#### Midnight 261

### Chapter 261: Don't Delete It

Moreover, how could Nanny Carter bully her? Lily looked at Hazel with amazement and fear. She was afraid to talk, so she clearly pointed at her.

"What are you doing?" Hazel was speechless. "You don't think that I forced Nanny Carter to make trouble for you deliberately?"

As soon as the words came out of her mouth, Hazel couldn't help but scold herself, why should she care about her? This is exactly what Lily wants her to do.

"No, no," Lily's eyes were redder. "I still don't know many things about a house like this. Nanny Carter should teach me."

After that, she looked at Joshua, she forced the expression of being wronged and that she was willing to accept it.

Hazel was even more speechless. With Lily's unclear words and her current facial expression, she was clearly trying to convince Joshua that Hazel was bullying her.

Hazel shook her head and told herself that she had to let it go, she was not good with this manipulation, and if she continued to talk, she would fall into Lily's trap. However, she could not control her thoughts.

"You..." Hazel started to say, but Joshua interrupted and said, "Nanny Carter is very nice, follow her and learn."

Hazel almost laughed. Lily had created such a performance so that she could tell Joshua that Hazel and Nanny Carter had teamed up to bully her. But Joshua was not listening to her accusations at all, instead, he told her to continue following Nanny Carter and learn. Didn't that mean to let her be 'bullied' by Nanny Carter?

Lily's facial expression was unforgiving. Joshua looked calm and wise.

"That..." Lily still wanted to say something, but Joshua has already opened the door and pulled Hazel toward it.

"Joshua..." Hazel exclaimed.

He said calmly, "Hazel, I still have something to discuss with you..."

"What is it..." Hazel looked awkward.

In the blink of an eye, she was in the room, and he quickly closed the door, leaving Lily standing there in shock.

Lily's eyes were gloomy and terrible. As the door closed to his room, Lily saw Joshua holding Hazel's waist, kissing her passionately. She understood why Joshua was with Hazel, it was because of her skills in bed.

Lily's eyes were full of contempt. If there was an opportunity, she would do what she must to make Joshua love her. However, with Nanny Carter and Theresa keeping a close eye on her, she had to make a long-term plan. A girl who is positive and kind seemed to have no effect on Joshua, and she would have to think about other ways.

Hazel finally gave in and stayed in Joshua's room. It was not the first time, so she did not struggle with him too much.

When she woke up the following day, Hazel reached out, she touched Joshua's warm, firm chest. She was not surprised with him being there, so she closed her eyes, pinched his body, and groaned in his arms.

"Hazel!" Joshua caught her finger, and his cold eyes were full of helplessness. She was really getting harder and harder to control.

A happy laugh sounded. Hazel opened her eyes, and she was a little proud of it. " You did not let me go back last night, and your touch feels so good!"

"Very good," Joshua lifted his lips. "Hazel, then let's "hurt" each other."

Seeing that Joshua really intended to "hurt" her, Hazel felt worried. How can she be so careless, as long as he did not violate rules, Joshua could do anything to her.

"That..." Hazel was dodging, but Joshua rolled over and pressed her under his body. She had nowhere to hide.

Suddenly, her cell phone rang.

"Wait!" Hazel's hand hurriedly pushed his chest. "I have a message on my mobile phone. Let me see it first!"

Watching her expression of fear and shame, Joshua only felt a burst of hotness. Facing such an attractive woman every day, he really doubted whether his willpower would be able to keep him from Hazel.

Hazel reached out and picked up the phone next to the bed. The text was a video sent from Ariel.

"How could Ariel suddenly think of sending me a video?" Hazel was somewhat surprised. Seeing that Joshua was still staring at her, she quickly said, "You come and see it!"

After Hazel clicked on the video, she regretted it.

The video that Ariel sent to her was of her being drunk at the school anniversary ball. Hazel burst into tears and thought about what kind of horrible friends she had. She was not proud of her behavior, and instead of letting her try to forget it, Ariel actually recorded it.

Although she acted strangely that night, she and Joshua caused a lot of discussion on the school forum. Hazel had thought that if she waited long enough, her stupid behavior would be forgotten, she never imagined that Ariel had recorded it.

"It's pretty good." Joshua chuckled.

"It is totally not good!" Hazel rushed to grab the phone and wanted to delete the video.

"Don't delete," Joshua smiled lightly. "How bad can it be? We can play it at our wedding."

"At our wedding, you want to let others see my crazy behavior?" Hazel was a little angry, but then she suddenly blushed because of her shyness. She fell into Joshua's trap again.

"Then when should we play it?" Joshua's eyes contained a bit of a tease.

"I don't know, I don't know," Hazel threw back the quilt and fled out of bed. "Don't ask me!"

Joshua knew that she was shy. He smiled and did not continue to tease her. He took Hazel's mobile phone and sent the video to his mobile phone, he really wanted to save it.

After the two brushed their teeth, they went downstairs to have breakfast. Joshua pulled out Hazel's chair for her, as she sat down, she looked at Lily standing at the table, and her head began to ache.

When Hazel saw her, she always felt that there was nothing good and her instincts told her Lily was just going to cause more trouble.

Lily's face looked pale and sickly, this color made her look more delicate. After another glance, Hazel realized it was make-up. Lily really wanted to start trouble.

As expected, Joshua just thoughtfully helped Hazel with her bowl of porridge when suddenly Lily became weak and fainted.

The dining room was chaotic, and Nanny Carter rushed to find someone to help her.

Joshua frowned slightly, and he looked at Nanny Carter unpleasantly. "What happened?"

## Chapter 262: This Is Not A Coincidence

Lily was unconscious, but her eyebrows suddenly moved. Nanny Carter was in a state of disarray, she never thought that Lily would pretend to faint. She had told Nanny Carter that she would learn more from her and wait in the dining room.

It didn't matter if Lily really fainted or she just pretended to faint, Nanny Carter would have to give an explanation. She hurriedly explained, "Sir Denmark, this is the situation. I asked her to clean the house yesterday. She may have misunderstood what I meant. I was busy doing something else all night. It was my negligence. I should have found her earlier in the evening and sent her to bed..."

Joshua's face became even unhappier. Nanny Carter had been in Denmark Residence for so many years, and he knew very well what kind of person she was. Lily actually wanted to try and use such a nasty trick to discredit Nanny Carter?

"It appears that her physical strength and ability are not very good." Joshua said coldly, "So, you should give her more work and let her exercise more, it will help to build her resistance."

Lily trembled, and her eyelids moved. Although she was still 'unconscious,' she was almost in tears.

Her heart was desperate. What was wrong with Joshua? She was so weak and pitiful, yet he didn't even glance at her once? Not only that, he actually encouraged Nanny Carter to bully her. She tried to make Nanny Carter look bad but, in the end, the whole situation turned on her and made her look bad.

