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Chapter 106 Something's Wrong

While Nicholas was removing his coat and rolling up his sleeves nonchalantly, his hands paused slightly when he heard Tessa thanking him.

"How many times do you want to thank me? Are you really just going to say thank you and not do anything else? You should at least do something to repay me." He looked at her with a deep frown.

Tessa was taken aback before she thought to herself, How would he want me to repay him when he already has everything?

"What would you like me to do to thank you? I'll do it if it is within my capabilities."

When Nicholas heard her, he raised his eyebrows and stared at her in a teasing manner. "It's not like you can afford anything expensive for me. What do you have currently?"

Although his words sounded offensive, it was the truth.

Currently, Tessa was indeed poor and powerless. After contemplating to herself, Tessa trailed off, "I have nothing with me but myself..."

Then, she realized that something wasn't right.

Why does it sound like I'm telling him that I can only offer him my body because I have nothing else to me?

Disgusted by her thoughts, Tessa quickly explained so that Nicholas wouldn't misunderstand, saying, "I'm a violinist as well. If you don't mind, I can play you a few tunes."

However, Nicholas snorted before scanning her up and down a few times. "Are you planning to dismiss all of the favors that you owe me with just one tune?"

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"I'll play you ten tunes if one is not enough. If I really become a renowned violinist in the future, my appearance fee will surely be expensive, so you're not losing out since I'm not asking you to pay."

Staring at Tessa, who was amusing herself by thinking of her future, Nicholas curled his lips with a hint of a smile on his face. "That's the future, though. You're not worth the price and don't have that kind of talent now. Besides, it might not even happen in the future."

After getting hit by a cold bucket of water, Tessa got annoyed and glared at Nicholas.

Does this man not know how to speak properly? Why does he have to be so rude? He doesn't even need the money, anyway. Can't he just say that it's alright? Besides, it's not like I'm not able to get famous... It's just not the right time yet. He's really getting on my nerves.

Upon seeing Tessa getting pissed off, Nicholas suddenly felt pleased.

At the same time, Edward, who was driving in front, was surprised when he saw their interaction through the rearview mirror and overheard their conversation.

President Sawyer, who couldn't even be bothered to talk to women in the past, actually knows how to tease them now?

He couldn't help but feel odd as he could sense that something was different with Nicholas now, but he couldn't seem to figure out what was out of the ordinary other than the fact that something was different.

On the other hand, Tessa didn't argue with Nicholas and chose to be quiet as she huffed her cheeks.

Right then, she kept telling herself to remain cool-headed and be the bigger person.

After all, Nicholas just bought the copyright for Timothy's project, and they are now business partners. Hence, it was better not to cross him at this moment.

Taking a deep breath, Tessa calmed herself down before she asked, "By the way... I have a substantive question for you. Do you think Timothy is capable? Is his software really that good? Will your company really buy it?"

She bombarded Nicholas with a series of questions while looking worried. However, Nicholas gave her a look before he remarked, "He's way more capable compared to you."

Nevertheless, Tessa was pleased instead of upset. "That's true! Timothy is indeed an outstanding person. Still, thank you for acknowledging him! He really needed that!"

Right then, there was a look of gratitude on her face. Yet, the car suddenly took a sharp turn after she thanked Nicholas.

Not anticipating the turn, Tessa immediately rammed into Nicholas due to the sudden movement of the car.

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Chapter 107 Why Are You So Anxious

At this moment, cold sweat started forming on Edward's forehead as he focused completely on swerving the car to avoid other cars. He did not even dare to look back.

"I'm sorry, President Sawyer. Someone ran the red light, and I was trying to avoid them, but I accidentally pressed on the pedal too hard. Are you and Miss Reinhart alright?"

Yet no one answered Edward's question.

At this moment, Tessa and Nicholas were in an intimate position.

Nicholas lay on the seat while Tessa had her hands against his chest, as if she was trying to listen to his heartbeat. It was a peculiar situation, and they were breathing really close to each other.

In fact, Tessa could smell the subtle cologne on his body.

It was a seductive woodsy scent with a hint of musk.

Immediately, Tessa felt the tip of her ears heating up before she got embarrassed and quickly apologized. "I'm so sorry. I'll get up now."

Then, her hands pressed against the ground as she tried to support herself to get up.

However, Edward suddenly slammed on the brake pedal of the car.

Before Tessa could stabilize herself, she fell toward Nicholas, who was in front of her, again. This time, the situation got more outrageous as her lips landed on his!

Right then, Tessa was stunned as she stared at the enlarged handsome face in front of her with wide eyes and didn't know what to do.

At the same time, Nicholas was also taken aback by the sudden kiss and couldn't come back to his senses.

When Edward checked on them from the rearview mirror, he was instantly struck before he gulped and stuttered, "P-President Sawyer, I'm so sorry. I really didn't do it on purpose. There was a person trying to cross the road, so I... Are you guys alright?"

