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Riki and the two teenagers who were arguing made various types of snacks and cakes. Among them were pumpkin cupcakes, banana cakes, taro muffins, chocolate banana brownies, and banana and taro ice cream using an ice cream machine.

Speaking of the ice cream machine, because Riki liked it so much, he collaborated with one of the largest electronics stores and sold it. Although the machine was expensive, there was a lot of demand for it. Because the ice cream maker did not require much electricity and was very easy to use and foolproof, many people were interested in buying it, whether for home use or to start a business.

Almost every day, Riki makes ice cream, as if he were selling it. Especially on hot days, eating ice cream is a must.

After all the cakes were almost finished, Riki glanced at Sofie and Nicho, who were still arguing, even though they were silent and didn't say much.

"Since we're done, let's take all these cakes upstairs. You can also take some cakes for yourselves to eat, or you can eat with the others," said Riki.

The two teenagers just remained silent and lifted a large tray of cakes each. They immediately went upstairs without responding to Riki.

Riki just smiled slightly at their actions.

[You have successfully completed your mission and your reward is three million dollars]

Riki just snorted, then went upstairs, carrying two trays at once. When a maid saw Riki, she helped him carry one tray.

When Riki reached the top floor, he saw Evan and his team still arranging the garden on the balcony.

As he placed the tray on the table at the edge of the balcony, Riki realized that Nicho and Sofie were sitting together eating pumpkin cupcakes, without saying anything to each other.

Riki approached the two of them, then deliberately sat between them.

"Are you two not fighting anymore?" asked Riki, taking a piece of brownie.

"No," they replied in unison, making Riki chuckle.

"Can you explain why you were fighting? Whoever can explain it will go with me tomorrow," said Riki, trying to get them to talk.

Both of them seemed interested in what Riki said. However, Nicho spoke first.

"Actually, she and I were playing a game, she lost and then said something rude to me. I got angry and responded, but she played the victim. So we ended up fighting," said Nicho.

Hearing this, Sofie fell silent, afraid that Riki would be angry with her. But instead of getting angry, Riki laughed out loud.

"Hahaha—you guys got into a fight just because of that? Gosh, teenagers like you are so easily emotional because you are still unstable. But I don't like you guys fighting. Sofie, do you know what you did wrong?" asked Riki.

Sofie looked away, but she replied, "I said something rude, I'm sorry, Nicho."

"I'm sorry for saying something rude to you too," replied Nicho.

Riki just laughed at that moment, because the two teenagers were silent and looked very awkward.

"Riki! Look at this!" Evan shouted suddenly.

Riki stood up and approached Evan. Meanwhile, Nicho and Sofie became even more awkward.

"I'll go with Mr. Riki tomorrow."

Sofie clicked her tongue in annoyance, regretting not explaining sooner. If she had, she could have asked Riki to go where she wanted.

"I'm really sorry for insulting you for not having parents earlier," said Sofie.

"I'm also sorry for insulting you for being cheap. I really didn't mean any harm," replied Nicho.

Sofie shook her head, "No, I think I was the one who was wrong first. You were just responding to me. Besides, I was cheap back then because I was willing to be the mistress of a married man."

Although the atmosphere was still awkward, they were able to laugh together.

Riki, who saw the two of them, was also happy.

"Why are they like that?" asked Evan.

Riki shrugged, "I don't know, teenagers are like that, right? We used to fight a lot too, then apologize to each other and go back to normal."

"Actually, when I think back on my teenage years, it were really fun, but if I were asked to go back, I wouldn't want to."

Riki nodded in agreement with Evan's words, "You're right, those days were fun, but there were also many difficulties. I don't want to go back. In fact, even if I were given the choice to go back to when I was a child, when my family was still intact, I wouldn't want to. Because no matter how hard we try to change destiny, what has been written will remain the same. I don't want to see my family fall apart for the umpteenth time."

Evan smiled bitterly at Riki's words, because he himself had witnessed how difficult Riki's life had been after his family fell apart.

After the balcony garden was finished, Riki invited Evan and his team to taste the cakes he had made with Sofie and Nicho.

"Riki! I'm posting a video of us cooking together on my account, okay?" asked Sofie, who was actively posting her daily activities on a social media account that was popular among young people.

Riki nodded, "Yeah, sure, but isn't it a problem that it will be obvious that you and Nicho are fighting?"

"It's okay, I'm sure it will attract people's attention and my video will get a lot of views," said Sofie, then the girl immediately ran down from the second floor.

"She's so excited," said Evan.

Riki nodded, "Yeah, I think her personality has improved a lot since she moved here."

"I think she'll be sad because her parents are in prison."

Riki was silent for a moment, he had the same thought. Not only Sofie, but Anton too. However, neither of them showed any signs of sadness. When Riki asked them, they just said they were fine. But were they really fine, or were they just pretending to be fine?

Riki didn't know.

There was no end to the busyness, so when there was an opportunity for a vacation, Riki immediately took one.

Actually, it was just something Riki said in the afternoon. After seeing Zeno and Kaivan, who had finished their work while eating the cakes Riki had made, Riki approached them and said.

"Suddenly I want to go somewhere quiet and far from the crowds, but I want to stay somewhere with complete facilities," said Riki.

Kaivan immediately mentioned a place that still belonged to his family.

It was called Natura Cottage and Glamping. Located on the outskirts of a small town, it was near a forest where people could hunt, close to a large lake, and also a waterfall.

Riki was immediately interested and invited them to go. Only Riki, Zeno, Kaivan, and Nicho went. Sofie didn't want to go because there were only men there, and Sean and Selene weren't going either, so she preferred to stay at the mansion with them.

They rode in Riki's campervan and traveled for about 10 hours without stopping. They just took turns driving.

They arrived at Natura around four in the morning, still dark.

The place Kaivan booked was quite unique, as the cottage he booked also had a treehouse next to it.

When they entered, the facilities inside were very complete. Even the kitchen was fully equipped with a kitchen set and a two-door refrigerator.

Not only that, but in the living room of the cottage, there was a kotatsu, or a table with a heater inside.

There are three rooms, two in the cottage and one in the tree house.

Natura also has other facilities there, such as a farm, a strawberry and grape garden, and a hot spring.

When they arrived, they immediately went to sleep in the rooms in the cottage. Except for Riki, who still had enough energy to look around the cottage facilities.

After making breakfast for himself, Riki went to the tree house, sat on the porch of the tree house while waiting for the sunrise, which was still a long way off.

He ate slightly spicy and warm curry-flavored instant noodles and warm coffee. Riki enjoyed the view in front of him.

It was really relaxing.

"Master!!"

Suddenly, a fairy flew in front of Riki's face, looking very upset.

"What's wrong?"

"Master suddenly came here and didn't invite me?"

Riki raised an eyebrow, "You said you would be busy with Jake today, right?"

"Master should have invited us on vacation here too! We work hard for you master!"

Riki scratched the back of his neck, feeling guilty and awkward. But Riki had already asked Jake, Jean, Irene, and the others several times to take a vacation. However, their answer was that they didn't need one yet.

Riki felt confused.

"Do you want some instant noodles, Twaila?" asked Riki, hoping that it would distract the fairy. And sure enough, she immediately nodded enthusiastically.

"I want some!"

Then she turned into a larger figure and sat down on the chair next to Riki.

Riki took a cup of instant noodles, the same as his, brewed it with hot water, and asked Twaila to wait until it was ready.

"It's not that I don't allow them to take vacations, it's just that they always refuse my invitations."

"Then make a vacation plan for the whole office, Master! Or, divide them into two or three groups, so they can take turns going on vacation, and you pay for the accommodation. Because vacationing with coworkers is definitely fun. It would be even more fun if you paid for the vacations of married employees and their families. They would definitely like that."

After saying all that, Twaila happily ate her instant noodles. Meanwhile, Riki thought Twaila's idea was good too.

Riki grabbed his smartphone and called Jake.

However, even after calling several times, Jake didn't answer. So, Riki didn't feel suspicious; he just thought that Jake was probably still fast asleep.

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Riki was forced to wake up when he heard Nicho shouting. He grabbed his smartphone and saw that it was still around ten in the morning.

Riki sat up and looked at the wide-open window next to him.

The breeze blew gently, bringing coolness in the midst of the scorching sun.

At that time, Riki was sleeping on a bed in a tree house. He had deliberately opened all the windows wide to let the wind in, because the cool breeze lulled him to sleep.

Riki stretched for a moment, then left the tree house, descending the spiral wooden stairs to the bottom of the big tree.

Kaivan, Zeno, and Nicho were below, lighting a campfire that could be covered and used for roasting something. However, there was another group of people with them.

Riki didn't recognize these people, but it looked like they were giving something. Maybe that was what made Nicho scream earlier.

When Riki approached, the people left, seemingly embarrassed by Riki's presence.

"What's going on?" asked Riki, who immediately sat down among them.

"They gave us meat to roast, skewered on bamboo sticks, which looked like regular satay to us. Then when Nicho asked what kind of meat it was, they said it was a snake. You know, the kind that lives in fresh water and doesn't have venom, and has a fat body? We were all shocked, but Nicho yelled, so they apologized and left after all their meat was grilled. We didn't ask for any because we were still worried," Zeno explained.

Kaivan and Nicho shuddered in horror, looking a little traumatized, but Riki just laughed out loud.

Riki himself knew that water snakes were eaten by some people, even though Riki himself didn't dare to try it. He just found it funny to see Kaivan, who usually ate anything, suddenly afraid to eat something.

"I can't believe Kaivan is afraid to eat something," said Riki, after he stopped laughing.

"I can be picky about food too, you know!" Kaivan replied irritably, which made Riki laugh again, but this time Zeno laughed too.

"But if you cooked it, maybe he would eat it without thinking twice," replied Zeno.

"No, I have a trauma with snakes like that. It's not that I'm afraid, it's just that I will never eat them," said Riki.

Kaivan laughed, "Just admit you're scared, Riki..."

Riki cleared his throat for a moment, then said, "I'm not scared."

