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Jessie had opted for bright-colored fabrics — the type of fabric that was the least chosen by designers. No doubt the fabrics were appealing with striking colors, yet the design really mattered. With an outdated design, the outfits made of bright-colored fabrics would turn out to be failures. As a result, the stylish and classy images of models in those outfits would be tarnished as well. Thus, most designers avoided choosing bright-colored fabrics during competitions. To Natalie's surprise, Jessie did not opt for any other type of fabric other than the bright-colored ones. Huh! She's highly confident in her design!

"Ms. Smith, thanks for your compliment. I'd better don't interrupt you anymore. Besides, I have to start sewing my outfit as well." Jessie nodded slightly at her and walked away.

Natalie shifted her gaze away from her after a while and continued to focus on her tasks.

The woman managed to get her outfit sewn two hours later. She brought along the outfit backstage to get Sally prepared for the runway session. However, there was no sign of the model there.

"Where is she?" Natalie mumbled in bewilderment and grabbed one of the models' arms. "Excuse me, have you seen my model?" she asked anxiously.

The model happened to know Natalie, so she was aware that Sally was her model. After all, Sally had basked in the limelight lately. Many from the fashion industry thought highly of her and predicted that she would emerge as one of the most successful models in the near future. Thus, the other models also tended to establish a good relationship with her.

The model shook her head and replied to Natalie at once. "She stepped out after answering a call three hours ago. Since then, she hasn't come back yet."

Three hours ago? Natalie twitched her lips. That should match the timing when I was locked in the toilet and gave her a call! So, she didn't come back after that? Could it be she's still looking for people to identify the fingerprints on the broom?

Natalie put down her clothes and whipped out her cell phone to give Sally a call. The call went through, yet nobody answered it.

Natalie's heart sank. What's the matter? Is her cell phone on silent mode, or has she left it somewhere? Gosh, I hope nothing bad happened to her!

No matter what it was, Natalie was under extreme circumstances.

She glanced at her watch and muttered to herself, "It's ten minutes to four now. The fashion show will start exactly one hour later! I wonder if she will be back in time."

Natalie rubbed her head in frustration and slumped on the chair in weariness. She tried to calm herself down by thinking positively. I should wait a little longer. What if she is on the way back at the moment?

After waiting patiently for about half an hour, the other designers brought their outfits backstage one by one. Models started to get changed and have their makeup done. Even so, Sally was still nowhere to be seen.

Natalie was growing restless. She stood up and could barely wait any longer.

When she was about to step out to look for Sally, Jessie's voice sounded from behind. "Ms. Smith, where is your model?" There was even a sense of bafflement in her tone.

Natalie froze in her steps and turned to look at Jessie.

The latter blinked her eyes and continued to ask as she looked around. "If I'm not wrong, you finished sewing your outfit long ago. Why is it still there? Where is Sally?"

Natalie pursed her lips and answered impatiently, "Yeah, that's why I'm thinking of stepping out to look for her."

"Look for her?" Jessie was stupefied and gasped, "Ms. Smith, does it mean to say that you are also clueless of where your model is now?"

"Sort of," Natalie replied indifferently and took the outfit before she left the dressing room.

She did not dare to take the risk of leaving it in the dressing room. If anyone takes the opportunity to destroy it, everything will turn upside down!

Jessie continued to gaze at Natalie till her figure was finally out of sight. She stroked her chin as her mind drifted into contemplation.

Two seconds later, she whipped out her cell phone and made a call. "Sally Oswald is not back till now. Did you do anything?"

A woman's voice could be heard from the other side of the line, "Yes. I bumped into her outside the security room when I was trying to destroy the security footage near the restroom. She was there for the security footage as well. Therefore, I struck her on the head and knocked her unconscious. I'm not sure if she has awoken."

Jessie's lips lifted into a sly smile. "She's still not back till now. I guess she hasn't come to herself yet. Well done! As long as Natalie is unable to look for Sally, she will be disqualified."

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Initially, Jessie expected Natalie to be kicked out of the competition for being late. Out of her expectation, the woman had managed to be back on time. Huh! Now that she has no clue about Sally's whereabouts, it's definitely a twist! As long as Sally can't be back in time, she won't be able to do anything. She will surely miss a boat this round!