What kind of girl did Joshua like? Why could she not get his attention?

"Sir Denmark, I will do what you have said!" Nanny Carter sighed, looking at Lily smiling.

Hazel held back her smile, and Joshua was charming. If there were ever a woman she could not cope with, he would come to the rescue and solve the issue.

She kissed Joshua on the cheek and said, "Joshua, you are the best!"

Lily, who was being helped out of the dining room, trembled but did not dare to say anything. She knew with Joshua's instructions, and Nanny Carter would naturally not be polite with her any longer, so she avoided Hazel and Nanny Carter the entire day.

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Joshua and Hazel arrived at the hotel where Mathew's banquet was being held. Even though the crew had Hazel to increase the investments, it was not a big production, so he booked a small hall to save money where he could.

Hazel and Joshua were outside of the hotel's hall, just as they were preparing to go in, Hazel looked at the corridor with a strange look in her eyes. She saw Susan wearing a gorgeous evening dress; at the same time Susan saw Hazel and Joshua, she was not surprised to see them. Hazel was surprised to see her though, why would she be there?

Susan just snorted and walked into another hall.

"Miss Crowe, Mr. Denmark." Seeing them walk in, Mathew hurriedly greeted them.

"What is happening over there?" Hazel walked in and asked curiously. The door of the opposite hall was wide open, and she could clearly see crowds of people.

"The opposite side is also holding a banquet," Mathew said with contempt.

"The movie was bought by Susan. It will be the first special effect movie in our country and it will be popular, but I think she is spending money on hiring actors and propaganda. The special effect is a gimmick."

Hazel said with some surprise, "It is a huge coincidence that we are actually holding a party at the same time!"

"This is not a coincidence," Joshua said.

"What Mr. Denmark said was right," Mathew nodded in agreement. "Miss Crowe, you don't know, her movie has been finished for two weeks, and it is very strange to hold a banquet this long after finishing. I think that she is clearly and deliberately showing off in front of me to flaunt her riches!"

Hazel's lips were twitching, and she agreed with what Mathew said.

Hazel knew that Susan was very petty. When she opened Joshua-Hazel Picture, she ran to Mathew saying she wanted a role in his film, but she was immediately rejected. Susan was looking for revenge and could do nothing to Hazel, so she had to vent her anger at Mathew.

"Forget it, she will hold her banquet, and we will do ours." Hazel said with a smile, "Even if she deliberately irritates us, she won't come here and show off!"

Hazel did not expect that, after a while, Susan would arrive at their banquet with her agent. As they walked in, Hazel's lips twitched slightly, and she felt speechless.

She suddenly remembered Lily with all of her bad ideas, but Susan was not so "clever", she never knew how stupid she was. If you flatter her, she will be arrogant. Hazel suddenly felt that if Lily and Susan shared some of their tricks, perhaps they would be much smarter.

Susan proudly passed through the crowd, not even looking at Mathew, and went straight to Joshua, "Joshua, long time no see. I thought I might have been wrong, but it turns out it is you. My mom asked me to say hello to you."

Joshua just nodded and hardly even acknowledged her.

"You are actually participating in such a shabby banquet?" Susan sneered at the small hall and looked at staff from the crew. "Joshua, perhaps because Denmark Group did not get involved in the entertainment industry. You don't know much about this industry. But I can tell you clearly that investing in this kind of low-cost movie with no future can only be a loss!"

Hazel bit her lip. Susan still was the same, and she still did not let go of her feeling and thoughts for Joshua. Before she had time to talk about it, she heard that Susan went on to say, "Joshua, your business talent is much more advanced than mine. I believe you can understand what I said. I know that you want to spend money to make the beauty happy, but ever since ancient times, beauty usually creates disasters..."

"Is it your money that I spend?" Joshua interrupted her.

Susan suddenly stiffened, she crashed the banquet to make Hazel feel uncomfortable. She believed that Joshua would agree to let Hazel invest, and even if her investment failed, he would not say anything, but he would definitely think that she was incompetent and wasting his money.

But Joshua interrupted her words so quickly that she didn't know what to say.

Susan was anxious, "...you are not spending my money, but..."

"Then does it have anything to do with you?" Joshua's eyes became even more indifferent.

Susan was choked, and she said with anger, "But Hazel is clearly wasting your money erratically!"

"As long as Hazel is happy, she can waste my money as she wants!" Joshua's facial expression became a bit colder.

#### Chapter 263: Don't Bother Me

Susan was shocked and couldn't speak, Joshua actually indulged Hazel. She said with anger, "If you go on like this, sooner or later, all of your money will be spent by her!"

"I am happy with it," Joshua said indifferently.

Everything that Susan said to Joshua was blocked, he was only worried if Hazel was happy. Hazel stood by Joshua and laughed to herself. Whether it was Lily or Susan, this is what she always faced by Joshua would stand up for her and drive the women away.

Susan looked at Hazel, who was smiling, and felt even more infuriated.

"Hazel, are you laughing at me?" Susan was furious.

"...No." Hazel's lips were slightly twitching. Is Susan just paranoid after everything she has done?

Joshua's eyes became colder, and he stepped in front of Hazel.

Susan was even more annoyed and more aggravated. She said evilly, "You, you..."

She looked around and saw a cake not far away. Mathew specially ordered the cake to celebrate the banquet, but Susan was fiercely walking toward it.

The whole situation seemed to be happening in slow motion. Hazel was so shocked that she couldn't move. She just kept thinking, Susan wouldn't ruin the cake and make trouble here, would she? Would she be so childish?

Hazel tried to move to stop her, but before she reached her, Mandy grabbed her.

"Luna, let's go back!" Mandy was standing awkwardly in front of Susan to block her from the cake. She had worked with Susan for a long time and knew how idiotic she could be. She realized that if no one dared to stop her, Susan would ruin the banquet.

"You need to let me go!" Susan said angrily.

"The director is still waiting for us. We have been gone too long. Let's leave!"

Mandy had to try to persuade Susan that she had to let it go.

"...you!" Susan glared at Mandy with anger. She was livid, and if she just left, she would not have the opportunity to vent her anger.

"Don't bother me!" Susan scolded with annoyance, slapping Mandy across the face. She seemed to have calmed down, she snorted and walked out. Mandy covered her cheek and followed behind her.

"I am terrified that she will make trouble." Hazel sighed. She frowned. "But with her temper, I am afraid it is difficult for her to play any tricks purposely."

The Flores family suddenly came to mind, Hazel had always suspected Susan was behind their scheme. However, the Flores family seemed to have had no connection with Susan, and as she had thought before, her personality made it hard to put plans in place.

"This may not be true." Joshua deepened his eyes. "She doesn't have tricks, but the people around her will."

"You mean her mother?" Hazel looked a little stunned. She only met Sunny once, and that meeting was not enough for her to judge what kind of person Sunny was. But from what Joshua had told her, she could sense his fear of her.