"Since we're near the forest, and there are lots of trees and plants here, there must be snakes too, right? Then, I heard there's a lake here too, do you think there are water snakes there?" asked Nicho.

Kaivan nudged Nicho's ribs and said, "You're curious to eat it, aren't you?"

"No!" Nicho replied firmly, shuddering slightly at the thought of eating snake.

"By the way, what are you guys making?" asked Riki, looking at the grill in front of him.

The grill, which had just been cleaned by Zeno because he didn't want any snake meat left on it, now had thin slices of meat placed on it by Kaivan.

"This is the best quality beef. We actually wanted to make hotpot this afternoon, but Nicho said that since we haven't eaten anything this morning, it's better not to make hotpot. So we'll grill some of the meat like this, then make hotpot," said Kaivan.

Riki nodded in understanding. He just watched his friends eat meat and bread that afternoon.

For some reason, it looked sad to him, so he took the initiative to make something in the cottage.

Riki just remembered that they didn't have many ingredients to cook with. However, Riki still had the purple taro he had brought with him and the red avocados that Riki had stored in the storage system.

Riki just made taro and banana compote. He cut the taro and bananas into small squares, then cooked them together with coconut milk, added sugar to taste, put in a pandan leaf, and stirred until it boiled.

He didn't forget to make avocado juice because he had started to really like it.

"Are you making dessert, Riki?" asked Zeno.

Riki nodded, "Yup! I think it will be very refreshing to eat here. If you don't like it warm, you can add ice cubes," said Riki.

[Your first mission today is to hunt in the forest and win the hunting competition]

[This is a mandatory mission, although there are no penalties]

[If you succeed, you will get an increase in magical power]

Riki furrowed his brow, not understanding why the reward was related to magic.

Because he lived in the modern world, he thought magic was completely unnecessary. However, since Riki intended to visit Arendale often, he thought he might need it later. Riki also had water magic as a gift from the system. Since Riki's magical power was still small, he could only use a little water magic. Even though Riki's magical energy was already very large, if his magical power was small, it was useless.

"I'll eat it warm," said Zeno, who had already taken a small bowl and spoon.

At that moment, Zeno saw Riki pour the blended avocado juice into a glass that Riki had already added chocolate to.

"What are you making? Make some for me too!" asked Zeno.

Riki taught Zeno how to make avocado juice, and Zeno looked very happy.

In the end, the four of them ate taro and banana compote with avocado juice on the balcony of the tree house. From there, they could see the beautiful view of the forest and hills.

"Did you guys know there's a hunting competition here?" asked Riki.

"It starts around two in the afternoon. Do you want to join? Because I might join," replied Kaivan.

Riki nodded, "I'll join! But before that, please explain the rules, because this is my first time participating in something like this."

Kaivan nodded, then explained everything to Riki.

The hunting competition was usually held twice a year, at the beginning of the year and in the middle of the year.

The rules were quite simple: they were only allowed to hunt properly without damaging the forest ecosystem. Weapons such as knives, rifles, or bows and arrows were allowed. What was not allowed were things like bombs or electric shocks. More importantly, hunters had to be fully prepared for the hunt so that if anything happened in the forest, they could handle it.

According to Kaivan, the hunting competition was usually attended by rich people who liked to show off.

No wonder all the places in Natura were fully booked at that time. Only the best one was left for Kaivan, as the grandson of the owner of the place.

The tenants around there also seemed to be wealthy people. So, it was certain that those who rented there were indeed preparing to hunt.

Kaivan himself had been invited by his grandfather to participate, because Kaivan's grandfather wanted to show off that he had a strong and tough grandson. But Kaivan had refused, even so, his grandfather still provided the best cottage.

As it turned out, Riki suddenly wanted to go to a pleasant place far from the noise of the city, so Kaivan decided to join the hunting competition.

Around one in the afternoon, Riki and Kaivan were ready, with the best clothes and equipment for hunting. Zeno and Nicho also came along, but they were only going to take them to the competition, then walk around there while Kaivan and Riki went into the forest.

"This is my grandson, Kaivan!" said Kaivan's grandfather, as soon as Kaivan approached him.

Riki didn't pay much attention to them because he was examining his surroundings with his detection skill.

Since Riki's detection skill had been upgraded, now when he activated it, he could see everything around him. Especially the names of plants and animals, as well as their complete information. Whether a plant was safe to eat or not, whether it had any benefits or not.

Riki could even see deep into the forest, and he was happy to find that there were many animals to hunt.

However, the rules of the competition at that time were that they had to hunt the biggest deer. There were many deer in the forest, so many that even if all the participants got one each, there would still be plenty left.

Another new rule was that they could only hunt one deer, and they couldn't hunt pregnant deer or fawns.

[Your second mission today is—]

Wait a minute!

Riki had just arrived at the competition site!

[—to prevent the murder of a top young model and influencer named Ellaine]

[Ellaine will be killed by someone while hunting, and this murder is still connected to Jack Handerson]

Suddenly, Riki felt his head throbbing at the thought of his second mission.

[Don't worry, you will receive a reward of 20 million dollars if you complete this mission successfully]

[Good luck!]

"Kaivan, let me introduce you to my friend's granddaughter, Ellaine. She also likes hunting and is as skilled with a bow and arrow as you are," said Kaivan's grandfather.

Riki reflexively looked at the girl.

She was a girl whose beauty seemed unreal. With porcelain-smooth white skin, greenish-hazel eyes with long eyelashes, red heart-shaped lips, and naturally rosy cheeks.

She was very beautiful, with jet black wavy hair.

Ellaine stood out, not because she was the only girl. In fact, there were many girls participating in the hunting competition, but Ellaine chose to wear pastel pink hunting clothes. The others were competing in dark-colored hunting clothes.

Riki admitted she was beautiful, even though he couldn't like her romantically.

Next to Ellaine was a woman who looked tough, smiling kindly but with sly eyes.

Riki quickly realized that this woman was the killer the system was referring to.

Funnily enough, Riki recognized her.

Kaivan suddenly dragged Riki closer to him.

"I'm going hunting with Riki, Grandpa, so I can't ride with Ellaine," said Kaivan.

Riki, confused because he hadn't been listening to their conversation, just smiled.

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"A real man would never leave a woman alone in the forest, Kaivan!" said Kaivan's grandfather.

Riki tried to quickly process the situation. It seemed that Kaivan's grandfather wanted to bring Kaivan closer to Ellaine. No wonder Kaivan had said earlier that he didn't want to

join the hunting competition. Perhaps he already knew that his grandfather wanted to bring him closer to Ellaine.

Ellaine herself did not seem to show any meaningful expression. She just remained silent and smiled slightly.

"Grandfather, she has an assistant to accompany her, right? And Ella, say something!" replied Kaivan, looking very annoyed with his grandfather who always wanted to bring him closer to any girl.

Kaivan had never been on a date before, but that didn't mean he wasn't interested in women. He just wasn't interested in having a relationship or anything like that. Not with Ellaine, because Kaivan only considered her a regular friend.

"Kaivan is right, I can go by myself, Grandpa. Besides, I can take care of myself, and Leni is with me too," said Ellaine, pointing to the woman who looked cunning.

Because Riki had to save the girl, he and Kaivan couldn't stray far from Ellaine.

Riki patted Kaivan on the shoulder, "It's okay, Kaivan, we can go together. Once we're in the forest, we can split up to hunt our own prey. That girl has a female assistant, so let's just go with them together, right, Mr. Velhart?"

The old man laughed when he heard this. He was happy that Kaivan's friend supported him.

Meanwhile, Kaivan pushed Riki's hand away from his shoulder, annoyed that Riki had suggested such a thing.

Finally, the race began and all the participants set off.

Since they were all rich people, most of them rented horses for hunting. But there were some who did not use horses, instead using small vehicles that had no problem entering the forest.

Riki set off with Kaivan, riding a big dark brown horse. Since there was only one horse left at that time, Riki could only sit behind Kaivan.

Riki knew it was all Kaivan's grandfather's doing, who provided only a few horses so that Kaivan would have no choice but to ride with Ellaine.

But in the end, Ellaine rode with her assistant, named Leni, who was in front.

Riki could almost hear the woman's curses just by looking at her expression when Riki suggested they going together. Leni was already happy because Kaivan refused to go with Ellaine.

Several times, Leni deliberately sped up or slowed down her horse so that Kaivan would go ahead or stay far behind.

However, Kaivan kept up with the pace of Leni and Ellaine's horses.

Riki whispered to Kaivan when Leni tried to stay far behind Kaivan again.

"I don't know why, but I suspect that woman, Kaivan," whispered Riki.

"She seems to prefer going alone rather than together, right? Let's go ahead, Riki," said Kaivan.

"No, you idiot! We have to stay with them. My suspicion is... it seems like Leni wants us to leave quickly because she wants to do something bad to Ella."

Kaivan furrowed his brow, although Riki couldn't see Kaivan's expression at that moment. However, because he knew that Riki often helped people, Kaivan thought that Riki had a special radar for finding bad people.

"Are you sure?" asked Kaivan.

"I'm very sure, Kaivan."

"Then, we'd better pretend to leave, then follow them quietly. I want to know if that woman really has bad intentions towards Ella," said Kaivan.

Riki patted Kaivan on the shoulder, happy that Kaivan finally had a good idea.

"You're right, now act like you want them to go first," said Riki.

Kaivan nodded, then slowed his horse down until Leni and Ellaine's horses were in front of them.

When Kaivan's horse stopped, they also stopped because Ellaine patted Leni's shoulder to signal her to stop.

"Kaivan, what's wrong?" asked Ella.

Kaivan shook his head, "No, Riki suddenly needs to pee, so you guys go ahead, we'll catch up later," said Kaivan.

Ella nodded, "In that case, Leni and I will go ahead, we'll meet up again after the hunt is over, okay?"

"Oh, okay."

At a glance, Riki could see the happy expression on Leni's face.

"Let's wait until they're a little further away, Riki," Kaivan muttered.

