

Shadows 101

Chapter 101 Too Bad " As long as the people I care about understand why I'm doing this and what kind of person I am ... that's all that matters . " Tilda spoke gently , comforting Una . If she cared so much about what others thought , she might as well have ended her life . Even in her past life , independent Tilda had never cared about anyone else's opinion of her . Well , of course ... Except for the Jensions . Tilda had always cared about their opinions . Every expectation , every little thing they scrutinized , made her nerves tighten .

She feared failing them , feared not being perfect - because perfection was still never enough . It would only make them dislike her more , hate her , push her away ... But now , after giving up on the Jensions , the world suddenly felt wide open . Or rather ... This was the Tilda who had never met the Jensions ! The real Tilda had come back to life ! " Yeah ! Tilda , if you ever need to vent , just call me . I've got your back - always . " Other than that ... I'm kinda clumsy and useless , but I'll do what I can . " Una would use every bit of her strength to support Tilda .

Even if , to outsiders , that strength seemed tiny , almost negligible . " Idiot ... just knowing you trust me and have my back is more than enough . " " Anyone who calls you clumsy and useless ? They're about to find out I don't play nice . " " Thanks , Tilda . " Okay , logging into my accounts . I'm putting my A - game to work today - gonna roast as many netizens as possible so they finally shut up about you ! " After hanging up , Andy couldn't help asking , " So ... that's the Una you were talking about ? " I hardly ever saw Tilda act this gentle . Andy had never actually met Una .

He only knew that she existed . Judging by their conversation ... It's clear Una isn't just a friend - she matters to Tilda . " Someday , I'll introduce you two . " " Are you serious ? " Andy was a little surprised . He was part of the dark web , after all . " You're just as important to me as Una is . I think the three of us would get along great . " And hey , don't look so shocked . Remember , I'm part of the dark web too . " I'll make sure to protect the people I care about .

Not a single scratch will come to you . " Tilda said it with absolute certainty . This version of Tilda - confident enough to say something like that - was no longer the pitiful girl shackled by her so - called family . " Oh , Tilda ... " Andy's heart softened , and he couldn't help but whine a little . The soft , neutral voice calling her name didn't feel forced at all . It felt like a little warmth breaking through the cold one had been carrying . " You're really amazing !

" Being recognized by Tilda as someone important , someone she'd protect , made Andy feel alive in a way he hadn't before . A lot of people had ever said anything like this to him . But no one - not a single person - had ever been like Tilda . Just a simple promise , and Andy couldn't stop the grin tugging at his face . Because it's you - the one and only you . Even the simplest words from you are enough to make me feel completely alive . " Alright , enough talking . We've pretty much hit our goal already . Still ...

I'd love to see for myself just how much chaos the Jensions are in right now . " Too bad - we can only picture it . Doesn't hit the same as watching it unfold with our own eyes . " Tilda wasn't wrong . 2/3 When Russell and the others got back home , Harold was slumped on the couch , his face dark . The reporters ' live coverage had already spread like wildfire . These days , news didn't take long - one spark online , and it was everywhere , coast to coast , even overseas .

Not to mention , the Jenson Group was a powerhouse in Slosa , with a reputation that carried across the whole country . And now ? The scandal about its chairman and the long - lost heiress who'd returned after 19 years - yeah , that was the kind of juicy drama people lived for . The drama inside this wealthy family was better than anything on TV . Naturally , it shot straight to the top of TikTok's trending list . " Dad ! " The moment Howard saw Russell walk in , he shot to his feet . " Where's your mom ? " " She's dealing with the shareholders over at the company ...

" Dad , Dominic - I swear I deleted every single video back then ! I have no idea how Tilda got her hands on those two clips ! " Howard rushed to explain . Dominic had already filled him in on everything that went down in the court over WhatsApp . " I know this isn't on you , " Russell said , his voice low . " One student's phone recording would've been bad enough . But the surveillance footage too ? And Tilda managed to get her hands on both ? " How the hell did she pull it off ... Was it Andy ? Even if that kid had some freakish talent , the data was completely wiped . It's been days .

There's no way he could've recovered it . " He rubbed his temples , frowning .

Chapter 102 Screw Up The pressure in his head was driving him insane . With things blown up this big , trying to sweep it under the rug was damn near impossible . A thought suddenly flashed through Dominic's mind . Almost without thinking , he muttered , " Hacking ... Everyone snapped their eyes to him . " If Tilda knew her way around hacking - if she had some kind of app on her phone - then using the campus Wi - Fi , she could've copied every single video before they were deleted . " Dominic wasn't just throwing words around .

He'd studied hacking himself - ranked 11th on the dark web board and rumored to be the apprentice of the infamous Queen . Other than this explanation , Dominic couldn't think of any possibility . " Tilda ... a hacker ? " Russell was stunned . Just how many masks is this girl hiding behind ? " It's very possible , " Dominic went on , his voice sharp , eyes narrowing with a cold glint . " I've seen her talent and obsession

with coding firsthand . If she's capable of beating my records so easily , then her being a top- tier hacker wouldn't surprise me at all ." Who would've thought ...

