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"What do you mean, Director Zabel?" Lenora asked. +10 Free Coins

"I'd like to invite you to audition for the role of Marianne. Even though it's just an audition, I personally have high hopes for you," Kyle said with a beaming smile.

He was very curious about how Lenora would do.

Her status was quite vague at the moment. She could hardly be considered part of the entertainment industry when she had only played Melody and didn't join anything else.

At the same time, it would be misleading to say she didn't venture into the entertainment industry, for she did play the role of Melody.

Lenora gently declined, "I appreciate your generous offer, but I'm afraid I might disappoint you. I don't have an interest in acting. I only took the role of Melody due to an emergency."

"I'm in an emergency, too," said Kyle.

The corner of Lenora's mouth twitched. "Director Zabel, you're joking."

At the time, Tyler was already in the middle of filming. The need to replace an actor at the last minute presented a challenge as there weren't many suitable actors available who could join the team immediately.

However, Kyle had left the drama in pre-production, and many likely desired the role of Marianne. Lenora thought there would undoubtedly be a suitable candidate, so she decided not to join.

Lenora exited the film set, casting a glance back as she left. This'll be the last time we ever meet.

"Nora!" Someone had called out to her from behind.

Upon hearing that voice, Lenora immediately knew it was Jasmine.

She turned around, raising an eyebrow. "What brings you here? Don't tell me you're here to ask me to forgive Summer." Didn't Bertram promise to keep Jasmine in check? Presumably out of great concern for Summer, Jasmine appeared significantly more haggard.

The thought of Summer being detained kept her up at night, preventing her from eating or sleeping properly. To make matters worse, Bertram had restricted her from seeing Lenora. Jasmine had intentions of pulling some strings, but it was all in vain.

Moreover, her plot with Summer to ambush the police at the hotel and try to escape afterward only served to worsen Summer's charges.

During that period, Bertram was away on business, which was why she could sneak into Jacaster.

Seeing Lenora directly address her intentions, Jasmine didn't attempt to hide it. "Nora, Summer is just a child at heart. She meant no harm to you. You're unscathed, aren't you? Why can't you forgive her? You two are cousins, family. You should love and care for each other 1/4

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"Her last name is Lovestone. Mine is Wilkin. How are we related?" Lenora sneered. "You treat her like your" own daughter, yet you don't know her character? To think you claim she means no harm to me. How can you even say that with a straight face?" spat Lenora. "She was only being narrow-minded and, stubborn for time, and she already realized her mistake. Bertram and I will punish her, but imprisonment is too severe for her. It would ruin her life!"

"What does it matter to me if her life is ruined or not?"

Lenora saw that Jasmine's affection for Summer had reached an unbearable extent. She was thoroughly fed up, not wanting to exchange another word with Jasmine. "I won't forgive her. Don't come looking for me again."

Seeing Lenora about to leave, Jasmine spoke with a grim tone. "Lenora, how could you be so heartless? Summer is your cousin, the only child of your uncle. Are you jealous of Summer because she grew up by my side, and you want to ruin her? I've heard from your uncle "Do you really think I want to be your daughter? If you're so capable, why don't you try stuffing me back in?"

"I gave you life, and this is how you talk to me? Do you think I wanted to have you? If it weren't for your father's deceitful promises of divorce, I wouldn't have brought a

bastard like you into this world! Since you want to sever ties with me, you will forgive Summer. This is a debt your father owes me. His blood runs through your veins, and you must repay it on his behalf!"

The "father" that Jasmine referred to was Kenneth.

Thinking of Kenneth and then looking at the sharp-tongued Jasmine in front of her, Lenora felt an overwhelming sense of nausea and irritation.

Even though Kenneth was her biological father, she was raised by the Wilkin family. There was no way Lenora would ever acknowledge Kenneth, not even if it cost her life.

She looked at Jasmine with a cold gaze. "Remember this. My father is Fernando, and I'm no bastard."

After saying that, Lenora didn't spare another glance at Jasmine. She walked away without looking back.

Jasmine reached out and grabbed Lenora's hand. In response, Lenora shoved Jasmine away.

Lenora had always entertained the idea of leaving before.

Later on, because of Zachary, she set aside those thoughts.

The appearance of Jasmine brought that thought back to the forefront of Lenora's mind.

As such, Lenora no longer wished to stay in Jacaster to see Zachary or him being affectionate with Susanna in the Fuller residence.

