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At this point, Veronica bit her lip lightly.

Beside Veronica, Shirley glanced at her friend and then at

Mason.

Shirley had taken some time off and returned to school to attend classes, only to find out what her friend had been through during that time.

She had almost been buried in a pile of rubble! And what shocked Shirley even more was that Mason had risked his life to rush in and save Veronica.

As Veronica recounted the events, Shirley felt like she was watching a romantic movie.

It was simply thrilling!

And when she learned that her friend and Mason had finally reconciled because of this incident, she breathed a long sigh of relief.

Things had finally turned out well.

"Mason, you and Veronica are boyfriend and girlfriend now, right?" Shirley asked bluntly.

"Yes," Mason answered just as bluntly.

"You won't break up with Veronica so casily in the future, will you? Do you know how much it hurts her when you break up with her so casually? And do you know how hurtful some of the things people say about her at school are?" Shirley spoke up for her friend.

But today, Mason had come to the school to pick up Veronica himself, so the rumors and gossip about her at school should have died down a bit.

"We won't break up again," Mason said with a confident tone.

Shirley hadn't expected Mason to answer so confidently, so she asked unconsciously, "So does that mean you two will get

married?"

"Yes." Another affirmative answer.

Shirley looked at her friend with envy. Was this the result of a successful love affair? "When you get married, you must invite me to the wedding!"

"Don't worry, we will." Mason said.

Veronica blushed and followed Mason into the car. She couldn't

help but say, "You and Shirley were a bit too suggestive..."

"Do you think we won't get married?" Mason asked.

Veronica hesitated. Of course, she didn't think that way. After experiencing so much together, she was convinced that they

would spend their future together. But... "The way you and Shirley talked just now, it seemed like we would get married soon, which is a bit exaggerated."

"We will get married after we graduate, but it's only a year away." Mason said.

"Ahem!" Veronica almost choked on her own saliva. "Are you serious?"

"Do you think I'm lying?" Mason asked.

"But don't you think it's too early? When we graduate, we're still young, and you're two years younger than me... Men in the city rarely get married so early."

"Since we've decided to spend our lives together, what does it matter if it's early or late? We'll get married anyway." Mason said, looking straight at her.

"What about you? Do you want to?"

Somehow, at that moment, Veronica felt her heart beating faster, as if this question was not just about whether she wanted to get married or not.

His gaze seemed to be asking her if the promise she had made to him still held true. Did she regret it? Was there any reluctance?

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"I'm willing." This was Veronica's answer to him.

Of course, how could she not be willing? When this man rushed into the explosion site and risked his life to save her, and when at the final moment of danger, he would rather die on the scene himself than let her stay, she already understood what kind of existence he was to her.

He was a more precious existence than her own life.

"Then we'll get married as soon as we graduate, is that okay?" Mason said.

"..." Veronica hesitated for a moment, "What about my and stepmother..."

father

"I've taken care of it. They shouldn't come looking for trouble again," Mason said, "If you want to sever ties, I think they should understand that."

Veronica looked at Mason suspiciously. She knew her father and stepmother's personalities well. People like them, if they found out that she and Mason were back together and talking about marriage, how could they easily give up?

"Did you bribe them? How much did they ask for?" she asked

"I know you don't like this. How could I do something that would make you unhappy?" Mason said. Although it was easy to bribe greedy people, he didn't want to do something that would upset her.

"Then did you...take matters into your own hands?" Veronica continued to guess.

Mason looked a little guilty now. "It wasn't exactly taking matters into my own hands, but I did give your father a little kick."

Veronica blinked. Was he uncomfortable? She rarely saw this expression on his face.

"Is that all?" she asked.

"And I said a few...threatening words," Mason replied, his expression becoming awkward.

"Oh," Veronica responded flatly.

Her indifferent reaction surprised Mason a bit. "Aren't you angry?" he asked.

"Why should I be angry? Because you stepped on my father? Well, I don't even want to call that kind of person my father. If I had gone with you, maybe we could have caught up to him and given him a beating!"

When her father sent those thugs to ask her for money, the last bit of affection she had for him disappeared!

Her father should have known what kind of people those thugs were. If she had really fallen into their hands, who knows what would have happened to her, or even her whole life could have been ruined.

But her father probably just wanted to use those thugs to make himself a tool to ask for money from the Reed family.

Hearing Veronica's words, Mason's expression returned to

normal.