Tilda has been hiding this card all along . It wasn't just Russell who had underestimated her . Even Dominic had . Who would've thought a so - called " ordinary college girl " could have that kind of power ? But if she did have it , then suddenly it made sense - her close ties with Andy , the renowned lawyer . It all lined up . " I'm sorry , Dad , Dominic ... it's my fault . I got careless and never checked Fiona's phone ... Howard's gut twisted with regret . The way things had blown up , the way it had gotten so tangled - that was on him . He'd gone soft . Let guilt get in the way .

He wanted to slam his own head against the wall . " It's not on you , Howard , " Dominic said flatly . " If Tilda's really working at that level , you never would've caught her by scrolling through her phone . She'd have hidden it six layers deep . " Dominic leaned forward . " What I need to know is - how much time did you actually have to clean things up ? " " Barely any . Dad walked out of the dining hall , and I jumped in with campus security right after . The first order of business was wiping the surveillance .

" I checked my watch - under five minutes , tops . I'm sure of it ." Five minutes ... That wasn't enough time . Dominic's jaw tightened . Hacking into a student's phone and ripping the videos- And on top of that , breaking into campus surveillance ? With all the chaos flying around , five minutes was nothing . Hell , it was probably less . Pulling off both hacks at once ? Even I - Mr . 11th place on the dark web boards - couldn't have done it . But Tilda had . She'd actually pulled it off . What else is she keeping under wraps ?

What the hell else had she buried so deep even I couldn't sniff it out ? Looking at her , you'd never guess ... She blends in like any other college kid . But underneath ? She's something else entirely . " Dom ... Rose's voice cut through the silence . He forced himself to pull back from his shock over Tilda and turned to face her . " Sorry , Rose . We screwed this up badly . I'll make it right and cover the loss . " " You really dropped the ball this time .

Forget going toe - to - toe with Andy - evidence like this means even if Tilda had hired someone else , any halfway decent lawyer would've had you dead to rights . " She let out a quiet sigh . " But ... you and I go back a long way . So I'll let it slide this time , and I'll help you figure out how to cut your losses . " " Thank you , Rose , " When Wade and Kyla got the news , they dropped everything at Orica University and rushed back home . The only one waiting in the living room was Howard . " Where's Dad ? " they asked in unison .

He's in the study with Dominic . They're handling company business and trying to figure out how the hell to manage this mess , " Howard muttered , rubbing at his scalp until his hair stood on end . His eyes were bloodshot . He'd never hated his own uselessness more than he did right now . At a moment like this , he couldn't do a damn thing to help . " Howard , Wade - how did it get this far ? We had Rose on our side . We were supposed to have the upper hand in this trial !

" Kyla's voice cracked ; her eyes were already brimming with tears . Howard opened his mouth , but nothing came out . His chest clenched so tight it hurt . This was on him . All of it . Wade saw the guilt written all over his face and put a hand on Kyla's shoulder . " Enough . Stop blaming him . None of us wanted this . All we can do now is trust Mom and Dad to figure it out . " " B - But , Wade ... " Kyla sobbed , grabbing onto him . " This is my fault , " she cried . " It's all because of me . If I'd never been part of this family , none of this would've happened . Tilda wouldn't have ...

wouldn't have " I hate myself for it ! I shouldn't even be alive ! "

Chapter 103 I Have To Do It Kyla turned and threw herself into Wade's arms , sobbing uncontrollably . Wade had no idea how to face her or how to deal with the guilt he felt toward Tilda . But in this moment , all he could do was pat her back and whisper comfort . Before long , Russell and the others emerged from the study . Howard rushed to the stairs , nerves tight . " Dad , how is it ? " Wade and Kyla followed close behind . " There's a way , " Russell said gravely , locking eyes with Wade . " But I'll need your cooperation . " From the back , Blair's eyes flickered with pity . " Me ?

" Wade froze , and then a possibility hit him . Meanwhile , Andy and Tilda were at the Maple Hotel . " Cheers ! " They clinked champagne glasses , celebrating a victory already locked in . Just as Andy drained his glass , his phone buzzed . He answered , spoke a few words , then hung up . " Tilda , you called it ! The Jenson Group is holding a press conference . " They're probably gonna cave quickly - stop the stock from crashing , calm everyone down . " With those two videos out , the Jensons were doomed in court . No way back .

To protect the company , Russell had no choice but to agree to Tilda's demand for an apology . Honestly ? It was the smartest move he could make . " So , let's just sip champagne and watch Russell grovel . " Tilda's expression stayed calm . She already had it all under control . The moment word spread about the press conference , reporters from everywhere swarmed the place . Cameras clicked , lenses aimed , everyone waiting for today's headline to walk on stage . Backstage , Wade sat with his eyes down . 1/3
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Helpless in a way he'd never felt before . Russell's so - called solution echoed in his head . His family's pleading eyes were on him . In the end , Wade had to make his choice . Tilda ... I'm sorry . " Wade . " Blair appeared , her eyes full of pain as she looked at him . Kyla trailed right behind , head bowed . Wade drew in a long breath . " Mom ... don't look at me like that . I've already made up my mind . You don't need to blame yourself . " Blair sighed softly .