She hung up blissfully and made her way back to the make-up room to apply make-up for Hannah. Jessie was seemingly over the moon because of the sure bet that Natalie would be disqualified for being late. Even Hannah could not dim Jessie's spirits.

In the meantime, Natalie continued calling Sally as she made her way toward the dressing room where Shane and the kids were. Again, her model did not answer her calls. Right that instant, Natalie was panic-stricken; she was sure that something must have befallen Sally.

"Connor." Natalie knocked on the door of the dressing room.

The door opened within seconds, and Shane emerged at once. He raised his brows and asked surprisingly, "Why are you here during the competition?"

"I don't have time to explain things. Where's Connor?" she asked hastily.

Shane stood aside and let her step in. "He's inside."

Shane narrowed his eyes as Natalie stepped into the room hurriedly. Did anything happen? He closed the door swiftly and followed her.

"Connor!" Natalie called out as she advanced toward the kids.

Connor was playing games with Sharon to kill time. His eyes lit up the moment he saw Natalie. "Mommy!"

Sharon climbed down from the sofa instantly and dashed toward Natalie. "Mommy, you're back! Can we go home now?" Wrapping her arms around Natalie's legs, she asked excitedly.

Natalie stroked Sharon's hair affectionately. "Darling, we can't go home yet as the competition hasn't ended. Just wait for a while more, okay?"

"Alright," Sharon mumbled and lowered her head in disappointment.

Natalie patted her shoulder gently to console her daughter. "Darling, can you have your own fun for a while? I have something to discuss with Connor."

"Alright." Sharon moved aside obediently.

Connor glanced at Natalie and asked inquisitively, "Mommy, what's it?"

"I need you to do me a favor," Natalie replied.

Shane approached them and asked curiously, "What's the matter?"

"Sally is missing. I need Connor's help to trace her current location with her phone number. This is her number." She handed her cell phone to him. Connor took a look at the number and learned it by heart. Next, he accessed a mysterious website directly with the cell phone and connected the satellite system to trace her current location based on her phone number.

As long as Sally was having her phone with her, Connor would be able to track her no matter where she was. Even so, Natalie was worried that Sally's cell phone was not by her side at the moment. She gazed at Connor apprehensively with her hands clasped.

Shane wrapped his arms around Natalie and asked softly, "What happened? Sally is missing? How is that possible?"

As Natalie's model, I'm sure Sally knows the importance to comply with the dos and don'ts of the competition. It doesn't make sense for her to go elsewhere impulsively without informing Natalie. It seems that something terrible has befallen her.

Natalie rubbed her face wearily. "It's my fault. I went to the washroom right before the competition started and ended up getting locked in the toilet. Someone was seemingly setting me up so I would be disqualified for being late."

"What?" Shane stiffened. I can't believe that actually happened!

Natalie let out a deep sigh and continued to explain, "I gave Sally a call and requested her to come to my rescue. Someone had actually locked me from outside with a broom. After she got me

out, I asked for her help to get the fingerprints from the broom identified. Apart from that, I thought of finding out the person who locked me up in the toilet. Thus, I reminded her to drop by the security room and have a look at the security footage near the restroom. She has not come back since then.”

“I bet something must have happened to her,” Shane commented abruptly.

Natalie agreed and nodded. “I share the same sentiments as you.”

Initially, she assumed that Sally was not back yet from the fingerprint identification, but she thought otherwise after giving the situation some thought.

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It was almost her turn, but Natalie didn't receive a single call from Sally. At that moment, she could sense that something had befallen her.

“Shane, I would be devastated if anything bad happened to Sally,” said Natalie anxiously as she grabbed Shane's arm. She worried about Sally's safety more than the competition.

“Don't worry. I'm here for you.” He tried to assure her and patted her back lightly when he saw her body tremble with fear. Her sorrowful eyes overflowed with tears.

Sally, where are you?

Just when Natalie was feeling overwhelmed with emotions, Connor shouted, “I found her!”

Natalie pushed Shane away and rushed to her son. Instead of being offended or hurt by her action, the man found it fascinating and raised his brows in response.

Anxiously, Natalie asked, “Connor, where is she?”

His son immediately passed her the phone and pointed at the red pin shown on the screen. "She's at the exit staircase of the building, but we can't tell the exact level from this floor plan."

