

Mr. Kane Got Blacklisted (Stella and Keegan)

Chapter 2421

Paul's mother was a director at a private hospital, specializing in plastic surgery, and his father was a renowned surgeon. With their wealth and status, it wouldn't have been difficult for them to control a woman like Dillon, who had no support or connections.

Keegan couldn't even bear to think about what this couple might have done to Dillon after she lost her husband and son.

Aldor was stunned. The thought of it was horrifying. Could people really be that cruel? But he felt that Keegan's theory might be close to the truth.

In order to avenge their son and keep his memory alive, they might have transformed Dillon into their "son" and kept her close.

Why didn't she resist? Perhaps she tried, but failed. Or maybe she gave up, allowing herself to be controlled, believing it was some sort of atonement.

One of Paul's parents had passed away, and the other had been sent to a nursing home recently due to worsening dementia.

After two years of freedom from their control, Dillon was diagnosed with a serious illness.

Since returning to Hustuabourg, aside from donating to the welfare home and regularly visiting the hospital, Paul often visited temples. Every time, she knelt down devoutly and made a donation, as if seeking solace in her final days. Perhaps she believed that her past actions had brought about the suffering that followed, and now she sought forgiveness.

Aldor felt that Keegan's story fit with the details they had uncovered.

"But after all she's been through, wouldn't she want revenge? She must hate them, especially knowing her colleagues died. How could she not wonder if the fire was an accident or something worse? Then why won't she admit her identity? If she came forward and exposed the person who bribed them, they could finally bring the murderer to justice."

Keegan repeated his earlier thought, "Because her beloved, Paul, was burned to death."

Aldor was taken aback, and Keegan explained further, "Paul is now a foreign national. Even if there's evidence that Darcie instigated the fire, do you think she'll be brought to justice? The laws over there might not even classify it as first-degree murder. The murderer could end up with just a few years in prison, maybe none if they find a good lawyer. Do you think Dillon would accept that? She doesn't have time for a long legal battle. Even if she did, how could a few years in prison make up for being burned alive?" Search the website to access chapters of novels early and in the highest quality.

Aldor finally understood and whispered, "She wants to take revenge herself, doesn't she?" Keegan didn't answer. This was the only explanation that made sense for Paul's actions.

If her lover had suffered and died in such agony, even a death sentence for the murderer wouldn't be enough. Paul would want to end it on her terms. From this perspective, Keegan understood why Paul wouldn't admit her identity or cooperate with them.

If Darcie and the others were brought to justice first, Paul would never have the chance to kill them herself.

Keegan had assumed Paul would

cooperate with them, that regret over

her past actions would drive her to join their cause. But they had

underestimated the complexity of the

human heart and overlooked the

trauma Paul had endured

Keegan recorded the conversation

sent it

from dinner and sent it to Trevor with the message: "Receive the betrothal gift."

A few minutes later, Trevor

responded with a dynamic sticker of a hen running around the yard, ruffling/around

"clucking" after laying an egg

Chapter 2422

Keegan's eyelids twitched. Where did these siblings get all these strange emojis?

Keegan called Trevor, who answered quickly.

"Where are you?" Keegan asked.

Actually, it wasn't Stella who contacted Aldor to stop Paul; it was Trevor. Trevor had been keeping tabs on Paul, and Stella informed him as soon as she found out Paul had located Darcie. Trevor, as the oldest brother, was left with the responsibility.

Trevor replied, "Grandpa's in the hospital. I'm heading back to Salcator."

Keegan's expression tightened. "When did this happen? Is it serious?"

Trevor spoke softly, "It happened last night. He called me this morning. He's awake now, but it's probably because of the situation with Mom."

Keegan asked, "Did you tell Grandpa?"

Trevor sighed, "I didn't. I still don't know how to explain it. But when I looked into Dillon's overseas activities, I used some of the Hall family connections. Somehow, Grandpa found out. After Stella was recognized, they began wondering how the child was switched. They knew I was investigating the midwives, so they started putting the pieces together."

Trevor continued, "When Mom gave birth to Stella, it was over ten days before her due date. Grandpa and Grandma were giving lectures out of town. As soon as they got the call, they booked tickets to come home. That winter, it snowed heavily, causing flight delays and road closures. By the time they arrived, they couldn't see Mom one last time. She'd gone through all that pain only to give birth to a stillborn. My grandparents struggled to accept it for a long time."

His grandparents had always resented the Saun family over this. They questioned why, during such a critical time as childbirth, her husband and mother-in-law weren't by her side, and why a colleague had to take her to the hospital. Even after they understood the reasons, they couldn't fully forgive.

Wenham has spent years trying to win over the two elders, treating them like his own parents. The initial resentment had faded a lot over time. But now, with the possibility that their daughter's death wasn't an accident and that the culprit might be their ex-son-in-law's ex-wife, Grandpa couldn't hold back his emotions. He wanted to call Wenham immediately, but Grandma and Uncle stopped him, and then he fainted from anger.

Uncle kept it a secret and didn't inform Trevor until Grandpa was out of danger. They actually didn't want Trevor to go, fearing it might disrupt their plans.

The Hall family has four grandchildren-one is filming, one is pregnant, and one is still in elementary school. None of them can go back right now. As the oldest, Trevor had to go personally to make sure everything was okay.

"How's Grandma? Is she okay?" Keegan asked with concern.

"Grandma is handling it better than Grandpa. Otherwise, she wouldn't have been able to convince him not to contact my dad, even knowing that Mom's death might have been deliberate. She's worried that Dad might protect Darcie after all these years of marriage."

Keegan asked, "Are you worried too?" The content is an [Search The website](#) to access chapters of novels early and in the highest quality.

Trevor said, "Do you know what crossed my mind when we first m suspected Darcie was behind the baby switch?"

Keegan stayed silent.

Trevor whispered, "I wondered who

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Chapter 2423

Back then, Wenham and Darcie barely knew each other and had little interaction, but Trevor had seen Darcie many times. As a child, Trevor was very attached to his mother, especially after she became pregnant. He would often insist on accompanying her, even though his father worried it might tire her out.

Trevor frequently visited his mother at work. The people at the company were kind to him, especially Darcie. When his mother was busy, Darcie would help take care of him. Trevor was a shy child and didn't initially notice Darcie's kindness. She would often give

him treats and toys, some familiar and others new, but he didn't grow closer to her because of these things.

Their relationship remained distant until one day Darcie disappeared for several weeks. When she returned, she was much thinner and cried upon seeing his mother. Later, he learned that her husband had died unexpectedly, leaving the baby she was carrying without a father.

His mother told him not to be so distant with Darcie, saying, "She's pregnant, just like me, and you're such a sweet child. Aunt Darcie loves kids and wants to be close to you." Trevor listened to his mother and felt sorry for Darcie, so he wasn't as resistant when she offered him things again.

One day, after eating something, Trevor started vomiting and had severe diarrhea. He passed out on the way to the hospital. In his dazed state, he overheard his grandmother arguing with his mother, blaming her for prioritizing work over her children, and questioning why she couldn't stay home like other women to take care of her family.

Trevor also heard Darcie's voice, trying to calm his grandmother, saying that his mother wasn't neglecting him on purpose. But the more Darcie tried to calm her, the angrier his grandmother became until Wenham arrived.

Wenham defended his wife, saying coldly, "Trevor is her own son. How could she neglect him on purpose? She's more heartbroken than anyone that he's sick! I married her because of her strength. If you force her to stay home, will she be happy?"

We have help at home. Trevor has someone to take care of him, someone to cook for him. Why should she sacrifice her career? If someone has to manage the home, then she can work outside, and I'll stay home! I don't even like working at the company."

There was the sound of a slap, followed by a commotion. Grandma seemed to have fallen ill from the argument.

The relationship between Trevor's mother and grandmother had always been tense. After this incident, it became even more strained because of his father's defiance.

