

Professor Dearest Chapter 55

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Each day went by slowly without Alarie. It was difficult not to see him. It's the first time I've been away from him for this long since falling for him.

There was a replacement professor and I didn't like him one bit. He didn't make learning fun. He didn't give me a reason to want to come to class, day after day. I think every girl in our class felt the same way that I did. In fact, plenty of them stopped showing up after they realized he wouldn't be here for a while.

It's been four days, four whole days. Today, I was hoping that he would be back. However, once again, there was the replacement professor in front of me.

I couldn't pay attention to a single word coming out of his mouth.

"He's boring." Jenna sighs. "I hate to admit it but I really miss our hot professor. But I know that you miss him a hundred times more than I do."

"Really?" I ask her sarcastically. "What gave it away?"

She smirks, "Maybe the big frown on your forehead or the dark circles under your eyes that tell me you haven't been sleeping... The constant sighing from you. The fact that you look like you want to cry and have plenty on your mind.

Also, if I were to ask you a question about any of the topics taught during the past few days, I'm sure you wouldn't be able to tell me a single one."

I roll my eyes at her, "I didn't think you would actually list everything out like that."

She grins, "I was simply matching your energy."

The bell signals the end of class and I'm happy that the t*****e is finally over.

"I'm sure he will show up soon." Jenna tries to comfort me."

She hasn't been the only one trying to comfort me. My sister has been trying every day since Alaric disappeared. A part of me was upset with him. I couldn't understand how he could kiss me so passionately and then disappear for four whole days. How could he do such a thing? It felt like he was running away from me.

As I walk beside Jenna, lost in my thoughts, she suddenly grabs my hand with a force that startles me. I turn to look at her and notice a look of shock on her face. Her eyes widen, and her mouth slightly opens as if she has just seen something unexpected. I can feel her grip tightening on my hand, and I wonder what could have caused her such surprise. It makes me instantly worried.

She shakes my hand and urges me to look forward. I follow her gaze and all of the life is sucked out of me when I see Alaric in front of his office door. I could feel the adrenaline kick in at just the sight of him.

"Is it really him or am I daydreaming again?" I asked her for confirmation even though she was the one who pointed him out to me.

I've been having hallucinations about him ever since he left and I would hate for this to be another one.

She nods, "It's him alright. But I don't know if you've noticed yet, he isn't alone."

The second that she says those words to me, I notice Nicole right next to him. I watch with frustration as he grabs her hand and pulls her into his office. My heart drops at the reminder of him doing the exact same thing to me just a few days ago. As the door slams shut, so too does my heart.

I could feel my blood begin to boil at the thought of him kissing and touching her like he'd done to me.

"What do you think they're doing in his office?" Jenna asks me.

I exhale loudly.

"Hey," she whispers. "Are you okay? You look like you're about to explode any second now."

I did feel like I was about to explode. I couldn't believe he would do this to me. The first thing he should have done after returning was come to me. He should have found me and explained why he left in the first place! We were supposed to talk about that kiss in his office!

How could he be this heartless? It was almost like that kiss meant absolutely nothing to him.

Nicole's words from a few days ago were haunting me, and it seemed as though it was already coming true. He was already choosing her over me. She was the first person he went looking for when it should have been me.

I wasn't about to let this slide. The second that Nicole exited that room, I would be stepping inside.

Alaric Prince had some serious explaining to do!

I was not going to back down until he told me why he left me for four freaking days!