"Did you have to lie like that? I didn't need to pee at all," Riki protested.

"Never mind, the important thing is that our plan worked. I'll take another, more secluded path so we can watch them from there," said Kaivan. He rode his horse away from the previous path.

Soon after, they could see Leni and Ellaine. This time Ellaine was in front, while Leni was behind her.

Riki knew that Leni was doing this so she could secretly stab Ellaine. Leni pretending to teach Ella how to ride a horse was surely just a cover.

Riki also activated the recording function on his system for future evidence.

[Recording started.]

Riki nodded, while continuing to watch them.

"Nothing looks suspicious, Riki," said Kaivan.

"Sshhh! Don't say anything out loud, and if possible, don't let the horses step on dry twigs. We're watching them, remember?" whispered Riki.

"But Leni has been Ellaine's assistant for a long time. I don't like Leni. Especially since Leni arrived, my friendship with Ellaine has become strained. Even Angeline and Liz, who used to be friends with her, say that Ella has changed since Leni arrived. But I'm not that suspicious."

Riki clicked his tongue in annoyance, "Be quiet, Kaivan. You just need to focus, I'll keep an eye on them. Oh— if there's any deer, just say the word, okay?"

"Okay."

After that, Kaivan tried to focus and be careful so that his horse wouldn't make any noise.

Meanwhile, Riki suddenly patted Kaivan on the back and said, "Stop, stop."

Leni and Ellaine stopped. It seemed like there was a deer near them. So Ella got off her horse, while Leni remained on hers.

At that moment, Ella tried to focus on the deer, which looked quite large. Meanwhile, Leni was also focused, pulling a small pistol from her pocket.

Both Kaivan and Riki were surprised to see this.

Kaivan forgot that they had to hide, and immediately spurred his horse on so as not to be too late to save Ella.

Suddenly, a small dagger flew through the air just as Kaivan thought he would be too late, because Leni had already pulled the trigger.

The dagger hit Leni's hand, causing the pistol shot to miss and startling Ella and her deer.

The deer ran away in shock. Meanwhile, Ellaine fell into the grass, automatically turning her body toward the source of the gunshot.

The girl's eyes widened in disbelief when she saw a pistol in Leni's hand.

[Recording complete, immediately sent to your phone's storage]

"Leni, what happened?" shouted Ella, who was still shocked and hadn't gotten up from her position.

Kaivan dismounted his horse, as did Leni and Riki.

"Nothing happened, miss, I was just wanted to help you to shoot that deer," said Leni calmly. The woman did not look panicked at all.

"That's a lie, she was trying to kill you, Ella!" said Kaivan, helping Ella to her feet.

Leni began to panic.

"That doesn't make sense. Why would I do that to the person who employs me and pays my salary?" said Leni, trying not to look panicked so she wouldn't be suspected anymore.

But unfortunately, Riki had strong evidence. It was clear that Leni had aimed her gun at Ella, not the deer.

"But why did you come hunting deer? Don't you believe in Ella's abilities?" said Kaivan.

Ellaine, confused by the situation, remained silent, letting the two argue.

Suddenly, Riki handed over his cell phone, which was playing a video recording made by the system.

At first, Ella was confused when she received Riki's smartphone, but when she saw Leni, who was ready with her gun, pointing it at Ella's head, Ella was very shocked.

"You... you're so cruel to me, Leni!" shouted Ella, her eyes filled with tears.

Leni, panicking because she had been caught, tried to escape on horseback, but Kaivan was faster than her. He managed to catch Leni.

"I'll take this woman. Send me the video recording, Riki," said Kaivan.

It took Riki quite a while to calm Ella down, whom he didn't know at all.

"I know you must be sad, Ella. But— um, would you like an apple?" asked Riki. He handed Ella a black apple.

Ella, who was very sad, didn't care where Riki got the apple from, she just took it and ate it in silence.

Riki also gave Ella two tissues, which she immediately used to wipe her tears.

"I think I'm okay now, thank you for the apple, it was very sweet and delicious," muttered Ella.

"You're welcome. But are you really feeling better? Should I take you back?" asked Riki.

Ella shook her head, "No, I really want to hunt this time, I want to get something. Because I'm really serious about this hunt. I want to show that I'm not weak."

Riki stood up and held out his hand to Ella.

"Then let's go hunting together. I know where there are big deer nearby."

Her slender hand took Riki's outstretched hand, then smiled slightly at Riki.

"You don't mind me getting that deer? Because we're supposed to be enemies in this competition," said Ella.

Riki laughed when he heard that, then shook his head, "Don't worry, there are other bigger deer, but this one is for you."

"What? Let me hunt the bigger one!"

"No, I have to win."

"Cheater!"

"You're the cheater because I'm helping you, right?"

Ella fell silent because she couldn't refute Riki's words. Riki laughed at the girl's funny expression.

Chapter 94: 94. Ellaine

Riki tapped his forehead after Ella's arrow flew past for the umpteenth time. Even though Riki had made the deer stay put. Then Riki handed her the gun he had secretly bought from the system store. It was a fail-safe gun with a very cute design, pink to match Ella's outfit.

"Now, try using this instead. Calm down so your hands don't shake. You've run out of arrows because you're too nervous," said Riki.

Ella turned to Riki, her face holding back tears.

"Don't be sad, it's okay, the deer won't go anywhere," said Riki.

Ella tried to calm herself by taking a few deep breaths and then exhaling slowly.

After feeling a little calmer, she tried pulling the trigger, and finally the deer fell.

Ella jumped up and down with joy, then she hugged Riki while shouting happily.

Riki himself was silent; he was already tired of waiting for the girl. However, he couldn't leave her. Besides the fact that Ella was a girl and weak, another reason was that Riki felt he had to protect her.

Ella had just almost been killed, so there was no way he could leave her like that.

Riki was also still curious about what made Leni want to kill Ella. And also, what did it have to do with Jack?

Was it because Hannah was jealous of her again?

[That's right, master]

Oh, Hannah again?

[Ellaine was a girl who was once close to Leon. But that closeness was only like that between a younger sister and an older brother for Leon. However, Ella had really liked him]

[Usually young girls tend to like older men]

Hannah was really problematic. But to Riki, she was pretty great because she could make her sugar daddy do whatever she wanted. Moreover, Hannah's reason was because she was jealous of Ella, who had been close to Leon.

Jack definitely didn't know the real reason. If he did, Hannah might be in danger—wait.

Could it be that Leon did it on purpose? Making Hannah jealous by telling her about Ella?

Leon was really reckless if he did that. Riki had to scold the childish detective.

Leon did it, Riki had to fix it. If Riki wasn't there, what would happen to Ella?

"Riki! How are we going to carry this deer? It's heavy!" asked Ella, trying to pull the deer. Riki quickly stopped her.

"Don't pull it like that, let's leave it there. You know there's a team to help carry the prey, right? We just have to shoot this into the air, the yellow one."

Riki shot the yellow gas, which he said was environmentally friendly, into the air. Then he attached a yellow piece of paper to the nearest tree so that the special team would know that Ella's prey was there. He didn't forget to write Ella's name on the flag.

"I just found out we have to do it this way. Usually, Leni takes care of it," Ella muttered.

"I don't know what happened between you two, but my advice is, don't trust other people too much. No matter how close you are to them. Not only other people, even your own family can betray you. Let this be a lesson for you to be careful from now on," said Riki.

Ella was silent, lowering her head, looking very upset.

"Now, we can go hunt the next deer," said Riki.

They got back on their horses. As they were leaving, Ella saw that the special team Riki had mentioned had already arrived to transport Ella's deer.

The deer Riki was referring to was already in sight, and Ella was very surprised when she saw its size. It was huge, the biggest deer Ella had ever seen in her life.

The deer was very agile, running away because it knew it was being hunted.

However, Riki sped up his horse to chase the deer.

Riki took out his own gun, which was white and looked bigger than the one he had given Ella.

Even from a considerable distance, Riki was able to hit the deer.

Ella shouted with joy when Riki succeeded.

"That's great, Riki!!"

They were now close to the deer. Riki dismounted and helped Ella down.

"Let's rest first, Ella, then we'll take this deer to the front."

"We're not doing what we did before? Shooting yellow gas?" asked Ella.

Riki shook his head, "We did that because it was impossible to carry two large deer. So we'll take this one."

Ella glared at him, "But it's heavy, Riki!"

"In that case, I'll take you back, then I'll carry the deer myself."

"No need, we can carry it, I'm strong enough!" said Ella.

Riki raised an eyebrow, "Oh yeah?"

"Are you underestimating me?"

Riki laughed at Ella's annoyed expression.

"I'm not underestimating you, but you're small, and you look fragile. Look at your thin wrists."

Ella clicked her tongue in annoyance. She couldn't argue with Riki's words.

"You go ahead, and I'll carry the deer behind you."

"But—"

"I'll help you later, you still can't ride a horse, right?"

Ella fell silent, lowering her head, suddenly feeling sad again.

Riki sighed deeply, then moved to sit next to Ella.

"Why? Did my words hurt you?"

Ella shook her head, "No, it's just... you treat me so well. Even though this is our first meeting, right? I mean—actually, we've met before, but this is the first time we've talked

this closely. I didn't expect you to be this nice to me. You helped me not get killed, you also helped me hunt deer, and then... you treat me so well. Riki."

Riki leaned his back against a large tree trunk behind him, then looked up at the blue sky decorated with white clouds.

Ella also leaned her back against the large tree trunk, which was so big that it was five times the size of an adult man.

Riki was a little surprised when Ella rested her head on his shoulder.

Ella's hair smelled very nice, like flowers and fruit.

"You don't have an assistant anymore, Ella," Riki muttered.

"I have to find another one."

"How about I find one for you? It's not that I don't trust you, but we have to be careful so you won't be betrayed again, right?"

Ella looked up, bringing her face very close to Riki's.

She was very beautiful.

The girl smiled, "You're so nice to me again."

"I think I'm always nice to everyone."