The floor plan only showed a view from above, so it was impossible for them to indicate her specific location.

"Mommy, you'll need to send a few more people to find her on each floor," he reminded her.

Natalie nodded in acknowledgement.

"Leave it to me. I'm one of the investors of the competition. I can assign more men to look for her." Shane stepped forward to offer help.

"Okay. I really appreciate that, Shane." She nodded as she squeezed her hands anxiously into fists.

The man gently caressed her hair, then took out his phone from the pocket.

A few minutes later, they received good news from the searchers. Sally was found unconscious in a trash bin located at an emergency stairway not far from the surveillance room. The bump on the back of her head was concrete evidence that she had gotten hit.

Natalie breathed a sigh of relief when she heard that they found her alive. Then, anger began rippling through her. She couldn't believe Sally had been treated so brutally.

If Connor hadn't located her, she might have only been found at eight o'clock that night when the janitors came to collect the trash. By that time, Sally's life would have been in serious danger.

Sally was soon carried to the dressing room. Beside her was Natalie who couldn't help feeling concerned. Natalie took Sally's hands and asked with tears in her eyes, "Sal, are you okay?"

Lightheaded, the latter leaned back on the couch. After a while, she murmured, "Nat?"

“Yes, it’s me.” Natalie nodded profusely as tears coursed down her cheeks unchecked.

“It’s really you.”

“I’m here.”

Just then, Sally broke down into tears. “It’s really you. Thank God. I’m alive, Nat!” she wailed.

Natalie’s heart ached with pity for her, so she immediately hugged her and apologized.

Meanwhile, Shane just watched them with envy. His face darkened. He didn’t want to interrupt them, so he turned and left.

As soon as he stepped out of the room, the host of the competition approached him and bowed his head respectfully. “Mr. Thompson, I’m sorry that such an incident happened in this event. We will definitely investigate the case thoroughly and provide you with a full explanation.”

He didn’t expect that the designer who was almost late to the competition was actually the wife of Thompson Group’s CEO.

And, worst of all, her model was viciously attacked and shoved into a trash bin in order to sabotage her show.

The host promised to find the culprit. That person not only harmed the wife of a CEO — the reputation of such a prestigious international competition was also destroyed.

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By any means, the host of the competition needed to find the attacker and blacklist that person for good.

Shane saw an expression of fierce determination on the man’s face. He nodded in satisfaction and said, “Very well. Don’t

disappoint me, or else I will cancel my investment and ask my wife to withdraw from the competition.”

The host lurched slightly, and only after a moment did he nod gravely. “Rest assured. I won’t let you down.”

He was aware that the investment from such an important company like Thompson Group would only disadvantage them; it might affect the decision of other investors as well.

Besides, Natalie’s withdrawal from the competition would highly ruin their reputation, and the public would be suspicious of their fairness. After all, it was a totally different issue than the time when they would disqualify a contestant who broke a rule.

Thus, both situations were not favorable to him.

“Alright then,” Shane said as he lifted his chin. “One more thing. We just found my wife’s model, and she’s in a bad condition. She needs some treatment. I guess you can postpone the show by an hour, right?”

“Sure, that wouldn’t be a problem,” the latter replied affirmatively because that was the least they could do. It was not considered cheating.

“You go ahead and do. Also, send a doctor here at once,” Shane commanded.

“Yes, sir.” At that, the host left.

Shane returned to the dressing room and heard Natalie asking Sally about the attacker.

Sally held a warm cup of water with both hands. “I went to retrieve the security footage, but no one was in the surveillance room. When I was looking for the person in charge, I could hear footsteps following me. I turned my head, and...” she trailed off, her voice shaking.

“And what?” Natalie asked as she held her hands. The latter took a deep breath to remain composed and continued, “Just as soon as I turned my head, a baton whistle passed my ear. I felt pain in the back of my head, and I passed out.”

“Baton...” Natalie gasped. Her face was pale. “Didn’t that person know a blow of baton could be fatal?”

Human skulls were fragile — they could be easily breached when someone fell down, not to mention a violent jolt to the head. It was a great miracle that Sally had survived such a big blow.

“Did you manage to see that person’s face?” Shane asked as he looked at Sally.

She clenched the blanket in her fist. She nodded at first but then shook her head. “I didn’t see her face. I just noticed it was a blonde hair girl with a hood over her head. I presume she is a Westerner.”