" I'm sorry - for making you do the very thing you used to despise , even if it's for the family ... " Dominic and Howard are already at the company . And me ? I'm a Jenson . I grew up with every privilege- no worries , the best education , and more love than I could ever ask for .) " This is my home . I carry Jenson blood . Everything I have is because of this family . And now Dad's in trouble , and all it takes is one word from me to turn it around ... " I have to do it . No one else can . Right ? " He wasn't just talking to Blair . He was saying it to himself .

And when he finished , he even managed a smile for her . She opened her mouth , but no words came . The truth was , even if Wade refused , she'd still force his hand . It hurt , but this was the only way out . " Wade ... " Kyla lifted her head , wiping her tears with trembling fingers . Her voice cracked . " I'm sorry . I'm so sorry ... if it weren't for me if it weren't because of me- " *** " Kyla , this isn't your fault . It's the Jensons's burden . " I've already made my peace with it . Please , just stand by me . " But looking at her , Wade suddenly felt tired .

She'd worn that face too often - guilt , tears , blaming herself for everything . 213 15:45 Sat , Sep 6 G Maybe it was because of what he had to do next , the weight pressing on his chest ... but he couldn't stand to see it again . It grated on him . He turned away , eyes shut . " Sorry , Mom . Kyla . Let me cool off . When the time comes , I'll take the stage . " " Wade ... " Kyla bit her lip , eyes flickering with panic . He feels different now - colder , more distant . Damn it ... did I slip up somewhere ? Impossible .

I'd been like this since childhood - pouting , acting pitiful . It always works . On the rest of the family , and especially on him . The old Wade would've melted already , soothing her with gentle words , hating to see her cry . But this time ... he turned his back and said nothing . The alarm bells in her heart went off . " Enough , Kyla . Let's leave him be . " Blair's voice was calm . She didn't think much of it - she knew the next thing she was asking Wade to do was already pushing him past his limits .

Chapter 104 Tilly Her head was a mess , which was only natural . She led Kyla out of the backstage area , and the girl immediately broke into tears . " Mom ... my heart hurts for Wade . I know he's not that kind of person " And saying it like this - it's gonna crush Tilda . " Just now , the way he treated me was so cold . He's never been like that before . Mom , does he think I'm nothing but trouble too ? If it weren't for me , maybe Tilda never would've left... " .

Blair pulled her into her arms , brushing away the tears with a pained look . " Kyla , don't think like that . And don't misunderstand Wade . You know better than anyone how much he spoiled you growing up . He's always loved you . Don't ever say that again . " Before Kyla could answer , noise erupted outside . Russell had arrived - flanked by Rose and two bodyguards . Under the blinding spotlights and the snap of cameras , he walked calmly onto the stage . His face was calm and steady - like none of the chaos online had touched him .

That quiet confidence hit the room hard , an invisible pressure that hushed the crowd . Even the reporters , sharp and restless a moment ago , found themselves backing down , their questions losing bite . Across town , Tilda and Andy lounged in front of the livestream , snacks piled high - chips , peanuts , anything within reach . They crunched and chewed , tossing out snarky commentary between mouthfuls . Andy chuckled . " Gotta hand it to him - Mr . Jenson himself . Even in a storm like this , not a flicker on his face .

Looks like he came prepared . " Tilda smirked , her tone laced with mockery . " Sure ... let's see how long that lasts . " To the outside world , Russell was the picture of composure - refined , steady , and the image of a man too experienced to rattle . But Tilda had seen him lose control before . She knew the truth : he was just a man propped up too high . Far from untouchable . Weaknesses everywhere , and one little push was all it took to make him crack . Rose , their lawyer , was first to speak .

Her opening remarks were polished to perfection , leaving no room for doubt , shutting down the murmurs in the crowd . Then she handed the mic to Russell . He cleared his throat , his voice low and controlled . " About the trending scandal today - I'm sure you've all seen it . " Yes , it happened . Because of my mistakes , I misunderstood my own daughter , Tilly . " She was hurt so deeply she cut ties with the Jensons and even took us to court . For that ... the blame falls on me , as her father .

" He drew in a breath , steady as stone . " Here , I want to apologize to Tilly and to her friend , Una . " No excuses . No spin . He admitted it cleanly . Then , in full view of the livestream , the cameras , the reporters , and the whole country watching - he bowed . The sincerity in that gesture stunned the crowd . No one had expected this . Not like this .. Everyone thought the chairman of the Jenson Group would use this press conference to spin the story , deny everything , and bury the mess .