Darcie continued to urge Trevor's mother to spend more time with Grandma, saying she couldn't let Dad become estranged from Grandma because of her. She emphasized that the bond between mother and son should remain strong, even if tensions were high.

At that time, Trevor's mother and

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grandmother had frequent interactions, but they always ended in arguments, with Darcie often playing the role of peacemaker.

Despite her efforts, the relationship didn't improve-it phly got worse.

Trevor's mother rarely mentioned these things to Wenham. She used to talk about them, but after becoming

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pregnant or perhaps for other reasons, she stopped. She would occasionally sigh and ask Trevor if she was failing by not being able to handle such a simple relationship.

Chapter 2424

Trevor's mother was not just a good mother; she was the best in the world. Wenham noticed her depression and became even more devoted to her. He eventually put his work aside to stay at home and wait for the baby's birth with her.

Wenham was never very ambitious in his career. If his family didn't have high expectations, he would have preferred to focus on his family. A loving wife, children, and a warm home were all he truly wanted. But Trevor's grandmother couldn't accept that Wenham lacked ambition. She believed that too much affection between a couple could make them lose their drive and that they should treat each other with respect, like guests.

In reality, Trevor's grandmother didn't approve of how much Wenham loved his wife. She was furious when Wenham decided to leave work to stay with his wife for the baby's birth.

Despite the arguments, Wenham refused to back down until a problem arose with a business project. The situation escalated when a call was made to Trevor's grandmother, urging Wenham to take care of it.

At that time, there were only three weeks left before Trevor's mother was due. Wenham didn't want to leave, leading to another argument. Trevor even called his uncles to help convince Wenham that the family's reputation shouldn't be ruined over a minor project. Wenham didn't care about the company at that moment and was willing to face criticism for prioritizing his wife. He accused his grandmother of many things but still didn't give in-until she knelt before Trevor's mother. Search The website to access chapters of novels early and in the highest quality.

Even though Trevor's grandmother was kneeling, she was more forceful than Trevor's mother, who was standing. She even used the word "beg" to convince his mother.

Eventually, Trevor's mother persuaded Wenham to go, reassuring him that the baby wasn't due yet and that he could return soon. Tragically, she was right-she never saw him again.

Trevor still remembered the day his father rushed back, only to find his mother kneeling under a white cloth. She was just 30 years old, crying uncontrollably.

Wenham kept rubbing her cold, stiff hands, trying to warm her, and called her name over and over, his voice breaking. But no one in the world could answer.

After his mother's death, the Hall family cut ties with Wenham and took Trevor away. Caline was handed over to his uncle.

Wenham didn't care about the

property. He frequently visited in Salcator partly to see Trevor and partly to show respect to his in-laws on behalf of his late wife.

Though Trevor's grandparents resented Wenham, they didn't hate him. Childbirth is a life-or-death struggle and Wenham was wrong not to stay with his wife. She might have felt less afraid if he had been there, but how could he control the outcome of her life?

Chapter 2425

Later, Trevor's grandparents allowed Wenham to take him back, but he still maintained close ties with Salcator. Meanwhile, he didn't visit his own mother for two years.

Trevor knew Wenham was angry at his grandmother. If she hadn't pressured his mother to deal with that business issue, Wenham might have stayed with her, and she might not have died from a premature birth. This stalemate continued until his grandmother became seriously ill.

Darcie had said much about how a mother-child relationship couldn't be easily severed, and how long could resentment last when facing a dying person?

Trevor hired caregivers for his grandmother, but her illness made her irritable, and she went through several caregivers. His uncle had moved to Salcator, and Trevor's father had to manage his own business, Enchanted, and care for his mother. Trevor had no siblings to share the burden.

During those months, Trevor was exhausted. His grandmother was paralyzed on one side, couldn't walk properly, and was difficult to deal with. Despite the high pay, fewer people were willing to work for her. Sometimes she would even look at Wenham and ask, "Do you wish I would die?"

Trevor knew Wenham was on the verge of breaking down. It was at this point that Darcie appeared like a savior.

When no one else would care for his grandmother, Darcie took over and did a great job. Though his grandmother cursed and said horrible things, Darcie patiently listened and coaxed her. Under Darcie's care, his grandmother's health slowly improved, and she became increasingly dependent on Darcie.

Later, his grandmother even tried to set up Wenham with Darcie. When Wenham refused, she threatened to die.

Trevor thought about these events repeatedly. He had been young and didn't remember much, but now he could only analyze what had happened based on Darcie's actions.

For instance, Trevor used to think Darcie was kind when she tried to mediate between his mother and grandmother, but now he suspected she had hidden motives.

Even though his grandmother disliked his mother, his parents had been married for six years, and their relationship hadn't reached such a low point. But after following Darcie's advice, his grandmother grew even more resentful.

Trevor also remembered that he never had stomach issues, unlike Keegan, who would get diarrhea from spicy food. Trevor ate snacks prepared by his mother at her company, and later, he ate snacks made by Darcie too. He never felt sick after eating his mother's snacks, so was his illness that day just an accident, or did someone cause it?

After all, that day, Darcie had the chance to meet his grandmother and Wenham. Search the website to access chapters of novels early and in the highest quality.

Thinking back, some things were terrifying.

No one knew when Darcie started planning to replace his mother, but her thorough plan couldn't have been a spur-of-the-moment idea.

Trevor quietly asked, "Do you know why my dad and Darcie have been married for so long without children? It's because when my grandmother was attacked by a mentally ill patient in the nursing home Darcie om

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intervened and was seriously injured, leaving her unable to have children. That was one reason why my grandmother forced my father to marry her. But they didn't know that a few months after my mother passed away, my father got a vasectomy. He promised my grandparents he

wouldn't have more children and

would focus on raising me. So,

whether Darcie's infertility was real or

not, she wouldn't be able to have

children.

Without a child, she can't claim most

of the Saun family's assets.

Eventually, she'll get desperate and

might do something drastic. I never

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doubted my father's love for mother. But I'm worried that if my grandmother had a role in this, how would he handle it? My father loved my mother most, yet in the end, he married her killer, and the person he respected was an accomplice. I'm afraid she'll do something extreme, and before justice is served, she'll push him away."

If she had been planning this since my mother was pregnant, how could a woman who spent seven years turning herself into Mrs. Saun be ordinary?

The fact that she hired someone to

investigate after just one phone call shows how sharp she is. It's all too easy for those around her to reveal the truth.

Chapter 2426

Mr. Kane Got Blacklisted Chapter 2426 - Keegan didn't say much. He figured that with all the chaos, Wenham must have known something. Trevor's silence wasn't just about the reasons he gave he probably had some resentment about Wenham marrying Darcie, who was a murderer.

Wenham called Keegan, but he didn't say much. He just asked if everyone was busy since they hadn't eaten together in a while. Stella was busy, and so was Trevor.

Keegan explained that Stella was tied up with a competition, and Trevor was dealing with Leighton's contract termination.

Wenham was quiet for a while, and just as Keegan was about to hang up, Wenham asked, "Are you still in touch with your mother?"

Keegan knew about Wenham's past from Trevor. He thought Wenham might be worried about him not being able to let go of Dahlia and giving her a chance to hurt Stella again.

Keegan replied, "She's living in my father's old house. I send her alimony every month, which is enough for her to live on. We don't have any other contact."

Their relationship was pretty much over. Dahlia had betrayed him, and he wasn't going to dwell on it. He'd focus on being a better parent to his own children. His only obligation to Dahlia was legal, nothing more. Wenham then asked, "What if she were terminally ill? Would you forgive her?"

Keegan thought for a moment and said, "Apart from covering medical costs, I can't give her more than she gave me." [Search the website to access chapters of novels early and in the highest quality.](#)

Dahlia kept trying to reach out to Keegan, but he ignored her calls. If something needed handling, he sent someone else. He wouldn't let her get close to him or the people he loved.

Wenham was silent for a bit before hanging up.

