SURPRISED 691 Chapter 691 Completely Lost "Alright." Because of her clothes, the salesperson did not question if she could afford those products. Linda had a great time shopping. The salesperson took out some samples and taught her how to do skin care. So, Linda bought the two most expensive sets without hesitation. On the street with bright lights, amid the bustling city, Catherine was taking a walk in a dark long dress, with her bag on her shoulder. Her hair was swinging in the wind. She couldn't help remembering that on her 18th birthday, she and Ivan took a walk, talking about work along the way. The night was beautiful, and the wind was similar. They could never go back in time ... never.

She received a notification at this time.

She felt sad.

It was from the bank, saying that there was an outcome of more than 10,0000 dollars from her bank account that went to a store.

Catherine stopped, looked up, and saw this skincare shop on the message not far away. Not long after, she saw Linda, who was in a fancy dress, coming out of the store, carrying two bags, with a happy and satisfied smile on her face. After coming out, Linda grabbed a taxi. Catherine didn't catch up. She watched Linda get into the taxi from afar. Her face became cold as she stared at the car quietly until it was out of sight. She would buy a car next, right? She had gotten used to this luxurious life so soon. Even Catherine had never used such expensive skin care products. However, she wished that Linda would spend all the money quickly. Catherine had her plan and everything was under her control. Sitting in the taxi, Linda looked at the beautiful night view of the city, wishing that she could buy a house here one day.

Thinking of Finnley staring at her in the elevator today, she felt warm.

Finally, she managed to get his attention. "Do you live in Olson Community?" The driver asked enviously as he looked at Linda, "You are young, you must work in the office, right?" "Yes." She answered. The driver said, "It is said that people living in Olson Community all have a prestigious background. It's not something money can buy." Linda smiled without answering more. Of course, she wouldn't say her apartment was merely rented. She was enjoying the feeling of being envied. She would never forget the contempt of the salesperson last night at the clothing shop. At night, in the Marsh Group. Jennifer had been working overtime recently for True Love. She needed to communicate with the CAD designer and draw the CAD together. She kept an eye on the process of waxing, learning from it. At the door, Ivan came over at some point. He looked at Jennifer, feeling distressed seeing her working

all the time. He had seen all her hard work these days.



The girl looked up and blurted out, "He bought the clothes, too." Mya and Shirley look at each other, and time seemed to be still. Mya saw the smile on Shirley's face stiffen a little bit. Then, Shirley asked with excitement, "And you said there's nothing between you guys? Even your clothes were bought by him!" Her sudden raised voice frightened Mya. Chapter 692 Keep Distance from Him Clarence quickly put down the knife and fork and held Shirley's shoulder, persuading, "Didn't you agree? Don't be angry. Let's have a peaceful conversation." Mya lowered her face and went on eating as if nothing had happened. Shirley stared at her daughter, kind of pissed off. It took a long while for her to calm down. After dinner, Mya got up and said, "Dad, Mom, I'm 20 years old, I won't live at home forever. I can move out from Finnley's and live at school, or I can get an apartment." Then she turned and left. "What's that attitude?" Shirley stood up anxiously. "We are doing it for your good! Do you know that Finnley has a fiancée?"

"What does it matter to me if he has a fiancée?" Mya stopped at the door and turned around.





In the bright light, he came to the bed and stood still. He reached out and unplugged the charger, thinking, "Does this girl have any common sense of safety?" If a child put the other end of the cable into his mouth, he could be killed. He then found a long hair on the white pillow. He looked at it. After a while, he picked it up and threw it in the trash can. His phone rang. It was Mya. His dull eyes lit up, and he quickly answered, "Mya." His mood was cheered up as well. "I forgot to unplug the charger. Please do it for me." Mya's voice was gentle. It seemed she was in a bad mood. "Are you okay?" Finnley was alert, "Where are you?" "I'm at home." Mya sighed, "My mother misunderstood our relationship. From today on, we have to keep our distance. She is very unhappy. She thought I was dating you but didn't tell her." Keep distance? What did that mean? Sadness flashed across Finnley's eyes. "I see."