She also didn't want to be bothered by Jasmine anymore.

Emotionally, Sophia desired Lenora to stay.

However, she also knew that aside from Allison, Lenora had no other family to worry about. Leaving

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Jacaster to start a new life was Lenora's best choice.

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If Lenora had stayed in Jacaster, she might've kept being bothered by Zachary and Susanna. Additionally, Jasmine was certain to harass Lenora for the sake of Summer. "Since you've made up your mind, I support you," said Sophia. "However, don't forget to come back for a get-together during the New Year."

"Thank you, Soph," replied Lenora.

"Have you decided where you want to settle down?"

Lenora shook her head. "Not yet, but I'm thinking of heading to Fairlake first."

Having spent a year there before, Lenora wanted to revisit, hoping to jog some memories. If the place was suitable, she considered the idea of staying there. "Have you thought about when you'll leave?" asked Sophia.

"As soon as possible," Lenora

pondered "I'll apply for the visa tomorrow. I'll take care of things

here in the next few days and leave

as soon as the visa comes through."

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All right. Before you leave, let's gather with Fifi and Jonas one more time."

"Okay."

Frankly, there wasn't much happening on Lenora's end.

She had essentially sorted out her financial situation, and the charity foundation was gradually getting on track. If there were matters to discuss, they could hold a video

conference.

By the time the visa was issued, it was already early June, and Lenora had booked a flight for the seventh of June.

Before her visa was approved, Lenora visited Allison and subtly hinted at her plans to leave.

Allison was puzzled. She and Zachary are clearly been on the path to reconciliation not long ago. Why does she suddenly want to leave?

When Allison mentioned Zachary, Lenora lowered her gaze, choosing not to discuss it. In response to seeing that, Allison realized something. News of Lenora's departure had already reached Fiona and Jonas. Jonas didn't ask any questions but agreed to meet up on the fourth at noon. Since their last encounter at the restaurant, it had been several months since Lenora had seen Jonas.

They met in a private room at noon on the fourth of June. Jonas had returned to his former gentle and sunny demeanor as if the events of that day had never happened.

He was reluctant to spoil the mood.

After finishing their meal and while waiting for the car, Jonas still said to Lenora, "If you ever decide to come back one day, I'll welcome you

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open arms."

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"Thank you." Lenora lowered her gaze, somewhat touched by his words. I wonder if things would be the same if I had fallen for Jonas instead of Zachary. Alas, there are no what-ifs. I don't fancy Jonas, and there's no way I'll hold him back. What troubled Lenora the most was Harrietta.

Upon learning that Lenora was planning to settle

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"No.... I don't want this. I don't want you to leave." Harrietta's eyes were swollen and red as tears streamed down her cheeks. "Why do you suddenly want to go abroad, Aunt Lenora? Did Uncle Zachary upset you? I'll go see him!"

She attempted to jump off the couch, but Lenora stopped her and said. "Hattie, it's impossible for him and me to be together.

"Why?" Harrietta gazed at Lenora with wide, innocent eyes because she saw the relationship between Lenora and Zachary seemed to have improved significantly.

Lenora lowered her gaze. "It's a long story. You'll understand when you're older."

Harrietta would still need Zachary's support in the future, so Lenora didn't want to speak ill of Zachary in front of Harrietta, as could potentially ignite Harrietta's hatred toward Zachary

Back then, Zachary's decision to keep Harrietta was partly because of her. He wanted to use the child to hold onto her, aiming to win their wager.

After all the cards had been laid on the table, Lenora had no idea how Zachary would react to Harrietta.

Zachary had already achieved his goal, but Lenora hoped he wouldn't abandon Harrietta.

With a woothing tote Lenora gently consoled Harriet After much effort, she finally managed to calm the girl down. However, Harrietta's eyes were still mot, and she looked at Lenora aggrievedly. Lenora hooked up and asked Miranda. "Has he been back these past few days**

Miranda had long motioned that there were issues between Lenora and Zachary. She felt a deep sense of regret but knew she couldn't interfere. "A few days ago, he had his belongings moved out. He even asked Hattie if she wanted to move out with him. Hattie chose to stay. With some reluctance, Lenora relented knowing that Zachary hadn't abandoned Harrietta.

However, Harrietta stayed there because of her since she was leaving, there was no point for Harrietta to

remain

She had two choices. Either she had Harrietta move in with Zachary or relocate to the Fuller residence. Lenora asked. "Hattie, after I leave, would you like to stay with Uncle Zachary or Great-grandma?"