Sunny, presumably, was not a simple person. Hazel had to ask, "Isn't she still abroad? Even if she could control Susan, she could not help if there was something wrong with Susan."

"I just said it casually." Joshua smiled slightly, and he looked at her with dark and deep eyes. "Couldn't she do something and let Susan think she has many tricks?"

Hazel felt very unsettled. Joshua was too clever, and she never could hide anything from him.

"How would that be possible, though?" Hazel smiled.

Suddenly, the noise came from the other room, and Hazel frowned slightly. "What happened?"

Someone heard that Susan told people she went to congratulate Mathew but was only bullied when she tried to speak to him, so people wanted to get revenge.

"She really can make trouble for others, can't she?" Hazel was shocked. It seemed that Susan intended to turn her guests against Mathew.

Susan's family was rich, and even though the people in the entertainment circle may not like her, they would not dare to offend her. That was the only reason why she was able to have so many people at her party. If she really wanted to cause trouble for Mathew, then the future of Joshua-Hazel Pictures would be tough.

In the other hall, the crowd got louder and louder. A drunk man suddenly appeared in the doorway of the smaller hall and yelled angrily, "Who is Mathew?"

Hazel recognized the man, he was from a rich family, and because he was interested in the entertainment circle, he had a history with Susan. He must have been looking to avenge Susan.

"I am." Mathew stood up.

"You dare to bully Luna," the man said angrily. "I have heard all about Luna's affairs with you. Isn't it that you asked her to make a movie and she refused? She came here to congratulate you, and you just bullied her! I want you to apologize to her now!"

"If I don't?" Mathew was stubborn but also very angry.

The man grabbed his arm in anger and said in a huff. "Then I will take you to her! I will make you apologize to her if it is the last thing I do!"

Hazel's face was dark and angry. The man was drunk, but still, he had the nerve to threaten Mathew. The banquet may be ruined after all.

"Stop!" Joshua said in a deep voice. He walked two steps forward and grabbed the wrist of the drunk man.

The man suddenly complained, and he looked up angrily. "Who, who dares to be so bold..."

His red face suddenly became pale. He shook his head, unsure if he saw right, Joshua Denmark was standing in front of him?

"Sir, Mr. Denmark?" The man was emotionless and suddenly sobered up. The man holding his arm was clearly Joshua Denmark, one of the top people you should not offend.

"Yes," Joshua said with a long face. The most important thing was to calm down the crowd and to resolve the conflict. "You are drunk! You need to go wash your face and sober up some more."

"Yes, I will go now..." The man acted like he was facing a strong enemy and rushed away.

He was only gone for a few minutes when he returned. Hazel felt sick, thinking that he was there to cause more trouble.

"Sir Denmark, I'm sorry, I just drank too much," he said smiling. "I want to ask, have you invested in this movie?"

"No." Joshua shook his head.

### Chapter 264: I Will Accompany You

"Then you..." The man was somewhat puzzled.

"I just have a good personal relationship with Mathew," Joshua said calmly.

The facial expression of the man had changed again, and he felt more panic. He actually offended Joshua's friend.

"Sir, Mr. Denmark, it was my fault earlier," The man's lips were twitching. He said in a panic. "Look at this, we are also having a party. There are a few nice girls that I could introduce you to?"

Hazel, who is watching the man apologizing to Joshua, was unwilling to listen to him anymore. He came to make trouble, then to apologize and steal her boyfriend away. It was ridiculous.

She knew she had to show the influence that his true girlfriend should have and prove that Joshua did not need to worry about her.

"You are coming back to apologize to Mathew?" Hazel suddenly said with an unfriendly tone.

"This, how could it be?" The man said, suddenly stunned. "I asked, that is a misunderstanding, misunderstanding..."

"But you said that if you couldn't make him apologize, it would be the last thing you did?" Hazel asked with a smile.

"I am drunk..." The man smiled.

Hazel had been standing with Joshua, but their relationship was not noticeable. Even if the man was arrogant, he knew that Hazel should not be offended.

"It's not good to break your word, is it?" Hazel sneered, "You shouldn't bully Mathew? You decided to try and please our President to make up for it. You think that our President can be bought by your girls. Are you so naive?"

"I won't." Joshua held back his smile and said, cooperating with her. Hazel was jealous, but Joshua liked it, she was so cute.

The man suddenly realized what she meant. How could he have been so stupid? Since a woman was standing by Joshua, he should not have offered to introduce him to another. He knew he had to apologize to the beautiful woman, he wasn't looking for trouble.

"I, I don't mean that..." The man hurriedly said, "I want to introduce them to Mathew. There are a few girls who have the potential to become wonderful actresses. Oh, yes, I have another way to apologize to Mathew."

After saying this, the man actually turned away and left.

"He just left?" Hazel was stunned. "How much wine did he drink, and how was he so drunk..."

"He may be drunk, but at least he is not stupid." Joshua opened his mouth and said.

Hazel agreed to nod, but she became mixed with emotions when he returned with some of his friends and several well-known reporters.

"This is Director Mathew Carter," The man held Mathew's shoulder and said like he was his best friend. "We are good buddies. You must help support Mathew's movie. You are from several different media outlets, so let's write a big story about him!"

Mathew stood beside the man. He was smiling stiffly, the man wanted to help him with publicity, and he certainly welcomed it, but the man's attitude changed too quickly for Mathew to be comfortable.

Hazel's lips were twitching. This man acted boldly, doing things unexpectedly; he thought of something and did it. Like Susan, he was in the entertainment circle, he didn't want to have others cause trouble for him.

The man looked proudly at Hazel and looked for a compliment. It seemed that although he was drunk, he also understood that Joshua always had a low-profile temper and did not dare to let the reporters bother them.

"Let's go," Joshua said. He saw that many people outside the door were coming to see what was happening. It seemed that the banquet would be lively and that it was not suitable for him and Hazel to stay.

Hazel nodded. The two of them quietly left the banquet hall when no one was watching.

"I need to go to the washroom first," Elen said.

Joshua faintly said, "I will accompany you..."

"Accompany me where?" Hazel interrupted him without a good tone. "You want to go to the women's washroom? Tell me honestly, what are you going to do?"

Joshua was able neither to cry nor to laugh. "Well, I am waiting for you by the elevator."

Hazel waved her hand, and she hurried into the bathroom. When she opened the door, she heard sobbing. Mandy was standing in front of the sink, crying uncontrollably.

Hazel looked at her, she recognized her as Susan's assistant. Mandy's hair was long, thick bangs covered her forehead, and she wore large black-rimmed glasses. She appeared to be unfashionable when she could have been a very beautiful girl.

Several red handprints covered Mandy's cheek. Since the man took people away from Susan's banquet to go to Mathew's, giving him more publicity, Susan took her frustration out on Mandy's face.