“Westerner?” Natalie narrowed her eyes, deep in thought.

“Nat, do you think it’s the same person that locked you in the toilet room?” Sally asked. “I went to the surveillance room to check that. So I guess that same person tried to stop me by attacking me and tamper the footage.”

Then she paused to take a sip of water before she continued, “I think she didn’t expect me to go and check the footage in that instant, so she knocked me out in panic.”

Indeed, everyone at that competition was aware that she was Natalie’s model. Her intention to go to the surveillance room right after the incident was obvious.

“No, I don’t think so.” Natalie shook her head.

“Why makes you think so?” asked Sally as she blinked curiously.

“By the time you got attacked, the round had already started. The person who locked her must be one of the designers. After all, all the designers are so competitive,” Shane reasoned.

"He's right," Natalie said firmly as she nodded.

Realization soon dawned on Sally. "I see, so it was two different people. Do you think the one who attacked me was a model? I remember her being quite tall."

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Natalie mulled over Sally's words and said, "That's possible. The person who attacked you didn't want you to check the footage. It's possible that she's an accomplice of the one who locked me in the toilet."

"By the way, Nat. Did you guys retrieve the footage?" Sally asked as soon as she recalled her purpose. "Do they still have it?"

Shane and Natalie exchanged gazes. Then the latter shook her head in response. "I don't think so. The attacker must have taken it after she hit you unconscious."

At that moment, they realized it was impossible to identify the two women without the security footage.

"Sal, is the broom still there?" Natalie asked because that was the only clue they had.

The latter shook her head. "I don't know. I had the broom in my hand before the attack. But after that, I'm not sure if it was taken or not."

"Should I ask them to look for it?" Shane asked.

"We have no other choice," Natalie replied.

If the broom was nowhere to be found, they could only rely on the organizer to investigate both cases. Moreover, it would be easier to find the offenses through them because only a few designers participated in the competition that day.

“By the way, does Jessie have a male model or a female model?” asked Shane all of a sudden.

“Darling, are you suspecting...”

“Connor and I were monitoring the competition in the dressing room. Then Connor told me that Jessie was staring at you in hostility. So I’m making a guess here. Jessie was the one who locked you there. And if her model is a blonde hair lady, then we have solved the puzzle.”

“Her model is dark-haired Asian, and she is taller than the person who attacked me,” Sally spoke up.

He narrowed his eyes. “That means there are still many designers who are jealous of you.”

“Of course! Nat is a genius designer. It’s only natural for everyone to be jealous,” Sally scoffed.

Meanwhile, Natalie looked completely nonplussed. “Why are you flattering me when you’re in such a condition?”

Sally just sniggered. Suddenly, her eyes widened in shock, and she immediately stood up. Lightheaded, she lost her balance and slumped back into the couch.

“What are you doing?” Natalie was shocked. She quickly sat her up to keep Sally from fainting.

Sally held her forehead and apologized in a muffled voice, “Sorry, I suddenly remembered about the competition. Nat, did I make you...”

Natalie’s eyes dimmed before she could finish her sentence. In the next second, she put on a carefree smile and said, “It’s fine. The competition doesn’t matter, as long as you’re safe.”

The woman cared about her more than the competition because she knew she still had the chance to join it the following year.

“Nat... I’m so sorry, I...”

“The catwalk hasn’t started yet,” Shane interjected.

The two ladies froze in surprise.

“Darling, what did you just say?” His wife gazed at him with hope.

Sally had the same expression as her. “Mr. Shane, did you say that the catwalk hasn’t started yet?”

“Yeah, I asked the host to postpone it for an hour.”

Sally blinked in disbelief. “I didn’t hear you wrongly, did I?”

“No.” At that, Natalie’s eyes lit up. She launched herself to his embrace and thanked him.

Shane’s lips curled into a smile.

However, she pushed him away the very next second. Her happy expression had faded. She gazed up at him in worry and asked, “Darling, aren’t you abusing your power?”

She was aware that her husband was one of the investors in the competition.

He met her gaze. “No, I’m not. I just asked them to postpone the competition. It won’t do any harm to the designers anyway.”

“I’m glad to hear that.” Natalie breathed a sigh of relief.