"Let's find a place to have lunch first, and then decide whether to go back to the Reed House or..."

"I have somewhere I want to go this afternoon," Veronica interrupted Mason and pursed her lips. "I want to go to the detention center and see Daniel."

Upon hearing this, Mason's eyebrows furrowed. "You want to see Daniel?"

"Yes, the trial is coming up soon, and I want to see him again before it starts," Veronica said.

"What's there to see in him?" Mason's eyes showed obvious displeasure. "Or is it that you still can't let go of him? Do you feel guilty for what happened to him? Or do you have some other kind of guilt towards him?"

He didn't like any of those possibilities!

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Suddenly, Veronica looked at Mason's expression and asked, "Are you... jealous?"

A sudden sentence caught Mason off guard, causing him to

pause. He then awkwardly covered his lips and avoided eye contact, seemingly unsure how to face her gaze.

"Are you jealous?" She persisted in asking.

Mason remained silent.

Suddenly, Veronica exclaimed, "Oh!" and placed her hand on Mason's ear. "Mason, your ear is red."

"Stop touching it," Mason stiffened.

Her touch made his ear particularly sensitive, and a strange sensation exploded throughout his body.

If he let this feeling continue, he would...

"Your ear is so soft and comfortable to touch," Veronica seemed addicted, continuing to rub and knead his ear.

This feeling... it's really addictive! How did she not notice it before?

It seemed that just touching the earlobe was not enough, so she

began to scratch the inner wall of his car.

But the next moment, everything spun around, and when Veronica regained her senses, Mason had already pressed her down onto the back seat of the car. Then, a partition slowly rose between the front and back seats.

"What's going on? What are you doing?" Veronica looked puzzled. However, being pressed down by Mason and separated from the front seat, the back seat became a closed and narrow space, making Veronica feel like the air around her was heating

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"What do you think I want to do?" Mason's voice was slightly hoarse. He leaned over, and their bodies pressed together. His fingers touched her ear. "Is the ear fun to play with?"

It was unbearable! Veronica's body trembled, feeling as if all the blood in her body had rushed to her ears. Even her toes curled

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"We're in the car, and the driver is still in the front seat..." She forced herself to speak, feeling her ears burning hot.

When she touched his ear, she didn't feel anything. But now that he was the one touching her ear, she realized that the feeling was indescribable.

"It's okay, the driver won't care about what's happening behind him. Besides, we're separated by a partition, he can't see anything," said Mason.

But even if he can't see anything, he can still hear us, thought Veronica to herself.

As if he had guessed what she was thinking, he whispered, "If you really don't want the driver to hear anything, then just don't make any noise."

"Huh?" She was startled, and then her body trembled.

Mason's lips had already kissed her earlobe, and the closeness of their bodies made her acutely aware of his physical changes and the increasingly heavy breathing.

Suddenly, she understood what he meant by what he had just

said.

Don't make any noise... but how is that even possible?

Veronica's face turned bright red, and she regretted touching his ear so recklessly. If she had known it would be like this, she would have at least waited until they were alone.

"Don't bite your lip, you'll break it," Mason whispered in her ear.

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As he spoke, his fingers slipped into her mouth, and his lips lingered on her chin, neck, and collarbone...

Veronica didn't know how long she and Mason had been "entangled," but when she got out of the car with a red face, she realized that the car had already been parked at the entrance of the restaurant's parking lot, and the driver had even gotten out and was waiting nearby.

Did the driver hear us? He probably even knows what happened

in the car!

Thinking of this, Veronica's face turned even redder, like a cooked shrimp.

Mason, who was one of the parties involved, appeared calm and collected without any hint of blushing.

Veronica was surprised because she knew that the man who would blush when she touched his ear was not blushing at all.

Even during the meal, Veronica's face remained flushed.

"Why is your face still so red? Are you still shy?" Mason's voice suddenly rang out.

Veronica stiffened. Of course, she was still feeling shy! But what came out of her mouth was, "N-no, not at all."

"If that's the case, then why haven't you been looking at me?" he asked. "Do you know that during this meal, you've hardly lifted your head to look at me? I can count the number of times you've looked at me on one hand."

She bit her lip and suddenly looked up at him. "I-I'm looking at you now!"

He smiled slightly. "Are you really that embarrassed? Didn't you take the initiative to press yourself against me when we were at your house before?"

"T-that's not the same thing," she stuttered.

"Oh, what's different?" he asked in return.