Hazel was enraged. She quietly said, "...you can ask the waiter to get some ice and towels. It will be better if it is iced."

Mandy looked up and looked at Hazel with shock. The next moment, she said to Hazel with fear, "Thank you..."

"You are welcome, but I didn't help you with anything." Hazel looked at her face again. She tried not to ask, but finally, she couldn't hold back. "If you are upset and hurt, why don't you consider changing jobs?"

Hazel had seen Mandy several times, but every time Susan vented her anger physically on Mandy, Hazel couldn't help but wonder why she continued to work for Susan.

Mandy hesitated a moment. She shook her head with some helplessness.

"It doesn't matter. Luna has a bad temper, but she doesn't treat me too bad..."

Hazel sighed since Mandy still chose to stay and work with Susan, she naturally did not say more.

She walked out of the bathroom. After meeting with Joshua, they left the hotel together. They got in the car, and Joshua received a call from Jaxson.

Hazel could not hear what Jaxson had said, so when Joshua calmly hung up the phone and looked at her. She asked, "What happened? Does it have something to do with me?"

"Almost." Joshua said, "Mathew's banquet is trending on Twitter, it has been intensely discussed. And now it has become one of the hottest topics. All major media outlets are writing reports about it. Do you want to do something now?"

"Of course!" Hazel's eyes lit up. "It was so popular, of course, I will make good use of it!"

She picked up her phone and quickly dialed, "Sharon, move fast, the first version of the new movie is already done? Now log in to the official Twitter account to release the video..."

## Chapter 265: Why Are You In Here?

"... Also, let out the news that Mathew is going to do a special interview. Besides, the actors will become more popular. When the time is right, use the identity of the outsiders to release the news that they are going to be acting in the online drama....."

Joshua looked at her in surprise. He knew of Hazel's talents more than anyone else, he was always surprised that she had more ideas than most people her age. However, she still surprised him when she took charge.

It turned out that Hazel had grown so much when he was only working in the background. She was dealing with emergencies on her own, and it was all being done properly.

He wondered if she would grow too fast and independent or if it was that he put too much pressure on her, so she was eager to prove herself?

"...If anything happens, you must inform me in time." Hazel sighed with relief. She hung up the phone and looked at Joshua curiously, she could feel him watching her.

Looking into his eyes, Hazel suddenly felt her heart beating faster. Joshua's gaze was tender and loving. When he watched her, she felt that she might have a meltdown.

"You, why are you looking at me like that?" Hazel couldn't help but blush.

"My Hazel is too charming," Joshua lifted his lips slightly, "I was completely mesmerized by you."

"Hate..." Hazel shyly smiled and didn't care too much. She picked up her phone to make another call.

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Hazel's timing was very accurate. The heat of the banquet spurred people's curiosity. Combined with the timely release of the propaganda film, the popularity of the film once again rose.

The film only had new actors, so nobody was really interested, but Mathew has some fame behind him. Many people were wanting to see the film, causing memories and affirmations of Mathew's work.

After Hazel's impeccable timing to guide the public opinion, everyone became more and more interested in the film. People began to take the initiative to learn everything they could about the film and actors.

Almost overnight, the actors became famous, and the news of the online drama, released by Hazel's staff, was being talked about all over social media.

The heated discussion of how it was the only movie directed by Mathew that was that popular before had even been released. The popularity of the movie only helped to increase the popularity of online drama.

People started to discuss online drama more than any movie or show. The online drama had become so popular that Hazel even heard Lily telling Theresa that she wanted to be one of the extras, and if the director liked her, she might even get to play the leading role. Thankfully, Theresa talked with her for a long while and made her give up on the thought.

Hazel was so busy that she and Joshua often left early and got home late. Even when she was home, she spent most of her time in the study, so she didn't have time to pay attention to Lily and her schemes, which appeared to have stopped.

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Hazel decided to leave work early, it wasn't busy so she thought she could go home to relax. She started to open her door and was about to walk in to get changed, but she froze with shock at the sight of what was happening.

Lily was standing in the middle of the room, wearing Hazel's clothes. There were open cosmetics on the table, it appeared that Lily was giving herself a makeover with Hazel's things.

She saw Hazel standing in the doorway, and she suddenly panicked. Hazel was completely speechless, she even stepped back for a moment and looked at the door to confirm it was her room.

"Why are you in here?" Hazel walked into the room, upset.

"I, I am cleaning!" Lily said with a guilty tone. However, she had calmed down and looked at Hazel defiantly.

"Cleaning? Do you 'clean' my clothes by trying them on?" Hazel's eyes became cold.

"You have so many clothes, and you won't notice if I take one piece!"

"Are you helping me by 'cleaning' my cosmetics?"

"Anyway, you can't use it yourself. Nothing will happen if I use some?"

"So, as you said, I have to thank you still?"

"You don't need to thank me. I am just so kind."

Hazel didn't think that Lily was so shameless. She was caught on the spot, and she was still able to be so confident. She still didn't know what to say, so she took a deep breath, Hazel carefully thought about how to deal with this matter.

The incident wasn't extremely serious, but it left Hazel feeling disgusted that her belongings were touched and used by Lily. However, if she drove Lily out because of it, she was afraid that the Flores family would retaliate.

Hazel suddenly felt deeply victimized, she had always been a straightforward person. If she had encountered the same situation before, she would have taught Lily a lesson her own way, but since the Flores family came around, it seemed that she could only sit back and take it.

"Those things belong to you now, but you will not be allowed to enter my room again in the future!" Hazel raised her eyebrows with the upset. She didn't want anything that Lily had touched.

Lily's eyes flashed with pride. She was trying to speak, but she saw Theresa standing at the door and looking inside. Theresa had originally looked for Lily, she let Lily out of her sight for a few minutes, and she disappeared.

Theresa was shocked to find her in Hazel's room, "Lily, why are you here?" she said angrily. She saw Lily wearing Hazel's dress and guessed what had happened, "How can you steal Hazel's clothes? Get them off quickly."

"Why did you think I am stealing?" Lily was unhappy at the moment. "This is obviously what she gave me!"

Theresa was puzzled, she looked at Hazel. However, Hazel was so unhappy that she could only nod, and Theresa understood that she didn't want to say anything more.

Lily obviously didn't care, so as Theresa was pulling her out of the room, she impatiently said, "Wait! I have something to ask Hazel!"

Hazel was shocked, but she finally understood why she was dating Henry, the greed that both the Flores family and Lily was the same.

"Hazel, I know that you don't want to see me here, as long as you promise me something, I promise to leave here!" Lily said harshly.

"What do you want?" Hazel was somewhat surprised.

"I want to work at Denmark Group!" Lily said like she was bound to get it.

Hazel was even more shocked with all of Lily's ideas, she shouldn't be surprised, but Lily kept coming up with newer and crazier ideas.