Keegan thought their situations were different. While both lost their fathers young, Wenham's mother wasn't as selfish as Dahlia. She raised Wenham alone and protected the family business, though she was tough and controlling. She loved Wenham deeply.

Before she died, she forced Wenham to marry Darcie because she worried no one would care for him after she was gone. Darcie exploited this, presenting herself as the perfect wife and achieving her goal. Keegan felt lucky he ended his unhealthy family ties in time. He couldn't imagine what might have happened to him and Stella otherwise.

When Stella came home that night, she told Keegan about her day's events. She made it sound thrilling, and even though Keegan already knew from Trevor, he listened closely.

"Darcie's scary. She's already testing whether I know Paul, even though if she's never met him. If Phadn't reacted quickly, I would've been caught!"

Stella's mouth was dry from talking so much, so Keegan handed her a glass of water, smiling. "You handled it well."

Stella downplayed her actions, saying, "No, it's all because of Professor Kane's good guidance."

She took a couple of sips and then asked, "Have they finished the sketch of the guy Wren mentioned?"

Keegan nodded, grabbed his tablet, and showed her a picture. "They sent it to me at noon I've asked a friend to compare it with the database, but no matches yet."

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Chapter 2427

Mr. Kane Got Blacklisted Chapter 2427 - Stella leaned in to look. The sketch showed a man in his early forties with a beard covering most of his face. His eyes suggested he was refined. He had a mole near his eyebrow, single eyelids, clear facial bones, and was very thin.

He didn't resemble Larry at all, and if you saw him on the street, you wouldn't connect them.

Stella asked, "Can the database find this scruffy-looking guy?"

Since the DNA wasn't in the database, Stella doubted a photo would help much. search the website to access chapters of novels early and in the highest quality.

Keegan ruffled her hair and said, "Technology's advancing. As long as he's on this earth, we can trace him."

Stella's eyes brightened. "Do you have a plan?"

Keegan teased her, "What's in it for me?"

Stella playfully offered, "I'll give you my body."

Then she tackled Keegan onto the bed.

Keegan was caught off guard by her boldness, barely managing to protect her waist. Just as he was about to scold her, Stella kissed him.

She lifted his chin with one hand, pressed his shoulder with the other, and kissed him passionately, though she wasn't great at it. Still, the long-missed intimacy heated Keegan up quickly.

His ears turned red, his Adam's apple bobbed, and his neck flushed lightly. His enthusiastic response made Stella's legs go weak, and she soon collapsed on top of him.

Breathing heavily, Keegan flipped her onto her back and kissed her deeply. Stella, eyes closed, started unbuttoning his shirt. When she reached for his belt, he caught her hand.

He chuckled, breath uneven, and nuzzled her nose, whispering, "I see how eager you are to offer yourself."

Blushing, Stella coughed lightly and gave him a doe-eyed look. "Do you want to keep going?"

Keegan didn't reply, but he covered her eyes with his hand, saying, "Don't look at me like that. I can't handle it."

Stella blushed, remembering the last time, and playfully suggested, "How about I lend you a hand?"

Keegan was momentarily speechless.

Just when Stella thought he was too shy to respond, she heard him say, "My legs work too."

Stella paused, then kicked him off the bed.

Keegan sat on the floor, one leg bent, resting his head on his hand, and sighed, "My legs are still strong."

Stella gritted her teeth, "Even if we're broke, we're sleeping in separate rooms!"

Keegan climbed back onto the bed, wrapping his arms around her as she struggled, and laughed, "Okay, okay, let's get serious."

Stella calmed down. "So, what's your plan?"

Keegan explained, "Technology's improving all the time. Do you know about Y-STR testing?"

Stella shook her head.

Keegan said, "Y-STR is inherited

through the paternal line. It can be used to find males from the same

paternal line as the DNA sample. This method helped solve a murder case over 20 years ago.

I gave Larry's DNA sample to a friend. He'll use this method to find males from the same paternal line. Once we have the same name, we can find that person, we can trace Larry's real identity. But the process takes

time, so we need to be patient." Read

Stella glared at him, "You had a plan all along, and you kept me on edge!"

Keegan kissed her forehead and softly said, "My bad."

Stella yawned, closed her eyes, and whispered, "I've been so tired lately, I can't seem to wake up."

Keegan said, "You're overworked."

Stella replied, "I just want this all to be over."

"Almost," Keegan reassured her, patting her back gently. Just then, his phone lit up. Jaylene had sent him a selfie on WhatsApp. In the photo, she was wearing a white

dress with a deep V-neck, and a necklace with a diamond pendant hanging just above her cleavage.

She also sent a message, "Keegan, does my necklace look good?"

Chapter 2428

Mr. Kane Got Blacklisted Chapter 2428 - Keegan noticed Stella was about to fall asleep and gently patted her. "Stella, don't fall asleep yet."

Stella, exhausted, barely opened her eyes and asked, "What's going on?"

Keegan whispered, "Jaylene sent me a message asking if her necklace looks good. What should I say?"

Stella immediately opened her eyes. "Let me see."

Keegan handed his phone to Stella. She clicked on the photo and her expression changed. [Search the website](#) to access chapters of novels early and in the highest quality.

Seeing her silence, Keegan asked, "What's wrong?"

Stella's expression was odd. "Do you think it looks good?"

Keegan shrugged. "It's okay, I guess. It looks a lot like the one you bought a while ago. I can't say it's great, but I can't say it's bad either." Then he added, "But it looks good on you."

He seemed frustrated, continuing, "I can't just say it looks bad, right? That wouldn't fit how I usually act around her."

Stella's face was hard to read, and after a moment, she said, "I'm asking about the cleavage."

Keegan was caught off guard. "What cleavage?"

Stella lifted her chest with her hands, creating a noticeable cleavage under her camisole. Keegan's ears turned red as he looked. Then, Stella showed him Jaylene's selfie again, and he suddenly understood, quickly denying, "I wasn't looking at that! I didn't even notice! I only saw the necklace. Don't accuse me!"

Stella gave him a slow look. "Jaylene took that photo for you, and you only noticed the necklace. You really let her down."

Keegan frowned, confused. "Didn't she ask me to look at the necklace?"

Stella smirked, cropped Jaylene's photo, and sent it to Vermont with the same question: "Is the necklace beautiful?"

After a while, Vermont replied, "My

friend is your hu and your best

my wife What kind of

friend is my wife

twisted love triangle are you aiming for?"

Keegan's eyes widened. "What is he thinking?"

Stella laughed. "This is how most men react to a photo like that. A normal woman wouldn't send such a revealing picture

picture to a guy she's not

romantically involved with just to ask

about a necklace. If she does, she's

hinting at something more." The

Keegan thought about it. "So when you sent me pictures asking about jewelry or clothes, were you hinting at me?"

Chapter 2429

Mr. Kane Got Blacklisted Chapter 2429 - Stella was speechless. The comparison was spot-on but not something she wanted to entertain. "We're talking about Jaylene now."

But Keegan wasn't interested in Jaylene. With bright eyes, he pressed, "Stella, you've liked me for a long time, haven't you?"

"No, I just sent them casually."

"Do you send them to other men too?"

"Am I crazy?"

"Then why did you send them to me?"

Stella remained silent.

Keegan concluded, "Because you wanted to hint that we could take our relationship further." Search The website to access chapters of novels early and in the highest quality.

Stella cleared her throat. "Let's focus on the issue at hand—"

Keegan was still lost in his own thoughts. "Stella, when you agreed to marry me, did you already like me?"

Stella tried to steer the conversation back. "Let's discuss the real issue—"

Keegan, ignoring her, continued, "Did it start on the blind date? Or after the car accident when you called me brother? Was it—" "Keegan!"

Stella slapped him with a pillow, gritting her teeth. "If you don't stop obsessing over this, I'll knock some sense into you!" Keegan fell silent.

"Has Jaylene sent you these kinds of photos before?" Stella asked, ignoring his sulking.

Keegan hesitated. "I think so." He hadn't paid much attention to them.