No one expected Russell to do the opposite - own up , drop the act , and apologize to the daughter who'd been missing for 19 years . " Shit ! " Andy almost choked watching the livestream . " The way that bastard says " Tilly ' makes my skin crawl . " He needs to drop dead already . " Even Andy couldn't hold back . He never even gave Tilda a nickname - her name was already everything to him , Hearing a

scumbag like Russell use it made his skin crawl . Andy was always the calm one . Always collected , smooth , and in control . But when it came to Tilda , none of that applied .

She was the one thing that could break him . Anyone who knew him wouldn't even recognize the man raging in front of the TV now . And Tilda herself ? She was just as furious . " Shameless . God , I knew he was low , but this ? This is another level . " She clenched her teeth , eyes blazing . If she'd been at that press conference , she would've ripped him apart right there on stage . He had no right to call her that . That was for people she trusted - for people who actually loved her . And the irony ?

In all the years she'd been his daughter , Russell had never called her by that name . Always just " Tilda , " cold and formal . But now that he was cornered , now that he needed to play the doting father on live TV , suddenly he was softening his voice and throwing around " Tilly " like it meant something . Pathetic . Rose stepped forward , taking the mic . " I'm sure everyone's wondering why my client is in a lawsuit against his own daughter , Ms. Tilda Jenson . So first , let me bring someone on stage . As soon as she finished , Wade walked out onto the platform .

Tilda's eyes narrowed , sharp and dangerous . "

Chapter 105 My Sister , Tilda Andy spoke coldly , " I think I get what the Jensons are trying to do . " The whole lawsuit blew up because of Wade . And only he could untangle it . Everyone was aware . They knew Wade had to handle this carefully to minimize the fallout . Tilda and Andy guessed instantly . Facing the crowd packed below and countless cameras , Wade spoke with calm composure Light seemed to shine around him , highlighting the sharp features inherited from both Russell and Blair . Talented beyond his years .

Even as a young man , he carried the aura of someone in high power . He laid out the entire misunderstanding the cause , the sequence of events - clearly . He even presented testimony from people at Orica University who knew about it back then . Everything was logical . Convincing . Then , a reporter asked a pointed question . " Mr. Wade , according to you , this all started as a misunderstanding . Mr. Jenson , out of concern for you , misjudged Ms. Tilda . " When you met Ms. Tilda , was her fainting caused by breaking your record , making it hard for you to react ?

Or was there another reason ? " The microphone was handed to Wade . He met every probing gaze , one by one . Wade took a slow , steady breath . " There are two reasons . But the other reason ... I can't say . " This is mostly my fault . My dad fainted after seeing Tilda , and on top of that , she broke my record . That's why I felt I had to get answers from her . " Wade stepped back , mirroring Russell exactly . In front of countless cameras , he bowed deeply . " Here , I sincerely apologize to Tilda and to her friend , Una .

Tilda " I offered this apology from the start . You didn't want to accept it . " So ... then , by your terms , in front of the whole nation , I hope this apology is something you can accept ! " Below , cameras clicked , video cameras whirled , and the crowd murmured and shifted . Wade quietly clenched his fists , pressing his nails into his palms . He gritted his teeth , letting the pain sharpen his senses and bring back his focus . This ... this should be enough . It should minimize the harm Tilda caused the Jensions . I ...

no , the entire Jensions knew the truth . I had told a massive lie , but it sounded like the truth . Just a few details were shifted . The most terrifying lies in this world aren't distortions . They're the ones that speak the truth - so no one can call you out . Except that you know . You know it's a lie . It's the kind of lie that someone with a conscience , morals , education , and a sense of dignity cannot accept . And it's the line I myself cannot cross in my heart . But I know that if I didn't do this , the Jensions wouldn't survive this storm . So ... Tilda . I'm truly sorry .

I'm sorry ... In his mind , Wade knew he was wrong , but for the Jensions , he was willing to lie without hesitation . Even if it manipulated public opinion and hurt Tilda . " Damn it ! I need my knife ! " My sister , Tilda ?! How can Wade say that ?! " Andy was disgusted by this bizarre Jensions . Even his snacks tasted bland . Tilda Tilda's face was expressionless . Her eyes grew colder , sharper , cutting right through . She had long seen through this family's hypocrisy . She never held any hope for them .

At Jenson Group , when Dominic and Howard saw the press conference hitting its peak , they immediately mobilized their social media team . Accounts linked to the family flooded every trending post with comments , likes , and shares , trying to spin the story and keep it from blowing up . [Seriously ? I thought this was huge , but it's just a misunderstanding ?] [This heiress is way too harsh . Mr. Jenson was just worried about his son - clarify it and move on . Why drag it into a lawsuit ?] [Total waste of resources . Pathetic !] [Tilda's still the daughter Mr.

Jenson finally found after 19 years ! If I were him , I'd be ready to throttle her myself .] [Mr. Jenson's apology is so sincere - he's clearly a great dad . Loves his family , looks sharp , treats his wife right , is rich and powerful , admits when he's wrong ... and Tilda can't even appreciate it !] [No way . Misunderstand someone for a second , and that's okay ? Are your morals broken ? Especially when this is a daughter missing for 19 years . Any parent would cherish her , not misjudge her . Anyone would flip out !] Of course , some people disagreed .