"If I were ugly, would you still be nice to me?"

Riki furrowed his brow, "So, if you were ugly, you wouldn't be worthy of living, not worthy of being helped, is that it? Of course not, right?"

Suddenly, Ella climbed onto Riki's lap, pressed her forehead against his, and wrapped her arms around his neck.

Riki was shocked and froze.

He never expected Ella to do that.

"The people around me say it, Riki. You're lucky because you're beautiful, so people like you. Because you're beautiful, all the boys like you. Because you're beautiful, you have many followers. You can do this only because of your beautiful face, but you don't have any talent. Those are the words I always hear. Even my family often says things like that. You may not know this, but Kaivan, Liz, Angeline, and I used to be close. I

chose to distance myself from them because I was jealous. They had families who always supported them and—"

"You're wrong, Ella. Angeline and Liz also experienced what you experienced. Well, maybe you're right about family. But they were still looked down upon at university. In fact, Angeline recently started working at Little Heaven because her parents thought she had no talent. You don't need to feel insecure, you're not alone. Instead of thinking about other people's expectations, which are very toxic, you'd better focus on yourself and other positive things."

Suddenly Ella hugged Riki tightly, for quite a long time, until Riki didn't know what to do. He also didn't know if he could move or not. However, Riki was an ordinary and normal guy who could get flustered if suddenly hugged like that by a girl.

"Ella? Are you crying?"

Then Ella loosened her embrace and looked back at Riki.

Their faces were very close, too close, to the point that Riki was mesmerized. However, Riki tried not to think badly of the girl.

"I like you, Riki."

"What? But we—"

"Even though we just met, I like you."

Before Riki could respond to Ella's words, the girl had already pressed her lips against his. Ella's kiss was awkward, as if it was her first kiss.

Riki lost his mind for a moment and kissed her back, enjoying it. Until he remembered that he was still on earth.

He gently pushed Ella's shoulders to break the kiss.

"Ella, I'm sorry, but I can't get involved with a girl I just met a few hours ago."

Ella smiled and nodded, "I understand, we don't have to rush. I'll try to win your heart from Liz."

Ella's words surprised Riki.

"You—"

"I know you're close to Liz, right? But didn't she refuse to have a relationship with you because she wanted to pursue her career? How about trying with me first—oh, it

doesn't have to be now. I'll try first, you can think about it later. One thing's for sure, I won't give up like Angeline did."

Riki didn't know how much Ella knew, but he felt bad that he couldn't return her feelings.

But maybe Ella's feelings were just temporary, only because Riki had helped her. Riki would let it be for now. Because he was sure that Ella's feelings would only last for a short time.

That's what Riki thought, until that night, when Ella came to the cottage.

Chapter 95: 95. Feeling guilty

"Wow, there's so much venison, what are we going to cook it into?" asked Nicho, amazed when Riki and Kaivan returned with several large pieces of venison.

"I've never eaten venison before, can it be cooked right away?" asked Zeno.

Kaivan shook his head. "People around here usually eat venison. My family even has a restaurant with a very famous venison menu. However, cooking venison is not as easy as cooking chicken or beef. We need to soak it in milk for several hours before cooking it, then we also need to boil it for at least four hours to make the meat tender," said Kaivan.

"Oh, that's quite a long time, isn't it?" Nicho looked very disappointed that he couldn't eat it right away.

"It's okay, we can eat it tomorrow if we soak it now," said Riki.

Nicho and Zeno smiled after a little hope emerged.

That afternoon, Riki and Kaivan immediately soaked the venison in milk, then covered it tightly and put it in the refrigerator.

Fortunately, Zeno and Nicho, who had gone around the place, had bought other meat. It was only chicken, but who doesn't like chicken? Chicken is a favorite of almost everyone in the country. Its delicious taste and low price make it the first choice for anyone. It is also very easy to cook.

Well, although there are definitely those who don't like it.

Speaking of venison, the winner was Riki, the runner-up was Ella, and the third place winner was unknown. The prize was a voucher to stay at Natura and also visit a restaurant called Kaivan, which had a menu specializing in venison.

Ella looked very happy at that moment; she even seemed to have forgotten that she had almost been killed by Leni.

All the game was slaughtered by a professional team, then the meat was distributed to the participants, and most of it was donated to orphanages or local residents.

Indeed, the competition was not only to show strength, show off, or whatever. It was also an opportunity for the rich to do charity work.

If they only gave charity with money, that would be normal, but if they gave charity with something they had worked hard to obtain, it would certainly be very meaningful. Both for the giver and the recipient.

That's why the local residents always welcomed the competition warmly.

"I can't believe something like that happened," said Zeno, after Kaivan told him what had happened.

They were all in the kitchen, helping Riki prepare the ingredients for cooking.

Riki was going to make fried chicken with special seasoned flour. In addition, he was also going to make honey-roasted chicken. To balance it all out, Riki was also going to make boiled vegetables seasoned with mushrooms he got from Arendale and coconut milk. He also dipped some whole green chilies for a spicy flavor.

"Right? Especially since Ella is only 15 years old, she's too young to be treated like that," replied Kaivan.

Riki, who was tasting the vegetable soup, choked and coughed. He was very surprised by Kaivan's words.

"Riki? What's wrong? Is it too spicy?" asked Zeno, who quickly grabbed a drink for Riki.

Riki grabbed the glass and drank it quickly.

"I... I'm just shocked because Kaivan's grandpa really wants to set Kaivan up with that girl," said Riki. His heart was pounding, afraid because he had been kissed by that girl. She was underage. If anyone found out, Riki was afraid he would be blamed or imprisoned.

[You're overreacting, master, no one will find out. At least you rejected her nicely]

But Riki was still worried.

He felt like a criminal at that moment. Suddenly, he busied himself with cooking. Until he didn't listen to anything they were talking about.

Riki was too busy with the food until suddenly Zeno patted him on the shoulder.

"Yeah?"

Zeno shook his head, then chuckled, then said, "You've been busy by yourself, what are you thinking about? We've already served everything in front. Let's just eat in front, okay? I'll bring that one."

Zeno took the pot containing sweet potato and banana compote that Riki had made for their dessert that night.

Riki rubbed the back of his neck, suddenly realizing that everything was already finished.

They ate on the cottage porch. There was a large, long table and long wooden benches.

Riki was quite surprised to see the food laid out on the table. There was a lot of food. Riki didn't remember cooking all of it.

"RIKI!"

Just as Riki was about to sit down, a familiar voice suddenly rang out.

Riki's eyes widened as he saw Ellaine arrive, accompanied by another familiar woman.

She was Bella, who was also a friend of Angeline and Liz, and an influencer who loved creating content about food.

On a dark, cold night with a light drizzle, the two girls arrived carrying a large pink umbrella.

"You wanna to eat now, guys? We haven't eaten yet, thank goodness." said Bella, cheerful and friendly as usual.

"Let me sit next to Riki," Ella asked Nicho, who was sitting next to Riki. Kaivan was sitting on Riki's other side, and Ella didn't seem to dare ask Kaivan anything.

Riki held Nicho's arm as he was about to stand up and said, "You and Bella can sit in front of us."

Bella pulled Ella, who seemed unhappy with Riki's suggestion.

"You can sit in front of Riki, it's better. You can see his face more clearly," said Bella, who was tired of hearing Ella's stories about how cool Riki was in Ella's memory. It was as if Riki was a superhero who had sacrificed everything to save her life.

Bella knew that Riki was indeed great, but it was useless for Ella to chase after Riki. Because Riki only liked Liz. Even the extraordinary Angeline had admitted defeat.

However, a teenager like Ella would not be able to listen to anything Bella said. She was very stubborn, difficult to reason with. Especially since Ella was a teenager who had just hit puberty.

Hearing Bella's words, Zeno and Kaivan were taken aback.

"You like Riki just because he saved you and helped you hunt?" asked Zeno.

Ella smiled widely and nodded quickly.

"Yup!"

Riki, who knew that the night would be long and troublesome, quickly finished his meal so he could go to sleep.

"Teenagers, they fall in love so easily. You know, Riki is my future brother-in-law, he's going to marry Liz later. Just because they're not dating, you can't approach him," said Kaivan, half seriously, half just teasing Ella.

"But no one knows what fate has in store, Kaivan. People tend to change. It's possible that Liz will suddenly start dating a popular male idol and leave Riki, right?" said Ella, pretending to be calm so she would look mature in front of Riki.

Kaivan grinned, "And that goes for you too, little girl... do you think Riki would like a little girl like you?"

Ella snorted, but then quickly covered her mouth and smiled.

"Shut up, all of you, and just eat everything Riki has worked so hard to cook," said Zeno.

"Riki cooked this? Wow! If we get married, we can cook together, Riki! I like to cook, unlike Liz," said Ella.

Zeno cleared his throat loudly, causing Ella to immediately fall silent and join in eating.

Riki tried to close his eyes at that moment. But he still felt guilty for making a 15-year-old teenager fall in love with him. Riki wasn't a jerk, he felt very guilty at that moment. So much so that he had trouble sleeping.

It was already midnight.

Around 12 a.m. or later.

The sound of the wind shaking the trees was quite noisy. The drizzle also returned after stopping around eight o'clock in the evening.

Riki slept in the tree house again, alone because the bed in the tree house was only big enough for one person.

In fact, Riki had excused himself to go to bed early when they were watching a movie together. It was around ten o'clock at night.

In reality, even by midnight, Riki still couldn't sleep.

Playing with his smartphone only made his eyes feel more awake.

Riki had already contacted Leon earlier, scolding the man for causing Ella to nearly be killed.

However, Leon just chuckled when he heard Riki's story. He said that Ella wouldn't have been killed if it was her destiny to survive. Riki had an argument with Leon. But Leon was a man who had a thousand excuses for everything. So, it was difficult for Riki to argue with him.

Leon is too smart. He is sure that if Leon had a system status like Riki's, his intelligence would definitely reach 100. Leon always has a reason to evade or argue. It tires Riki out just dealing with him.