Taking a deep breath, Hazel looked at her with a smile. "You can't score with the game of the President and the maid, so you want to change it to the game of the President and the staff?"

### Chapter 266: I Have So Many Advantages

Lily was very nervous when Hazel guessed what she was thinking.

Theresa and the other maids in the Denmark Residence had been keeping a close eye on her, and Joshua was busy working, so she hardly saw him, let alone seduce him.

She wondered how Hazel read her mind. Lily said with shame and anger,

"Don't say something so pointless, you agree or not?"

"I don't agree," Hazel looked at her indifferently. "You want to enter the Denmark Group with your junior high school education. What kind of place do you think Denmark Group is?"

She heard Theresa say that Lily didn't study after she finished junior high school. It wasn't her family who refused to support her to get a higher education, and she just didn't want to continue, she just wanted to mess around with Henry.

However, she thought she was capable of working at Denmark Group, Hazel was shocked by her boldness, but Theresa was even more shocked. Hazel was not a fool; how could she even ask for a job at Denmark Group.

Lily was like a cat who stepped on her tail. She said with amazement and anger, "Hazel, I see you are afraid!"

"Afraid?" Hazel looked at her unexpectedly and asked curiously, "What am I afraid of?"

"You are afraid that Joshua will fall in love with me!" Lily said angrily.

"I... I am afraid that he will fall in love with you?" Hazel was flabbergasted. She couldn't even comprehend how Lily could be so confident to say that.

Hazel said quietly, "Don't worry, I am very confident in Joshua's preferences."

"Hazel, you don't deceive yourself!" Lily snorted and said with self-assurance. "TV dramas are always filled with this type of story. The handsome presidents become tired of your kind of rich beauty, you are their second preference. They always want ordinary girls like me! I am not as beautiful as you are, I am not as rich as your family, and I did not graduate from a famous university like you. I am not as lovely as you, but I am ordinary, and I am the kind Joshua Denmark is destined to be with!"

She continued to say, "As for you, you are the female who ends up being cast aside. What if you are good enough? What if he likes you now? You and Joshua are not true love at all. He will abandon you sooner or later and fall in love with me! If you are not interested, give up, maybe then you can have a happy ending. If you are not wise enough to give up, then your ending will be miserable! Theresa, what are you doing? Let go..."

Theresa was trying to pull Lily out of the room, she was embarrassed even to know someone like her. Hazel was still stunned, but she suddenly burst out in laughter.

"What are you laughing at?" Lily asked angrily.

"You actually view me as a rich beauty. That is the first time someone said that to me, thank you." Hazel smiled even more, and she said, holding her head high, "I have so many advantages. I am beautiful and smart, oh..."

Theresa hung her head helplessly. She thought that Hazel would be angry, but it was just the opposite. It was true that Lily was not as good as Hazel, so how did she think Joshua would like her if she was worse than her in every aspect? How could she be so confident?

"Who wants your appreciation?" Lily was furious. "I am not praising you at all!"

"Okay," Hazel waved her hand impatiently. "I have been in a good mood recently. Seeing that you really thought a lot of yourself today, I will not be angry about what happened, now get out."

"Hazel!" Lily was furious, and she said with anger. "I think you just want to bully me and suppress me deliberately! I tell you this is useless! You don't promise me now, and I will tell Lanny and Caroline..."

Hazel's eyes became cold. She can tolerate Lily running into her room, saying very absurd things but could not tolerate her threatening to go to the Flores family.

If she and the Flores family had a conflict, she would be upset if Joshua chose the Flores family. But the same, Joshua chose to help her, so she would also be self-blaming. She did not want to see Joshua and the Flores family become enemies because of her, that was the reason why she had always tried to avoid conflict with the Flores family.

But with Lily actually threatening to use this against her?

She knew compromise was never a good way to deal with the threatening.

She walked toward Lily. Looking at Hazel's cold face, Lily felt some fear.

"What are you, what are you doing?" Lily asked in a panic, she stumbled backward, Hazel was still coming at her.

Hazel sneered, "You want to complain to the Flores family? You just go if you want to. Do you think I need to please the Flores family? Also, I really want to give you a chance to be the leading actress."

"What, what?" Lily asked.

"You are not saying that I am second in the TV drama. Are you the leading actress? Then I will do something that the second-place female would do, let you experience the feeling of being a heroine!" Hazel's eyes were cold. "If you say that I am bullying you and suppressing you, then I have to let you know what they truly are!"

"What do you want to do?" Lily panicked, she knew that things shouldn't be like that. Hazel should be thinking of a way for her to work at Denmark Group, right? How can it be so tough?

Hazel had picked up the internal telephone on the table and dialed it out.

"Nanny Carter, can you bring a few people to my room..."

"Don't call!" Lily said in a panic, and she rushed in the direction of Hazel.

Hazel looked at her coldly. Seeing that she had rushed toward her, Hazel stepped back, and Lily was unable to slow down in time, Hazel calmly extended her foot, and Lily suddenly fell on her face.

Lily was mortified that Hazel had the upper hand. She stayed on the ground for a long time before she got up. A short time later, Nanny Carter knocked, there were guards standing behind her, waiting to restrain Lily.

"What do you want to do?" Seeing Hazel did it seriously, Lily was scared.

"Hazel, you are so ruthless, Joshua will hate you!"

"Isn't that what you want?" Hazel said with a smile, and she turned to look at Nanny Carter, "Nanny Carter, take her down. I see the garden lawn needs to be mowed and the pool should be cleaned... ... Anyway, I have to give her all the dirty work, and I believe that you can make her obedient, right?"

# Chapter 267: Why Is This Book Here?

"Of course." Nanny Carter promised.

Lily was taken out of Hazel's room by the guards. She knew that in the past, Hazel and the staff of Denmark Residence really did not trouble her, so she was arrogant for so long. However, her punishment would be forced to be to do some heavy work, and there would be no opportunity to ask the Flores family for help.

If it were before, she would have refused to do anything. But now, thinking of Hazel telling her that she could experience the feeling of being the heroine, she had some expectations. She did not resist their bullying, she just continued on her way.

Lily praised herself while cleaning the pool. The TV drama was that way. The heroine must be bullied by the bad guys so that the president can save her. She must bear and endure it until Joshua came home, then she could complain. She wanted to let Joshua know what kind of woman Hazel was.

Thinking of Joshua rescuing her, Lily was happier, and she was more and more active in her work. Hazel stood in her room and watched her through the blinds. She felt uneasy with Lily being so happy, she was wondering what she thought.

"She was deeply affected by the TV drama..." Hazel's lips twitched slightly.

"She really likes to watch it," Theresa said somewhat helplessly. "She used to watch TV dramas in the evening and stay up late."

"You should advise her to read more books." Hazel asked, "Reading can improve temperament."

