

Chapter 572 Alick's Intention

While every other person present was drawn to the clothes, Alick kept winking at Etta.

After a brief pause, Etta stood up. She had become pale. Her whole body trembled in fear. But she quickly got a grip of herself and stuttered. "It was me. I was the one that prepared the sequins. But... But I did everything like I was supposed to. I assure you of that."

As soon as Shirley heard those words, her anger intensified. She snatched the clothing Celia was holding, threw it on Etta's face and said sternly, "Did I just hear you say that? Perhaps you should open your eyes wide and take a look again!"

This made Etta shake even further.

Celia felt sorry for her. So she walked towards Etta, took the clothes and asked very calmly, "What is going on?"

"I really don't know what's going on. But I'm very sure that I didn't do anything wrong. In fact, I don't mind going to the tool room in order to sort out the sequins for you to see." Etta shook her head and sobbed. "You know what? Just give me a moment. I will be back in no time."

A frown appeared on Celia's face. Just when she was about to say something, Shirley spoke. "Etta, I am really disappointed in you. Just so you know, this box of sequins is customized from abroad with only a little stock. It's too late to transfer the goods now. Tell me, how do you plan on sorting them out again?"

Etta didn't say a word. She looked so afraid. Therefore,



Celia had to speak to Shirley on her behalf. "What if we change them to other sequins?"

"What do you mean by 'change them'?" From the look of things, her proposal didn't help much. An irate Shirley took a deep breath, glanced at Celia and Etta, and said, "It's easy for you to say, isn't it? As a designer, don't you know that one has to get exactly what they've paid for? If other sequins are used, they won't show the quality of the clothes at all."

"But if I may..."

"You don't seem to comprehend the seriousness of this situation, do you? The crux of the matter is that the clothes are meant for that play the Semshy Group just invested in. If they are not completed on time, it will have an unflattering effect on the image of the organization. So you see, Celia, it's not as easy to handle as you think it is."

Celia was stunned and lost in thoughts. She was trying to come up with a way to deal with the situation.

Etta murmured out of the blue. The expression on her face changed. "Miss Carter, I didn't do it well. And it's totally understandable if you choose to punish me because of that," she said cautiously.

"But it's not entirely my fault. These sequins were checked by Celia. Now that there is something wrong with the clothes, it is only right that she should also take the blame for being flippant with her duty. Don't you think so?"

Immediately Celia heard what Etta said, she was jolted back to reality.

It dawned on her that Alick was behind Etta. How could she be careless enough to forget that?

Shirley took a meaningful look at Etta, but she didn't punish



her. Instead, she turned to Celia and said decisively, "You have to modify the design right away. Then contact the crew and explain the situation. Replace the sequins with other materials. All the members of staff in the design department need to stay and work overtime. Make sure you do whatever it takes to send the clothes to the film crew before getting off work tomorrow."

Briar heard the noise inside the meeting room. So he went to the top floor to find Tyson as quickly as possible.

Shirley was about to announce the end of the meeting when Alick suddenly stood up and said to her, "Miss Carter, we do not have to change anything about the design of the clothes. I know the boss of a company who will help me get the sequins right away. Celia and I can go there later. So be rest assured that we will complete the task."

His words came as a shock to Celia. So she looked at him.

The expression on his face further affirmed the idea she had in mind.

She concluded that Alick didn't just instruct Etta. The whole situation was orchestrated by him!

Chapter 573 Celia Had An Idea

In an instant, Celia came up with a solution. "Miss Carter, since I was the one who made a mistake, I will solve it myself, without bothering Mr. Juarez," she said to Shirley.

Looking at her, Shirley asked, "What do you plan to do?"

"It might take a little while, but I can take out all the right sequins from those boxes," Celia explained. "I'm sure it won't take too long."

Although Celia was extremely firm when she spoke, Shirley wasn't sure that Celia's plan could work. "Are you sure you will be able to do that?" she asked. "These sequins are very small, and under the lights they are highly reflective. It won't be a problem to pick out only a few sequins, but if you want to pick out them all, your eyes will become strained. Cece, you must know, that even if there is one incorrect sequin that is used, there will be serious consequences."

Celia understood Shirley's concern, so she reassured her, "Miss Carter, I can do it. Give me three hours, and I will be able to pick out all the right sequins. In the end, if I don't succeed, I'll willingly accept the consequences. Even if the company decides to dismiss me over this, I won't complain."

Celia was able to make such a bold request as she already had a plan in mind.

She thought that if her plan succeeded this time, she might be able to use Etta to destroy Alick's plot.

After some consideration, Shirley finally came to a decision. "Fine, I will give you one chance, and will arrange for

everyone to stop what they're busy with and help you."

As soon as she finished speaking, Briar followed Tyson to the door.

Tyson raised his hand to signal to Briar not to go to her rescue when he heard what she had to say.

It appeared that during this period of time in the Semshy Group, Celia had gradually grown into a strong, confident woman who could hold her own, and there was no need for him to use his power to assist her. She was able to use her own influence to win everyone over.

The two returned to the office, and Tyson told Briar, "Go and buy some supper and remember to get more seafood ready."

He also wanted to see how his precious wife would solve this particular problem.

If this problem could be satisfactorily resolved, he could also have a reason to give her a promotion and a raise in salary.

Celia, on the other hand, was more concerned about how to solve the problem quickly, than promotions and salary increases.

Immediately after the meeting ended, Celia took Etta to the tool room and they began to pick out sequins.

With Shirley watching, Etta didn't dare to behave inappropriately and tried her best to help Celia.

The two ladies worked hard together, and before long, a whole box was finished.

Celia's efficiency surprised Shirley and Alick, so much so that Alick was afraid that she would finish the task on time.

He quickly pretended to cough to try and attract Etta's attention.

When Etta looked up, she saw him signaling to her with his eyes, indicating that she must slow down. For a while, she was shocked and then decided to follow his instruction.

While she feared Shirley and losing her job, she didn't dare to upset Alick. After all, she was relying on him to pay for her mother's surgery, so she had no choice but to quietly prolong the process.

Actually, she wasn't as efficient as Celia, but after Alick threatened her, she slowed down even more.

After having a quick look at Alick and Etta, Celia realized that there was something going on between the two of them. While Etta didn't seem to be openly helping Alick, he seemed to have a hold over her and it appeared to Celia that Etta had been forced to become his accomplice. So, she made a plan and said to Shirley, "Miss Carter, you and Mr. Juarez don't need to stay with us. You may go and have a break first. We will come and meet you in the office as soon as we're done."