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In the meantime, all the designers and models were waiting in the dressing room for the catwalk show to start. That being said, none of the models went up to the stage when the show was supposed to start. Because of this, everyone was starting to get riled up.

Peeved, Jessie had a scowl on her face.

Where are the models?

Shortly after, the host of the show came out of the dressing room and announced that the show would be delayed for an hour.

Upon hearing the announcement, the designers and models were rather perplexed as to why the show was being delayed.

In distress, Jessie's face turned pale.

Could it be that Natalie's model going missing is the reason why the competition is delayed?

A while later, the host glanced at the designers and models before uttering in a deep voice, "It has come to my attention that someone among you has deliberately injured Natalie's model. Sally is currently receiving treatment in the hospital. We'll continue the catwalk show once she's done with her treatment. Regarding this incident, the organizer has already instigated an investigation. With that said, I would suggest the culprit confess now, or else..."

The host turned around and left without finishing his sentence.

Terrified, the designers and models began trembling in fear.

With a pale look on her face, Jessie clenched her fists.

I can't believe Natalie actually found Sally!

Things are getting more complicated now that the organizer has instigated an investigation. If they find out I'm the one responsible, I'll be...

Not daring to think about the potential consequences she may face, Jessie got up and went to the restroom.

When she came back, the distressed expression on her face was surprisingly gone. She was even humming a song happily.

Seeing as such, Hannah went up to her and queried, "You look rather exuberant today, Ms. Syke."

Jessie gazed at her model and replied, "Really? I guess I'm just feeling happier than usual today."

Jessie was behaving so joyfully because she had gotten news that her traces had been removed. She was assured that her DNA wouldn't be found by the organizer.

The person who had assured her was the one who managed to escape that incident.

Moreover, Jessie was also told that another designer would be framed to take the blame instead.

Humph, I should've gotten Natalie out of the competition too.

A short while later, Natalie and Sally came back to the dressing room.

Sally looked pale and weak with a bandage wrapped around her head.

Curious, all the other designers and models quickly went up to them and bombarded them with questions.

Sally and Natalie gave them all a terse answer and sent them away.

"Ms. Smith." Just as Natalie was about to assist Sally with her make-up, Jessie approached Natalie.

"Ms. Syke, how may I help you?" Natalie raised her eyebrows.

"Oh, it's nothing. I just wanted to see how Sally was holding up. You're doing fine, right, Sally?" Jessie looked at Sally with a perturbed expression on her face.

Sally couldn't tell if Jessie was seriously concerned about her or not.

She's probably just putting on a show.

So, Sally responded apathetically, "Yes, I'm fine."

“That’s great.” The woman seemed very happy for Sally.

Natalie picked up her makeup brush before uttering, “Ms. Syke, could you please leave us? I know you’re done with your model’s make-up, but I’m just getting started with mine. Perhaps you could abstain from being a nudnik to us for a while?”

“Oh, sorry. I’ll leave right away.” Jessie let out a shy-looking smile and left.

“Nat, I think she’s only feigning her concern for me. She must’ve come here to make fun of me,” Sally murmured.

Natalie opened her makeup case and replied, “Enough talking about her. She’s not worth our time anyway. Close your eyes. I’ll start applying the makeup now.”

“Okay.” Sally nodded and shut her eyes.

In a blink of an eye, Sally’s makeup was finished.

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Glancing at her reflection on the mirror, Sally frowned. “The bandage on my head looks out of place. I’m worried it might impinge on your marks.”

Natalie pursed her lips. “You’re right.”

“Maybe we could use a hat to cover it?” Sally suggested.

Natalie’s eyes suddenly lit up. “Sal, you’re a lifesaver.”

Yes, that could work. Since this outfit is an integration of a wedding dress and a suit, she can wear a veil in front to cover the bandage.

That being said, I can’t have the veil covering her back. That would ruin the look from behind. Hmm... How about I make it so that the

veil only covers her face? I can use a jazz hat to cover the back of her head.

Natalie was glaring pensively at Sally's head. She then took a jazz hat and cut it in half with a scissor.

Bewildered by her action, Sally queried, "Nat, what are you doing?"

Since her voice was a bit loud, it caught the attention of the other models and designers, including Jessie.

Jessie was rather confused as to what Natalie was up to.