"I want to live with you, Aunt Lenora" Harrietta said.

"There is no such option."

With a pout, Harrietta grumbled unhappily. "With Uncle Zachary"

She was still very dependent on Zachary

Listen to him, then. If he has a new wife, don't compare her to me, and don't bring me up." advised Lenora

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She thought that if Harrietta behaved herself, Susanna wouldn't feel the need to make things difficult for the girl. However, if Harrietta were to show a greater fondness for Lenora, things might not be so simple.

If Susanna had no grudges against her, she would not have encouraged Harrietta to try getting along with the former. However, given her relationship with Susanna, Lenora felt it necessary to give Harrietta a heads-up. "Uncle Zachary is getting a new wife?" Harrietta sobbed. "Uncle Zachary is a playboy..." Aunt Lenora is such a nice person! The problem must be with Uncle Zachary. He's a womanizer!

Just then, the sound of a door opening echoed from outside.

Lenora looked up and saw Zachary standing at the doorway.

Her fingers twitched slightly, though she remained calm.

Zachary's gaze swept over Lenora, as if looking at a stranger, then casually shut the door,

Then, he turned to Harrietta, frowning. He strode over, promptly lifting Harrietta from Lenora's embrace. "Hattie, why are you crying?"

Harrietta sobbed, "I don't want a new aunt, Uncle Zachary. If Aunt Lenora is leaving, could you talk to her and ask her to stay, please?"

Zachary paused, casting a cold glance at Lenora. He spoke seriously. "Hattie, this is a matter between adults. You shouldn't interfere. Your new aunt is a gentle and kind person. You'll surely grow to like her." Harrietta's lips pursed slightly.

Lenora noticed Zachary's grim

expression. Fearing that anything else Harrietta might say would further upset Zachary, she quickly interjected, "Hattie, after I leave you must listen to Uncle Zachary in the future. When I have time, I will come back to visit you."

"Aunt Lenora..." Harrietta leaned over, not wanting Lenora to leave.

"Be good, okay?" Lenora pinched Harrietta's cheek gently before walking out the door.

Had she known earlier why Zachary had made that bet, she would never have allowed him to keep Harrietta.

Harrietta stayed behind because of her involvement with Zachary.

Lenora had no choice but to leave

Harrietta with Zachary. If Zachary didn't like Harrietta, and she was sent back to Tamara, Tamara might not treat her the same way as before. Constantly changing environments were not beneficial for Harrietta either.

Staying by Zachary's side or at the Fuller residence was the best choice for Harrietta. As such, Lenora hoped that Zachary would treat Harrietta nicely.

In the worst-case scenario, she'd have to settle down overseas before taking Harrietta to her side, though she hoped it wouldn't come to that.

Lenora didn't wait for the elevator, choosing instead to take the stairs down.

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Halfway down, she was startled by the sudden sound of the room door opening behind her. Someone called out to stop her, "Lenora."

Lenora halted in her tracks as she clenched her fist. She turned calmly to gaze at Zachary, who was standing at the top of the stairs. "What is it?" "You're really manipulative, even using the girl for your schemes," Zachary coldly mocked.

"How so?"

Zachary sneered, "You're well aware of what you told Hattie. Now that she's making a fuss about not wanting a new aunt, you must be quite pleased with yourself, right?"

Is that how he sees me? He must despise me deep down, yet he was able to put on such a convincing act in front of me that I believed him. I'd feel bad for troubling him so, but I don't. Lenora paused, her fingernails almost digging into her own flesh within her sleeve. "Whe She didn't look at Zachary again. Instead, she turned around and descended the stairs.

As Zachary listened to her serene voice and observed her frail silhouette, his heart ached unbearably

He chased after her, longing to gaze upon her, yet he found himself compelled to utter words that would provoke her.

After so much time, Lenora thought she should've moved on from him, and she wanted to as it was the only way she could lead a peaceful life.

Once she was certain that Zachary could no longer see her, she finally stopped in her tracks with a bitter smile.

She had firmly decided not to love him anymore. Yet, when she saw his indifferent gaze and heard his spiteful assumptions, a dull ache still throbbed in her heart.

It was akin to an old wound. On rainy days, it would always flare up without warning. It wasn't life-threatening, but it was incredibly hard to bear. The decayed flesh was rotting inside the body, making it difficult to cleanse.