"It's useless, she doesn't like to read books..." Theresa looked at Hazel with worry and couldn't help but ask, "Hazel, are you really not afraid that Lily will go to tell my family? She would definitely do this kind of thing."

"I am not afraid," Hazel shook her head calmly. "It would be useless even if she told them. Your parents would persuade her to bear it. If she couldn't stand it, they would consider changing the person they have here."

Theresa was surprised. She couldn't figure out why she could be so sure.

"The current situation is like the tug-of-war between your parents and me, but whether we will win or not is all depending on Joshua," Hazel explained to her calmly. "So, they will not cause problems if they are not sure that Joshua will choose them. After all, I can still be used by them!"

"You know it, and then you help us..." Theresa was a bit embarrassed. Her parents were actually using Hazel, Theresa had never known how to tell her, but Hazel knew all of this.

"I am not stupid, of course, I know it." Hazel smiled calmly, but for the next moment, she couldn't help but smile. "I am not helping you. Everything I do is for Joshua. So, I really don't care about your parents' thoughts."

She only cared about Joshua, thinking about the situation, Hazel felt extremely disappointed. In his heart, Joshua had a scar, and he was unwilling to deal with it. Hazel could feel it though, she assumed it was left when Lanny and Caroline sold him.

All she wanted to do was to help him face the past and ease his pain. She would tolerate everything no matter how far he went. She loved Joshua and wanted to help him, so even if she was wronged, she did not care.

The question was, would Joshua appreciate what she did? Hazel was uncertain about it.

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When Joshua came back, it was late. However, he and Hazel spoke earlier in the evening, and he told her not to wait for him and go rest.

"Sir Denmark, do you want to eat something?" Nanny Carter took his coat and asked thoughtfully.

"Okay, I am really hungry." Joshua looked upstairs, "Is she asleep?"

"Miss Crowe is already asleep." Nanny Carter replied.

Joshua nodded and walked to the dining room. Nanny Carter went to the kitchen and told others to prepare tea for Joshua.

Joshua pulled out the chair and sat down. He picked up the book on the table and asked strangely, "Why is this book here?"

"Miss Crowe read it for a while today and then forgot to put it back," the servant explained.

Joshua's eyes flashed a touch of distress. It turned out that his Hazel was growing this much? When he was absent, she worked hard even when having dinner.

He reached over and looked at Hazel's notes, and his heart was warm.

Lily came over with the tea, she was annoyed. Hazel could really act, and she actually uses this method to attract Joshua! However, this was the end of it!

"Sir Denmark, your tea..." She came to Joshua's side, and Lily was as gentle as a little sheep. She suddenly bit her tongue hard, there was sharp pain, and her eyes were red, her hand shook, and the whole cup of tea poured over Joshua's lap.

This time there would be no mistakes. The TV dramas were just like this, the handsome man could not resist the clumsy girl. As long as they were slapped or accidentally poured a glass over the man, the man would fall in love with the girl, it was like a curse. Lily felt highly nervous, but she was highly confident that it would work.

Joshua looked at his lap, and his eyes deepened. He quickly closed the book and put it back on the table. The warm tea was all over him and a little splashed on the cover of the book. Joshua felt even angrier, and he looked up coldly at Lily.

Lily acted like she had been deeply wounded. "Sir Denmark, I am really sorry. I have done a lot of work today, so I am a little tired..."

Joshua's facial expression was ugly. He had recognized Lily, but was she actually wearing Hazel's clothes?

He personally selected every piece of clothing in Hazel's closet, so he remembered it very clearly. Hazel had not worn it; how would Lily get it? She dared to go into Hazel's closet and take her clothes.

Seeing that Joshua stared at her coldly, Lily thought that her method worked. She wiped her tears and deliberately exposed the scar on her arm to Joshua.

She quickly got a towel and prepared to help Joshua wipe up the tea from his lap. However, Joshua grabbed her hand before she had a chance. Lily's wrist felt like it was going to break, but she was surprised and happy, at that moment, it was the closest she had ever been to Joshua.

She said in a hurry, "Sir Denmark, don't worry, it was nothing for me to be wronged. Don't let it affect your... your relationship..."

#### Chapter 268: Take The Dress Off

Lily couldn't breathe, the pain in her wrist made her sweat, and she couldn't find the words to speak. She was worried, was Joshua so angry because he heard that she was bullied? But why was he so rude?

"Take the dress off!" Joshua pushed her hand away with annoyance. He was getting angrier seeing the dress being worn by Lily.

"Now, now?" Lily was shocked. Joshua wanted to do something to her? Did her plan develop too fast? She should reject it, or she should take the chance to have sex with him?

Joshua made the decision for her; he didn't give her time to think. When he saw that she seemed to refuse to take it off, Joshua yelled to the maid, "You help her to take it off!"

The maid stepped forward and grabbed Lily, another one came to help, and they began to pull her clothes off rudely.

Lily was in a daze. How could Joshua be so anxious, not even waiting for a moment? She was a little stunned as she looked at Joshua, but he looked forward with a gloomy expression, he didn't even glance her way.

Soon, the maids had her clothes off, leaving her only in her underwear. Lily looked shy but waited patiently for them to take off her underwear. Instead, the maid turned around and walked over to Joshua.

"Hey, you haven't taken it all off yet!" Lily yelled at them.

Everyone looked at her speechlessly, and their eyes were full of sarcasm.

This woman thought that Joshua had feelings for her? She really didn't have a clue.

Lily suddenly panicked, and the look in their people's eyes finally made her realize that she had things wrong. Nanny Carter came over and dropped the maid clothes to her. "Hurry up and put it on, don't lose all your self-respect!"

"What are you talking about?" Lily was furious. She looked for Joshua for help but saw him staring at the clothes she had taken off with disgust, like seeing something dirty. "Burn it! Go search her room to see how much she had stolen!"

It turns out that... Joshua wanted to take off her clothes, not because he cared about her or wanted to do something with her, just because she was wearing Hazel's clothes, he felt that she stained the clothes?

Lily was so mortified, she made such a fool of herself. She knew everyone was laughing at her. Even though she had no shame, this disgraceful situation left her feeling extremely embarrassed. She stood there helplessly and really wanted to leave. Why was this totally different from the TV drama she saw? It shouldn't be like this!

Soon, the maid found more than a dozen items, shoes, and cosmetics from Lily's room.

Joshua's facial expression was extraordinarily ugly.

"Sir Denmark, are these also going to be destroyed as well?" the maid said.

"We have got the criminal and the evidence, call the police first!" Joshua said in a deep voice.

"Young master, are you going to let her go to jail? But Miss Crowe..."

Nanny Carter looked a little surprised, and Joshua was really angry this time.

There were many ways to teach Lily a lesson, but Joshua chose the simplest and most serious one. After calling the police, the value of these things would be enough for Lily to be a prisoner for several years. But Hazel appeared to have treated Lily very differently. If Joshua really called the police, Hazel might not be happy.

