anything.

Just then, the corner of his eye caught something and his

expression slightly changed. However, he quickly resumed

loudly screaming in pain, even more exaggerated than

before.

The kidnapper who was fiercely kicking Lionel started using

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even more foul language. Suddenly, a hand forcefully grabbed his neck, preventing him from making any sound.

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And then, a bone-chilling voice sounded, "Asking for death!"

Just these two simple words, but they instill fear in people. Then, a handsome and pretty face with a hint of femininity appeared in the eyes of the kidnapper.

This is... Mason!

Previously, Lionel had shown them a photo of Mason, so he

was able to recognize him at a glance.

But Mason, after all, is just a young boy!

How could a young boy give off such a terrifying vibe! Especially with those eyes, as if he has no reverence for life.

Even though the kidnapper himself is not a good person

and wouldn't hesitate to kill someone, he was still scared by

Mason's gaze in that moment.

The gaze of this young man is so terrifying that it sends shivers down one's spine.

The other person's fingers are like steel bars around his neck, making it hard for him to breathe. The feeling of death is

becoming stronger and stronger.

Fortunately, Lionel who was just beaten up had the cloth gag

in his mouth loosened due to the beating.

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As he watched the kidnapper being choked to death, Lionel

quickly said, "Mason, my sister and Jasper have escaped. The

others are looking for them. We must find them before those

people do!"

Mason suddenly snapped out of it and forcefully pressed his finger, causing the kidnapper's neck to twist and become

motionless.

Mason threw the person aside and quickly untied Lionel. "Do

you know where they escaped to?"

Lionel shook his head and looked at the unconscious

kidnapper on the ground with some fear. "Is he...dead?"

"I'm not dead. The force wasn't strong enough to kill me,"

said Mason. If he had really taken a life, Veronica wouldn't be happy about it.

So he won't take lives lightly.

However, if the person earlier had succeeded in harming

Veronica, he would have definitely killed that person.

Even if there are lives at stake, it doesn't matter!

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Veronica and Jasper finally managed to escape.

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Jasper said to Veronica, "I ruined your necklace, but I'll get you a prettier one as a replacement."

"No need, we destroyed a necklace to escape, it was worth

it," said Veronica. The necklace was a gift from Mason,

and although the kidnappers had taken away their communication devices, they had not searched for the

necklace.

Veronica's hands and feet were temporarily untied by

the kidnappers because they wanted to do something inappropriate to her. It was during this time that she opened

the mechanism of the necklace pendant.

Because when Mason gave her this necklace, he mentioned that it had a mechanism. By opening the mechanism, the pendant would turn into a mini dagger, which could be used in

case of emergency.

She initially just thought the necklace was well-designed and liked it, but she didn't expect it to have such a function.

What surprised her even more was that one day, the necklace

actually came in handy.

Although they managed to escape, they found themselves in a

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remote and desolate area with no signs of human presence

around.

Although there is a road that is open to traffic, they are afraid of being discovered by kidnappers, so they naturally dare not walk towards the road. They can only walk towards the mountainous area, looking for a place where there are people, while also delaying time.

"My father and the others will definitely find our whereabouts soon, it won't take too long," Jasper said with trust in his family.

"I'm sorry, I didn't expect him to do something like this." Veronica felt ashamed when she thought about Jasper's

family and her own family.

This kidnapping incident, even if she were stupid, she would know it's related to her younger brother.

Even the person who was guarding them in the small

room before said that Lionel was the one who planned this

kidnapping!

"Alright, let's quickly find a safe place. Once the police investigate, we'll know the truth," said Jasper.

The two continued to move forward cautiously.

The mountain path was already difficult to traverse. After an

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unknown amount of time, Jasper and Veronica were both

almost exhausted. Suddenly, Jasper stepped on nothing and

let out a scream as he slid down a nearby slope.

Fortunately, Veronica grabbed Jasper's hand with one hand,

which prevented her from falling.

The scream that Jasper just made and the sound of him slipping down would definitely alert the kidnappers if they were nearby.

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Veronica tightly held Jasper's hand and managed to pull

him up with great difficulty. Before the two could catch their breath, they heard footsteps approaching and the angry voices of the kidnappers.

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"The sound just now came from this direction. Those two girls

must not have run far!"

"Hurry and search! If they escape, we'll be in trouble. We won't just lose the money, but we'll also end up in jail!"

"Hurry, hurry up!"

Jasper and Veronica exchanged a glance, knowing that their top priority at the moment was to make a clean escape. If they were caught by the kidnappers again, it was hard to say

what fate awaited them.

Two girls are running in the mountains, while the kidnappers. behind them are getting closer and closer.

Suddenly, one of the kidnappers said, "I saw them, they ran

this way. Hurry and catch up!"

The kidnappers quickened their pace, while Veronica and

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Jasper were already panting and out of breath, lacking in

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At that moment, Veronica spotted a small hole hidden among the plants and trees. It was big enough for one person to hide in and very well concealed.