However, time would heal all wounds.

The photography course had already ended, and with the recent conflict with Summer, Lenora hadn't been in touch with Ezekiel much.

Upon learning that Lenora was planning to leave, Ezekiel asked to meet with her.

"I'm truly sorry, Nora." Ezekiel sighed helplessly. "I've been swamped with work lately, and I just couldn't bring myself to face you."

He was referring to his previous promise of preventing Jasmine from seeking Lenora out. Despite that, Jasmine still came looking for Lenora and even drugged her.

"Ezekiel, don't blame yourself. She's your elder, and sometimes you can't stop her from doing what she wants," replied Lenora.

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"Yeah, she did, but I sent her packing," Lenora said, observing Ezekiel's expression.

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"You did the right thing. Summer made a mistake and deserved to be punished. If she comes to you again, you don't need to worry about anything. Just turn her away," said Ezekiel. "I know you and Mr. Hoffman are reasonable people."

Ezekiel lowered his gaze, changing the subject, "What made you suddenly decide to go abroad?"

"No particular reason. I just didn't want to stay here anymore." Lenora would never bring up such an embarrassing incident.

Ezekiel looked at Lenora's expression and casually remarked, "A few days ago, I saw Zachary attending a certain evening party with Ms. Carston. They seemed quite close."

Lenora said calmly, "Let's not talk about him. Come, let me toast to you, Ezekiel."

"All right."

Judging by Lenora's demeanor, Ezekiel could guess that her decision to move abroad was due to Zachary reigniting his old flame with Susanna.

He didn't know exactly what had transpired between Lenora and Zachary, but he realized that was his perfect opportunity to take advantage of the situation. Unfortunately, Jasmine tried to poison her not too long ago.

As such, should he confess to her at the moment, he thought Lenora could've guessed that he ordered Jasmine to do that.

Therefore, he had to endure a little longer.

He believed that, since Lenora and Zachary would be living in different countries soon, he would surely have his chance.

Ezekiel pulled out a business card from his pocket and placed it on the table, sliding it toward Lenora. "I'm truly tied up. Otherwise, I would've insisted on escorting you there myself. This is a business card for a photography studio. The owner is a friend of mine. They have Lenora picked it up, gave it a quick glance, and said with a smile, "Thanks, Ezekiel."

After donating her assets, all she had left was her salary over the years. Although it was a decent amount, she had to spend a portion of it to settle down once she moved. What remained was not enough to sustain -a life of leisure,

That wasn't an issue, though, as Lenora had no intention of idling away at home.

As such, the timing of Ezekiel's business card was impeccable.

Lenora mentioned that she would head to Fairlake first

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Ezekiel had resided in Fairlake for many years and was well-acquainted with the city. He had a considerable number of friends there. Even the newly appointed president of the Clusian Association was his friend.

He gave Lenora the contact numbers of two of his friends and instructed her to seek their help if she ever found herself in trouble. He even went as far as personally notifying his friends about it.

That saved Lenora a great deal of trouble, for which she was extremely grateful to Ezekiel.

On the morning of the sixth of June, Lenora made another trip to the Fuller residence. First, she wanted to keep Allison company and engage in some conversation. Second, Allison had invited Mallory and Griselda's family to gather and bid her farewell. Even though Lenora had a strained relationship with Zachary, she still regarded Allison as family.

Stanley had known about Lenora's departure for a while. After all, with Zachary openly coming and going from the company with Susanna, it was hard for the employees not to gossip. It would have been difficult for Stanley not to know.

During the work report, he asked Zachary, "I heard that Lenora is leaving and settling abroad like our aunt. Did you know?"

Zachary's expression remained calm. "What does it have to do with me?"

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Stanley was speechless. When he's in love, he'd do anything, but now that he's not, he's treating her like she's a stranger, huh?

Having known Lenora for so many years, Stanley had to return to the Fuller residence to see her off. Thus, when Mindy suggested that he accompany her shopping, Stanley naturally refused. Mindy was unhappy, so Stanley explained the situation. Mindy's eyes flickered, and she asked, "Do you mean Ms. Wilkin we met the other day? She's moving abroad? Why?"

She remembered she bumped into Lenora and Zachary out shopping together at the mall last time. As such, she wondered if Lenora's decision to leave was due to a falling out with Zachary.

"I'm not sure. Everyone has their own choices to make said Stanley.