But their voices were quickly drowned out by clueless bystanders and the Jensions's online push .

Chapter 106 Deal With It The press conference wrapped up . " As expected from the Jenson Group - they're pros at shifting the blame . " " Tilda , want to push a little more ? They technically did what you asked , but that last guilt trip ? Kinda annoying ." Finished " This is so obvious - they're setting you up as the scapegoat to protect Russell . And with their social media team swooping in ... Andy's teal - green eyes were sharp , cold as ice . Russell did apologize to Tilda nationwide , but the way it unfolded wasn't what Andy expected . Wade's words twisted the whole thing .

By vaguely explaining the reason and taking all the blame himself , he flipped the narrative . Sometimes , being too direct only gives people ammo to attack you . Wade's move ? Perfect . No holes , no slip - ups . It bought the Jensons time and diverted the heat . Sure , the family couldn't erase the fallout overnight , but this way , the damage was far less . A quick , plausible explanation was the best way to handle it . Andy had to admit it - Russell's decisiveness carried the weight of someone used to power . No ego , no theatrics when the stakes were high .

Cut through the mess , bow when needed , and stand firm when needed . And judging by how smoothly it all went , Rose probably played a big role behind the scenes . If Andy's client had faced something like this , he'd have handled it the same way . That was normal . What wasn't normal ... Was that this time , the people pissing him off were attacking his best friend - Tilda ! Andy was ready to go full protective mode . He might understand why the Jensons acted the way they did , but he'd never agree with it . He wanted to hit back hard .

He was already itching to move - just waiting for Tilda's signal . No need , Andy . " You think I don't know the Jensons for what they are ? That we wouldn't be ready ? " Tilda swirled her champagne , taking a slow sip , eyes sharp and unreadable . Andy leaned in . intrigued . " Oh ? What did you prepare ? Spill it . Tilda . " " This isn't something we need to handle ourselves . The Jenson Group's grown so huge over the years - sure , plenty of people play by their rules , but even more want a piece of the action .

" I just gathered some intel and fed it to them ahead of time ... then I sat back and let them deal with it . " Tilda knew this small move would only bruise the Jensons a little - nothing serious . If they played nice , apologized , and didn't try any funny business , she'd honor her promise . After all . Tilda just wanted to cut ties with the Jensons as quickly as possible . She didn't want to waste . another second dealing with those scumbags or let them ruin her life . But deep down , she knew it wasn't going to happen . The Jensons would never let go of their so - called " traitor .

" No way they'd take the blame or let her off the hook - they'd just keep twisting the story against her . Since that's the case , Tilda decided to have a little fun . Time to teach the Jensons exactly what "

overestimating yourself " looked like . " Tilda , you're brilliant ! Using them against each other like this ? Genius ! " Andy's lips curved into a grin , his voice practically buzzing . Of course - mess with the Queen and think they could walk away unscathed ? Not a chance . Night fell . Dominic and Howard still hadn't left .

They were quietly coordinating , directing the narrative , trying to minimize the fallout . " Howard , things are mostly under control now . You can head home . " " No , Dominic . I'll stay a little longer - see if there's anything else I can do to help . " After all , this mess has gone this far , and I feel partly responsible . " Howard had finally let go of blaming himself for everything . He knew that carrying all the weight would only hold him back .

he felt obligated to give this his all - not just for the family , but also because of the one time he'd shown mercy and hadn't checked Tilda's phone . Even if Dominic insisted that checking it wouldn't have made a difference - Tilda's skills were extraordinary -Howard knew that if he had , it might have spared Dominic such an embarrassing mess . Dominic knew Howard well - hot - headed , yes , but with a sense of responsibility second to none . He didn't stop him , just patted his shoulder in silent approval .

Another half hour passed . By then , the family's social media team had completely flipped the narrative . At the same time , the Jenson Group was pressuring major media outlets . They buried all the negative trending posts and made sure the headlines focused on Russell and Wade's apologies . For Russell and Wade , it wasn't exactly flattering - but it was far better than letting the scandal spiral out of control .

Chapter 107 The Media Game At least it could shut a lot of people up . This was the best way to salvage the situation and protect the Jenson Group . Dominic had a few trending posts about Tilda lined up to distract everyone . Some painted her in a good light , others in a bad one . Nothing could be too obvious - anyone paying attention would spot that the Jenson Group was buying trends to smear him .. The plan was simple : slowly pull the Jensons out of the spotlight . A Z E F FI Tilda would take the fall and become the center of discussion .

Supporters or haters , as long as the paid accounts kept stirring the waters , the Jensons and the company wouldn't be targeted . Tilda would . Supporters stayed calm . Haters went all out . Everything became polarized . " Dominic , it should be enough now , " Howard said , watching the plan unfold . " It's strange ... 11 Dominic's brow furrowed slightly . Something felt off . Howard's chest tightened . " What is it , Dominic ? " " Don't let your guard down . It's too quiet ... feels like it's going a little too smoothly . " Dominic pressed his lips together , a cold glint in his eyes .