Riki also contacted Jake, asking if everything was okay with the work. And of course everything was fine, because Riki could monitor it through Twaila. Riki could connect his mind with Twaila whenever he wanted.

Riki also contacted Liz, and he was actually worried. Because Liz said that she and the others were still practicing at the Hayper Entertainment building.

Riki asked Selene, and her answer was the same. They would debut in a month, and tomorrow they would go abroad to shoot a music video.

What worried Riki was that this meant Sofie would be alone with Sean. Sofie had contacted Riki and said she was fine.

But Riki couldn't trust that girl yet. She could do something bad to Sean, considering how much Sofie liked him.

Riki's eyes were about to close when suddenly the sound of an open window rang out loudly.

Startled, Riki quickly got up.

"Master! Help!"

Twaila came, with her small form, flying toward Riki.

Chapter 96: 96. Black fairy

"What happened, Twaila?" asked Riki, worried about the fairy who had suddenly arrived in a panic.

Twaila, still panicked, cried loudly, making Riki feel guilty because he found it all very funny and cute.

"I came back here after finishing work at the office, I immediately 'poof!' moved here, then I saw the master resting, so I walked around and—"

"Wait a minute, calm down, relax." Riki interrupted Twaila, because the fairy was talking so fast, as if there were no tomorrow.

"I can't relax, master! There are black fairies stalking us! Oh, master, you don't know what black fairies are, right? Well, black fairies are fairies that have the power to absorb negative and evil things. They secretly want to harm the master because the master foiled the murder earlier today," said Twaila again, still speaking at the speed of a rapper.

"Then? How are they going to harm me? Is that possible?" asked Riki.

Twaila shook her head, "Of course they can't harm you directly, master... they will immediately cause trouble by making the thugs around there wreak havoc in Natura. The thugs I'm referring to are a group of creepy people who have no conscience, master. They can kill people just for fun. And most of them use drugs, so they are not in their right minds. So, you must stop the thugs who are under the influence of the black fairy before they wreak havoc on this place."

Riki furrowed his brow as he listened to Twaila's explanation. He knew that a mission would appear soon.

[Your first mission today is to stop the thugs under the influence of the black fairy, as well as eliminate the black fairy from the area so it doesn't disturb the residents.]

[You will receive a reward in the form of a large plot of land on the gem hill and 15 million dollars.]

[If you refuse, you will see people you know come to harm.]

Without thinking much, Riki stood up and put on his jacket, because it was very cold outside and a light drizzle was still falling.

Sure enough, when Riki opened the door, the cold air immediately pierced his bones. Riki went back inside because he couldn't stand the cold.

He took off his jacket and bought a special jacket from the system. It was a jacket that required the user's magical energy. This jacket kept the wearer warm and immune to the cold. It also kept Riki dry, protected from the rain.

However, if an ordinary human wore it, it wouldn't be very useful, other than providing a little warmth.

With his new jacket, Riki left the tree house and descended the stairs with Twaila flying in front of him.

The fairy guided Riki, while also providing light that only Riki could see.

That night, it felt very dark, even though the lights were still on as usual.

A thick fog suddenly enveloped them, but Riki's vision remained bright and clear thanks to Twaila.

Twaila continued to guide Riki to keep walking until they exited the gates of Natura. At that moment, Riki glanced at the security guards on duty inside the post, because it was drizzling. It turned out that the two security guards were asleep while sitting, with Uno cards in their hands.

It was clear that they were under the influence of magic.

Riki was also sure that no one would wake up until the thugs arrived and caused trouble.

"It's them, master!"

Riki stopped, seeing a group of men with dark auras that looked so dangerous. Behind them, a dark figure could be seen, not very clearly. However, Riki could see it. The dark figure hid when it realized Riki could see them.

As Riki had expected, the thugs attacked Riki one by one. Like zombies with no consciousness whatsoever, all they knew was to attack and attack whatever was in front of them.

However, Riki did not need to use physical strength to fight them. He had water magic that he had never tried before. He considered it just a temporary exercise.

There were many types of water magic, even for the basic spells. One of them was water bullets.

To use water bullets, Riki only needed to imagine the bullets coming out of his hands, then shooting quickly towards their heads. However, it wasn't just any water, there was a sleeping potion in it.

Anyone whose head was hit by the bullet would immediately faint.

In less than a minute, the zombie men were unconscious on the street.

Riki laughed contentedly, but then he remembered that his mission was not complete until he eliminated the black fairy.

"The black fairy is quite weak, master. Moreover, you have always been very kind, often helping people, and have almost never committed any crimes other than accepting kisses from underage girls," said Twaila.

Riki furrowed his brow, very annoyed by Twaila's recent statement, even though it was true.

It turned out that being a good person had many advantages. Including resistance to the black fairy's attacks. Riki could not be affected by the black fairy's magic because he was a good person. He had the element of light in his magic.

Riki grinned, staring intently at the black fairy hiding behind the large banyan tree, the icon of the Natura gate.

Although the tree was very beautiful and provided shade during the hot afternoon, according to local mythology, ghosts often appeared in the banyan tree.

This was not surprising, because there was a black fairy inside who loved to cause chaos. The black fairy, who loved evil, anxiety, fear, greed, and various other bad things, lived in the old, large banyan tree.

"You can't climb up here!" shouted the black fairy.

Her appearance was not much different from Twaila's. But she was human-sized, large, had no wings, wore a black dress, and had long black hair. The fairy had pale white skin, dull eyes, and black lips. There were two small horns on her head.

[Use water bullets to make her come down, master, only then can you fight her]

[Don't be fooled by his female appearance, he is actually a man. He resembles a woman so that you will take pity on him]

[He knows you won't be able to fight a weak and gentle woman]

Riki followed the system's advice. He used ten water bullets to shoot at the black fairy, who was very agile in dodging.

On the ninth and tenth bullets, the fairy was hit and finally fell.

Immediately, the fairy put on an innocent face, crying and looking at Riki with a weak woman's gaze.

"You are so cruel, Riki! To me, a beautiful woman," said the black fairy, crying uncontrollably.

Riki smiled slightly, then approached the black fairy.

The black fairy thought that Riki had fallen for his trick. However, Riki punched the black fairy in the face. The fairy's form changed back to its original form, a black male fairy, but then it simply vanished. It turned into black ash, blown away by the wind.

Riki raised an eyebrow, "That's it?"

"I told you, he's weak, master. Even so, for ordinary humans, he is very strong and dangerous," replied Twaila.

[You have completed your first mission today. Your reward is land on Gem Hill and 15 million dollars!]

Riki stretched, feeling very tired and sleepy.

"I'm sleepy. Can you tie up those thugs?" asked Riki.

Twaila shook her head, "No need, the security guards will soon be freed from the black fairy's spell. They will wake up and see the thugs lying there."

Riki nodded in understanding, "In that case, we have to hurry back, Twaila."

Riki jogged back to his tree house.

However, someone was waiting for him in front of the cottage, sitting there quietly, staring at Riki who had just returned.

Whether by coincidence or not, as soon as Riki arrived in front of the cottage, it suddenly started raining heavily. There was even the sound of thunder.

"Riki, where have you been?" asked Kaivan.

Yes, it was Kaivan.

Riki suddenly felt nervous, unsure of how to respond to Kaivan. He didn't want Kaivan to know that he had just saved everyone at Natura.

Riki didn't like being praised; in fact, he hated it when people flattered him too much. But sometimes, Riki also liked being praised.

"I... I was just taking a walk because I couldn't sleep. I suddenly woke up, then had trouble sleeping—haha, what about you, why did you wake up?" asked Riki, still nervous.

Kaivan rubbed the back of his neck, looking nervous too.

"Actually, I had a dream that—oh, forget it. By the way, what's that light next to you?" asked Kaivan, pointing at Twaila.

Riki's eyes widened. He was sure that the system said that ordinary humans couldn't see or detect fairies. Unless Twaila appeared in solid form.

"Wh... what light? There's no light next to me," replied Riki, pretending to be confused.

Kaivan reached out his hand, making Twaila scream in fear. She was almost grabbed by Kaivan, if only Riki hadn't pushed his hand away.

"There's nothing there, Kaivan. Stop scaring me!" said Riki.

Kaivan laughed upon hearing this, "I guess I was mistaken because I'm still sleepy. Go to sleep, Riki, or do you want to sleep in the cottage? I'll give in and sleep in the tree house."

Riki quickly shook his head and got ready to go to the tree house.

"No need, Kaivan! I like sleeping up there."

Riki quickly climbed up and closed the door of the tree house.

Meanwhile, Kaivan also returned to the cottage.

"It's, was that a fairy? Mom said fairies follow a very kind people—uh, is Riki that kind that a fairy would follow him? I think I've been playing too many games."

Chapter 97: 97. The cunning people

"Hmm, this snack is really delicious! I think it would go well with beer."

Riki chuckled at Leon's remark.

The man had suddenly appeared at Natura that morning, knocking on the cottage door while Riki was busy preparing some venison.

Riki used some of the meat to make rendang, with plenty of spices, and cooked it for about five hours. Of course, Riki didn't do it himself; he asked Twaila to do it.

The fairy could summon the little fairies that inhabited the forests to be her assistants. She was a genius. So, Riki only needed to give orders and the fairies did it for him.

Besides rendang, Riki also ground the venison, mixed it with ground chicken, and made boiled and fried dumplings.

What Leon said was suitable for drinking beer with was the fried dumplings that Riki served him, complete with a slightly spicy sweet soy sauce.

"What time do you think it is, mentioning beer, huh? Beer will only worsen your body condition," said Riki, who was still annoyed by Leon's carelessness. Or rather, Leon just didn't want to know what was going on. Leon believed that whatever happened after what he had done was not his responsibility.

He was a truly laid-back jerk, but also a genius and needed by society. If Leon were a hero, he would have a love-hate relationship with the citizens.

"Hahaha, come on, Riki, real men like beer!" said Leon, raising his beer glass, which Riki had filled with black apple juice and a little lemon juice to make it less sweet.