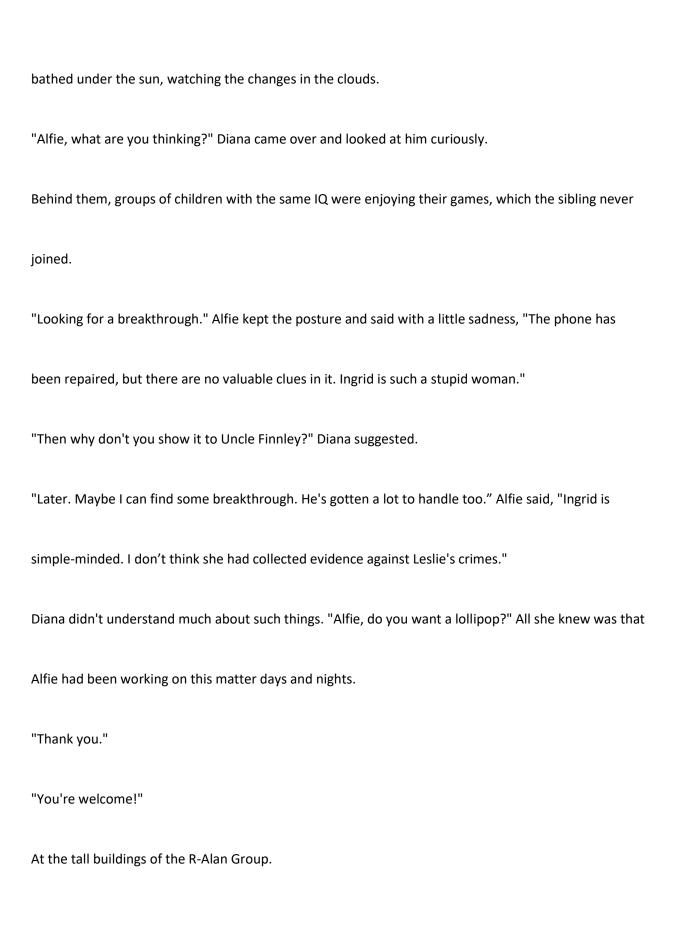




anyone can submit the manuscript within 24 hours, I will personally award them 100,000!" Her tone was firm and her voice was clear. Everybody quieted down upon hearing this. They all looked at Catherine in astonishment. "Don't worry, everybody hears me." She went on saying, "I never broke my promises. I said 100, 000. I just want you guys to do your best, I won't ask for too much. I know very well about your abilities. Whoever wants to fool around will be fired at once." After saying that, she turned and left. She didn't want to hear people's nonsense. The sound of her footsteps gradually disappeared. Yet people in the design department were still stunned there. "Did I hear it right?" "100,000? Is she crazy?" Someone couldn't believe it, "We got so many people here. Does she want to be bankrupt?" "She must be out of her mind!" Someone analyzed calmly. "She's gotten anxious. She's here for revenge. Have you forgotten?" "Yes, the Marsh Group is about to release the products. How can she wait? We haven't even finished



In the large office of the design department, everyone put themselves to work. In the morning, at the Marsh Group. Finnley had insomnia last night. After having some wine, he finally got some sleep. When he passed by Jennifer's office, he peered inside and saw Mya, in a yellow skirt, sitting at her desk, typing something on the computer. Looking at her from afar, Finnley felt relieved. He couldn't help smiling. He entered his office. His smile deepened when he saw a bottle of banana milk and a cake on his desk. Did Mya send him this breakfast? Chapter 694 Unveiled Fear Everything between them started from banana milk. Although he had breakfast, the food still made him hungry. He sat down at the desk, opened the milk, and took a sip. It tasted like happiness. In the early morning, in Bright Star Kindergarten, the kids were playing under the sunshine. On the playground, three teachers were playing games with the kids. Alfie stood on the green grass with his hands behind his back, his delicate face slightly raised as he