One was her taking the initiative, and the other was her being passive! Veronica thought to herself, but she couldn't bring herself to say such embarrassing words to him. Her face felt like it was on fire.

"Alright, no matter what, even if you blush and feel

embarrassed, you have to get used to it," Mason said, raising his hand and gently stroking her crimson cheek. "Because in the future, we'll be doing even more intimate things!"

Boom!

Veronica's face erupted like a volcano, and blood rushed to her face at lightning speed.

After the meal, Veronica didn't even know what she had eaten. She just felt her face burning and her eyes not knowing where to look.

It wasn't until they reached the entrance of the detention center that Veronica finally calmed down.

The thought of seeing Daniel soon made her body tremble slightly. Was she afraid? Was it because Daniel had tied her up in the old campus that was about to explode, with his twisted and sinister face and the things he said, that left her with psychological trauma?

Suddenly, a hand grabbed hers, and the warmth from the other person's hand spread to hers, causing her trembling to stop.

"Are you afraid?" Mason asked.

"A little bit," Veronica chuckled bitterly. She had come to see Daniel on her own accord, but now she was scared.

"With me here, there's nothing to be afraid of," Mason reassured her.

A simple sentence that calmed her anxiety.

"Okay," Veronica replied, "let's go, I'm fine now."

The two of them entered the detention center and arrived at the

room where Daniel was being held alone.

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Veronica and Mason's hands remained clasped, even when they saw Daniel being escorted out by the prison guard.

The current Daniel was very different from the one Veronica remembered. His face was waxen, his hair was shaved into

a crew cut, and he was wearing the uniform of the detention center. He looked very gloomy.

The sunny boy from before had finally become like this! Veronica felt a complex emotion that was hard to describe.

Perhaps back then, she never would have thought that this scene would happen.

"You're lucky to be alive. It seems that God really doesn't have eyes," Daniel spoke in a harsh tone. "Are you here to laugh at me or to watch me cry and repent in front of you? Let me tell you, if I do that, it's all because of you. If there's anything I regret, it's not killing you, Veronica, directly at the beginning. That way, when Mason came to save you, he would have only saved a corpse. Wouldn't that have been more fun?"

Mason's face changed slightly, and a fierce look flashed in his

eyes.

On the other hand, Veronica remained calm and unaffected by Daniel's words.

Or perhaps it should be said that Veronica originally thought she would be angry, upset, and heartbroken, but after listening

to Daniel's words, she didn't feel anything at all.

It was like being a bystander, just listening to someone complaining about something irrelevant.

"So it seems that I should still be grateful to you. At least you spared my life back then, so I had the opportunity to resolve the conflict with Mason and be together again," Veronica said.

Daniel's face turned ugly. "Veronica, do you really think that you can live happily ever after with Mason from now on? He is the Mason of the Reed family, and what about you? What kind of background do you have? He is good to you now, but it's only because of the bond you two share from growing up together. He hasn't seen too many women yet. When he gets older and sees more people and faces more temptations, do you think he will still treat you the same way? By then, the person he once risked his life to save will just be a thing of the past to him!"

"That's just your own opinion," Veronica said. "Daniel, you always like to speculate about others based on your own thoughts, but you forget that everyone is different. Maybe if you had money and power, you would become like this, but Mason won't!"

"What makes you think he won't?" Daniel's face twisted.

"If you really believe in someone, you don't need a reason, Veronica said. "I trust him, and I trust that he will always be consistent with me. It's that simple."

These words were like a cold slap in the face, hitting Daniel hard, and making him want to pounce on Veronica in anger.

However, before he could make a move, the prison guard had already subdued him.

"Daniel, after today, I think you really have no meaning to me anymore. Let's meet in court in a few days." And after the court, she and Daniel would probably never see each other again in this lifetime.

"Veronica, you will regret it! You will definitely regret trusting Mason in the future!" Even though his body was restrained, Daniel still shouted at Veronica.

But she ignored Daniel and just said to Mason beside her, "Okay, it's over. Let's go back."

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Mason pursed his lips and gazed at Veronica. After a moment, he spoke gently, "Okay, let's go back."

The two of them walked out of the meeting room, and they could still faintly hear Daniel's shouting from inside.

As they got into the car, Veronica looked at Mason and suddenly said, "I won't regret it."

He was taken aback, but then understood that she was responding to what Daniel had said to him earlier.

"Do you really believe that my feelings for you won't change in the future?" he asked.