It didn't matter what hidden identities Tilda had . How could Andy not have anticipated this ? Since Andy had decided to back Tilda in the lawsuit , he'd naturally prepared for every possible consequence . Not to mention the emergency press conference that afternoon . With Andy's connections and influence ,

there was no way he wouldn't have made a move . " Mr. Dominic ! The trending posts we just bought about Tilda suddenly exploded !

" The trends dropped , all entries disappeared , and every major marketing account's comments vanished ! Mass deletion ! " Just as expected . Dominic made a snap decision . " Figures . Keep instructing the paid accounts and marketing handles to post . Boost their weight . Get the trends back up ! " The PR team at the Jenson Group were all sharp operators - carefully selected by Dominic and recruited at high cost . In this age of information and the internet , public opinion could easily make or break a company .

Dominic's strategic investments had proven their worth . In just a few years , this PR team had saved the company's reputation multiple times , crushing anyone who tried to throw dirt at the Jensons . " Yes , sir ! " But after a short while , the reports came in . " Oh no , Mr. Dominic ! They clearly came prepared . Too many accounts ! " " More marketing handles are now steering the narrative against Mr. Jenson ! " " This isn't something one person could pull off . " " At least several rival groups are involved . " " We traced one IP back - it's from Cellcomm Corp , one of our competitors !

" " They actually dared to make this move ... Dominic's expression darkened like a storm rolling in . " No wonder Tilda hadn't made a move . She'd gone straight to the Jenson Group's rivals . And she hadn't waited until this afternoon - this had been set up before the lawsuit even started . She and Andy had just been waiting for me to strike so they could counter . So Tilda had planned this all along . She knew the Jenson Group would play the media game . Howard watched helplessly as their data bled out . Their paid accounts ? Useless . PR team ? Already overrun .

" Dominic , what do we do now ? " he asked , panic rising . " Stay calm , " Dominic said . " Use everything we've got . That's all we can do . " At the end of the day , this is small . We've apologized . They can't blow it up - what else could happen ? " Tilda's move was bold but still manageable . The press conference had already taken place . Russell and Wade had explained the situation and apologized . Even if the rivals attacked now , it was just a misunderstanding . Clear the misunderstanding , and nothing would escalate into a storm .

No laws had been broken . " Damn , Tilda ! She actually did this ! 6." Teamed up with our enemies ? Does she even remember she's family ? Jenson blood runs in her veins ! " Backstabbing the family ... what's in it for her ?! " Howard ground his teeth . If Tilda were in front of him , he'd punch her so hard her smug little face wouldn't survive . Suing Russell , humiliating him , humiliating the family - he could

barely stand it . But dragging outsiders into it ... that , he couldn't forgive . Tilda had turned enemies against her own family .

Chapter 108 Betrayal What was this called ? It's betrayal ! Betraying the very family she was born into ! That's completely unforgivable , the worst thing anyone could do . Howard was a tough and noble man . He despised such behavior more than anything . But the one who did it was none other than his so - called sister . What had they done to deserve this ? The sister who had been missing for 19 years had turned to be so evil . " Talking about this won't help right now , Howard . Tilda isn't our sister . She's our enemy and we need to take her down !

" We'll definitely settle this score with her ! " Murderous intent flickered in Dominic's gaze . No matter how capable Tilda was , she was still their sister by blood . Dominic was going to make her pay for everything she had done . " Of course , Dominic . We have to make her pay ! " Howard said , no longer feeling guilty about Tilda . Instead , he felt a burning rage - one that wanted to reduce Tilda to ashes ! " This is bad , Mr. Dominic / " Just then , the head of the PR department at the Jenson Group rushed up to him . " What's the matter ? Why are you so nervous ? " " It's DY Group .

They've stepped in too . They're teaming up with Tilda against us ! " " What did you say ? " Dominic asked , looking shocked . " That's impossible . We've never had any conflict with DY Group . We even worked together a few times before and it went well ! " He'd met Jude several times . Jude had left a deep impression on Dominic . At first , Dominic had seen him as a rival , someone he needed to be careful of . Even if they worked together and had no conflicts of interest for now , but he couldn't be sure what the future would hold .

If Jenson kept growing , they would eventually have to go against the DY Group . But after a few smooth collaborations together , Dominic had come to think it was better to see Jude as a partner . It would be too hard to defeat a man like him . For the first time in his life , Dominic , who had always been considered a genius , had such a thought . If Jenson Group and DY Group ever became enemies , it would be the last thing he wanted . He never expected it to happen so soon .

At the Maple Hotel , Andy answered a phone call and checked on the current situation . " Hm ? " He had heard something surprising .. Andy hung up the phone and walked over to Tilda , who was playing a game with Una . She was wearing headphones and looked peaceful . Andy didn't rush to speak . He simply watched her play . Using her character , she scored five kills in a row , wiping out the entire enemy team . " Tilda , you're amazing ! With you helping me , getting to the top of the leaderboards is so easy ! " Una said . from the other side .

