

Chapter 122 Inviting Isabel for a Date

Xander suddenly asked, "What place are you talking about?"

Leo was speechless.

Isn't he the one who said he wasn't interested?

Tsk!

Men are always like this!

Shortly afterward, Isabel got a message from Xander asking, "When do you have some free time?"

"What's going on?" Isabel replied, feeling puzzled.

"It's been ages since I last took a break. I'm planning to go to the hot spring. Care to join me?"

After sending the message, Xander found himself feeling unusually anxious, unsure of how he would react if Isabel turned him down.

Leo used this approach to successfully engage with his girlfriend.

Imagine it—a man and a woman, relaxing in a hot spring together, being open and honest with each other. It could definitely deepen their understanding of one another.

But if Isabel said no, his wonderful plan would fall apart.

"A hot spring? I haven't been to one in a long time."

Isabel shifted her shoulder, feeling some discomfort, and noticed that her leg still had bruises that hadn't fully healed. It might be a good idea for her to relax in the hot spring now.

Did she agree?

Xander's expression brightened. He wouldn't give Isabel a chance to overthink, so he immediately made the plan, saying, "Let's do it Friday night."

Since the next day was a day off, they could stay up as late as they wanted.

Isabel replied, "Okay."

And with that, everything was wrapped up.

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Meanwhile, Lillian got a call from her assistant.

"Is everything you found out accurate? Eva isn't pregnant?"

The assistant replied, "Yes, that's true."

"I didn't expect everything Isabel said to be right," Lillian murmured to herself.

The assistant suggested a questionable idea, "Lillian, would you like to vent your anger? Maybe teach Isabel a lesson?"

"Absolutely! I can't stand her, especially after what happened on set last time. She made me look awful and caused the director to look down on me. It's all her fault!" Lillian said through clenched teeth.

"I have a plan that could help you get back at Isabel."

Lillian asked, "What's the plan?"

"Hehe! I recorded what happened on set last time, and I'll reach out to a few marketing accounts to spread the word, claiming that Isabel bullied you. You've got a lot of fans, and they'll definitely come to your defense and attack Isabel. Plus, it will help you gain some new fans."

Lillian, thrilled by the assistant's suggestion, clapped her hands in approval.

"Let's go for it!"

The news spread quickly online.

An hour later, Isabel found herself at the center of public attention.

Seff sent her a message.

"Boss, take a look at this link!"

Isabel clicked the link in confusion, which led her to a post from a marketing account about her and Lillian.

The post claimed that she had bullied Lillian, the stepdaughter, in a terribly malicious way, and that if she acted like this so openly on set, it was easy to imagine how badly Lillian must be treated at home.

The post even included a photo.

In the photo, Isabel was seen looking down at Lillian with a raised chin, while Lillian covered her face, crying in distress.

Isabel then scrolled down to the comments.

"What's wrong with being a stepchild? Just because they're not real sisters doesn't mean they shouldn't treat each other decently."

"She may be pretty, but she's a real snake!"

"Bullying our Lily is unforgivable!"

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Ding! Another message from Seff popped up.

"This has to be Lillian's doing! How low!"

Isabel also suspected that Lillian was behind the whole thing.

Lillian had the audacity to target her, thinking she was an easy victim.

But she was wrong, and Isabel already had a plan in mind.

Seff texted again, "Boss, I recorded a video last time."

He seemed to be looking for approval and reassurance, using a playful emoji.

"Wait, you filmed a video?" Isabel asked, clearly taken aback.

"I actually left early that day because I was worried Lillian might cause trouble for you, so I secretly stayed out of sight and filmed it. My plan was to use it to stand up for you and teach her a lesson. But Boss, you were amazing. Just a few words from you and everything turned around, so I never had to use the video."

Seff's praise was genuine and heartfelt.

Isabel rhythmically drummed her fingers on the armrest of the couch. After a moment of thought, a smile slowly spread across her face.

At that moment, she had already come up with a full strategy to strike back at Lillian.

"Don't send the video yet. Follow my instructions, first ... "

The scene changed.

Lillian stared at the screen, which was filled with hateful comments about Isabel, her face twisted with satisfaction and a desire for revenge.

"Jude, nice work. I'll give you my Blue Moon bracelet later."

The assistant couldn't contain her excitement upon hearing this.

At that moment, both Lillian and her assistant received a notification about a trending post on Twitter.

It was the post Colin made a month ago when he had kicked Isabel and her brother out of the Zimmermans.

"Huh? That's odd! Why is this post on trendy search? Did Isabel buy her way to this spot?" Lillian wondered.

But she quickly dismissed the idea.

Because this post was at the top of the trendy search, the price for that position was something even her father would have to think twice about before purchasing.

Isabel had been kicked out of the Zimmermans, and along with Reggie, they were broke and wandering. How could they afford to buy a trending spot?

"But if it wasn't Isabel, then who did it?"

After the post trended, the public's opinion shifted. Comments began to show more support for Isabel.

"I'm not a fan of Lillian, just an observer. Initially, I thought Isabel was bullying her stepmother's daughter, Lillian, but after seeing this, I realized I was wrong. It's just like in fairy tales—like Snow White, where the stepmother and daughter bully the original child."

"Same here, after all, it was Isabel who got kicked out."

"Why don't we look at this from a different angle? Have you seen the photos before? Our Lily was treated horribly. As for Isabel being kicked out, I think it's because she was so despicable, always picking on Lily at home. She never learned from her mistakes and just kept getting worse, so her biological father had no choice but to throw her out."

"Lily is the sweetest. I've been following her for years, watching her grow since her debut. She's kind, gentle, and caring. I've even seen several photos of her holding an umbrella for others and bringing drinks for everyone. Someone like her could never be the villain!"

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The comments section was chaotic, filled with all kinds of opinions.

Lillian furrowed her brows as she read through them. While she didn't believe Isabel could afford to buy her way to fame, it didn't mean Isabel had no connections.

Perhaps Isabel had recently become the lover of some wealthy man.

The thought of Isabel stripping to please an old man for money made Lillian feel a surge of disgust and disdain.

"Got it!" Lillian suddenly had a brilliant idea.

"Jude, have those marketing accounts spread the word. Claim that Isabel is being kept by an old man and that the trending topic on Twitter was purchased by the man who's keeping her. Also, spread the rumor that Isabel hit her stepmother and younger sister, which led her father to kick her out in a fit of rage."