Lily was suddenly frightened. Joshua actually wanted her to be arrested? She didn't want to go to jail, she trembled and said, "Mr. Denmark, what do you mean?" She was angry and scared, "These clothes were not stolen! These were what Hazel gave me!"

"Gave to you?" Joshua's eyes were full of sarcasm, apparently, he was not convinced.

Hazel's figure was far smaller than Lily's, he knew because he picked them to fit Hazel perfectly. How could they fit Lily? Even if Hazel wanted to give her clothes, would she not give her ones that fit?

"It's true!" Lily explained desperately. "It's really what Hazel gave me. If you don't believe me, you can ask her!"

"Do you think that you are worth me waking Hazel?" Joshua looked at her indifferently, and he said coldly. "Since you like to steal other people's clothes, put them all on!"

"What, what?" Lily suddenly panicked. She was bigger than Hazel, she felt constricted when she wore one item. If she had to wear a dozen pieces, she would be strangled to death.

"I won't wear them, I won't wear them!" Lily struggled, and the maid held her down and started to dress her.

"Joshua... No, Sir Denmark! I beg you, I am wrong, I dare not to do it again. I will not wear them, let me go!"

Lily cried and began to beg for mercy, but Joshua pretended that he didn't hear it. He calmly took out a handkerchief and gently wiped the water stain on the book.

After she had six pieces on, Lily felt like she could not breathe, and she began to feel dizzy. Her heart was full of fear, thinking she would die from wearing all the clothes. She thought if she cried and was gentle, Joshua might let her go, but he refused.

She regretted it all, and the TV dramas were nothing but lies. If she knew that it would end up like that, she would not have stolen Hazel's clothes.

"What are you doing in the dining room?" Hazel blinked. She stood outside the dining room and looked at them with surprise.

"Hazel, save me!" Lily hurriedly shouted, and she was trying not to cry.

Hazel looked at her strangely and couldn't help but laugh. "What are you doing? Why are you packing yourself like a tamale?"

"You need to tell them quickly that you gave me these clothes, that I didn't steal them!" Lily was even more anxious and didn't care about Hazel's sarcasm.

Hazel looked at the dining room in outright confusion. She had not yet said anything, and Joshua had already stood up and came to her side. "Did we wake you up?"

"No, I am thirsty, I want to drink some juice." Hazel shook her head, but she did not expect to see such a scene when she came to the dining room.

She was surprised to ask, "What are you doing?"

"Nothing," Joshua said.

A servant poured the juice, Joshua handed the glass of juice to Hazel and whispered, "Drink the juice and go back to sleep. I know you are very busy, and you should rest early."

"Hazel..." Lily looked at her in horror and her eyes full of pleading.

Hazel blinked. She took a drink and shook her head; she thought she might have been dreaming.

Joshua could scare Lily so bad that she would do this? It seemed that his means were much stronger than her saying Lily had to do heavy work.

"Joshua, you misunderstood," Hazel smiled shallowly. "The clothes were indeed given to her. You just let her go."

#### Chapter 269: Tell Me The Truth

"Didn't you hear her? Let me go!" Lily shouted angrily.

Joshua's eyes shone slightly, and he looked at Lily coldly. She was scared to her core and dared not say anything more. This man was terrible. If she offended him, she was afraid she would be sent to jail.

Hazel looked and thought it was somewhat funny. It seemed that Lily really learned a lesson this time.

The physical injury was less important because Lily seemed to have suffered a lot of mental blows. Lily used to look at Joshua with fantasies, but her eyes are full of disenchantment, and she just wanted to run and avoid him.

It was as if she was awakened by nightmares, but the worst part was that she was not asleep.

"Why are your clothes wet?" Hazel's eyes fell on him. She noticed as soon as she walked in, but she never had a chance to ask.

"There was tea poured on me, but it was not serious" Joshua's eyes shone. He asked in a deep voice, "Why did you give her clothes?"

Hazel was stunned, Joshua never asked her the reason she did things. She had no idea how to answer.

"Umm... I didn't like them very much, so I gave them to her." Hazel casually found the reason.

Joshua only felt pain in his heart. He was very unhappy, not because Hazel said that she did not like the clothes he chose, he clearly saw that Lily threatened Hazel.

No one knew Hazel's temper better than him. Hazel liked to be honest when she did anything. Why would she give her clothes to Lily? There was only one possibility, Lily asked for the clothes, and Hazel had no choice but to agree.

His Hazel, how free and easy she was in the past. She dared to love and hate. But now, she had learned to suffer. She was obviously threatened, and he was not aware of it. He realized that after Hazel met the Flores family, everything changed, he was not paying enough attention, and things developed further than he had thought.

"Hazel," Joshua looked at her deeply, "Tell me the truth!"

"What, what is the truth?" Hazel looked at him blankly, she did not hide anything.

Joshua's eyes were slightly dim. Hazel didn't trust him enough because she thought he couldn't help her deal with the threatening, so she said nothing.

Looking at his angry face, Hazel said, "Those clothes... can't be given to others?"

"If you are happy, you can give," Joshua said indifferently with disappointment in his voice.

Hazel felt persecuted, she didn't want Joshua to be upset. She endured all of the trouble from the Flores family and even let Lily bully her. However, Joshua got angry with her over a few items of clothing. She truly did not care how much the Flores family hated her, but she was hurt that Joshua was angry with her.

He looked at Lily. Hazel took a deep breath and suppressed the thoughts in her mind.

"It was not serious, anyway, those things were given to me, they were my things. It should have been okay, no matter how it was dealt with. But you didn't like it, so I won't give anything else away." Hazel said, "It's already so late, you should go take a shower and change out of these wet clothes, so you don't catch a cold."

Joshua looked at her for a while. He snorted, turned around, and walked out of the dining room. Hazel felt mentally drained as she watched him walk away.

"Miss Crowe, Sir Denmark has not had dinner yet." Nanny Carter came to her side and said helplessly.

"Ah?" Hazel opened her mouth. No wonder Joshua was in the dining room.

It seemed that he had just returned home, but he went to get a shower after she told him to.

"And, all of your things were personally selected by Sir Denmark," Nanny Carter whispered, "He is afraid that you would have felt pressured, so he didn't want us to tell you."

"Ah?" Hazel said again, and her mouth was opened wider. No wonder Joshua was so angry with her, those were personally picked him. Everything had his expression of love, but she gave it away to one very annoying woman. She must have really hurt his feelings.

Hazel was worried. "Is his midnight snack done?"

"It's already done," Nanny Carter said.

"Then give it to me, I will take it to him," she said.

"Okay." Nanny Carter looked back at Lily. "What about her?"

"Since it is a misunderstanding, let her go back to sleep. I believe she will be honest in the future." Hazel thought for a moment, "Oh, how did Joshua want to deal with it?"