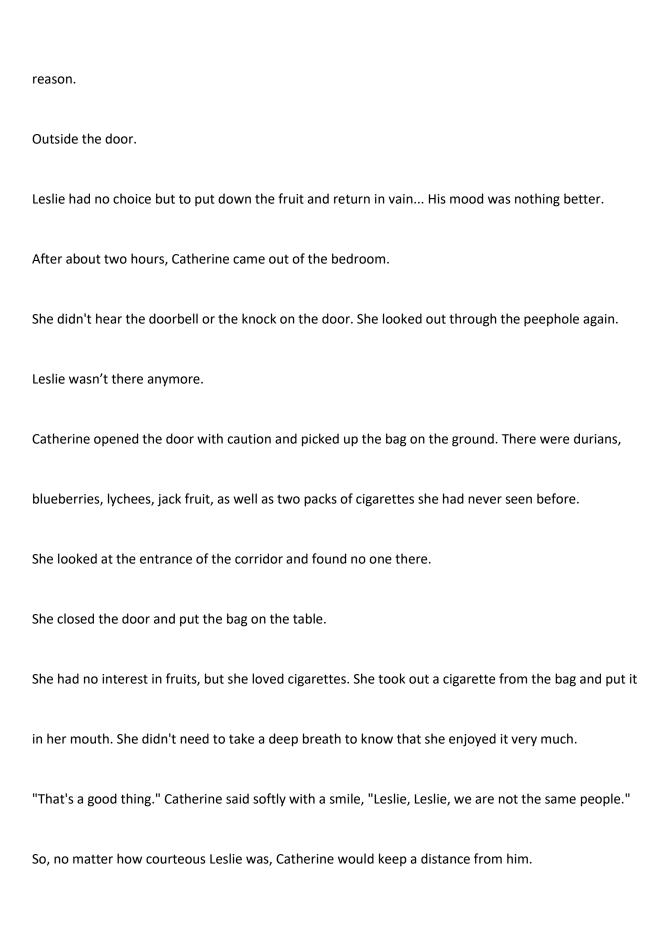
Then she went to the study and opened the computer. After leaving Ivan, she started to smoke. She had been deeply addicted to it. A few hours later, the study room was filled with smoke. Catherine was concentrating on drawing. She had turned off her phone, isolating herself from any noise. All she wanted was to defeat Ivan! After seven hours, she was finally satisfied with her work. Catherine leaned back in her chair and breathed a sigh of relief. She looked at the ceiling and felt beads of sweat on her forehead. She got up and went to the living room to get some water. Yet then, she heard the doorbell ring, which surprised her greatly. Who would it be? Holding the cup, she walked towards the door. She didn't open the door when she realized that her dress was a bit too sexy. So, instead, she glanced out through the peephole. She was stunned by what she saw. Leslie was standing outside alone, with a bag in his hand.

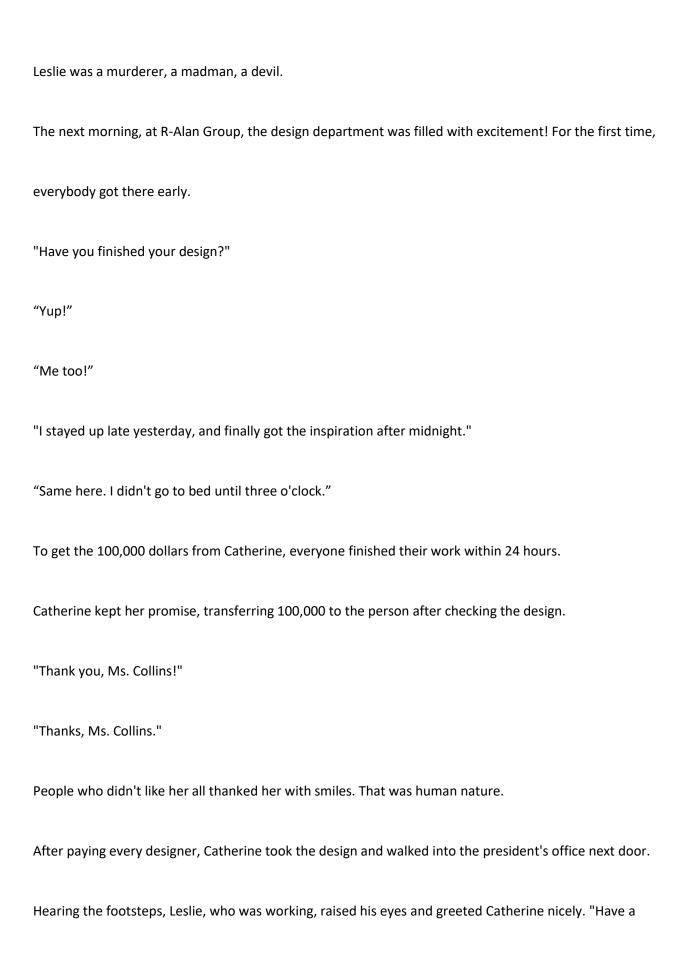
Behind the door, Catherine's exhaustion was gone. She frowned slightly, holding her breath, and was