" Alright , Una , you can play on your own for a bit . Andy looks like he has something to say . " " Okay . By the way , Tilda , you promised to introduce me to Andy , right ? I'm excited ! " " Okay , I'm going back to the game to fight with those trolls . They replied to me again after two hours ! I'll roast them so hard they wont dare show up again ! " She gotta stand up for herself . Tilda took off her headphones and looked at Andy . " How's it going ? " " The plan you set up is working . It's causing a lot of trouble for the Jensions .

" Even Jenson Group is struggling with all the planned attacks from so many rival companies . They're not going to get any sleep tonight . " But what's even more surprising is that Jude also made a move . " " Jude ? " Tilda looked a little surprised . " I didn't tell him about this . Based on what I know , DY Group and Jenson Group have worked together a few times . " Even if they weren't allies , they weren't enemies either . Otherwise , Tilda would've told Jude about it .

3Even with his abilities , he might have known Tilda was going to court today to sue Russell . " Tilda , are you really clueless or just pretending ? " Andy said , tapping her forehead . He sounded helpless but also amused at the same time . " Jude did this to help me , " Tilda said after figuring out the reason . After all , they were ... well , how to put it ? They both carried the rare Omega - type blood . They were drawn to each other and marked each other . At the same time , they needed each other's presence to help with the side effects of their blood type .

Otherwise , Jude wouldn't have cared so much about someone like Tilda . He even put aside his pride to try to please her . This was clear from t f This was clear from the way he always made sure she had her favorite food . Every night , at the same time , Jude would ask Tilda if she wanted to eat .

Chapter 109 Handsome Man The moment Tilda said she wanted to go , Jude didn't pause at all ; he personally drove her straight back to her place . Andy observed Tilda and realized that she still hadn't grasped the bigger picture behind everything . He let out a quiet sigh . After spending these recent days with her , Andy had truly come to see how naïve Tilda could be in certain moments , almost alarmingly so . She was nothing like the ruthless , sharp - witted woman who once dominated the dark web and crushed her enemies without hesitation .

At this moment , she simply looked like an ordinary nineteen - year - old girl . Tilda gave Andy a puzzled glance . " Why are you staring at me with that goofy smile , Andy ? " " Absolutely nothing . " Andy lifted his hands in mock surrender , " Anyway , I've delivered the news . " With Mr. Bell from DY Group stepping in , even Jenson Group won't be able to keep calm . They're about to have a very rough time . " This will keep them tangled up for a while . Feels great ! Finally got to vent some of that frustration ! " Tilda pressed her lips together . Jude had done all this .

Yet he hadn't sent her a single word . After hesitating a moment , Tilda finally picked up her phone and texted Jude first . She typed one simple line . [You really shouldn't have stepped into this mess .] After all , DY Group had previously worked with Jenson Group . And from what Tilda knew , the two companies were in the middle of a billion - dollar cooperation . Jude's reply came back almost instantly . [They tried to smear your name . That's something I can't tolerate . [I'm cutting off all cooperation with Jenson Group . There will be no future partnerships .

] After seeing the online drama explode , Jude couldn't sit still , even though he believed Tilda was more than capable of dealing with it on her own . He went all in , completely severing ties with Jenson Group . All of it , just to help Tilda vent her anger . Honestly ... If Tilda didn't have even the slightest family tie to the Jensons ... They would've never dared to mess with her like this . And with Jude's temper , he would've already wiped them out without hesitation ! And this was already the lightest consequence !

Tilda stared at the message , and paused for a moment . She replied , [Thanks .] She even sent a smiley emoji . Jude answered almost right away , [You don't need to thank me . Not between us .] Ahem . And just like that , the two of them kept messaging , one after another . Andy even secretly peeked at their conversation . Seriously ? This is so boring ! Heh . Andy was secretly pretty satisfied . He knew full well there was no chance between him and Tilda . Now they were simply friends . And honestly , that felt even more enjoyable .

But Andy had no intention of helping his rival win her heart . No way was he going to offer Jude any advice . If Jude managed to win Tilda over through his own charm , well , that would be a different story . As their exchange was winding down , Jude sent another message . [I have seen your courage and the brilliance of your triumph . [Tilda , meeting you and witnessing your light has been unforgettable .] Tilda read the words , and a faint smile tugged at her lips . [Mr.

Bell , do you always say lines like this to flirt with women ?] [I've only ever said them to you . [Not before , not now , and not in the future . Only you .] Jude's message came quickly , and it was full of sincerity . Tilda could almost see his divine - looking face , standing before her , speaking those words with total earnestness . Something in her heart began to soften . I guess I really am lucky to have someone like Mr. Bell looking out for me . Tilda took two more days off . She stayed out of the drama completely .