Stella took his phone and checked the chat history under "Red Agate Seller." She found that Jaylene had been sending similar photos since shortly after their divorce, when Keegan was still pursuing her. Sometimes Jaylene would show off a skirt, other times a necklace or bracelet, always asking for Keegan's opinion on her outfit for an event.

The most common angles in her selfies were either showing her deep V-neck when displaying a necklace or a high-slit skirt when showing off a bracelet. Even for bracelet photos, she'd pose with her hand resting on her smooth thigh.

Since Keegan had Jaylene's WhatsApp on "Do Not Disturb," he was surprised by the number of photos Stella found. "There are so many?"

In reality, it wasn't a lot, maybe once or twice a month. Jaylene might have toned it down because of Keegan's cold responses.

Stella noticed that Keegan had only replied to one message. In that instance, Jaylene had sent a photo of herself in a cheongsam on a snowy balcony, asking if it was too old-fashioned for a class reunion.

Keegan's response? "It's warm enough. You can wear it."

Stella was speechless after reading that. She realized that after all these

years in business, no woman had managed to get close to Keegan-not because he was intimidating, but because he was completely clueless about romance.

He couldn't recognize Jaylene's flirty

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tactics. When she showed cleavage, he saw only the necklace. When she flaunted her legs, he wondered why she wasn't wearing long johns in winter.

Jaylene's efforts were wasted, yet she kept trying for so long.

Stella took screenshots of all the

selfies Jaylene had sent Keegan, In

Keegan in the process, she noticed that Jaylene not only sent him these photos, but also frequently chatted with him about everyday life and work

For example, she often asked Keegan on WhatsApp about issues with Luna and how to fix them.

When it came to work-related topics, Keegan would chat a bit more, and Jaylene would always end the conversation with praise:

"Keegan, you're amazing-"

"How do you know everything, Keegan?"

"Wow, you're so smart, Keegan. You make me feel so dumb."

Keegan's reply was always the same: "Everyone has their strengths."

Chapter 2430

Mr. Kane Got Blacklisted Chapter 2430 - Stella read the compliments and admiration Jaylene sent to Keegan, which triggered a memory from her college days. Search the website to access chapters of novels early and in the highest quality.

Back then, Stella had a roommate who had been in a relationship with her childhood sweetheart since junior high. They had been together for seven or eight years, but after the summer of their sophomore year, he cheated on her.

All the girls in the dormitory supported her, cursing the guy who cheated, but she insisted on seeing the girl he left her for. When she finally met her, she was even more devastated. The other girl wasn't as pretty, her figure wasn't as good, and she wasn't as educated. She couldn't understand how her boyfriend could fall for someone who seemed inferior in every way.

The roommate was from a well-mannered family and didn't want to cause a scene. She just wanted to understand why her boyfriend of eight years had chosen someone else over her. She arranged to meet the other girl, but when they met, her cheating boyfriend showed up, immediately blaming her for bothering the other girl without even hearing her out.

Love can turn to hate quickly after a breakup. The other girl cried and clung to the boy, saying it was her fault for not respecting the boundaries of his relationship. She even deleted his contact information in front of him, swearing not to see him again.

Stella was with her roommate that day. The boy hugged the other girl right in front of his girlfriend and said he liked her and that the breakup was his fault. He acted like the hero in a drama, holding the other girl's hand while ending his eight-year relationship.

Though her roommate had tears in her eyes, she didn't lose her dignity. She simply grabbed her coffee, threw it in his face, and told him to leave in a trembling voice.

Her roommate was gentle, but her other friends weren't. The three of them each threw their coffee at the guy and the girl he cheated with. Stella, being a bit more mischievous, had even mixed onion juice into her coffee, making it sting when it hit their faces.

The coffee shop was near the university, and the customers were all college students. The cheating boyfriend knew his actions weren't exactly honorable, so he said something harsh to his ex and left with the other girl.

Even though the relationship ended, Stella's roommate was deeply hurt for a few days. However, with the support of her classmates and family, she eventually recovered. But just before graduation, her ex suddenly messaged her, asking if she planned to stay in Rivera after graduation.

Chapter 2431

Mr. Kane Got Blacklisted Chapter 2431 - At first, she didn't recognize the number because she had blocked all his contacts after the breakup. It wasn't until he sent another message saying, "I've never forgotten you. I know we haven't spoken, but could you give me a chance?" that she realized it was him.

Almost two years after the breakup, he suddenly reappeared. The girls in the dormitory gathered to figure out what was wrong with this guy.

Eventually, they managed to get information from one of his roommates by bribing him with a ticket to a ball game. It turned out that the guy had broken up with the other girl, but not on his terms. She had dumped him for a senior. When she had been with the senior, she had praised and admired him in the same way she had done with the roommate's boyfriend.

Enraged, the guy got hold of her chat records with other boys and posted them on the school forum. It turned out that the girl had a habit of flattering guys, sharing photos, and asking them simple questions under the guise of studying or club activities.

She would act amazed by their answers, saying things like, "I've been thinking about this all afternoon, and you solved it so easily. You're amazing!" These fake compliments made the guys feel good, and many, even those with girlfriends, maintained an ambiguous relationship with her.

She was also good at creating physical contact with guys, like asking for help with trivial things such as twisting bottle caps, carrying heavy items, or sharing an umbrella on a rainy day.

Once her chat records were exposed, her reputation among her classmates was ruined. Eventually, she had to take a leave of absence from school.

It turned out that the roommate's ex was dumped by the other girl, and that's when he started missing his old relationship. He refused to admit his fault and blamed the breakup on his ex for being too rational and independent, claiming she never praised him in the way the other girl did. This almost made the roommate feel guilty, but she realized that the real issue was with guys like him who allowed such behavior to cross the line.

They expect women to be virtuous, independent, and supportive of their careers, but they also want to be admired and worshipped by other women to boost their self-esteem.

The roommate reported his cheating and his involvement in exposing the other girl's privacy on the forum to the company he was about to join. As a result, they rejected his job application. In the end, he didn't get into the big company he wanted and had to settle for a small, unknown one.

He had planned to work there for a year or two and then reapply to a big company, but the girl got involved with him again, causing him to make a big mistake at work, which led to heavy losses for the small company. He was blacklisted by local companies, and no good company wanted him anymore, so he had to return home in disgrace.

Jaylene's behavior reminded Stella of that girl. If she hadn't looked through Keegan's chat records, she wouldn't have known when Jaylene was trying to win him over.

Stella felt inadequate when it came to keeping a man's heart.

Stella asked quietly, "She praised you. Are you unhappy?" Search the website to access chapters of novels early and in the highest quality.

Keegan replied, "Her praise felt fake. I just read the manual, and she said I was great. How am I great for doing that? Can she even read? I felt insulted."

Then, smiling as if recalling something from his youth, he added, "My graduate supervisor saw Luna's test. He wants to recommend me for his teacher's Ph.D. program."

He paused, then coughed lightly, "He hasn't recommended anyone to his supervisor in seven years. He told me not to be ungrateful."

Stella asked, puzzled, "Why wouldn't you want that opportunity?"

Keegan calmly replied, "Seven years ago, he wanted to push me into a Ph.D. program, and I turned him down."

Stella stayed silent, realizing that Keegan's excellence made him immune to flattery. He didn't need validation from others, especially not from women's praise and admiration.

Keegan ignored the question about Jaylene's necklace and instead told Stella's baby some idioms and stories, helping Stella fall asleep.

Meanwhile, Vermont lay in bed,

restless. He couldn't sleep and after tossing and turning until 3 AM, finally decided to message Keegan,

"Brother, I have a friend."

Chapter 2432

Mr. Kane Got Blacklisted Chapter 2432 - Keegan woke up around six in the morning. When he checked his phone for the time, he saw over 99 messages on WhatsApp.

Most of the messages were from Vermont, except for a few work-related ones.

Curious, Keegan opened the chat. The last message was sent about half an hour ago.