At first, Riki wanted to drink the black apple juice during the day, but Leon forced Riki to serve it because Riki didn't have any beer.

He was a really troublesome jerk. But Riki couldn't kick Leon out because Leon had come to investigate Leni.

Leni was connected to Jack Handerson.

"Those are just words of toxic masculinity, Leon," said Riki, rolling his eyes in annoyance, then drinking his apple juice.

"What's toxic?" Leon furrowed his brow, "I think young people nowadays like to come up with new words that don't make sense."

Riki rolled his eyes again, annoyed by the indifference in Leon's tone.

"Toxic masculinity is a thing! Like when people say men can't cry, men can't say anything, men have to smoke, have to drink alcohol, blah blah blah, all of which will

slowly erode men's health and sanity. You could call it patriarchy, I guess," said Riki, saying all this casually.

"Ugh, you sound like the next presidential candidate, bro."

"Don't be ridiculous! I can't even manage myself, how could I possibly manage a country?"

"Dang! That's deep, bro!"

Riki chuckled, then said, "Hurry up and go do your job if you're full. I've said what I know, and I've given you all the evidence I have."

Leon quickly finished two more fried dumplings, then gulped down his drink. He stood up and said,

"I'm leaving, Riki! Say hi to the others for me—oh yeah, can I eat lunch with you later?"

Riki snorted when he heard that, "You know the answer, right?"

"Of course you want me to—"

"You're not allowed, go eat with Hannah! You two are perfect for each other. You don't care about other people's safety for the sake of your goals! I'm the one who has to deal with the mess, you jerk."

Seeing Riki angry, Leon laughed, as if Riki was joking in front of him.

Then he patted Riki on the shoulder, "Relax, bro. After all, you are destined to save this world..."

"Why me? That should be Iron Man's job!"

Leon just laughed and walked away. He left Riki grumbling, annoyed by Leon's behavior. The older he got, the more Leon acted like a teenager going through puberty.

Leon was sometimes very mature and charismatic, but he had a free spirit that didn't care about his surroundings.

Riki didn't know, there were good things and bad things. Riki thought Leon was balanced, making it impossible for Riki to hate him.

[Are you ready for the second mission, master?]

Riki furrowed his brow. Second mission? Oh, Riki had forgotten that fighting the black fairy last night was his first mission.

"Can I just sleep in this morning? I only slept for about four hours, then woke up to cook the venison," Riki complained, stretching his stiff muscles.

[Alright, this mission can be postponed until later]

[Your health is more important]

Riki closed the cottage door, then climbed up to the tree house. He was about to go back to sleep.

But just as he lay down on the bed, he heard his smartphone ring. Riki quickly grabbed it and looked to see who was calling.

Riki frowned when he saw Anton's name on the screen.

Why was Anton calling Riki?

Reluctantly, Riki answered the phone.

"What's up, Anton? I'm really sleepy and want to sleep—"

(Riki, listen to me first, okay? I think this is important. You remember your father's cousin, right? That's Uncle Rino and Aunt Nela. He is your father's uncle's son. Do you remember him lending money to your father or not?)

Riki fell silent, trying to remember someone named Rino— oh! That sly man.

He was a man with the same greedy nature as Anton's father— or Anton's stepfather, Edward.

Edward and Edwin had several cousins. One of the most cunning was Rino. He was a cousin of Riki and Anton's father.

If Edwin is Rino's cousin on his mother's side, then Edward is Rino's cousin on his father's side.

All this time, Rino and his wife, Nela, had moved abroad and always said they were successful there. When Riki really needed help, they couldn't be contacted. Even when they could be contacted, they said things to Riki that were very hurtful.

"You're like a leech! Don't cling to other people. We are nobodies, just relatives by chance. If I had a choice, I wouldn't want to have a nephew like you, who only knows how to ask for things, Riki."

Thanks to Uncle Rino's words, Riki became even more convinced that he was alone in this world. He had no relatives left.

"What did they say to you, Anton?" asked Riki.

(Hmm, no, let's talk about it when you're awake, Riki. Your health is far more important. Sorry, I thought you had just woken up, but it turns out you weren't asleep—)

Riki quickly replied, "Tell me now, Anton! I order you to tell me what happened, NOW!"

On the other end of the phone, Anton, who had just woken up, jumped in surprise. Riki almost never yelled at him. Now, Anton could feel fear just from being yelled at like that. Riki was really angry this time.

(O...okay, calm down, Riki. Here's what happened...)

Anton then told him about last night. At that time, Anton had just returned from the shell beach with Sean and Sofie because construction had begun there.

Everything was very pleasant, and they returned home feeling happy.

Then the servant said that there were guests from abroad.

Anton was confused because he knew that no one from abroad would come.

When he met the guests, they were already eating various luxurious foods at the dining table. Anton, Sean, and Sofie were very surprised.

They were even more surprised when they admitted that they were Riki and Anton's uncle and aunt.

In fact, Anton had forgotten that he had an uncle like that. Uncle Rino and Aunt Nela still didn't know that Anton was also Edwin's son, still thinking that Anton was Sandra and Edward's son.

Suddenly, Rino said.

"Edwin owes me millions of dollars. Riki must know all about it. Hahaha, I won't demand payment right away. I'm not that cruel to my own nephew. I'll just stay here until Riki comes and pays off all his debts, okay?"

After that, Rino asked to sleep in the biggest room, which was Riki's room.

Then Aunt Nela said, "Riki is very kind, he won't mind if we sleep in his room."

Fortunately, Anton had whispered to the butler not to obey that order. Anton was afraid that there were some of Riki's personal belongings hidden in Riki's room, or important documents left behind. So they agreed that Riki had taken all the keys to the rooms, even the spare keys.

Finally, they gave up and took Sean's room. Sean didn't mind; he could sleep in another room. Fortunately, Sean didn't have anything important in that room.

It didn't stop there. Rino and Nela continued to make unreasonable demands after that.

That morning, Anton woke up to the butler's report that Rino and Nela had taken Riki's Rolls-Royce. Nela also brazenly opened Selene's room, took one of Selene's Dior bags, and used it. Nela also wore Selene's best clothes and used Selene's makeup.

Then, when Anton called Riki, Sofie was crying, being comforted by Sean. This was because Nela had taken Sofie's necklace and bracelet, which Sean had bought for her yesterday. Nela said she would only wear them that day, and Sofie couldn't argue, she could only cry afterwards.

Hearing all this explanation made Riki's head spin with dizziness.

(Riki, hurry home and kick them out, I'm afraid they'll take many other luxury items)

"Okay, but I might be able to come home tonight or tomorrow morning, is that okay?"

Anton sounded panicked, but then he said, (It's okay.)

Actually, Riki was also panicked at that moment, he wouldn't be able to sleep well.

Chapter 98: 98. Evil relatives

"Go to sleep, master! I'll sing you a lullaby so you can sleep—"

"Twaila, can you keep an eye on Uncle Rino and Aunt Nela? They might sell anything they can get their hands on from my mansion. I know I can buy it all back, but I can't let them sell my things and enjoy the money." said Riki, sitting back down.

Twaila, who had gone to the trouble of giving Riki a potion so he could sleep soundly, had also played him a song to calm him down. Now she finally gave up, because Riki's restless mind was too strong. No potion or spell would be able to make Riki sleep if he was still anxious about his uncle and aunt.

"In that case, I will watch over them now, master. So sleep, you need a lot of energy, so you must sleep," said Twaila.

Riki nodded, "Yes, I will sleep now, but you go watch over them."

"Don't worry."

Twaila approached Riki and kissed his forehead. A kiss on the forehead from a fairy could make the recipient feel calm, and any restlessness would quickly disappear.

And finally, Riki fell asleep. Perhaps it was because the dreamless sleep potion that Riki bought from the system store only took effect after Riki felt calm.

Twaila smiled slightly, then flew away and disappeared. She teleported to where Rino and Nela were.

The two greedy humans were trying to sell Riki's car to someone.

Because they were trying to sell it to a large car dealer, official documents were required. However, since Rino and Nela couldn't find them, they left the place.

Using her powers, Twaila went back to an hour earlier and went to see Jake.

Twaila thought that only Jake would be firm enough to reprimand Rino and Nela. This was because Jake also had a certain charisma that could make people afraid. Actually, Twaila could have asked Evan or Anton for help, but Evan was busy, and Anton... he was too soft to forbid Rino from using anything that belonged to Riki. Anton felt that he had no right to Riki's possessions, so that made Anton feel that he also had no right to forbid them.

"What did you say?" Jake glared after hearing Twaila's explanation.

In fact, Jake was very happy that Twaila had suddenly come to his apartment. Jake wanted to invite her to breakfast, but Twaila didn't like small talk.

"I was asked by Boss Riki to watch over them, but if I just watch, our boss's car will be sold. You know I'm a woman, right? I would lose against our boss's uncle and aunt. Even Anton and Sean are powerless against them. And you have that document, right? The one that states that some of the boss's cars are company cars?"

Jake, who had just woken up and didn't fully understand what was happening, simply followed Twaila's instructions.

Suddenly, they were at the car dealership.

"There they are, Jake!" Twaila pointed to two people who had just gotten out of Riki's car.

"Really? They actually brought Riki's car? And Riki doesn't know they're going to sell it?" Jake asked.

Twaila showed Jake the original documents for the car. "The boss handed everything over to me, Jake. But tell them that the boss doesn't know yet. We can say that we are the boss's assistants who oversee all of the boss's belongings, especially those that still belong to the company."

Jake ruffled his hair, still not ready for the emotions of the morning, because he had just woken up.

"Calm down, Jake, you can do it. You also have to threaten them not to sell the boss's stuff, or his cousin's stuff, okay?" said Twaila.

Jake nodded, "Alright, let's go down. But I'll get a bonus for this, right?"

Twaila nodded, "Yup! Your bonus is that you get to go on a date with me."