And so, the voices and footsteps of the kidnappers grew closer and closer. Veronica suddenly pushed Jasper into the small

hole.

Josper, listen to me. Stay hidden here and don't come out. I'll distract them and you should try to find help. If we both run. together, we might not be able to escape in the end," said

Veronica.

Jasper became anxious, "This won't work!" Anyone would know that leading the kidnappers away is the most dangerous thing to do. Moreover, they were already low on energy, how could Veronica possibly outrun the kidnappers?

It was almost destined to be caught!

And if caught, the consequences... Jasper can hardly imagine.

"It was originally my younger brother who caused this trouble. You are innocent and got involved by accident! Alright, don't say anymore. Hurry up and hide!" Veronica said, without waiting for Jasper to respond, she quickly ran in the opposite

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direction.

Jasper had tears in her eyes. She knew that what Veronica

said was the most accurate. The two of them had to split up to have the best chance of survival.

If two people run together, there is a high chance that they will be caught together!

Jasper saw all the kidnappers chasing after Veronica, and

after a moment, he crawled out of the small hole and ran

desperately down the mountain. He wanted to find someone

to save his sister Veronica!

Initially, she was unable to save Lawrence's parents and

caused Lawrence to go missing. It has always been her deepest regret and pain. Therefore, now, no matter what, she

cannot let anything happen to Veronica.

Jasper didn't know how long she had been running until she caught sight of a familiar figure – it was Mason!

Jasper's tears suddenly burst out, and he almost crawled to Mason's side, "Mason, hurry... hurry and save Sister Veronica. Several kidnappers are chasing us. Sister Veronica went to lead them away so that I could escape!"

Mason's expression changed and he left with the words, "Take care of yourself, the Reed family should be here soon!" He

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then ran towards the direction Jasper pointed to.

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The car belonging to the Reed family was involved in an accident and their GPS was damaged. It is likely that the Reed family will notice something is wrong, so they will come to the conclusion that Mason's statement is not unfounded.

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Jasper responded with a nod, watching as Mason quickly ran

away into the distance. However, he felt a strong sense of worry rising in his heart.

After all, even if Mason is skilled, those kidnappers are several

grown adults and they also have weapons in their hands!

But now, the only one who can save Veronica is Mason!

Anyway, she needs to contact her father and the police as

soon as possible. Only by involving more people can we

ensure the safety of Mason and Veronica.

Jasper kept running down the mountain with only one thought

in his mind: "Save the person!"

Veronica ran desperately, knowing only that she had to run as

fast as she could. Even if she was eventually caught, she had to buy Jasper some time.

This way, Jasper will have more people who can come to

Valda's rescue!

Suddenly, she stumbled on a tree root and fell hard to the

ground.

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Just as she was trying to get up, the kidnappers had already rushed towards her. One of them even lifted his foot and

stomped hard on her back.

"Run, why aren't you running?!"

Veronica felt a sudden pain in her back, and now she feels completely weak and powerless, as if her body has given up on her.

"Why is she the only one here? Where is the other person?"

"Damn it!" With these words, Veronica was suddenly pulled up by someone. "Quickly, where did Jasper from the Reed family

hide?"

"I...I don't know!" gasped Veronica.

Next, a slap fiercely landed on her face. "Don't you know? How

could you not know? Speak up!"

Her cheeks burned with pain, but Veronica remained silent.

As Veronica remained stubborn, one of the men looked at

her with malicious intent and said, "This girl looks good, no

wonder Lao Wu couldn't resist. Since she won't talk, let's strip

her naked and see if she changes her mind!"

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As soon as this idea was proposed, it immediately received the approval of the others.

Veronica's body trembled and her face turned pale. She knew

that these people wanted to use this humiliating method to make her speak out.

But... she can't speak!

Now at least Jasper still has a chance to escape safely. If we speak up, Jasper's chance of escape will decrease.

These people looked at Veronica with her mouth tightly closed, becoming increasingly impatient. One of them started

tearing Veronica's clothes directly.

She struggled hard, but it was completely useless.

As she watched her clothes being continuously stripped off, her face grew even paler and her whole body trembled with

extreme fear.

"Don't... don't..."

But her struggles were completely useless. The other person even pressed her down onto the ground, which was rough.

and full of weeds, intending to do something inappropriate to

her.

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This was already the second time she had faced such a

situation in a short period of time.

The last time, she was able to use the necklace that Mason gave her to injure the other person and escape.

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But this time, she didn't have a second necklace in her hand,

and she was facing not just one kidnapper, but several young and strong men!

Veronica almost closed her eyes in despair, ready to accept the cruel fate that was about to come.

And at this moment, strangely enough, Mason's face flashed through her mind.

Mason...

Why, at a time like this, was she not thinking of her father or

Daniel, but of Mason?

Was he the person she missed the most in her heart, or was she hoping that Mason would come to save her?

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Suddenly, she heard a muffled groan and the sound of someone falling down. The kidnapper who had been acting inappropriately towards her was now standing up, looking panicked, as a young boy was knocking down the other kidnappers who were attacking him.