Leslie had a feeling that Catherine was at home. As her boss, he visited her with fruit, why wouldn't she open the door? The doorbell rang so loudly that it was impossible not to hear it. Leslie thought of Catherine's state after she came back from Roxy Waterfall. She seemed to avoid him. "Catherine!" He knocked harder on the door, "I got you some fruit! Open the door!" He knocked so hard as if he was going to break the door. In the bedroom, on the bed, Catherine's tears soaked the pillow. Whenever she thought of Ivan, that painful feeling would sweep over her. And the memories came back to her like a tidal wave. They were so close, why couldn't they get together? Catherine devoted her entire youth to Ivan. She spent every second making herself better. Why didn't he ever look at her? Why was work the only thing between them? At this age, it was normal for her to feel lonely because she had no lover, no family, and no friends.

This kind of loneliness often swallowed her up ... made her lose her mind, and made her cry for no









would she tell him about her resignation? Wasn't she in high spirits when she got here?

"Now that the drafts are all done, let's go to the Royal Nightclub and celebrate." He had made up his

mind. "We must keep the momentum. So why not today? We'll have dinner there. Come with us!"

Catherine thought he was boring.

Before she could refuse, Leslie added, "Aren't you going to imitate the Marsh Group? Then let's do it

thoroughly. We should make Ivan know it! We should show him that our team is no worse than his."

Royal Nightclub was Ivan's territory. Catherine had only one idea in her mind at the moment. Maybe

she could meet Ivan there by chance.

"Alright." She didn't refuse. Then she left.

Leslie's gaze fell on her back. After knowing that Ingrid's death was related to him, Catherine changed.

She had become much distant and vigilant toward him.

But Leslie would never let go of the woman he liked before owing her.

Catherine was in a bad mood because the people in the design department were scumbags!

Their attitude sucked. Their abilities sucked too.

So, she didn't have much confidence in winning this battle. At present, Linda was her only hope. Linda had been spending her money. But she had never called her. Catherine had been waiting for Linda to completely submit to her. In a bad mood, Catherine decided to do something to make herself happy. So, she called someone and said to the other person in a deep voice, "Austin, I need you to kidnap someone, make her suffer in all kinds of ways, ruin her face, then take pictures and put them on the Internet. I want her to become a laughing stock in front of all her classmates and colleagues." "Ms. Collins, who offended you?" The man was puzzled yet he said firmly, "Give me the name, and I'll handle it!" A cold light flashed in Catherine's eyes. "Mya Saunders." "Got it." "You must be careful." Catherine reminded, "She is the mayor's daughter, but she has no bodyguards with her normally. She works in the Marsh Group, find her yourself." "I understand." The man snorted, "I don't care about the mayor. I only listen to you!"

Catherine hung up the call. She had full trust in Austin's loyalty. Because Catherine was his savior.

Chapter 697 What a Bitch!