However, Nicholas didn't say anything as he stared at the woman in front of him while enjoying the moisture and softness of her lips.

Although he had already kissed Tessa once at Dynasty Gardens last night, it wasn't strictly a kiss.

Back then, he only performed CPR on Tessa as he thought that she had drowned and wanted to save her. Hence, he didn't think much about it and didn't feel anything.

However, it was a real kiss this time.

Normally, Nicholas would kick her out of the car and sanitize all parts of his body that were touched. Yet, he didn't do anything like that this time. Instead, his gaze darkened.

Nicholas didn't hate Tessa's scent or her touch, and this wasn't his first time getting this weird feeling from Tessa.

He didn't feel disgusted every time she touched him. In fact, he'd even crave for more.

Instinctively, Nicholas tightened his grip on her slender waist, as if he wanted to be closer and more intimate with her.

However, Tessa came back to her senses when Nicholas's hand touched her waist, immediately jumping from fear.

At this moment, her rosy cheeks flushed red as if it was burning.

"I-I'm so sorry. I-I wasn't trying to take advantage of you on purpose! All of it was an accident! I'm really sorry."

As Tessa was still in a buzz, she got too anxious and ended up hitting her head on the ceiling of the car.

Because she was still sick, the hit on her head felt as if she had been struck by a blunt weapon. Soon, her tears started welling up because of the pain.

Right then, Tessa held her head with teary eyes and had the urge to dig a hole before hiding in it, as she was too embarrassed.

Nevertheless, Nicholas looked pleased after watching Tessa's series of flurry movements before he straightened his posture and tidied his outfit before saying, "Why are you being so anxious when I didn't even say anything?"

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Chapter 108 Secret Base

Still, Tessa was embarrassed. "I-I'm just afraid that you might misunderstand."

Nicholas snorted. "Don't worry. I won't."

Then, his gaze shifted toward Edward coldly.

Immediately, Edward flinched when he met Nicholas's gaze. "I'm sorry. I'm sorry. It's all my fault. President Sawyer and Miss Reinhart... Are you guys alright?"

Although he saw everything that had happened just now, he was afraid to mention it, as he was scared that Nicholas might command him to remove his eyes.

Still, did President Sawyer really just lose his kiss just like that?! If those young ladies after President Sawyer knew about this, they'll surely go crazy and cause chaos.

However, Tessa was still in distress over how embarrassing she was instead of getting mad at his reply.

At this moment, she could still sense the temperature of the man's lips on her own, and it was a really odd feeling.

Tessa's heart skipped a beat before her face became even redder. At that moment, even the tips of her toes were starting to flush red as her heart continued racing as if it was about to lose her heart.

Upon seeing Tessa like that, Nicholas didn't know why, but his mood somehow got better as the corners of his lips curled up. In no time, they reached Dynasty Gardens.

Staring at the woman next to him, who still had her head buried between her arms and was afraid to look up, Nicholas couldn't help himself but ask, "How much longer do you want to act like an ostrich? We are already here. Are you not planning to get out of the car?"

"Huh?"

Tessa stared at Nicholas for a while before realizing that they had reached their destination. Then, she quickly came back to her senses and jumped down from the car before the two of them entered the house, one after another.

When Gregory noticed they had returned, he quickly ran into Tessa's arms. "Miss Pretty Lady, you're back!"

Tessa had a grin as she carried Gregory up. "Yep! I'm back! And please, you're making me blush with your constant 'Miss Pretty Lady'. It's Miss Tessa from now on."

"Hehe, alright. Have you settled everything yet?" Gregory nuzzled against Tessa's neck before asking in a worried tone."

"Yes, Sweetheart. I did. Thanks for asking."

Right then, Tessa felt a warm feeling coursing through her body before she asked in a sweet tone, "What about you? What did you do at home after I left?"

"I went to my secret base! Would you like to visit my secret base, Miss Tessa?"

Gregory looked at Tessa expectantly with his bright eyes while Tessa asked curiously, "What secret base?"

"It's a place where only me and Daddy can enter. Let me show you my secret base, Miss Tessa."

Gregory brightened up visibly at the mention of his secret base, as it was his favorite place to hang out.

At this moment, Tessa was taken aback. "Wouldn't it be bad if you brought me to you and your father's secret base?"

"Of course not! You can go because you're my favorite person! Miss Tessa, I bet you'll like that place too!"

Gregory jumped down from Tessa's arms before he grabbed her hand and pulled her toward the basement. On the other hand, Nicholas gave them a conflicted look before trailing after them.

Then, the three of them reached the basement, one after another.

This was Tessa's first time entering the basement, and she had always thought that the basement was a wine cellar, so she never expected to see something completely different down here.