"Can I come with?" Mindy looked at Stanley expectantly. "I know Ms. Wilkin, and she knows my cousin. I suspect she won't be back for our wedding, so I would like to see her

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Stanley had agreed to have a wedding with Mindy.

He took her to view hotels, try on wedding dresses, choose rings, and take wedding photos. He did everything that needed to be done for a wedding with her. However, he never introduced her to his parents, and whenever she brought up obtaining a marriage certificate, h Once, she hinted at getting their marriage certificate, but Stanley responded that after the wedding, he would transfer the ownership of a fully furnished three-bedroom apartment to her name.

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In the midst of her joy, Mindy also understood Stanley's intention, which was that he had no plans to marry her legitimately.

The wedding was merely a formality to legitimize the child's birth. If he became unhappy with the arrangement, he could easily cast her aside at any time

However, having become part of the Fuller family, Mindy wasn't content with just a house and a few hundred thousand in betrothal gifts.

As such, she wanted to find a way to stay in the Fuller family forever.

Mindy then thought of making a trip to the Fuller residence to learn about the situation so she wouldn't be in the dark after getting married. Stanley looked at Mindy quietly for a long while.

Whenever it came to such moments, Mindy would become extremely nervous, always feeling as if Stanley could see right through her.

At times, Stanley would gaze at her in such a way but would still fulfill her requests. "Do you really want to go?"

Mindy hesitated for a moment, then gently nodded. "Mhm."

"In that case, I'll bring you along."

When the day came, he arrived at the Fuller residence with Mindy before Griselda and Nathan.

Lenora didn't expect Mindy to show up. She glanced at the latter, noticing her slender figure, and realized the pregnancy hadn't progressed that much further.

With a smile, Lenora greeted, "I didn't expect you to bring Mindy along, Stanley. Please, take a seat."

Mindy, her arm looped through Stanley's, said, "Lenora, I heard that you're planning to move abroad. I fear we won't see each other often, so I came especially to bid you farewell." Previously, Mindy used to address Lenora as Ms. Wilkin. With the wedding around the corner, she started calling Lenora by name.

Lenora said, "Thanks, Mindy. I'm afraid I might not make it to your wedding. However, don't worry, I've already prepared the wedding gift."

After exchanging a few pleasantries, Lenora turned to Stanley and said, "Stanley, Grandma is inside. Why don't you take Mindy in to meet her?" "All right." Stanley nodded, taking Mindy's hand into his own.

A hint of anticipation and longing graced Mindy's face.

She knew that Allison was a respected elder in the Fuller family, so winning Allison's favor would be greatly advantageous to her.

Before long, Nathan and Griselda arrived.

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As soon as she stepped in, Griselda scanned the room. When she didn't see Stanley or Mindy, she turned to Lenora and asked, "Has Stanley arrived yet?"

"He's here, and so is Mindy. They're in the room chatting with Grandma," replied Lenora.

Griselda rolled her eyes, settling down next to Lenora. She commented, "Don't mind it. We originally didn't plan on inviting her."

Nathan cleared his throat and shared some words of advice with Lenora.

Griselda also chimed in with a few words.

At that moment, Stanley and Mindy emerged from Allison's room.

Upon seeing Griselda, Mindy paled.

She recalled the incident that occurred at the mall. Two gals wanted to lodge a complaint against her when a woman stepped in to defuse the situation on behalf of the two gals.

At the time, Mindy had held her

tongue, her heart filled with

resentment. She had even

contemplated that once she became Stanley's wife, she would figure out the identity of that woman and subtly influence her husband to teach that woman a lesson.

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As Mindy was speculating about the woman's identity, Stanley took her hand and stepped forward. "Dad, Mom, this is Mindy."

Mindy's mind was buzzing as she paled. She called out in a constrained manner, "Mr. Fuller, Mrs. Fuller."

She was somewhat anxious as she hoped that Griselda didn't recognize her.

Griselda was in conversation with Lenora when she noticed Mindy out of the corner of her eye. She gave Mindy a casual glance, hummed in acknowledgment, and then continued her conversation with Lenora. Mindy's heart skipped a beat. As she peeked at Lenora's expression, she felt aggrieved.

It was pretty clear that her mother-in-law didn't like her

She wouldn't have minded Griselda not treating her nicely at home, but that was her first visit to the Fuller residence. To receive such cold treatment at that moment made her wonder if anyone would respect her in the future. Mindy glanced at Stanley, hoping that he would speak up for her.