Natalie was reticent as she placed the hat that had been cut in half on the table. After that, she grabbed the white veil beside her and started cutting shapes out of it.

Then, she sewed the veil and one of the halves of the hat together. Lastly, she sewed two flower patterns as well as a diamond pattern onto the veil as her finishing touch.

And just like that, a new peculiar style of a veil was born.

Although the outfit was a weird integration of a wedding dress and a suit, it didn't look ugly at all. On the contrary, it looked rather unique and refreshing.

Natalie proceeded to put the veil on Sally's head.

Aside from covering the bandage on the model's head, the veil, together with the hat, was able to accurately illustrate the beauty of a bride as well as the suaveness of a groom.

Upon seeing the outfit, the other designers gave Natalie a round of applause.

"You're absolutely incredible, Natalie. How brilliant of you to be able to come with this."

"Yeah, I can't help but envy your profound sense of fashion."

"I guarantee this veil of yours will be the center of attention later."

Natalie passed the outfit over to Sally and told her to change into it. She then put on a fake smile and continued making small talk with the other designers.

Meanwhile, Jessie was glaring intently at Natalie while biting her nails. Her eyes were filled with jealousy.

"She's really popular, isn't she?" Hannah uttered sullenly.

Jessie narrowed her eyes.

Yeah, you don't have to tell me that.

It's all thanks to her face and talent.

To my chagrin, I can't hold a candle to her in either of those two aspects.

Jessie covered her face with her hand and remained taciturn.

After a while, she put down her hand and uttered, "When the competition is over later, I want you to look for Natalie. Try to provoke her."

"Okay." Hannah nodded.

Ten minutes later, the catwalk show finally started.

As expected, Natalie's design was able to capture everyone's attention.

They were all mesmerized by the unique integration of a wedding dress and a suit.

When Sally walked onto the stage, everyone saw a beautiful bride in a wedding dress.

But when she turned around, everyone saw a handsome groom in a suit.

Since the design was breathtaking, some of the apparel companies were already furtively making plans to purchase it after the competition.

Apart from Natalie's design, Jessie's design was also very stunning.

The latter's design was a short skirt with shoulder straps. The skirt consisted of many layers which made it look puffy and cute.

The skirt was fluorescent pink in color, and it looked gorgeous. With that said, only a designer with a tremendous amount of skill and talent would be able to come up with a design like this.

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The only minuscule shortcoming of this design was that the tailoring of the outfit wasn't all that compatible with the design of the skirt. However, it wasn't that big of a problem as long as the design was brilliant enough.

After a while, the final results of the competition finally came out. Jessie was able to advance into Team A while Natalie got to keep her position in Team A.

"Ms. Smith, we'll be in the same team from now on. May the best designer win." Jessie shot Natalie a bright smile.

"Yes, of course." Natalie returned the smile and nodded.

"Then let us meet again in the next round of the competition after three days." Having finished her sentence, Jessie left immediately.

After Jessie left, Natalie exited the competition grounds and headed toward the dressing room to find Shane.

"Has the competition ended?" Shane stared at Natalie with his gentle eyes.

The woman nodded and replied, "Yeah. I'm remaining in Team A."

"I know." Shane helped Natalie to tidy up her messy hair. "I'm cognizant of your amazing skill and talent. With your capabilities, I believe you'll unequivocally be able to make it till the end," he added.

Natalie lunged herself into his arms. "Thank you, Darling."

Shane wrapped his arm around her waist and caressed her hair affectionately.

At this moment, Sharon's voice was heard out of nowhere. "Daddy and Mommy are doing lewd stuff again."

Natalie blushed as she separated herself from Shane's arms. She then lowered her head to gaze at her daughter before uttering, "You're awake?"

She was still asleep on the couch when I came by her just now.

"Yes. I was woken up by your voice, Mommy. Connor is still asleep, though. Does this mean I'm more diligent than him?" Sharon looked up at her parents adorably. Shane and Natalie shot a sweet smile in their daughter's direction and responded, "Yes, yes. You're the most diligent."

Natalie patted Sharon's head as she spoke, causing the girl to break out into a big grin.

"Go and wake your brother up. We're heading back now." Natalie retracted her hand from Sharon's head.

"Okay." Sharon turned around and went back inside.

In the meantime, Shane and Natalie waited silently outside for her.