Nanny Carter told her what happened. Hazel frowned, she had hated when Lily touched her things. She was unwilling to give them to her, but it would have been a great waste just to destroy them.

"We can disregard the clothes she has worn. But we can sell those she didn't wear. The selling price can be lower than the original, and the money can be used for charity." Hazel thought for a while and said.

"Okay, I will do it." Nanny Carter was somewhat surprised, but she agreed immediately.

The servants let go of Lily. Lily struggled to get the clothes off, but they were too tight, a maid had to bring her a pair of scissors to cut herself out of them.

Looking at all of the destroyed clothing, Lily really wanted to cry. The clothes were ruined, Joshua hated her, and her dreams of him were gone. Even if she could see Joshua again, she did not want to, and there was no way she wanted to stay at Denmark Residence.

Everyone would look at her like she was a fool, she was shameless, but she was young and could not bear being laughed at. She looked at the cut-up clothes again and fled to her room.

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Hazel took a deep breath and calmed herself as much as she could before she went to take the food to Joshua.

The Flores family was waiting for her to fight with Joshua, she could not be defeated by them. If the relationship between her and Joshua were ruined, they would like the happy ones.

"Joshua, open the door!" Hazel shouted.

The door opened, and Joshua stood there, with only a towel wrapped around his waist.

Hazel was shocked by his half-naked body. She was shaking, and she felt so weak that she almost dropped the tray of food she was holding.

# Chapter 270: Business Trip

Hazel suddenly felt her heart beating faster. She was having a hard time controlling herself.

"Nanny Carter asked me to bring you food!" Hazel said as she snapped out of her fantasy. She pushed the tray toward Joshua, then turned around and left immediately.

Joshua took the food and looked up. It was as if Hazel disappeared into thin air, she really just came to bring him food.

Hazel got back to her room and shut the door. She paused to touch her chest, her heart was racing. She felt so pathetic, she wanted to give Joshua his food and talk with him, but in the end, she ran away before she could say a word.

She thought about going back to see him, but she began to think that would look even stranger. Plus, it was late, even if she went, she was afraid she wouldn't be able to talk. Hazel kept making excuses to cover up her deepest fear that she wouldn't be able to control herself. She wasn't worried about Joshua and his self-control, it was hers she worried about.

The little things she did want to say, she knew, would have no effect on their relationship, so she could talk with him another time. She started to think about Lily and wonder if the Flores family would retaliate for the way Lily was treated. Hazel had no idea what they would do.

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Lily had contacted Caroline that night crying and told her what happened. She said that she wanted to go back home. Caroline never thought that Lily was so weak, but within a few days, she had already been defeated. She tried for a long time to persuade her to stay, but Lily refused to change her mind.

"Lily, you just need to endure it for a few more days," Caroline advised. "I promise that there will be a change tomorrow. There will be a fight between Joshua and Hazel!"

Lily was surprised. She curiously asked, "Auntie, are you planning to deal with Hazel? What are you going to do?"

"I can't tell you what I am planning to do," Caroline sneered. "You wait and watch the show!"

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When Hazel woke up in the morning, her right eyelid was twitching. She groaned and thought of the old superstition, if your right eyelid twitches, you would be unlucky. Did it mean that something bad would happen?

After she went downstairs, she saw Joshua waiting for her in the dining room. She thought she would have time to talk to him.

Hazel came to him and sat down. "Joshua, do you have time to talk at some point?"

Joshua's look was hesitant, and he frowned slightly. "Not now, I am going on a business trip."

"Business trip?" Hazel was stunned. Why, when she wanted to talk with him, was there so many obstacles?

"What happened?" Joshua looked at her in confusion. "If it is something important, I can delay my business trip..."

"No," Hazel hurriedly shook her head. She wanted to talk to Joshua, but it was too much for him to delay his trip. "It is not that important, I can wait until you go back."

"Really?" Joshua looked at her.

"Really!" Hazel nodded hard.

Joshua did not sense Hazel was upset, so he did not continue to ask.

When he left, Hazel drove to Joshua-Hazel Pictures. She was an anxious mess, she felt irritable and worried something would happen, leaving her feeling like she was choking.

"Hazel, what happened to you?" Sharon asked strangely. Hazel cared about Joshua-Denmark Pictures and always looked alive and bubbly when she was there, but she just seemed sleepy.

"Nothing, maybe I had a bad sleep last night," Hazel said, upset.

"Why do I feel like you have a conflict with Joshua?" Sharon asked half-jokingly.

"What?" Hazel looked a bit guilty. She hurriedly argued, "He is on a business trip..."

"So, you are missing him?" Sharon said with a joke. "Then you should call him. It is okay to say something on the phone."

Hazel was stunned, she didn't even think about talking to Joshua on the phone. She looked at her phone in a daze, "I said I felt lost and panicked this morning but couldn't figure out why. I didn't realize it could have been because my phone was off..."

She quickly plugged her phone into the charger, there were a lot of missed calls. Before she could even look at who called, her phone rang. It was Ronald, it must have been him who called her.

She quickly pressed the answer button, "Brother, what's wrong?"

"Hazel, Mom is missing!" Ronald said in a deep voice.

"Wait, what do you mean that mom is missing?" Hazel did not react. "Isn't she supposed to be at work in the police station now?"

"I called the station. They said that mom had been on leave for a few days." Ronald's voice sounded a bit heavy. He went on to say, "But Mom didn't go home, and she went out alone."

"Then did call Mom to ask?" Hazel was anxious.

"I called," Ronald said. "She said that she was out, but I don't think the thing was that simple. Hazel, you know Mom, she would not use her leave for something that was insignificant. She hadn't been fighting with Dad or anything, so it definitely wasn't emotional problems."

"What did Dad say?" Hazel asked.

"I asked Dad, and he said he didn't know where mom was. He thought that Mom just went out to have fun." Ronald hesitated. He finally said, "But I have a clue. Last night, Mom supposedly answered a call, and she seemed to be very angry, so I guess..."

Saying, Ronald suddenly stopped. Hazel felt suddenly more anxious,

"Ronald, what are you saying? Just tell me what you know!"

"Hazel, I hope that you are mentally prepared for this," Ronald said, "I am guessing that Mom may be on her way to find you."

Hazel's hand trembled, and she almost threw the phone at the wall. Ronald's guess really scared her.

The situation was very chaotic, the Flores family was planning something bad, and they had used her to maintain a precarious balance.

Joshua's attitude about the situation continued to be unclear. She had repeatedly tried to figure out what he was thinking, but she was completely confused and left to wonder what he was thinking about.

Although she had not suffered any losses, the situation would only worsen if her mother showed up. If she found out about the Flores family, she would be angry. She would never let anyone bully Hazel, she could cause more trouble, and then there would be a disaster that she couldn't predict.

"Why didn't you tell me earlier?" Hazel wanted to cry.