Hearing that, Jake fell silent and froze. Twaila laughed because she was only joking. And she couldn't believe it when Jake said, "Then I'll do everything right, and we'll go on a date today, okay? I'll decide where."

Excitedly, Jake got out of the car and opened the door for Twaila.

"Do you really want to go on a date with me?" asked Twaila.

"Of course, why would I refuse?"

Twaila, who was still confused, became even more confused when Jake held out his hand. Then he said in a soft voice.

"I know you're just joking, Twaila, but if you want, we can still go on a date. We can go on a date while keeping an eye on Riki's uncle and aunt."

Twaila was even more amazed by Jake's smile. She couldn't believe there was a man who was gentler and kinder than Riki. He was truly the ideal man.

"In that case, let's see how things go first. We might go on a date while keeping an eye on them."

Then they both laughed together, before remembering that they still had a mission to stop Rino and Nela from selling Riki's car.

"Do you think I'm stingy?"

That afternoon, around two o'clock, heavy rain fell. From what should have been sunny and hot weather, it suddenly became cloudy and rainy.

Riki had just woken up, and he felt relieved when Twaila reported via telepathy that she and Jake had successfully stopped Rino and Nela from selling Riki's Rolls-Royce. Jake even managed to scare Rino so much that he didn't dare to sell anything else he had

taken from Riki's house. After all the legal threats Jake had made, Rino returned to the mansion, escorted by Jake and Twaila.

When Jake explained everything to Anton, Sean, Sofie, and Selene, they were furious with the man.

Sean, who initially seemed soft and weak, dared to kick Rino and Nela out afterwards.

They left, but then asked to stay at Edward's house, which was currently occupied by Andre, Anton's older brother.

Since Edward was actually Rino's distant cousin, and Edward and Rino were both cunning and bullies as teenagers, they were close. Rino was also close to Andre. In fact, there was still Sofie's father's house, who was a cousin with a closer relationship.

What was certain was that Riki was sure that Rino and Nela would come back to disturb Riki's life when he returned home.

Because in their memory, Riki was an awkward, crybaby, weak nephew who was easily fooled.

Riki's anxiety resurfaced when he went down to the cottage and saw Zeno and Kaivan, who had just returned from buying various junk foods from a fairly popular place.

While eating, they could see Riki looking restless. So, in the end, Riki explained what was happening.

And the question Riki had asked earlier was exactly what Riki was thinking at that moment.

"Of course not, Riki. What part of all that makes you stingy? Of course they are wrong for doing whatever they want. What normal person would suddenly come to their nephew's house, ask for fancy food, forcefully take their nephew's car, and want to sell it without their nephew's permission? Only crazy and greedy people would do that," said Zeno, feeling annoyed just hearing Riki's story.

"You did the right thing. Luckily, Jake memorized all those legal provisions and managed to scare your uncle away. Otherwise, they would have tried to sell other items secretly. Right?" replied Kaivan.

"How can there be people like that in this world?" said Nicho, chewing on his cheese pizza.

Kaivan laughed, then ruffled the boy's hair, making Nicho grumble as he smoothed his hair back.

"Of course there are many people like that in this world, Nicho. There are many like that in my family too, even though they have no shortage of money. But when my family looks happy, they don't like it. Even though we are still close relatives," said Kaivan.

"There are many people like that in my family too, especially since my father and uncle are among the five richest people in this country. They are greedy and always ask for help. If my father or uncle get fed up and don't want to help anymore, they get angry and act as if they have never been helped at all. They really have no self-awareness," replied Zeno, looking very emotional as he remembered those inconsiderate people who still had the nerve to call themselves close relatives.

"I'm relieved that it's not just my family who is like that," muttered Riki.

"You're relieved?" asked Kaivan.

Riki nodded, "I think other people's relatives are all good, understanding, helpful... I've always felt that only my relatives are evil and try hard to bring down my family. You know, the plan to kill my father, my mother, and the plan to take over my father's company... all of it was planned by people who call themselves relatives and close friends. I know not everyone is good, but why are almost all of my relatives evil to my family?"

They fell silent upon hearing this. Because none of them had relatives who were that evil.

And then, Nicho's remark made them feel even sadder.

"You guys are so lucky, huh? I don't even know who my parents are or if I still have any relatives."

Riki put his arm around Nicho's shoulder, "What are you saying? Now, you're my little brother. So, I'm your relative."

"Hahaha, I know. Besides, I don't even want to know who my parents are," Nicho said casually.

However, it was Riki who was curious.

Who were Nicho's parents, really?

Chapter 99: 99. Get arrested

As Riki had expected, Rino and his wife returned when they found out that Riki was already at the mansion.

It was morning. Around eight in the morning, Riki arrived at the mansion with Nicho. Riki thought he could rest after that, because Twaila and Jake had already handled some of the work.

Anton, who was at the mansion with Sofie at the time, didn't dare disturb Riki, knowing that he must be tired. In fact, they wanted to tell Riki many things.

So Anton took the initiative to buy some bread from a very famous bakery near the campus. It was a bakery that Riki had helped in the past. Now the bakery had grown bigger. Although they were actually capable of opening a new branch, the bakery just wanted to stay where it was.

After Anton and Sofie returned from the bakery, carrying several large boxes filled with various types of bread and cakes, the people arrived.

"I know Riki is back, tell him we're here," said Rino, who had come not only with his wife, but also with Andre.

Anton and Sofie looked at each other, hesitant to wake Riki just for them, knowing that they would surely hurt Riki again.

"Quickly call your brother and give me that box. It has cakes in it, right?"

Andre roughly snatched a box of cakes.

Anton couldn't fight back at that moment. He was strong, even stronger than Andre. However, he couldn't argue with Andre.

Even when his parents' house, which should have been transferred to Anton thanks to Riki paying off the debt, Andre took it, intending to sell it, but changed his mind after learning it had become Anton's property. Despite that, Andre still wanted to live in the house. Though he had already acquired another property belonging to Edward, which he didn't want to sell to pay off his parents' debts. He even deliberately ran away on vacation abroad so that only Anton would have to deal with the mess caused by his parents.

Andre didn't remember that before his parents were arrested, he had helped Edward to drive Anton away.

Indeed, unlike his strong muscles, Anton's mentality was too weak to face Andre.

In the end, Anton chose to give in and took Sofie away from there.

"Sofie, don't leave your room, okay? They are bad people. He is as bad as your father and my parents," said Anton, while giving Sofie a box of cookies.

"Eat that while watching a movie or something. I'll be back when everything is done," added Anton.

Sofie obeyed Anton and nodded her head. Sofie had also been afraid of Rino for as long as she could remember. Even Sofie's parents didn't like Rino and his wife, whom they considered cunning and annoying. In fact, Sofie's parents were also cunning and annoying.

After closing Sofie's room tightly, Anton reluctantly woke Riki up.

It was around ten in the morning.

Riki was forced to wake up when he heard Anton's voice saying that Rino had arrived.

Riki wanted to curse at that moment. He hadn't even had enough sleep, but the people he least wanted to see had arrived.

"I think Andre has told them that I am actually your brother," said Anton.

Riki ruffled his hair, frustrated just imagining having to face Rino again.

Riki still remembered that Rino and Nela had never considered him their nephew all this time. They always insulted Riki, calling him a leech when he really needed adult help.

Then, when Riki had everything, those shameless people came to him.

"I'll be behind you, Riki," said Anton again.

Riki snorted, even though it was clear that Anton was just as scared as he was.

"All right, let's face them, Anton."

[Your first mission today is to kick your uncle and aunt out of your mansion. Make sure to kick them out so badly that they feel ashamed.

[Your reward is an additional 3 points for all stats]

Riki went downstairs with Anton to meet Rino, Nela, and Andre.

When Riki and Anton arrived downstairs, they saw Nela trying to take some expensive small decorations from the living room.

Riki cleared his throat loudly, causing the woman to panic.

"Oh, you're awake, Riki? I was just about to come get you because you took so long. Let's talk in the living room," said Nela, feeling no guilt at all for taking things from Riki's house.

Riki felt terrible at that moment, his mood instantly turning sour.

"What do you want, Uncle and Auntie?" asked Riki, immediately after sitting down in front of them. Anton also sat next to Riki. He glanced at Andre, who was eating cake greedily. It made Anton feel very embarrassed, even though it was Andre who was doing it.

"Not much, Riki, we just want your help. All this time, we've always helped you, haven't we? We just want you to return the favor. As a nephew who now has a lot of money, fifty million dollars must be very small for you, right? Your uncle needs a lot of money for our various needs. We are in great difficulty because I just got fired, Riki. It's only fifty million dollars, very small, isn't it?" said Rino.

Riki laughed out loud, "How much did my uncle say? Fifty million dollars?"

Seeing that Riki was very relaxed and didn't seem angry, Rino laughed too.

"That's right, just consider this as repayment for all the a lot of help your uncle has given you over the years, isn't that right, Riki?"

Riki smiled slightly, "Helped me a lot? Hmm, in that case, it should be returned."

"Hey, don't forget, you have to return the name of my house to my name, not Anton's. I have more right to it than he does," Andre suddenly interjected, surprising Anton. He didn't expect Andre to dare say that to Riki.

Rino and Nela's sly smiles widened, "I knew it, you are a devoted nephew. If it weren't for us, you wouldn't be this successful, Riki. You would probably have starved to death if we hadn't helped you," replied Nela.

Riki laughed again, this time louder than before.

"Hahahaha, that's so funny... very funny... okay, okay, I'll pay you back for what you did to me," said Riki, then he stood up.

This confused them greatly.

"What do you mean, Riki?" asked Nela.

Riki clapped his hands several times, then several butlers and maids came.

They were all professional butlers and maids recruited from a large company.

The company had trained the prospective maids and butlers very well until they graduated and could be employed. One of the requirements for graduation was that they had to be skilled in martial arts. So obviously, they were all very strong.

One maid alone could defeat an average adult man.

"Why did you call them all?" asked Rino, starting to look panicked.

