

Chapter 11 Killjoy

Aaron felt upset witnessing Simone's attack on Jodie. He believed she was intentionally causing trouble. Just as he was about to speak up, Simone averted her gaze, appearing disinterested in their argument. Aaron swallowed his words, but he couldn't help feeling annoyed. He never realized his sister could be so bothersome.

Simone turned to the director and questioned, "Did you forget to provide the bed accessories? Even if we try to find some or exchange with the villagers, it's too late. And it's not like the villagers have what we need. We require a significant amount of supplies."

This village was remote and underdeveloped. They would be fortunate to have enough provisions for themselves, let alone any surplus. The other guests, aside from Aaron and Jodie, agreed with Simone. Bartering was impossible, so they had to request supplies from the production team.

Leon spoke up, "She's speaking on behalf of all of us." He wanted to be friendly towards Simone, but she didn't even acknowledge him, much to his disappointment.

Zac chimed in, "We aren't asking for much. Just one set of accessories for each of us." Then, remembering something, he added, "Oh wait, Jodie and Aaron won't need them, so we only need six sets."

Aaron didn't expect Zac to continue pestering them. What an irritating man. He sneered. "Why aren't you giving us any?"

Zac raised an eyebrow. "You said you could handle things. You claimed you would do as the director instructed. I thought you were going to get through this without the supplies, so why the sudden change in attitude? I can't believe you would change your tune so quickly." Clearly, he was insinuating that Jodie and Aaron had no integrity.

Jodie and Aaron had no response to that. Aaron had said he could manage, and Jodie had said she could endure. Since Aaron couldn't win an argument against Zac, he turned to the director. "See what you guys can do."

He would protest if they didn't provide any supplies for him and Jodie. He couldn't endure the hardship, let alone Jodie.

The director had a few thoughts running through his mind. It's a good thing I agreed to have these two as guests. It's creating dramatic tension on the first day of shooting. The premiere is going to generate a lot of buzz. He wasn't planning on leaving the guests without any bedding supplies. If any of them were to fall ill, they would be in trouble. This was just a small challenge they had set up for the guests. Once the guests realized this, they would exchange their own supplies or work for them. However, the director didn't anticipate the fight between Simone and Jodie.

He smiled. "Of course we can provide them for you." He then added, "But not for free. You have to earn them. If we give everything away for free, it would deviate from the theme of the show."

The guests fell silent. This guy is up to something.

Leon asked, "So what's the condition?" The production team is being honest... If they hadn't done this, Simone and Jodie wouldn't have started fighting.

The director smiled. "It's simple. Prepare one dish for us during dinner. Each of you should make one dish. It's for the production team. Then we'll give you a set of supplies."

Leon pondered the terms for a moment. "Should the dish be raw or cooked?"

"Cooked, of course," answered the director.

Zac was left speechless. I'm a terrible cook. How am I supposed to do this? "Do I have to cook it myself, or can someone else do it for me?" He added, "I just don't want you guys to get food poisoning from my cooking."

Amused, the director said, "I understand. Just provide one cooked dish." In other words, they didn't have to cook anything themselves.

"We have pots, pans, and seasonings in the kitchen, but we don't have any other ingredients." The director checked the time. "It's around two o'clock now. We should have enough time to buy the ingredients."

At that moment, the guests realized that the shortage of bedding supplies was a setup by the production team.

"Sure. We'll do our best."

Since it was part of the show, no one objected.

The director then mentioned, "We only have four rooms here, so you'll have to share a room with another guest. Do you want to form your own teams, or should we draw lots?"

Zac quickly responded, "We'll form our own teams. I don't want to share a room with any troublemakers." He glanced in Aaron's direction.

Aaron sneered. "The pot calling the kettle black. I don't want to stay with you either."

"That's great," said Zac.

The director was more than surprised. The show had just begun, and the top two guests were already feuding with each other. This is going to make for a successful show. None of the other top celebrities in the industry would do this. Only them. Everyone else would just keep quiet no matter how annoyed they were. I'm glad I pulled some strings and got Zac on the show. He's the real deal, and he has a sharp tongue. It's worth the favor. We're going to trend today, baby.

Zac looked at Eric. "Want to be roommates?" He chose Eric because he didn't like Leon.

Eric wouldn't refuse, and he smiled. "Sure."

Aaron knew Leon, and he preferred to be roommates with him. "So, we'll share a room, Leon?"

Leon nodded. "Sure."

On the ladies' side, Leyla asked Jodie, "So we'll be roommates, Jo?"

Jodie knew Leyla had her sights set on Aaron, and it displeased her. She held nothing but disdain for this woman. Aaron would never fall for someone like her, and Jodie wouldn't allow it. Still, compared to the annoying Simone and the complete stranger Keira, she would rather stay with Leyla. At least Leyla was her follower, and Jodie could easily control her.

Jodie nodded, smiling sweetly. "Sure."

Keira breathed a sigh of relief. She didn't want to share a room with either of those two. One was a gold digger, while the other was a fake and malicious person. Both of them were difficult to handle. Simone was better. She smiled at Simone. "That means it's just the two of us. Want to share a room?"

Simone nodded. "Sure."

And then it was time to choose their rooms. Keira and Simone didn't mind which room they stayed in, so they let everyone else pick.

Aaron suggested that Jodie and Leyla should have the first choice. The ladies feigned reluctance, but when Leon instructed them to make a selection, they opted for the one adjacent to the living quarters.

The men graciously offered Keira and Simone the other room, which was in close proximity to the living room. Keira and Simone accepted without hesitation.

Zac swiftly claimed the room near the courtyard's entrance, leaving the one beside the kitchen for Aaron and Leon. Aaron felt frustrated that he had been a step too slow.