A few minutes later, the two children came out together.

The four of them held hands and walked together toward the entrance hall.

“Natalie.” When they arrived at the entrance, Natalie was called out by one of the designers.

She stopped in her tracks and queried, “What’s the matter, Luna?”

The designer who called out to her was Luna. Being the amicable person that she was, Luna would always greet Natalie whenever they met. They were actually quite close to each other.

As Luna was walking toward Natalie, she took a glance at Shane and the children. “Natalie, I assume they are your husband and kids?”

“Yes.” Natalie nodded while smiling.

Luna turned to Natalie and shot the woman a thumbs-up gesture. “Not bad. I always had the notion that all eastern men look the same, but it seems like I was wrong. Your husband is quite attractive, I must say. His height and physique can compete with the western men here. Also, your kids are way too adorable.”

“Thank you for your kind words,” Natalie replied.

“Well then, I’ll stop bothering you guys now. I wish you all happiness.” Luna waved her hand.

“Thanks.” Natalie nodded.

After that, Luna left together with the other designers who were waiting for her.

Natalie gazed at Shane and uttered, “Let’s go Darling.”

Shane let out a grunt of agreement and brought Natalie and the kids to the parking lot.

“Oh, so those two children are Natalie’s kids? They do resemble Mr. Shane a lot.” Hannah was staring at the family from somewhere close by.

Jessie narrowed her eyes and bit her lip before growling, “Enough talking. We should go now.”

Having said that, she turned around and started walking forward.

Hannah was left in a perplexed state.

Why is she acting so sulky? Is she angry at me for not being able to provoke Natalie?

Hannah felt aggrieved.

It's not like I didn't want to provoke her! She just left before I could.

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Not to mention, with her husband by her side, I don't think I can get away with provoking her.

Meanwhile, Natalie got in the car and was staring out the window.

Shane was wearing his seatbelt as he queried, "Who are you looking for?"

"Sal. She still hasn't come out yet," she answered.

Just as Shane was about to say something, Natalie's phone suddenly rang.

"It's from Sal." Natalie quickly picked up the phone. "Hello?"

"Nat, I'm not going back tonight."

Natalie was baffled. "What? Why?"

"I received a job asking me to do a shoot for a magazine just now."

"Oh, is that so? Okay then. Just be careful, yeah?"

"I will. Bye." Sally hung up the phone.

Natalie put down her phone before uttering, "Let's go. Sal isn't coming home with us tonight."

Shane nodded his head nonchalantly and started up the car.

He wanted to tell Natalie that he was the one who had given the job to Sally, but he refrained from doing so in the end.

I don't want Sally to interrupt our family time.

Shortly after, they arrived at the villa.

Knowing beforehand that Shane and his family were coming back, the housekeeper had already prepared dinner for them.

After they had dinner, Natalie tucked the two of the kids to bed. She then headed to the master bedroom.

When she entered, Shane was talking to someone on the phone in his pajamas.

Natalie shot a glance at him before going to the bathroom to change into her pajamas.

"How's her condition now?" Shane asked over the phone.

Silas replied, "Don't worry, Mr. Shane. We are keeping a close eye on Ms. Graham. We'll make sure she doesn't try anything suicidal. However, she isn't doing too well mentally ever since we started monitoring her. She hasn't even eaten anything today."

"She hasn't eaten anything today?" Shane squinted his eyes.

"Yeah. According to her maid, Ms. Graham is deliberately fasting. We aren't sure if she's doing it to spite you or if it's because of her mental health."

It could be both for all I know.

Shane let out a sneer. "If she doesn't want to eat, then let her starve."

“Mr. Shane, are you sure?” Silas was stupefied. “What if she starves to death?”

“That won’t happen. The nutrient fluids will keep her alive,” Shane replied callously.

Many patients in hospitals who can’t eat rely on such nutrient fluid to keep them alive.

With that said, Jacqueline will be fine.

After hearing Shane’s response, Silas was taciturn.

Mr. Shane is really on another level.

A while later, Silas finally replied, “I understand.”

Shane took a sip of his red wine. “Give a call to Jackson later and tell him to prepare a ward for Jacqueline in case she passes out. The nutrient fluids in the hospital will be able to keep her alive.”

“Okay,” Silas responded.

Shane then continued on, “By the way, how’s the Gunn family doing?”