As if he hadn't noticed anything, Stanley simply led her to the couch and sat down.

Lenora suddenly felt a sense of relief when she saw Mindy trembling with fear.

Although she was once married, Ronald and Madeline had passed away, and Tamara spent most of her time abroad, so she had never encountered any mother-in-law issues. Griselda had always been kind to her but appeared to be an evil mother-in-law in front of Mindy.

Griselda was an elder, so she could openly criticize Mindy, but it wasn't appropriate for Lenora to say anything against Mindy, especially when Mindy came to see her off.

As such, during their conversation, Lenora would occasionally prompt Mindy. However, Mindy felt somewhat embarrassed in front of Lenora and didn't respond much.

At lunchtime, Mindy mustered the courage to take the initiative and serve Griselda some food. However, Griselda's expression remained indifferent, not touching the food at all.

In response, Mindy paled.

Lenora thought that if Zachary had not registered everything under Ronald's name, her mother-in-law would have been Tamara, and she would likely have found herself in a situation similar to Mindy's. Once they finished lunch, Stanley escorted Mindy back home.

Mindy didn't want to spend another moment there. As soon as she entered the car, she scowled in silence.

Stanley reminded her, "Fasten your seatbelt."

"No. I don't care if the baby's dead," Mindy said defiantly. "It'll spare us the trouble of getting married. After all, your family didn't like me, and you just stood by and let them bully me."

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"If that's what you want, then we can visit the hospital and terminate the pregnancy," Stanley said calmly, his gaze fixed straight ahead.

Mindy turned to Stanley in surprise, even doubting her own hearing. "What did you say?"

"I said, if you don't want to get married, then go to the hospital and terminate the pregnancy."

"I..." Mindy was flabbergasted. "When did I ever say I didn't want to get married?"

"Just now."

"I... I was just speaking out of anger! Why didn't you defend me when you saw your mother treating me coldly?"

"Even if I did this time, I'm normally busy with work and often not at home. What will you do then?"

"What'll happen in the future can be discussed later."

"Before you came, you should have known my mother's stance. I thought you wanted to come because you were confident that you could win my family's affection, not to bring humiliation upon yourself." "You..." Mindy was beyond furious, unable to understand what kind of person Stanley was.

At times, he would fulfill all her requests, but sometimes, he wouldn't show any mercy.

Stanley continued, "Since you're here to bid farewell to Lenora, you should've focused on that and not allowed your attention to wander. Don't do things you're uncertain about, but if you've already done them, face them bravely. Don't dwell on it. Sometimes the more you thought Mindy came over under the guise of bidding farewell to Lenora, so she should've focused on that. Instead, she turned her attention to curry favor with Griselda, yet she couldn't handle the fallout of her failure. In the end, she embarrassed herself.

Mindy pouted in irritation. He made it sound so easy, but he wasn't in my shoes. He has no idea about the difficulties I face. "But... I only wanted your mother to like me so that you wouldn't be caught in the middle and feel awkward." Stanley replied, "No need. If you can't get along with my parents, then don't force yourself to interact with them. Let's just keep the peace."

Mindy glanced at Stanley's cold expression, seething with anger.

In the Fuller family, she barely knew one person, Lenora. With Lenora gone and Stanley not allowing her to approach his family, she was left waiting for the inevitable moment when she would be cast aside.

Stanley's expression remained calm and indifferent as if he wasn't thinking about that at all.

Upon arriving at Mindy's rented place, Stanley parked the car by the roadside. "I won't go up. You should rest well and think carefully about what I've said."

With a huff, Mindy turned her head and exited the car

Stanley turned around and drove off to the company.

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As he took a right at a certain intersection, a figure suddenly darted across his field of vision. Stanley immediately slammed on the brakes.

The woman, clutching her phone, stumbled and fell to the ground.

When she was crossing the road, her phone slipped from her grasp. Her immediate reaction was to go back and pick it up.

Before she could rise after picking

up the cell phone, the woman saw a car heading straight toward her. Her heart leaped into her throat, and she

froze. Startled, she ended up sitting right back down on the ground.

Stanley unbuckled his seatbelt and stepped out of the car, looking at the pale woman on the ground. "Did I hit you?"

The woman nodded absently, but when she realized what he was asking, she shook her head.

"Did I hit you or not?"

The woman struggled to her feet, putting her phone back into her pocket. She held her slightly aching stomach and said, "No."