"It's six o'clock, and you're still not up? Are you sleeping forever?"

Keegan scrolled up.

"It's 5:40, and I'm still waiting."

"Please reply! How can I sleep if you don't answer me?"

"Please, please, please..."

Keegan was confused. He kept scrolling and found a message from 3 AM.

Vermont: "Hey, I've got a friend-someone you don't know. His wife hinted that she likes me. I want to make it clear that I'm not interested. I love the little bandit to death and would never think of anyone else, especially not my friend's wife. But now I'm stuck on how to gently let my friend know that his wife has a thing for me."

Keegan scrolled down further.

"Please get back to me when you wake up. This is really important to me."

"Aren't you usually working late? Why did you go to bed early tonight?"

"You said I didn't do anything special for her, so why would she like me?"

"I know I'm attractive, but my friend isn't bad looking either, just a little less than me."

"Do you think they had a fight, and she's using me to make him jealous? With how close they are, it seems unlikely they'd break up so quickly, right?" Search The website to access chapters of novels early and in the highest quality.

"But what if she really means it? Even though she's pretty, she's definitely not my type. I'm so confused. What should I do? Wake up and help me out!" Keegan, still groggy, replied, "Just tell your friend directly."

Vermont responded immediately, as if he'd been staring at his phone, "That's not a good idea. What if she was just having a moment, and I end up breaking them up?"

Keegan rubbed his eyes and replied, "Are you planning to cover for her? This situation won't end well. If you tell your friend now, he can handle it. But if you don't, and he finds out later that you knew and didn't say anything, you'll lose your friendship."

Vermont was conflicted, "I know, but... she's pregnant. If I tell him now and they fight, and something happens to the baby, would it be my fault? I still want to be the baby's godfather, you know." Keegan paused and slowly typed, "How do you know your friend's wife likes you?"

Vermont answered, "She sent me a photo, very revealing. I've seen this kind of thing before at parties. She's definitely interested. If I hadn't been clear-headed and told her to stop, she would've kept messaging me."

Keegan asked, "Is her husband not as good as you?"

Vermont replied confidently, "We're about the same."

Keegan was both amused and annoyed. He took a screenshot of the conversation, edited it, and sent it to Felicity.

"Ms. Thompson, even though Vermont and I are close friends, I believe you have the right to know about this."

After sending the message, he put his phone down, feeling relieved.

Stella opened her eyes groggily and saw Keegan lying next to her, smiling.

She frowned, still half-asleep, "Why are you so happy this early?"

Chapter 2433

Mr. Kane Got Blacklisted Chapter 2433 - Keegan told her that Vermont had been up all night because of her message.

Stella was amused and said, "That's my fault. I forgot to explain things to him when I was chatting with you last night. I'll call him."

Keegan said, "I'll call him later. Let him experience a bit of the struggle of pursuing his wife."

Stella laughed, "You're so petty! Fine, call me later. I also want to ask Felicity how meeting her parents went. She didn't give me many details."

Meanwhile, Vermont had finally fallen asleep after waiting for Keegan's reply. But he was abruptly woken up by Felicity shaking him and yelling, "Get up and explain yourself, you jerk!" Vermont, groggy from lack of sleep, grabbed her hand and frowned, "Don't bother me, dear. I haven't slept all night. Let me rest a bit."

As he tried to pull her into bed with him, Felicity slapped his hand away, yanked him out of bed, and angrily said, "No way! If you don't explain yourself today, you'll never sleep again!" Vermont sighed, "What's wrong?"

"What's wrong?!" Felicity snapped. "You and your friend's wife? When did this happen?!"

Vermont was stunned.

"What?" He thought he had misheard.

Felicity glared at him, "Don't play dumb! Keegan sent me everything. You were up all night because you were flirting with someone else's wife."

Vermont felt a chill, "What did Keegan send you?"

"You should ask him what shameless thing you did that made your childhood sweetheart have to tell me!"

Felicity got angrier as she spoke, "If it weren't for Keegan's morals, I'd be completely clueless!"

"Morals?!" Vermont gritted his teeth. "Keegan must've blown things out of proportion! Baby, you can't believe everything he says."

"You're the one talking nonsense! He sent me the screenshots!" Felicity snapped.

"If you've seen the screenshots, why are you still angry?" Vermont was confused.

Felicity's anger only grew.

"Why would I laugh at that garbage?" she fumed.

Vermont felt something was off, "What exactly did Keegan show you?"

"You want to know? Fine, I'll show you!" Felicity pulled up the screenshot and handed it to Vermont.

Vermont reached out to take it, but Felicity slapped his hand away, "Don't you dare try to delete it!"

Vermont's mouth twitched, so he leaned over to look, and his face contorted.

The screenshot showed this conversation:

Vermont: [I have a friend whose wife hinted she likes me a little.]

Vermont: [Why would she like me? I know I'm attractive.]

Vermont: [She's pretty. What should I do?

Help me figure) { out.] The

Keegan: [Tell your friend directly.]

Vermont: [Not a good idea.]

Keegan: [You want to hide it? What if he finds out later? You two won't be friends anymore.

Vermont: [But she's pregnant.]

Vermont gritted his teeth and cursed,

"Keegan, why didn't you download the website to access chapters of novels early and in the highest quality.

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you fell in that river?!"

Chapter 2434

Mr. Kane Got Blacklisted Chapter 2434 - Felicity glared at him. "I can't stand seeing a fickle playboy like you trying to fool me. And now you have the nerve to insult Keegan? Are you upset because your cover's blown?"

"Keegan's not nice at all! He never is! These aren't my words! He photoshopped my picture and spread lies!" Vermont pulled out his phone and opened the chat history. "Look here! These are my original words. Damn, Keegan cut out the start and end to twist my meaning!"

Vermont's voice shook with frustration, and his eyes reddened. Felicity had never seen him this upset, and she believed him. When she checked the chat, it was different from the screenshot. Enlarging the details, she noticed some signs of editing, and her anger softened. Confused, she asked, "Why would he do this to you?"

Vermont, now clear-headed, cursed, "Why else? He's jealous! He's been chasing someone for half a year, and he can't stand seeing us talk about marriage. He's bitter, like a rotten rat!"

Felicity flinched at his crude words.

"Whose wife is hitting on you?" she asked.

Vermont's expression turned awkward, and he coughed. "Just a friend."

Felicity's anger flared again. "Tell me the truth, or we're done!"

Vermont hesitated, then mumbled, "Your best friend."

"What?" Felicity didn't catch it.

Vermont took a deep breath. "Your best friend, Keegan's wife."

"Stop lying!" Felicity snapped. "Stella would never go for you. Don't drag her into this!"

Vermont, stunned, almost choked in anger. He picked up his phone again. "Fine, let me show you."

He showed Felicity a photo Stella had sent him the night before. "She sent this in the middle of the night. Isn't that a hint? Have I misjudged her? If I wasn't worried about you and Keegan, would I be this cautious?" Felicity took one look and said, "This isn't Stella. She's way too thin. Stella's not like that."

Vermont was shocked. He zoomed in on the photo.

Felicity pushed his face away. "Are you seriously checking her out?" Search The website to access chapters of novels early and in the highest quality.

Vermont quickly replied, "No! I wouldn't have noticed if you hadn't pointed it out. It's definitely not Stella."

"Exactly! Women aren't fools; we

know better. Stella's obsessed with

looks. There's no way she'd ignore Keegan for you. You're not even as good-looking as Keegan," Felicity said, teasing.

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Vermont frowned. "Keegan's better-looking?" The content is on

"Isn't that obvious?"

Vermont groaned. "Whose girlfriend are you?"

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Felicity playfully rubbed his face. "Are you mad?" The content is on ad?"

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Chapter 2435

Mr. Kane Got Blacklisted Chapter 2435 - Vermont pushed her hand away, pretending to be annoyed. "No! I'm thrilled! It's a fact, isn't it?"