"If I didn't believe it, I wouldn't be with you now," Veronica said. "Mason, we've been together for so long, from childhood to adolescence, and now. You should be the person I've spent the most time with in my life. Why wouldn't I believe in us?"

Upon hearing this, he turned to her and hugged her, "I love you, Veronica."

A simple sentence, but the most heartfelt confession.

The following days were busy for Veronica. First, the Reed

family held a press conference for her, announcing her relationship with Mason and also announcing the severing of ties with the Barlow family.

Of course, the so-called severing of ties was only verbal and had no legal significance, but it sent a signal to others: the Reed family had nothing to do with the Barlow family's debts, and they wouldn't help them in any way.

Immediately, many people criticized the Reed family for being too powerful. They not only refused to help their future in-laws, but also made their future daughter-in-law sever ties with her own family.

Many people also attacked Veronica, accusing her of abandoning her family in order to marry into a wealthy family. They called her heartless and cruel.

Looking at the comments full of accusations and insults, Veronica was filled with worry.

She wasn't worried about herself, after all, severing ties with her family was her own decision. But she was afraid that it would affect the Reed family.

The Reed family had helped her too much, and she didn't want them to be criticized because of her.

On the other hand, Mason didn't care about the online comments and said to Veronica, "Don't worry, everything will be fine."

The Reed family had naturally made full preparations for these possible situations. Afterwards, some posts appeared online, mainly about the Barlow family's borrowing situation in recent years and the help that the Reed family had given to the Barlow family in the past.

They also made a clear comparison between the Barlow family's initial situation and their situation after receiving help from the Reed family.

Some people who had lent money to the Barlow family even appeared online, saying that Mr. Barlow and his wife had been borrowing money and seeking investments everywhere under the guise of the Reed family, and had cheated many people. They also refused to repay the money and claimed that they had a relationship with the Reed family, which made many people who had lent them money but had no power, afraid to demand repayment.

In short, the unethical things that Archer and Rosalind had done were all exposed online.

Even some of Rosalind's friends said that Rosalind played cards all day long, and that the Barlow family's wealth was originally enough for them to live a comfortable life, but Rosalind had lost all of it on the card table.

Archer, on the other hand, frequented those places of pleasure and had many affairs with various women.

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Some people even revealed that Veronica had moved out of the Barlow family four years ago and had been living alone in a small apartment left by her biological mother. Over the past few years, she had been working hard to pay for her tuition and living expenses while studying and doing part-time jobs.

In contrast, the rest of the Barlow family had been going in and out of high-end places, buying various luxury brands. On Lionel's birthday, Archer and Rosalind's son, they even rented out an entire nightclub and spent millions of dollars!

These pieces of negative information kept being exposed online.

As a result, the direction of public opinion gradually began to reverse. Many people believed that the Barlow family was simply sucking the blood of the Reed family.

It was bad enough that they were sucking blood, but they were also damaging the reputation of the Reed family. Cutting off ties with Veronica and the Barlow family was indeed the right decision. It was really unlucky to have such family members.

For a while, the Barlow family became the target of public criticism.

As a result, the Reed family didn't have any negative news. After all, in the eyes of ordinary people, there was no need to maintain such a relationship.

Many people even applauded the Reed family online, saying that such in-laws should not be indulged. Otherwise, if this kind of parasite is allowed to continue, the entire Reed family may be dragged down in the future!

Veronica looked at the reversed public opinion online and finally confirmed that things didn't develop in the terrible direction she had imagined.

"Now you can rest assured," Mason said.

"Do you think my father and stepmother will be willing to live like this?" Veronica still felt uneasy.

"After this incident, they won't be able to cause any more trouble. In the future, no one will dare to lend them money. If they don't want to have a miserable future, the best way is to live a down-to-earth life," Mason said.

Veronica couldn't imagine what it would be like for her father and stepmother to live a down-to-earth life, but her half-brother was still young. Because of her father and stepmother's behavior, he ended up like this.

If her brother could really work hard and succeed in the future, she would still be willing to help him.

"Okay, don't think too much about it. The trial will start in a few days, and there will probably be many reporters surrounding us again. During this time, don't go to school. Wait until the storm passes," Mason said.

"Okay," Veronica obediently agreed. She knew that she had become a hot topie now, and if she appeared in public, she would be surrounded by people.