Riki grinned, "To get rid of you guys, of course. You want me to return the favor for what you did to me back then, right? Did you guys ever give me fifty million dollars? You never even gave me five dollars! And you expect me to still be nice after you tried to sell my car behind my back? If Jake didn't know, you guys would have run away with all the money you got from selling my car, right? Hahaha— aren't you ashamed? Or maybe you guys have amnesia. Have you forgotten that you once said to me, 'You're like a leech! Don't cling to other people, we're nobodies, just relatives by chance. If I had a choice, I wouldn't want to have a nephew like you, who only knows how to ask for things, Riki.' And now, who is the leech and who is the one who likes to ask for things?" said Riki.

Riki signaled to his butler and maid to arrest the three cunning people.

"Let me go, Hey— AARRHHH!!!"

Rino shouted as he fought back and accidentally twisted his hand.

"Don't treat us like this, your fathers, Edwin, borrowed a lot of money from us to start a company—"

Riki quickly interrupted Nela.

"The debt? I know about it. But do you have any proof that the debt has not been paid off? What I have is proof from my father's company report that you two took money from my father's company and my father had to compensate for it with his own money. Don't worry, I have reported the case to the authorities, you will be picked up soon," said Riki.

"Nonsense! There is no such evidence because Edward burned it all!" shouted Rino.

Riki laughed again when he heard this, "Burned? No, those pieces of evidence are still safely stored in his safe. It seems that your beloved cousin Edward deliberately kept them so he could bring you down later. And Andre... that house belongs to Anton, because I bought it from the bank. If you don't like Anton having that house, give me three million dollars to buy it back."

They were dragged away by the butlers and maids. They shouted insults at Riki, but Riki just laughed at them.

They were terrified when they saw two police cars actually coming to arrest them.

"Rino and Nela, you are under arrest for stealing company money, and Andre, you are under arrest for collaborating with several parties to commit fraud and sell drugs," said the police officer.

Riki turned to Anton, "I didn't know Andre had such problems."

Anton smiled, "I also didn't know he was arrested now, because I only reported it yesterday afternoon."

Chapter 100: 100. Get sick

Riki woke up with a headache. He even had trouble sitting up, so he decided to stay lying down.

"What time is it?" he muttered hoarsely.

Riki's door opened, and Sean entered carrying a tray that Riki couldn't see the contents of.

"Oh, you're awake, Riki? How are you feeling? Are you in pain?" Sean asked.

Riki just muttered, then turned his head toward the tray Sean was carrying. When he turned his head, his head throbbed again, the pain so intense that Riki closed his eyes.

"Let me help you sit up, okay? You seem to be in pain, Riki."

Riki just remained silent, his brain seemingly stopped working. He just obeyed whatever Sean said.

Sean helped Riki sit up and placed two large pillows behind his back.

"You've been sleeping since this afternoon, and now it's nine o'clock at night. Your forehead was hot earlier, but I think it's cooler now," said Sean, lifting a small bowl of porridge.

He was about to feed Riki, but suddenly Riki said,

"It doesn't look good."

Sean put the spoon back down. "Sick people always think that all food tastes bad because they lose their appetite. But you have to eat so you can get well soon, okay?"

Sean tried to feed Riki again, and Riki accepted it, even though he didn't seem to like the porridge at all.

"Is Riki awake?"

Suddenly Selene came in with Liz. It was Liz who had just asked the question.

"Oh my gosh, so you can get sick too, Riki?" Selene asked, sounding like she was teasing him, but she also looked very worried.

"Let me feed him, Sean," Liz said.

"Look, he looks happy that you're going to feed him," Selene said again as Liz took Sean's place.

Riki glanced at Selene irritably, but he couldn't argue or fight back because he was too weak to even lift his hand or speak.

But why did Riki suddenly get sick? Riki was sure he was fine when he chose to sleep after Rino, Nela, and Andre were caught. Riki, who was really tired and needed sleep at that time, didn't have time to eat lunch and went straight to sleep.

Suddenly, when he woke up from his sleep at night, he was already sick.

[You are just tired and thinking too much, master. You are experiencing stress]

[The system has warned you to rest well, but you keep thinking about your uncle]

[According to the system, you must enjoy your pain so that you can rest well, because your body and mind need peace]

[Because if you use something instant like healing potions too much, your body will feel tired]

[Ordinary humans like you need pain so that your body can recover to its original state]

Riki knew he was thinking too much about Rino, to the point that he was looking for evidence about Rino and others, so that when Rino came to the mansion, Rino would be arrested immediately. Riki had prepared his plan well, without thinking about his own physical condition.

Riki thought he was thinking too much about his uncle because he was shocked. Suddenly, his uncle, who had never cared about him and didn't consider him his nephew, came out of nowhere and caused trouble.

Fortunately, Riki had checked everything in the safe that Edward kept as soon as Anton gave him the safe. Riki had also sorted through everything to use later.

Even though he knew that Rino was cunning, his uncle's name was the last thing Riki thought would bother him. First, because Rino had been living abroad. Second, because Rino always boasted that he had a successful business abroad.

Therefore, Riki thought Rino had a lot of money, so he would not bother Riki at all. Moreover, Rino was the type to be proud, at least, that's what Riki thought. Because in the past, Rino was the first person to mock Riki's family. Rino didn't even come to Riki's father's funeral, even though Rino was his father's cousin. Even Edward and Sandra came.

Riki didn't know why his uncle suddenly showed up and caused trouble. It seemed that greedy nature was indeed hard to stop.

A greedy person wouldn't hesitate to eat their words just for money.

"Now, take your medicine, okay?" said Liz, smiling broadly because Riki had managed to eat all of his porridge.

"Earlier he said that the porridge looked unappetizing," said Sean.

"How dare you say that, Riki! Sofie, Nicho, and I made that porridge. They were both very worried about you. Now they're asleep," said Selene.

"It's fine," replied Riki, which was clearly a lie. Riki couldn't even tell if the medicine he was taking was bitter or not. But it seemed like Riki swallowed it right away, so it didn't taste bitter.

"You're lying, your tongue must be numb, right?" replied Selene again.

"You've eaten and taken your medicine, so now you have to sleep, Riki," said Liz.

"He probably can't sleep, Liz, just stay with him here. I have a drama shoot with Deva tomorrow, so I have to sleep now," said Sean, ready to pull Selene out with him.

"What? I can stay with Riki too— "

Sean immediately covered Selene's mouth.

"We're both going to do our regular skincare routine! Come on, Selene!"

The sound of the door being slammed shut was very loud.

Riki chuckled afterwards, but he immediately stopped when Liz's face was suddenly one centimeter in front of him.

Riki fell silent, mesmerized by the girl's face. Even though Liz wasn't wearing any makeup at all, instead of looking strange, she looked even more beautiful.

"So you can't sleep, Riki?" asked Liz.

Riki nodded, "Yeah, I've been sleeping for several hours, now I can't sleep."

Liz moved her face away from Riki, looking deep in thought.

"Then... we can watch a movie together. I'm not sleepy either."

Riki shook his head, "No need to watch a movie, I'm sure there are many things you want to tell me, right? We haven't exchanged messages for several days because you've been very busy preparing for your debut." said Riki, patting the spot next to him.

Liz immediately sat down next to Riki, hugging the young man who was much bigger than her.

At that moment, Liz realized that Riki didn't have any body odor. Liz's nose was quite sensitive to certain smells. Even when Kaivan sweated a little, Liz could smell the difference.

But Liz had never smelled anything particular from Riki. Except when Riki wore perfume.

"Before I tell you, Riki... tell me, is it true that you kissed Ella?"

Riki's eyes widened, he had forgotten about that incident.

Riki looked panicked, even though Liz didn't seem angry. That made Liz chuckle.

"Oh my god, Riki, you got caught! She's still underage, Riki!"

"That's not true, she kissed me first, then I pushed her away. She probably likes me because I helped her, that's all."

Liz laughed even harder, then she rested her head on Riki's chest, which was beating quite fast because Riki was nervous.

"I know that, Riki. Ella is still going through puberty, so it's no wonder she's like that. She'll understand when she's older. I pretended to be angry with her and said I would compete with her. But actually, I only did that because she's so cute. She's convinced she'll compete with me. But if you like her, I don't mind. I'll give in—"

"Why are you giving in? You don't have to give in to anyone. Do what you want to do without thinking about other people's feelings. Think about your feelings first, then other

people's. Giving in too much is not good, Liz. Besides, I like you, not her. Do you think I'm crazy, liking an underage girl?" replied Riki, his voice hoarse. Liz smiled, touched that Riki had said all that for her. Even from his voice alone, it was clear that Riki's throat hurt when he spoke.

"Then I'll compete fairly with her."

"What kind of competition is that, if the winner is already clear?" asked Riki.

Liz laughed and kissed Riki on the cheek.

"But our relationship is unclear..."

"That's because you said you weren't ready to date me and wanted to focus on your career, right?"

Liz smiled slightly, feeling guilty towards Riki.

"I don't think I can until I'm sure that my career will be fine in the future, Riki. I also can't disappoint the others. My group members, staff, producers, and others... They all work hard. If I date you and mess things up, I'll be a burden to them."

Riki pulled his lips into a smile. Then he pinched Liz's soft, supple cheek.

"You really are a good girl, you think too much about other people. But this time I agree with you. You have to focus on your career, I know it's very important to you. I won't be selfish either, Liz, I'll wait for you."

Liz chuckled, then brought her face closer and kissed Riki on the lips.

"Actually, Riki, if I may be honest, I'm afraid," said Liz, still holding both sides of Riki's face.

"Afraid of what?"

"You are very handsome, with a body proportions that any woman would love, you also have a lot of money, and I'm sure... there are many other women who are after you, right? To be honest, Miss Celine likes you too, right? In fact, I know Angeline still likes you."

"Liz..."

Liz shook her head while closing her eyes, "You probably want to say I shouldn't give up for myself, right? But I feel selfish, Riki. For my sake, Angeline gave up... it's not fair to her."