In just a short amount of time, even the kidnappers didn't have time to react before they were all knocked down to the ground.

Suddenly, Veronica felt a sharp tug on her body, followed by a cold sensation on her temple. "No... don't come any closer. If you come any closer, I'll blow this girl's head off!"

Until this moment, a figure finally caught Veronica's eye.

Mason?!

with shock.

Veronica's pupils suddenly contracted, and her face was filled

Is this real? Or is it an illusion?

In Mason's hand, there is currently a handgun, and all the other kidnappers, except for the one holding her hostage, are

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lying on the ground as if they have passed out.

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Veronica remembers that Mason's former boxing coach once said that Mason is different from others. He always aims to knock down his opponent with the fewest moves possible, and he never hesitates to target the fatal areas.

When people are fighting, they will intentionally avoid hitting certain areas that could cause serious harm.

However, since he doesn't know how to fight, it's most dangerous to get into a fight with him.

"Let her go!" Mason pointed his gun at the kidnapper who was holding Veronica.

So, at this moment, two guns were pointed at two people, and the scene became tense and deadlocked.

"You...put down the gun, otherwise, I'll shoot now. Even if I die, this girl will accompany me!" The other person shouted at Mason. Earlier, Lionel had shown them a photo of Mason and said that this Mason from the Reed family was very obsessed with this girl.

Even the girl's matter is considered more important than his own life, so he is now determined to gamble on whether the Reed family's Mason is really like what Lionel said!

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Mason narrowed his eyes slightly, his cold expression making

it difficult to discern what he was thinking at the moment.

Time passes by second by second, and for this kidnapper,

every minute is an excruciating experience.

"Throw away the gun, or else I'll really shoot!" the kidnapper

impatiently shouted, appearing extremely agitated.

"Okay, I'll throw it!" said Jasper.

"Don't do it!" Veronica shouted anxiously. If he really threw away the gun, it would mean that both of their lives would be at the mercy of the armed kidnapper.

"Veronica, are you still mad at me?" Mason suddenly asked.

What time is it? He's still asking this! Veronica's nose suddenly

felt sour and her eyes became wet. "I'm not angry anymore.

I'm not mad at you!"

She choked up and said that she only hoped that both of them

could be safe now.

"I'm happy as long as Veronica isn't mad at me. I won't let anything happen to her, I'll protect you." A smile spread across

his face, and as he finished speaking, he threw his gun to the ground.

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Veronica's heart sank, while the kidnapper holding her breathed a sigh of relief and even showed a hint of smugness.

Although Jasper from the Reed family escaped, we now have Mason from the same family in our hands. So, what about the

ransom...

When the kidnappers were relaxed, Mason suddenly moved his wrist and threw a stone, hitting one of the kidnapper's hands. While the kidnapper was in pain, in the next moment, Mason rushed directly towards him. In a split second, he knocked the kidnapper down to the ground with just one

blow!

Then, there were only two sounds of "crack, crack", and the

person's wrists were already broken by both hands.

The man was screaming in pain, while Veronica was staring blankly at the scene in front of her. It wasn't until Mason took

off his jacket and put it on Veronica that she snapped out of it.

"You-" she looked at him, not knowing what to say.

"I told you, I will protect Veronica," he said, buttoning up her jacket one by one. "I won't let these people go, especially the

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one who pointed the gun at you just now!"

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Veronica was stunned. After he finished buttoning up her jacket, he turned around and lifted the tied-up bandit with broken hands, then slammed his head hard against a nearby

tree.

In an instant, the bandit's head was bleeding, and Veronica

shuddered.

He kept pulling the bandit and hitting him against the tree, while the man's cries for mercy became weaker and weaker.

At that moment, Mason's face showed obvious violence.

"Don't... don't hit him anymore!" Veronica said. Although the

bandit was despicable, if someone died, even the second son of the Reed family would go to jail!

"But I don't want to let him go," Mason said.

"Of course... they won't be let go. The police will catch them

and make them face the consequences," Veronica said,

trembling slightly.

Even she herself wasn't sure if the trembling was due to the

fear of being forcibly undressed earlier or the sight of the bloody scene before her.

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As if sensing her discomfort, Mason stopped his hand and

said, "Alright, I'll listen to Veronica." He then let go of the

person.

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She lowered her eyes and looked at his pale fingers stained with crimson blood. She thought of when he had protected her by beating up people much older than them who had

bullied her. His hands were also stained with blood back then.

She had once told herself to protect him and prevent his hands from being stained with blood, but now... he was still

protecting her!

Mason suddenly crouched down with his back facing

Veronica.

"What are you doing?" She was confused.

"I'm carrying Veronica down the mountain," he said.

"I... I can walk down the mountain by myself," she said, even though her knee hurt a bit from falling earlier, but it wasn't a problem to walk down the mountain.

However, he maintained this position with Grace, as if he was insisting on something.

Veronica pursed her lips and finally crawled onto Mason's

back.

He slowly stood up and walked down the mountain with a

burden on his back.