In the morning, tall buildings of the Marsh Group were shining under the morning beam.

In the office area, everyone was in high spirits.

Finnley once again found a bottle of banana milk and a piece of cake on his desk, which made him

wonder. Didn't Mya tell him in the call last night that they should keep a distance?

Why did she buy him breakfast?

However, he felt warm and happy.

At this time, Linda came over with a document. She was in high-heeled shoes, her back straight,

looking full of vigor. "Mr. Russell, good morning, here are the documents for the meeting. The PDF

version has been sent to your mail."

Even her voice was different now. It seemed that she had trained it.

Finnley came back to his sense and took over the document. "OK, thank you."

Linda didn't leave. Her eyes fell on his table, "Is the cake still warm?" Smiling at him again, she added,

"Today's taste is different from before. Why don't you try it?"

Finnley looked at her in a daze. She was smiling brightly.

Linda's makeup was very delicate. Her complexion looked brighter. Her smile was full of confidence,

"Mr. Russell, I noticed that you have finished the cake these days, so I suppose that you like the

breakfast I prepared for you."

Outside the door, Mya instinctively stepped back and leaned against the wall when she heard this.

"You bought it?" Finnley suppressed his astonishment.

The eyes of the two met, Linda knew that he would be shocked, yet she replied with a bright smile,

"Yes. Otherwise, who do you think it is? Mya?"

Finnley didn't know what to say.

Linda saw the disappointment in his eyes, but she didn't care at all. She smiled once again and said,

"Oh, no matter who bought it, if you like it, enjoy it!"

"Linda." Finnley put down the document but didn't sit down. She looked at her seriously. "You don't

have to bring me breakfast in the future. I'll come after having breakfast."

Her love couldn't be more obvious. He had to reject her openly to prevent more trouble.

"Okay, I promise you that I won't do it again!" She agreed readily. She was in a good mood, smiling all

this time. "So, how about finishing the milk and cake now?"









The breakfast became tasteless once he knew that it was not from her. Finnley knew very well that he had fallen in love with Mya. In Arkpool City, an important event was taking place. Several photos of Mya and Finnley were in the headlines. The results of the "Seasons of Mountains" photography contest had finally been announced. The first prize winner, John Sevon, was a man in his 40s. He was low-key. But at the moment, he was being interviewed. In an elegant courtyard, more than a dozen reporters surrounded John, who had a strong artistic aura, asking him questions. John answered very calmly and briefly. "I was there taking pictures of waterfalls. I didn't expect to capture such a good-looking couple." His voice is thick and magnetic, "Their eyes were full of pure love. It was so beautiful. I couldn't help wanting to capture that scene." "In fact, I don't know them. They are not my models. I don't even know them. All I can say is that they made me who I am."

At the elegant courtyard gate. A young girl in a fancy customized dress looked at the man being interviewed with a smile. "My uncle has always kept a low profile. Yet he won the prize again." "Lady Eloise." The middle-aged woman beside was also very happy. "Mr. Sevon must be even happier if he knows that you came to congratulate him." "Let's go." Eloise walked towards the man. The man sent the reporter away with a few words. "Uncle!" The girl smiled, "Congratulations!" "Eloise! When do you arrive at Arkpool City? Come on in!" John said happily, "Come and have a look at my photography. This time, I captured a couple by luck!" Eloise followed John into the living room. John introduced the photos on the walls, as well as the history of Roxy Waterfall to Eloise... When Eloise's eyes fell on the boy in the photo, her smile froze. Her voice trembled with excitement as

she called out, "Finnley?"

Chapter 699 A Strong Rival in Love

"Who is Finnley?" John asked, puzzled.

Eloise's beautiful eyes were filled with astonishment. She stared at the photo for a long time, but

couldn't get over it. She felt the blood in her body start to coagulate.

She didn't want to believe her eyes. But at the same time, she was happy to finally get some news

about him. She had been looking for him for half a year!

God! Finnley

Holly, Eloise's servant, was also shocked. She had never seen Finnley, but she had heard of his name.