Felicity leaned in close and whispered, "I wasn't finished. Yes, Keegan might be better-looking, but in my eyes, you're the most handsome."

Vermont tried to hide his smile, coughed, and said, "You've got great taste, especially in picking me."

Felicity hugged him. "You silly cucumber, I woke up and saw those screenshots, didn't check them carefully, and got so mad. I'm sorry for saying rude things."

She apologized softly, thinking of a way to make it up to him. "If you're still upset, let's fight it out. I promise not to fight back."

Vermont chuckled, rubbing her hair. "Are you trying to make me call off the wedding?"

Felicity quickly denied it, "No..."

Vermont gently patted her shoulder. "This isn't your fault. Blame Keegan for stirring up trouble. I'll deal with him later!"

Felicity looked at him and asked, "How? You can't just beat him up."

Vermont grinned, "We'll get married before him, make them give us a big gift. Then, when they get married, we'll show up empty-handed and eat all we can without giving them anything back. That'll drive him crazy!" Felicity laughed, "You think that'll work? Keegan's rich; how much can we eat?"

Vermont smiled, hugging her. "It's not about the food. I just want to make sure I'm officially listed as your husband. Will you give me that?"

Felicity blushed. She coughed and looked up at him with bright eyes. "Let's wait until my mom visits Rivera. They'll meet and then discuss it."

Vermont hugged her tighter, sighing, "It's so hard to get that title."

After lying in his arms for a while, Felicity suddenly asked, "Why would Stella send you someone else's picture?"

Vermont scowled. "Who knows? Keegan's crazy, and she's just as bad. They're perfect for each other."

"Stella doesn't mess with people for no reason," Felicity said as she zoomed in on the photo. Her eyes caught a bracelet she recognized on the wrist in the picture. "It's Jaylene's bracelet." "Damn," she muttered, sitting up. "That's Jaylene hitting on Keegan!"

Vermont quickly sat up too. "Are you sure?"

"Definitely her! No one else is that shameless. She's still after Keegan after hiding him from Stella for so long? She's obsessed! Can't she go after someone else? What kind of person did Stella's father raise? It's disgusting! Why doesn't he kick her out of the Saun family?"

"How?" Vermont asked.

Felicity gritted her teeth. "Divorce her mother!"

"Can he just divorce her like that? They've been married for years, with too many ties. A divorce without a reason would give Darcie a lot of En

property, and Jaylene would still be

well-off. She might even be harder to

control. That would be too easy for them."

"She won't get off that easy! If she likes to flirt so much, I'll expose her!" Felicity was about to post the photo online, but Vermont stopped her. "If you want to do that, don't use your account. Stella's not done with her yet. If you post it, you'll become the target."

"So, we just let her mess with Keegan? Stella's pregnant now. What if Jaylene does something to upset her?"

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Chapter 2436

Mr. Kane Got Blacklisted Chapter 2436 - Vermont considered mentioning that Jaylene's calmness in sending the photos to Keegan showed she was not to be underestimated. However, he refrained, knowing such comments would not help his relationship with Felicity, especially since he understood who held more importance in her heart-him or Stella.

Having encountered numerous manipulative women in business and the entertainment industry, Vermont recognized Jaylene's tactics. Sending suggestive photos was a basic, almost primitive, method to catch a man's interest. However, Jaylene's approach was clearly flawed. Keegan, who only lost his virginity after marriage, had little interest in such things. His strong moral code made it impossible for him to have feelings for another woman, especially one who had hurt his wife.

Jaylene's shallow understanding of Keegan puzzled Vermont. He wasn't sure if she genuinely liked Keegan or just wanted the satisfaction of winning him away from Stella. If her feelings were real, why did she remain inactive during Keegan's marriage? Instead, her interest grew as Stella's identity became more public. Perhaps she was attracted to Keegan's looks, which might explain why she got involved with Aaron, the only son of the Keller family, while abroad. When she couldn't have the real thing, she settled for a knock-off.

Vermont despised the idea of substitutes. Whether male or female, projecting feelings for one person onto another was repulsive to him. Recently, he learned that Aaron had

been resisting his family's arranged blind dates. Curious, Vermont had asked friends abroad to dig into Jaylene and Aaron's relationship. What he found was intriguing: Aaron wasn't even Jaylene's first stand-in for Keegan. Before him, another man had been close to her, someone who resembled a younger Keegan. When Jaylene hooked Aaron, she promptly dumped the first guy.

Given Jaylene's persistence, Vermont doubted she would sever ties with Aaron. Aaron's refusal to cooperate with his parents' matchmaking likely stemmed from promises Jaylene made. Just a few days ago, Vermont saw Aaron, who had lost over 20 pounds from heartbreak. The weight loss had sharpened his features, making him resemble Keegan even more.

Vermont discussed the situation with Felicity and suggested they could leverage Aaron to deal with Jaylene. He explained his plan and asked, "What do you think?" Felicity commented, "Losing over 20 pounds in a month just from a breakup? I can barely lose five pounds after a month of effort, and it comes back after one meal."

Vermont hesitated, which annoyed Felicity. "What's with that look? Don't you support his weight loss?" [search the website to access chapters of novels early and in the highest quality.](#)

"No," Vermont replied, his expression conflicted. "Sweetheart, you're not quite self-aware."

Felicity was confused.

In an effort to avoid trouble, Vermont

bluntly said, "Other people lose weight when they're sad because they can't eat or sleep. But you? When you're upset, you comfort yourself with food. Normally, you'd eat half a roast, but when you're sad, you can eat a whole one. How can you lose weight that way?"

Chapter 2437

Mr. Kane Got Blacklisted Chapter 2437 - Felicity's face turned red with anger. She pinched Vermont, gritting her teeth. "You're just trying to make fun of me!"

Vermont, looking hurt, patted her hand and said, "I swear, I'm not. I just love how you're willing to indulge yourself when no one's watching. Besides, if losing weight means breaking up with you, I want no part of it." Felicity glared at him. "Then stop taking me out to eat all the time! It's hard enough losing two pounds, and you're sabotaging me!"

"I was wrong. I won't suggest eating out again. If I do, I'll lose all my earnings this year."

This promise was serious, especially for someone like Vermont, who valued money above all.

Felicity cleared her throat and said, "Fine, I'll believe you this once. Now, back to your plan. Is it really doable?"

Vermont smiled. "We'll see once we try."

With that, Vermont called Mr. Keller. They chatted about work before Vermont shifted the conversation to Aaron. "How are Aaron's blind dates going?"

Mr. Keller sighed. "Aaron's met plenty of girls, but nothing's worked out. It's just a meal, and then it's over."

Vermont chuckled. "That's to be expected. Aaron spent time abroad and met many impressive women. With his looks and good nature, he's bound to have high standards."

The mention of "abroad" and "impressive women" seemed to irritate Mr. Keller. "Studying abroad doesn't make someone impressive. Who knows what kinds of people they really are? It's better to stay local where you know who you're dealing with."

Vermont said, "Aaron's still young. I was like him once, chasing what I wanted without considering the consequences. It wasn't until I got hurt that I woke up. My fiancée was introduced by a friend. We have similar jobs interests, and compatible personalities."

"When it comes to finding a partner, friends and family usually know best. When you meet the right one, everything else fades away. I ran into my first love recently. We had a nasty breakup back then, but now I felt nothing because the person next to me is the best. No one else matters."

Felicity marveled at Vermont's ability to charm people. He really had a gift for it.

Mr. Keller responded, "Aaron's always been gentle, but he grew up insecure because of his weight. My wife and I focused too much on his education on and neglected his self-esteem. Now, he's hesitant to express his feelings. Today's women are ambitious and expect their partners to be proactive and humorous. They value emotional intelligence. But Aaron moves slowly, and without initiative, he can't hold onto anyone, no matter how great they are."