"Don't ever do something that dangerous again." Stanley glanced at her, turned around, and returned to his car.

He started the vehicle again and drove off.

"Madison, you scared me to death just now," her classmate approached, gripping her arm. "Thank goodness that person stopped their car in time. Otherwise, you would have really been hit." Madison's complexion was still somewhat pale. "I was terrified too."

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"So what if your phone was crushed? There was no need to take such a big risk to retrieve it."

"I must have been out of my mind back then." Her initial reaction was that getting a new phone would cost a lot of money, so she rushed forward.

In retrospect, she was terrified because she would be losing a lot more than money had the car collided with her.

"I'm glad you're okay." The classmate suddenly changed the subject, grinning. "Oh, by the way, don't you think that guy just now was incredibly handsome?"

Back then, Madison's heart nearly leaped out of her chest. She had no time to pay attention to other people's appearances. "I didn't notice."

"All right then. The classmate joked, "Based on that person's car and clothes, he's obviously loaded. If you had pretended to get hit, who knows, you might have been able to swindle some money out of them."

After a while, seeing that Madison's complexion was still pale, the classmate asked with concern, "Madison, are you feeling unwell? Why is your face so pale? You didn't actually get hit, did you?" Madison said, "No. I think I haven't recovered from the shock yet."

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She felt a faint ache in her stomach, but that was a secret she couldn't reveal.

"Then you should hurry home and take a nap to rejuvenate," the classmate suggested.

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Upon returning home, Madison swiftly retrieved the medication prescribed by the doctor. She took a few pills and lay down on her bed, gently caressing her abdomen. Soon, she fell asleep until six in the evening. She only woke up when her father called her for dinner

After she realized that her stomach no longer hurt, she relaxed.

**No Remarriage: You Don't Deserve Me
(Lenora and Zachary)**

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On the seventh of June, around ten o'clock, Lenora arrived at Jacaster International Airport with her luggage.

Sophia had come to see her off.

The flight scheduled for half past eleven required two layovers, so it would take Lenora over twenty hours to reach Fairlake.

Sophia accompanied Lenora to check in and handle the luggage. They passed through security together and waited in the departure lounge.

Around eleven, passengers began to form a line at the boarding gate, ready for ticket inspection and boarding.

When Lenora left, Sophia knew it would be months before they could meet again. She couldn't help but tear up, and she clutched Lenora tightly as she said, "Once you're there, you must call me often. If... if things don't go well for you there, come back." "All right." Hearing that, Lenora felt a little teary-eyed. "How about you come with me?"

During Lenora's most challenging days, Sophia consistently supported and encouraged her. Although Lenora was a reserved individual and had never verbally expressed her love for Sophia, she had always considered Sophia her closest and dearest friend in her heart. As such, Lenora didn't want to part with her either.

Sophia suddenly burst into laughter. "Without my mother, I would have definitely left with you, but she's still here."

Her mother solely depended on her, so she couldn't leave.

"Take good care of her. I'll call you often. If your dad tries to set you up for a blind date again, you must tell me. I'll help you handle it," said Lenora.

"You? I don't trust your judgment," Sophia said, casting her a meaningful glance.

"That's fair," Lenora replied with a sheepish smile. "I don't know why I said that when I was fooled by Zachary twice."

The boarding gate had opened.

Lenora was still reluctant to part and walked away slowly, constantly looking back. "I'm leaving now."

"Go. Just remember to call me." Sophia nodded.

"I will."

Under the gaze of Sophia, Lenora headed to the airplane.

From behind the pillar in the departure lounge, Zachary silently watched Lenora's figure until it disappeared into the bridge.

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He yearned to walk up to her openly, to hold her in his arms and personally escort her onto the plane.

However, he couldn't.

As Sophia turned around, Zachary immediately retreated behind a pillar.

Sophia rubbed her eyes. Was that Zachary?

When she looked again, she saw no one. Guess my eyes were pulling tricks on me.

After Sophia left, Zachary left the departure lounge. Then Miles called him. "Mr. Fuller, the visas and plane tickets for Old Mrs. Fuller and Harrietta are all ser."
"All right, send them off in two days," said Zachary.

"Understood."

Twenty-four hours later, Lenora arrived at Terminal D of Fairlake International Airport. At that time, it was around eleven p.m. in Fairlake.

The airport terminal was somewhat deserted. When she looked around, she saw the people there were mostly foreigners.