"Is it your fiancé? Why is he with a woman?"

John froze for a moment, "Is he your fiancé who disappeared?"

"Uncle." Eloise came back to her senses, and quickly asked with a glimmer of hope, "What's going on

with them? Are they lovers? Or... was it just the angle of your camera?"

There was no need to lie about this kind of thing, and there it was pointless deceiving her.

So, John said honestly, "According to my judgment, they are lovers."

Eloise asked again, "Is it true, as you said in the interview, that you don't know them?"

"Nope. It was the first time and the last time that I'd seen them."

As if hit by something, Eloise staggered a few steps back. "Lady Eloise!" Holly held her. "Finnley is in Arkpool City..." Eloise felt sad. She smiled wryly, "I searched every inch of Jacksonville looking for him, but he wasn't even there!" "Lady Eloise..." "Does he hate me so much?!" Eloise lost control of her emotions and clenched her fists, "To avoid me, he even abandoned his parents!" "Lady Eloise, calm down." Holly was worried that Eloise would have an asthma attack. So, she kept a close watch on her breathing rate. John also supported her, "Sit down first." Then he poured her a glass of water. Eloise's brain worked fast. She immediately took out her phone. This contest was so influential so there must be something on the Internet. This photography competition was held every three years in Arkpool City. Due to the big awards, it had been very famous. Sure enough, she found the information she wanted in the comment section!



Staring at these photos, she thought to herself, "The photos are nice. But Finnley and I are just friends.

We are not in a secret relationship or anything. What the hell? We are not even dating!"

"Shit! I am done. How am I supposed to explain to my parents now? They'll never believe a word I

said!" She was very depressed.

Soon, the elevator stopped and the door opened.

Finnley walked in. Mya, holding her phone, raised her eyes. She was stunned for a moment, then they

look at each other in the eye.

He had read the news too, but he didn't expect to meet her immediately. For a moment, he didn't know

how to comfort her.

Their pictures in the mountain were beautiful scenery. Which made them the spokespersons of Roxy

Waterfall. Many people wanted to go on a trip.

The elevator door behind Finnley was closed, and the elevator went down. Neither of them spoke.

Finnley couldn't bear looking at her sad face, so he said, "Mya, be my girlfriend!"

Chapter 700 So What Are You Nervous About?

Mya's chest shrank heavily. She looked at him in astonishment.

"Are you happy with me?" Finnley suddenly got the courage to ask her. Mya forced herself to come back to her senses, and said with a smile, "Are you kidding?" Yet in the meanwhile, she felt her heartbeat out of order. Finnley stared at her seriously, waiting for her answer. Under his gaze, Mya's scalp became numb, "I..." "Don't refuse in a hurry." Finnley's tone was gentle. "You can take it as a joke, or you can think seriously and tell me the answer later." "A joke?" She had no idea what was he thinking about. The elevator stopped on the 22nd floor and the door opened. Finnley said, "If you are to say 'no', take it as a joke. It won't affect our friendship." After saying that, he walked out. Mya stood in the elevator in a daze for a long time... She didn't go out until the elevator door closed automatically. She immediately pressed the button to open the door and then got out. Finnley was no longer outside, but his words still lingered in her ears.





In the photos, F	innley and her daugh	ey and her daughter were standing in the mountains! They look			ed like a perfect	
match made in	neaven.					

After zooming in on the photos one by one, she gasped, "Oh my God, what could they be if not a couple? How dare she deny it? Mya is so dishonest!"

She looked up at her husband, who was changing clothes, and shouted, "Honey! They are dating!"

"So?" Clarence was open-minded, "Mya is a big girl now. As long as the boy is reliable, just let them

be. Stop thinking about if she was honest with us."

"But she refused to admit it! This is a serious problem! " Shirley was angry because of this. "How can she hide such a big thing from us? You don't know Finnley, how do you know he is reliable? Maybe he

has a fiancée! Many married men cheat! "

"I'll check this matter." To reassure his wife, Clarence said, "I'll bring you back all the information of Finnley."