Vermont said, "Aaron's a bit like me. People see me as talkative now, but I used to be shy and reserved..." The

"Pfft-" Felicity, drinking water, sprayed it all over Vermont's face when she heard that. Search the website to access chapters of novels early and in the highest quality.

Chapter 2438

Mr. Kane Got Blacklisted Chapter 2438 - Mr. Keller heard the commotion and asked, "What's going on?"

Vermont calmly handed a tissue to Felicity and casually said, "Oh, nothing. The cat at home caught a cold and is in a bad mood." Felicity took the tissue with a guilty expression, helped wipe the water from Vermont's face, and listened carefully to his explanation.

"You know, I have a lot of siblings. When my parents were younger, they were busy making money, so they left me in the countryside with my grandfather. He was just an ordinary farmer who couldn't read or write. As long as I stayed healthy, he thought I was doing fine. There were no extracurricular activities or tutoring-just playtime after school until I was about eleven or twelve. Then my grandfather's health declined, and my parents brought me back to Rivera.

When I got to the city, I didn't fit in. At a school event, the teacher asked everyone to showcase a talent, but I had none. I couldn't follow the English lessons, couldn't tell the difference between real and fake designer clothes, and even struggled with using a knife and fork at banquets. People saw me as a country bumpkin. I felt inferior back then. During New Year's, when my siblings received gifts, my parents told me to pick first, but I didn't dare choose what I really wanted. I always felt unworthy. Don't be fooled by my current status; I was just pretending because I'd been through a lot. What really changed me was my fiancée." Felicity paused and looked up at him. She thought he was making things up, but his words made her uncomfortable.

When she visited the Snyder family for dinner, she talked to Vermont's older brother and sister-in-law. The relationships among the Snyder siblings were distant, likely due to their blended family. Vermont was closest to his eldest brother, Corbin.

Corbin and his wife shared stories about Vermont's tough childhood in Rivera. His time there was much harder than he let on.

To make up for it, his parents sent him to an elite school in Rivera. The kids there came from wealthy families with established social circles. Vermont didn't fit in and wasn't welcomed.

Corbin said Vermont never talked about his struggles at school. Even if he had, their parents would have blamed him, thinking any problems were his fault. His siblings would have thought he was being ungrateful. At the time, Corbin was in college in another province and wasn't close to Vermont, but witnessing him being bullied was different.

The cruelty of young people is often innocent yet terrifying. There was a deep pond, and the son of a powerful man threw his watch into it, demanding Vermont retrieve it or he'd expose an embarrassing secret. Corbin explained that Grandpa Snyder had lived a rough life and didn't care about certain things. He didn't wear underwear, so he didn't think his grandson needed to either. Vermont's parents didn't notice, so when Vermont took a shower at school, his roommate discovered this "secret," giving others something to tease him about.

Because of this, Vermont had to obey whenever they used this against him for chores, homework, or errands.

Teenagers are very sensitive about their self-esteem, and Vermont was repeatedly humiliated by his peers because of this.

One day, after retrieving the watch from the pond, the boy mocked Vermont again. But this time, Vermont snapped. He rushed at the boy, pinning him down and repeatedly punching him. Even as the boy's friends kicked and hit Vermont, he wouldn't let go, like a wolf sinking its teeth into prey.

Despite his anger, fear gripped Vermont. The boy went from cursing to crying and begging for mercy. When Corbin finally pulled Vermont away, his eyes were filled with fury and hate, burning red.

The boy's family had influence, and Vermont's parents were afraid of offending them. They forced Vermont to apologize, putting all the blame on him.

After that day, Vermont stopped fighting. He learned to compromise and be diplomatic. To fit in, he started getting close to those people and ignored their mockery.

When Vermont first befriended Keegan, it was mostly because the Kane family was powerful in Rivera, and Keegan was their eldest grandson. Whether for protection or connections, Keegan was a strategic choice. But later, while drunk, Vermont confessed to Corbin-

"Keegan was too naïve. I told him I'd never had a model airplane, so he gave me the one his father gave him, pretending he didn't like it. Nonsense, that thing was spotless—he obviously treasured it. He's stubborn and easy to fool. If I told him I wasn't sincere about our friendship, would he cry? Forget it, I'll keep lying to him forever."

Felicity used to worry about Vermont's colorful dating history. She feared some old flame might reappear. But after hearing Corbin, she realized Keegan was the person Vermont cherished most, and she felt relieved.

Corbin only shared a small story, but it left her uneasy. Vermont had endured far more than he let on.

He told the story casually, half-jokingly, but it made Felicity's heart ache for him.

Suddenly, Felicity hugged Vermont's

waist. He gently returned the

embrace, stroked her back, and, S~earch the website to access chapters of novels early and in the highest quality.

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cheerfully told Mr. Keller on the phone, "My fiancée is straightforward. When we started dating, she always made the first move. She's bold, proactive, and full of optimism. She chased me for two months until I finally gave in."

Felicity stayed silent.

Her sadness faded, replaced by the urge to twist Vermont's ear. She chased him? What a joke!

Their relationship only happened because of his cunning and trickery! How dare he twist the truth!

Mr. Keller said, "When choosing a

partner, it's important to find.

someone with a complementary

personality. Most girls like funny

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guys, but some prefer gentle, introverted ones. In any relationship, someone has to take the lead

girls you've shown him might be shy, which is why nothing progressed. You should find someone more outgoing, confident, and energetic. They say it's easier for girls to pursue boys. If a girl takes the initiative, few men can resist."

Mr. Keller believed Vermont's story and thought it made perfect sense, but then he added, "That's all well and do do you find a girl

who's enthusiastic and proactive? And even if you did, Aaron might not fall for her."

Chapter 2439

Mr. Kane Got Blacklisted Chapter 2439 - Vermont said, "Mr. Keller, I have a cousin who fits the description perfectly. I brought her to a banquet once, and she met Aaron. She asked me about him, but I didn't mention it before because Aaron had a girlfriend. Recently, I heard you were setting up a blind date for him, so I'm here on behalf of my cousin."

Mr. Keller was surprised. "I haven't heard about this before."

Vermont explained, "Well, Mr. Keller, I didn't want to be presumptuous, so I asked around quietly. Someone told me Aaron had a girlfriend abroad, so I dropped the matter. But now that I hear you're looking for a girlfriend for Aaron, I thought I'd bring up my cousin."

When Mr. Keller heard "has a girlfriend," he assumed the rumors about Aaron and Jaylene had spread, making him even more annoyed with Jaylene. He quickly corrected, "That's just gossip. Aaron doesn't have a girlfriend." Then, curious, he asked, "Vermont, what does your cousin do? Do you have a photo of her?"

"My cousin is a doctor, still in training at the municipal hospital. She's a pediatrician, loves children, and is very patient. Her parents are teachers-one in junior high and the other in high school. Their family background isn't flashy, but it's respectable. I had to ask for her, though if you think it's inappropriate, I'll let her know."

Vermont then sent Mr. Keller a photo of a girl in a graduation gown, flashing a V sign with a bright, cheerful smile. She looked a lot like Vermont.

The Keller family, in the pharmaceutical business, only had one son, Aaron, who was soft-hearted. Mr. and Mrs. Keller wanted to find a smart, capable wife for him who would support him and keep the family business stable after they were gone. They preferred someone from an ordinary family who wouldn't be difficult to manage.

Vermont's cousin fit the bill perfectly-she was studying medicine, which aligned with the family business, and she liked Aaron. If the match succeeded, she could help support

the business when the time came. Mr. Keller said eagerly, "In this day and age, who still cares about equal social status? As long as the children get along and the family background is clean, my wife and I won't object."

Vermont smiled and replied, "Mr. Keller, discuss it with Mrs. Keller. If you both think it's a good match, we can arrange dinner so the two can meet."

Mr. Keller agreed, "I'll talk it over with my wife and get back to you."

After hanging up, Felicity took Vermont's phone and looked at the photo of the girl. "Is this really your cousin?"

Vermont nodded, "She looks just like me, doesn't she?"