Immediately, Lenora checked her mobile phone, noticing missed calls and new messages awaiting her attention.

Ezekiel had previously asked a friend if they could keep an eye on Lenora for him. His friend readily agreed.

Ezekiel's friend was named Jermaine Campbell, Cillian's cousin and also the newly appointed president of the Clusian Association in Fairlake.

Back in the day, Jermaine and

Ezekiel studied in Fairlake together. It was only natural that they stayed on after their studies. Last year, Ezekiel returned to his homeland, but Jermaine did not. With the support of his family and his own intellect, he established a company

there and thrived.

The two of them grew up together, so Jermaine naturally wouldn't refuse Ezekiel's request and added Lenora to WhatsApp.

After adding her on WhatsApp and asking for her name and flight information, Jermaine realized Lenora was the same junior from Pillere University's exchange program.

Lenora had a brief chat with Jermaine on WhatsApp, and to her surprise, she discovered that Jermaine actually knew her.

It wasn't that odd, really. Ezekiel met her while in Fairlake, and as a friend of Ezekiel, it made sense that Jermaine would know her as well.

Jermaine mentioned that they initially met at a Clusian gathering but weren't particularly close. Ezekiel, on the other hand, had a closer relationship with Lenora.

Since he was to look after an old acquaintance, Jermaine became even more enthusiastic, not feeling the least bit inconvenienced.

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He arrived at the airport about half an hour early and left a message for Lenora: Call me when you get off the plane.

After seeing the message, Lenora first followed the signs to collect her luggage and then dialed Jermaine's number.

Lenora shared her location, and Jermaine instructed her to stay put, as he would come to find her.

Lenora, holding her suitcase, surveyed her surroundings, which was incredibly spacious with many people gradually leaving after collecting their luggage.

A KFC store was operating not too far away, though it was relatively empty inside.

Roughly ten minutes later, a young man approached from the left. He was dressed in a black trench coat and had a tall, slender figure. He stopped a few steps away from Lenora and asked, "Lenora?" "Jermaine?" Lenora turned to him.

Once he had confirmed her identity, Jermaine stepped forward. He took a moment to study Lenora, then took the suitcase from her hand. "Allow me to help you. Let's go this way. It's closer."

"All right. Thank you, Jermaine. Sorry for bothering you this late at night." Lenora glanced at Jermaine, noticing a single earring in his left ear.

His shirt was casually unbuttoned at the top, revealing a subtle hint of a tattoo underneath.

Jermaine smiled, his joy infectious. "There's no need for formalities. We're all Clusian, and here, we're like a family. If you ever need anything, don't hesitate to call me."

Even though many Clusians had settled there, the sight of one's kind inevitably stirred a sense of kinship. That was why Jermaine formed the Clusian Association to support each other.

"All right, then. I'll be needing your help when it comes time to rent a house in a few days." Lenora had just arrived and was unfamiliar with the local cost of living

She was also worried that people might try to deceive her, seeing her as a foreigner and a young woman.

"All right, call me when the time comes. By the way, are you here to continue your studies or to work?" Jermaine casually asked.

"Work," replied Lenora.

"What job?"

"Photographer."

"Oh. Jermaine slapped his forehead and said, "I forgot that Ezekiel mentioned to me that you're her student. Did you know one of his friends opened a photography studio around here?" "He told me about it, yes."

"I think you could give it a shot over there. It's in the university area, and the clientele is predominantly young people, so communication with them

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is rather easy. There's also substantial number of Clusian students studying abroad in that area."

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"All right, I'll go there and try."

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The two of them chatted as they got into the car. Lenora took the initiative and said, "The room I booked is at The Rittenhouse, No. 1800, McKnight Avenue."

"I know the place. It's right in the city center." Jermaine started the car, heading toward the city center.

While on the road, Lenora sent a message to Sophia, letting the latter know she had arrived safely.

As the car drove into the city, Jermaine spoke enthusiastically. "Fairlake has changed quite a bit over the years. You remember that place, right? It used to

be under demolition, but now there's a hotel there. And that club, I remember there was a gathering for overseas Clusian held there once. You even attended.....

"I can't recall clearly. I had a car accident the year before I returned to Clusia, so I've forgotten many things since." Ezekiel was aware of Lenora's amnesia from the car accident, so she didn't hide it from Jermaine either. Upon hearing that, Jermaine looked at her in surprise. "Really? That happened?"