“The Gunn family has been under the pressure of the Garcia family lately. I believe the Gunn family will lose its position as one of the strongest families in the capital soon. When that happens, the Garcia family will hand over the evidence Mr. Gunn has on Ms. Graham to you.”

This is what you get for having an incompetent son, Mr. Gunn.

Ever since Mr. Gunn’s son had taken over his position, everything started going awry for the Gunn family. Since all the descendants of the Gunn family were feckless and incompetent, Mr. Gunn wasn’t able to find a worthy successor to manage the family.

After Mr. Gunn retired, the Gunn family’s power and influence spiraled downhill. If it wasn’t for the respect the other powerful families had for Mr. Gunn, the Gunn family would’ve been eliminated a long time ago.

Feel the Way You Feel, My Love

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This was the same reason why the Garcia family couldn't properly go headfirst against the Gunn family. The only reason why the Garcia family finally started getting back at the Gunn family was that one of the Gunn family members made fun of one of the Garcia family's young daughters. The financial support that Shane provided was also reason enough for the Garcia family to stop holding back.

Still, Silas had no sympathy for the Gunn family.

The younger generations of the Gunn family had done too many despicable things. It was also ridiculous that the older Gunn family members, who were supposed to be wiser, still made the mistake of taking Jacqueline's side.

"Two or three months?" Shane murmured to himself.

Natalie's competition would roughly end then.

The timing isn't too bad. This way, she would be able to enjoy watching Jacqueline and the Gunn family go behind bars.

That would be my present to her.

"Keep an eye on Jacqueline for me. Don't let her die. If anything happens, just call me," Shane said in a deep voice.

Silas nodded. "Understood."

After the call, Shane picked up his wine glass and walked into his room.

He paused when he heard the sound of running water coming from the shower. A dark expression glinted in his eyes.

After placing the glass on his bedside table, he walked toward the bathroom.

Since the bathroom wasn't locked, Shane walked in with perfect ease.

Natalie was standing under the rushing water, which masked the sound of Shane's footsteps.

She only realized that Shane was in the room when he snaked his arms around her waist. Whipping her head around, she glared at the man. "You scared me."

Shane simply chuckled shamelessly and bent his head to nibble on the back of her neck.

He didn't bite hard enough to hurt her, but it did make her feel ticklish.

Natalie couldn't help but shrink away from Shane's biting. "That's enough, let go of me. I haven't finished showering."

Shane let go of her neck and grazed his teeth on her earlobe instead. In a raspy voice, he whispered, "Go ahead."

His meaning was clear enough. You can take your shower and I can continue my fun. I won't get in the way.

Natalie rolled her eyes. "Stop it. How am I supposed to shower with you being all sappy with me?"

Shane finally paused his movements and looked down as if he were considering it.

However, just two seconds later, he reached out for the showerhead and detached it from the wall. "I'll help you. You don't have to worry about getting distracted then."

Natalie fell silent. She was annoyed but in a fond way. "I take it that you're not leaving, then?"

Shane shrugged carefreely. "I missed you. I haven't touched you in so long."

Natalie looked at him and saw a hint of grievance in his eyes.

She massaged her forehead in exasperation. "I would like to spend time with you, too, but I'm pregnant right now. Why don't you just settle it yourself?"

That was the only solution she could think of.

After all, she wasn't about to suggest for him to go out and meet other women.

Shane's eyes glinted. "You can help me."

Natalie was about to turn him down when she caught sight of the hope in his eyes.

The desire in his gaze shut Natalie up.

Oh, well. It isn't fair to him if I don't help him at all, especially with such things. I guess helping him out isn't too bad...

After properly thinking about it, Natalie let out a deep sigh and reached out to tug at Shane's belt.

His eyes shone in excitement almost immediately.

They finally finished a long time later, and Natalie groaned as she tried to loosen up her sore wrist. "That was exhausting. Why did you hold out for so long?" she complained.

Shane chuckled. "As if you're not into that."

Natalie fell silent. She couldn't deny that.

I guess he's right. It's much better when I'm more involved.

She couldn't help but blush at the sudden thought before coughing softly and pushing Shane lightly. "Okay, now that you're done, get out. I'm still not done with my shower."

"I'll shower with you," Shane said, insistent on clinging to Natalie.