Fortunately, the Reed family was big enough. Even if she

stayed in the Reed family, she wouldn't feel bored. There was a dedicated cinema, entertainment room, study, and so on in the Reed family mansion...

In addition, Grace took the time to explain to Veronica some things to pay attention to in court, as well as how to answer questions briefly and avoid falling into some traps.

"However, the fact that Daniel committed a crime is already very clear, and the chain of evidence is sufficient. You just need to answer truthfully, and don't worry too much about anything else," Grace said.

"What sentence will Daniel receive?" Veronica asked.

"Most likely, he will receive a life sentence, and there is a small chance he will receive the death penalty," Grace said.

"Death penalty?" The moment these two words entered Veronica's cars, her body trembled.

"Can't bear to hear it?" Grace asked.

Veronica shook her head. "Not really. If it weren't for Mason risking his life to save me, I would have died long ago. Daniel no only wanted my life, but also Mason's. I don't feel any sympathy

for him. It's just that hearing about the death penalty gives me a strange feeling."

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Grace touched Veronica's head, knowing that there were some things this child had to digest on her own.

"The law will judge fairly, and everyone has to take responsibility for what they have done," Grace said.

Soon, it was the day of Daniel's trial.

Although the trial was not open to the public, it still attracted a large number of reporters. These reporters had been waiting outside the courthouse early in the morning, just waiting for the Reed family to appear.

After all, in Emerald City, anything related to the Reed family could become big news.

Veronica looked at the crowd of reporters outside the a little nervous.

car,

feeling

"Don't be afraid, stay by my side later," Mason said beside her.

When the car stopped and the door opened, Mason held Veronica's hand and walked towards the main entrance of the courthouse.

The surrounding reporters kept surging forward, but fortunately, they were stopped by the Reed family's bodyguards,

the courthouse security personnel, and the police.

Veronica followed Mason's footsteps and walked forward.

His hand was warm, and she looked straight at his broad back, as if as long as she followed him, she wouldn't have to be afraid of anything.

Inside the courtroom, it was much quieter than outside.

Veronica finally breathed a sigh of relief.

"Just stick to the facts when you answer the questions later. If you're not sure, you can choose not to answer," Mason reminded

her.

"Okay, I know," Veronica replied.

Before this, Auntie Grace had already told her what kind of questions might be asked.

Of course, if they asked about Daniel's motive for the crime, it was inevitable that they would bring up their high school days. Her relationship with Daniel as his ex-girlfriend, and the fact that Mason had given Daniel a large sum of money to break up with her, would all be mentioned.

This made Veronica a little nervous.

If she had realized her true feelings earlier and hadn't dated Daniel, then none of this would have happened.

In court, Veronica saw Daniel again.

He looked similar to when she saw him in the detention center, but he appeared slightly cleaner and tidier.

In court, Daniel kept his head down and obediently answered the judge's questions.

However, in his answers, he didn't intend to harm Veronica, he just wanted to scare them, and he didn't know there would be such dangerous consequences.

As for his motive, Daniel naturally revealed everything that happened in high school.

But on this issue, he always saw himself as a victim, feeling that he was being used by Veronica and Mason, and that they had disrupted his life and led him down this path of no return.

When it was Veronica's turn to answer the judge's questions, she answered them truthfully. When the defense lawyer asked if what Daniel said about their past was true, Veronica's lawyer stood up and protested, saying that this question was irrelevant to the case and Veronica didn't need to answer it.

After all, no matter what happened between the three of them during high school, it is an undeniable fact that Daniel committed a crime and intends to kill someone.

In the end, Veronica doesn't need to answer this question.

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Standing at the defendant's seat, Daniel looked at Veronica with resentful eyes and shouted loudly, "Why don't you answer? Are you afraid of revealing your affair with Mason in public? You used to call each other brother and sister, but now you're lovers. You played me for a fool. Who knows what kind of illicit things, you did back then? Maybe you've already slept together..."

Before Daniel could finish his words, he was already silenced and suppressed by the bailiff.

The trial was also temporarily adjourned.

Veronica said to Mason, "I'm sorry."

"You don't need to apologize for this," Mason said.

"Maybe after today's trial, these things will be reported by the media," Veronica said worriedly.

"Even if it's really reported, I'll find a way to suppress it," Mason said. "I don't regret what I did back then. If I didn't do it, maybe we would have missed each other."