Every day , she dragged Andy out to eat , relax , and enjoy life like nothing had happened . At last , she found the perfect time to officially introduce Andy to Una . They met for the first time . " Mr. Saville , y - you ... H - hi ! " Meeting the legendary , undefeated attorney face - to - face , especially one with those

captivating green eyes , soft golden waves , fair skin , and red lips , like a beautiful vampire from a movie , Una was instantly flustered . She didn't know what to do with her hands , and her cheeks turned crimson . Oh my God ! Men like this actually exist in real life ?

He wasn't just attractive ... He had influence ! And such overwhelming presence ! Una didn't dare meet Andy's gaze for too long , afraid she'd get lost in those eyes and embarrass herself . But she still couldn't resist sneaking glances at him , Yep ! He really was that handsome ! Too dangerously handsome ! " Alright , Una , if you want to look , just look . There's no need to be shy . Appreciating beauty is natural . Totally human . Why pretend otherwise ? That's not even your usual style . " Tilda wrapped an arm around Una's shoulders while teasing her .

Chapter 110 Coincidence Finished " Oh , come on , Tilda . Do you have to roast me in front of the hottie ? Seriously , give me a break ! " Una wanted to cover her face in shame . What's it like having a best friend who always clowns on you ? " I've heard a lot about you , Una . Tilda talks about you constantly , and I've been wanting to meet you for a while . " I practically had to beg Tilda before she finally introduced her closest friend to me . And wow , you're every bit as stunning as she described . " Mind if I just call you Una ?

Makes us feel like we're already close . " Andy's tone was smooth and mellow , carrying that genderless allure that could melt hearts . And paired with that face , like some elegant , aristocratic vampire , he looked impossibly handsome . Anyone would give in to that voice and those soft green eyes . Didn't matter if one was male or female . No one was immune . With just one glance , he could steal one's breath away . And the only thought left in one's mind was Pounce on him ! Jump this man right now ! Una nodded furiously like a bobblehead . " Of course ! Andy , it's such an honor !

" When Una told her clueless brother she was hanging out with Tilda and Andy today , he didn't even believe her ! She had to snap a picture later and shove it in his face . Tilda had plans to take Andy and Una to the theme park . But Tilda's fame these days was through the roof . She needed a disguise . And Andy too ! Those striking eyes , that golden hair , that flawless skin ; he was way too noticeable ! They couldn't risk getting swarmed . Luckily , Tilda and Andy were experts at this game .

They slipped into the restroom , switched up their looks , and when they stepped back out , Una nearly dropped her jaw . " Hold up - is that really you guys ? " " Of course it's us , Una . Who else would it be ? " Tilda's makeup completely changed her aura . Bold lipstick , glowing skin from the base , and violet contacts that made her eyes fierce with personality . She added a floppy sun hat on top . Flawless ! Andy kept things minimal ; shades , a mask , and a cap .

He twisted his blond waves into a bun , tied it , and tucked it neatly under the hat . Were their disguises perfect ? Not exactly . But Una could feel ... These two had completely toned down their presence . It was like they could pass right by and you wouldn't even recognize them . Wild , considering they usually drew every eye in the room . Una never imagined this was one of the must - have skills for people in the underground web . Camouflage , concealing their aura , wiping trails , sneaking around

Of course , Andy and Tilda would never let someone as innocent as Una go near that dark world . It was far too twisted , too dangerous . Una was meant to stay carefree under the sun , pure and full of dreams . " Alright , stop overthinking . Now we won't be surrounded like rare animals . Let's go ! Amusement park time ! " " Yeah ! " Tilda tugged Una along , and Una didn't bother to dwell on it . Why worry ? Having fun was all that mattered ! Meanwhile . Wonderland , Slosa . Kyla was being tugged along by a tall , fashionable woman dressed in full luxury brands .

" Kyla , I wanna ride the roller coaster ! Come with me ! " Coincidence " Of course , Rebecca . " Kyla forced out a small smile . Come on , Kyla , don't let that bitch Tilda ruin your vibe . Look at you , your pretty face is all gloomy ; it doesn't suit you at all ! " " This isn't about you . It's all because of that ungrateful brat Tilda . If I were Russell , I'd strangle her ! How can anyone have a daughter like that ? Just thinking about it makes me furious !

" Hearing Rebecca raging about Tilda , Kyla quickly switched into her sweet - girl act . " Rebecca , don't say bad things about Tilda . Honestly , it's really my fault . If I hadn't upset her at the Jensons , none of this would've happened ... " See , I knew you'd blame yourself . You're too soft - hearted , always taking the fall . Silly girl , I've told you a hundred times , you've got to stop . You're way too easy to use ! " " Forget that bitch Tilda . Today , Mrs. Jenson and my mom told me to make sure you have fun ! Come on !

" Just as Rebecca dragged Kyla toward the roller coaster They suddenly ran into two figures . " Tilda ?! " Kyla blinked , wondering if she was imagining it . Because the girl in front of her didn't give off the usual vibe of Tilda .. But Kyla had this sixth sense when it came to Tilda . Whenever the real Tilda was around , Kyla could always tell .