Felicity asked, "What's her name?"

"Her name is Tatiana," Vermont replied.

"That's a sweet name," Felicity said, studying the photo again. "She looks smart. Do you think she could really fall for Aaron?"

Vermont shrugged, "Not every woman wants a man stronger than herself. My cousin is clear-headed and knows what she wants." [SEARCH THE WEBSITE TO ACCESS CHAPTERS OF NOVELS EARLY AND IN THE HIGHEST QUALITY.](#)

Felicity was puzzled. Could a girl really like a man who wasn't stronger than her in any way?

When Vermont arranged the blind date and took her to pick up Tatiana, Felicity finally understood what he meant.

As soon as they got in the car, Tatiana greeted Felicity enthusiastically. She was just as warm and cheerful as she looked in the photo. On the way to the restaurant, Tatiana and Felicity sat in the back, chatting non-

stop. They hit it off immediately, talking about everything from their studies to their hobbies. They even planned to introduce each other to powerful ticket scalpers for their favorite idol's concert.

After taking a sip of water, Tatiana playfully nudged Felicity with her elbow and asked, "Felicity, why do you like my cousin's type?"

Felicity blushed, "I was confused and

tricked by him. But as we got to know

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each other, we fell in love." The

Tatiana shook her head, "I thought

so. You don't seem like the

tygem who'd fall for someone like my cousin. So, he pulled a fast one on you?"

Vermont's eyes twitched. "Don't stir

up trouble. We were childhood

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sweethearts, separated for a while, NO then fate brought us back together. I always knew I'd marry her someday, and now, here we are."

Tatiana snorted, "Look how smug you are! You totally tricked Felicity into marrying you, didn't you?"

Vermont warned, "Don't make me kick you out of the car."

Felicity asked softly, "Tatiana, what kind of boys do you like?"

Tatiana grinned, "Definitely not an old fox like Vermont."

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Mr. Kane Got Blacklisted Chapter 2440 - Vermont quickly responded, "I'm an old fox and won't be attracted to a young fox like you." Tatiana grinned at him and then said to Felicity, "I like people who are rich but simple-minded. If they're not too smart, even better." Felicity was stunned.

Tatiana, aren't you being a bit too blunt?

Tatiana smiled. With her ponytail and plain face, she looked innocent, but her words were direct. "Do you think I'm materialistic?"

Felicity quickly shook her head. "No." Worried Tatiana wouldn't believe her, Felicity added, "Only truly materialistic people call themselves that. Besides, when looking for a

partner, who doesn't want someone with good qualities? Otherwise, we might end up digging wild vegetables to survive."

Tatiana smiled brightly. "Vermont, you're the first to say this and make me feel better. Others either avoid the topic or look at me strangely."

Felicity felt embarrassed. "Everyone has their own standards when choosing a partner. I used to think I'd end up with a calm, knowledgeable doctor or teacher. Instead, I found a chatterbox who talks more than I do." Vermont was caught off guard.

"I talk too much?" Vermont said, dissatisfied. "Then go find someone quiet who never says anything. With how much you love to gossip, you'd get sick holding it all in! I talk a lot, but have you ever seen me talk this much to anyone else? I do it because I want to share everything with you. Should I stay silent instead? You should worry if I stop talking to you. And what's wrong with talking? A couple should communicate more, not less. Do you want us to act out silent films at home?" Search the website to access chapters of novels early and in the highest quality.

Felicity's mouth twitched. "You feel wronged when I say you talk too much. Look how many times you respond to my one sentence."

Vermont coughed and whispered, "I have to defend myself. Have you ever seen a debater say just one sentence in an argument?"

Felicity glared at him, making Tatiana laugh.

Felicity sighed, "This is what happens when you marry a chatterbox. You can't even win an argument!"

Tatiana stopped laughing and said, "You two love each other, so you're willing to compromise on your preferences. But for me, mutual affection isn't that important. I just want a financially stable man who's easy to manage, with a decent appearance and height. You can't have it all."

Felicity finally understood why Vermont called Tatiana practical.

Tatiana weighed both parties' conditions carefully when choosing a partner.

What does she have? Youth, beauty, a good education, a respected job, and parents with social status.

What does she want? A wealthy man without much wit.

If she asked for too much, it might not work out. But because she asks for so little, Felicity felt sure Tatiana would catch Aaron's interest at today's blind date and secure him.

No wonder "Stinky Cucumber" asked Tatiana for help. It gave her a suitable match and complicated things for Jaylene-a two-birds-one-stone scenario.

As they looked for a parking spot at the restaurant, Tatiana asked, "What's Aaron's type?"

Before Vermont could answer, Felicity said, "Dead green tea."

Tatiana blinked in confusion.

Felicity clarified, "The kind who pretends to be weak, asks men for help, sends private photos, and calls them 'giegie'!"

Tatiana stayed silent. Noticing this, Felicity asked, "Is that a problem?"

Tatiana replied, "No, I just didn't expect the bar to be set so high."

Felicity was surprised.

Vermont grinned and whispered to Felicity, "I'll show you the real pros in top-tier green tea."

He led Felicity out of the car, still puzzled.

When they arrived at the restaurant's private room, the entire Keller family was there. Mr. and Mrs. Keller were well-dressed, clearly taking this meeting seriously. Aaron sat next to Mrs. Keller in a plain white T-shirt, looking disinterested.

The moment they entered, Mrs. Keller noticed Tatiana following Vermont. Her eyes lit up, and she subtly nudged Mr. Keller under the table.

Vermont smiled and apologized, "I'm sorry for the delay, Mr. and Mrs. Keller. There was an emergency at the hospital when I was picking them up. I tried to hurry, but we were still late."

Mrs. Keller quickly responded, "No worries. We arrived early, and hospitals always have emergencies. It's out of your control."

Mr. Keller added, "No need to stand; sit down, and let's eat and chat."

Tatiana nodded politely, greeted the elders, and then pulled out the chair next to Aaron.

Aaron hesitated for a moment and subtly tried to shift the chair closer to Mrs. Keller, but she kicked it back.

Aaron was speechless.

Once seated, Vermont introduced Felicity and Tatiana to the Keller elders, focusing on Tatiana.

Tatiana was polite and confident, answering questions without any sign of shyness or nerves.

Mrs. Keller introduced Aaron to Tatiana, "This is my son, Aaron. He's two years older than you, studied business management, and has lived abroad."

She subtly urged Aaron to speak, but he stayed silent. Mrs. Keller looked a bit embarrassed. "He's a bit introverted, doesn't talk much..."

Tatiana smiled. "That's fine. Quiet boys are usually more stable emotionally. Sometimes, people who talk too much aren't as smart." Vermont's eye twitched. Was she indirectly talking about him?

Aaron glanced at Tatiana.

Tatiana lowered her eyes and smiled, tucking a stray hair behind her ear. Felicity's heart skipped a beat.

Why did Tatiana suddenly seem

more beautiful than she did in the car? Her clothes, hairstyle, and makeup hadn't changed, but that smile was captivating.

Aaron looked away, still saying nothing.

Mrs. Keller was thrilled and kept nudging Aaron to speak, but he remained quiet. Tatiana smoothly took over the conversation whenever the room fell silent.

After a few rounds of drinks, Tatiana stood up. "Uncle, Aunt, I'm going to step out for some fresh air. Excuse me."

Mrs. Keller saw her chance and

quickly said, "Aaron, why don't you join her? The restaurant's layout can be confusing, but Aaron knows it well and can show you around." Read

As she spoke, Mrs. Keller nudged Aaron, who nearly fell onto the table before reluctantly standing up.

Tatiana softly asked, "Is that okay with you?"

Under his mother's stern gaze, Aaron swallowed his refusal and mumbled, "Sure, I could use some air too."

Tatiana thanked him and followed him out like a shadow.

Mrs. Keller wanted to check on them, but Vermont gently stopped her. "Mrs. Keller, Mr. Keller, what do you think of Tatiana?"