After pondering for a moment, Veronica said, "I think even if you didn't do that, we wouldn't have missed each other. Dan feelings for me were not that deep, and my feelings for him w just a young crush. We have too many differences in our values. Even if we were together, we would probably break up after a

"But I don't want you to spend more years with him, I don't want your feelings for him to grow stronger, and I don't want him to occupy too much space in your heart," Mason said, feeling

"It's just a hypothesis," Veronica said. "In my heart, there's only you."

He was finally satisfied.

Half an hour later, the trial continued, and Daniel's emotions seemed to have calmed down, but he kept staring at Veronica and Mason with resentful eyes.

In the end, the verdict came and Daniel was sentenced to life

imprisonment.

But as the prison guards were taking Daniel away, he suddenly turned towards Veronica and Mason and said, "I curse you both. You will never be happy in your lives. One day, you will abandon each other and suffer more than I ever will! I'll be waiting in prison for your news! Hahaha...hahaha..."

Daniel laughed maniacally, and although the laughter disappeared with him, the disgust it brought lingered on

Veronica.

After returning from the court to the Reed family, Ver exchanged a few words with them before retreating to h bedroom.

Although she knew that Daniel's words were just his way of venting and his so-called curse was baseless, she couldn't shake off the uncomfortable feeling in her heart.

Just then, the door opened and Mason walked in, holding a cup of milk. "You don't look too good. I heated up some milk for you. Have a sip."

Veronica took the cup and drank a few sips of the warm milk, which eased her discomfort a little.

"You haven't looked good since you came back. What's wrong?" Mason asked.

"N-nothing," Veronica replied.

"Is it because of Daniel?" Mason asked.

Veronica tensed up.

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"Is it because he was sentenced to life imprisonment, or because of his so-called curse?" Mason asked again.

"He deserved the life sentence, but I know the curse was just nonsense he made up. If fate could be decided by curses, then everyone could just curse each other!" Veronica said.

"If that's the case, then why are you still uneasy?" Mason asked.

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"I can't really explain it. Maybe it's because Daniel has become someone I never imagined he would be, or maybe it's because of what he said. Even though I don't really believe it, it still affected my mood," Veronica analyzed her feelings. "But don't worry, I just need to sleep it off and I'll be fine."

"Are you sure you're okay?" Now, Mason was the one feeling uneasy.

"Your family is very concerned about me, and so are my friends. Shirley sent me a lot of messages today asking how I was doing, and with you by my side, how could anything happen to me?" Veronica smiled.

Mason looked at Veronica. "Yeah, with me by your side, nothing will happen to you."

"Okay," she continued drinking her warm milk. After finishing her glass of milk, Mason said, "Rest well and go to bed early tonight."

He turned around and was about to leave her room.

"Wait!" She suddenly grabbed his sleeve. "Can you...um... with me tonight?"

His body suddenly stiffened, looking at her in surprise. "What did you say?"

"Huh?" Veronica suddenly realized that what she said could casily be misunderstood. "I mean, can you...sleep with me, like we did when we were kids? Just sleep, nothing else...really, I just want to sleep with you innocently, I don't want to do anything to you..."

Her nervous and blushing appearance made him smile. "I understand, you don't have to explain. But..."

He paused. "Even if you really wanted to do something to me, it's okay."

Veronica's face turned even redder. He made it sound like she really wanted to do something to him.

"I'll go back to my room and freshen up first, and then I'll come over to keep you company," Mason said.

"Okay," Veronica replied softly, releasing her grip on Mason's sleeve.

After Mason left the room, Veronica walked over to the dressing table and looked at her crimson cheeks. She couldn't help but wonder why she blushed so easily for no reason.

She and him have slept together countless times since childhood, so why did she feel so flustered when expl

now?

Or could it be...the one who's thinking dirty thoughts is actually herself?!

When Mason walked into Veronica's room again, he had already changed into a dark blue pajama. He was carrying a blanket, pillow, and a sheet.

Veronica looked at the things he was carrying, puzzled. "What are you doing with those?"

"I'm going to make a bed on the floor. You can sleep on the bed, and I'll sleep on the floor," he said.

"That's not necessary. We used to sleep on the same bed when we were kids," she said.

"But we're not kids anymore," he replied.

"But we slept together not long ago, didn't we?" For example, when they first started dating, he would stay overnight at her apartment and they would sleep together.

"That was different from now," Mason said.

"How was it different?" Veronica asked, confused.

"Back then, I could control myself. But now, I might not be able

to," Mason said.