The first thing that came into view when she entered the basement was a high-tech space with all sorts of advanced electronics. This is indeed a secret base!

There was an electronic display right in front of Tessa that took up about half of the room. It had access to the security system of Dynasty Gardens, and she could see the footage from all of the surveillance cameras clearly.

At the same time, there were also all sorts of robots in the basement. When the three of them had just entered the basement, one of the robots actually came over to greet them. "Young Master, you're finally here! Do you need any help?"

Right then, Tessa ogled at the robot in shock, and it was obvious that she didn't expect the robot to act so human-like.

Meanwhile, Gregory introduced the robot to Tessa chirpily. "Miss Tessa, this is my robot, Shadow. Daddy got her for me on my birthday previously, and she would launch attacks if any outsiders trespassed this place! However, I'll change the commands of this robot to recognize you as her owner the next time you enter my secret base because you're my favorite person!"

Then, he took a remote control out and started entering a series of codes onto it.

A few seconds later, Tessa heard the robot speaking again. "Hello, my lady. My name is Shadow. May I know if you have any orders?"

At that instance, Tessa didn't know how to react.

My lady? That doesn't sound right!

Still, she was more surprised than anything. "That's so cool! Where is this robot from?"

Gregory grinned before replying, "Daddy got someone to customize it for me overseas!"

Upon hearing that, Tessa was amazed before she exclaimed again, "That's really cool!"

Usually, Gregory was indifferent to compliments. However, it was different when it came from Tessa because anything she said made him happy.

Immediately, Gregory's eyes brightened up as he dragged Tessa along and continued introducing her to other robots. "I still have many other robots. Come with me, Miss Tessa."

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Chapter 109 You're the Best Daddy Ever

"Daddy gave me this six months ago. It's different from Shadow because it can't talk. However, if you key in commands for it, it can even dance for you. Let me show you how it works."

Then, Gregory entered a series of codes into the robot. Although the robot looked big and clumsy, it actually started dancing like popular modern-day robots. In fact, it looked even better than those robots.

"This is from Grandpa..." Gregory introduced all of the robots that he had as if they were his treasures while Tessa listened attentively.

Meanwhile, Nicholas trailed behind them and watched Tessa and Gregory interact with his dark gaze. Gregory normally wouldn't allow anyone to enter this place, and not even Kieran was allowed to enter.

However, Tessa was the only person who was able to enter the basement besides Gregory and Nicholas. For Gregory, who had a strong sense of territorial awareness, revealing his secret base to Tessa without any hesitation indicated that he trusted her with all his heart.

Right then, Nicholas narrowed his gaze before he stared at Tessa with a hint of curiosity. Nevertheless, Tessa didn't notice his gaze at all, as she was exploring the basement with a smile, along with Gregory.

About an hour had already passed by when they had finally finished exploring the basement. After the tour, all Tessa felt was astonishment, as the Sawyers were way more extravagant than what she had imagined.

When they got back to the mansion, Gregory asked, "Miss Tessa, did you like my secret base?"

"I love it." Upon hearing what Tessa said, Gregory pursed his lips and smiled before his cheeks flushed. It was as if he was delighted with Tessa's answer.

"Master Nicholas, dinner is ready." Right then, Andrew came over and said to Nicholas respectfully.

"Alright." Nicholas nodded before he brought Tessa and Gregory to the dining room to have dinner. After they were done with their meals, Edward came to Dynasty Gardens with a document in his hands. "President Sawyer, this is a document from Roselle Gingham."

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Yet Nicholas frowned without even scanning through the document. "Return it."

Nevertheless, Edward had a hesitant look on his face before he said again, "But, President Sawyer, this is the overseas project that we had always wanted to get our hands on."

Sawyer Group had always been trying to get in contact with this overseas company for a long time now, but that company had taken advantage of them and gouged them, causing them to reach a stalemate.

Therefore, Roselle had been a great help for them by scoring a deal with that overseas company.

Despite that, Nicholas remained quiet. Although he really wanted this project, that didn't mean that he wanted to owe Roselle any favors.

Even though Edward could notice the look of refusal on Nicholas's face, he still had to convey what he had to convey. "Miss Gingham wants me to convey to you that she's very sorry for what her mother had done to Greg, and she hopes that she can make up for it with this deal. She also hopes that you can forgive her mother."

Upon hearing that, Tessa thought to herself, Roselle is really clever enough to exchange forgiveness with a deal like this.

Yet, Gregory looked away arrogantly when he heard Edward's words before he harrumphed to show that he was upset, as he really disliked Roselle.

Who wants her project?!

When Nicholas noticed Gregory's reaction, he returned the document to Edward without any hesitation. "Sawyer Group doesn't need this! There's nothing in this world that can be more important than Greg's safety to me, and I don't need a mere project like this. Return it."

Still, Edward looked reluctant. Is he really going to reject a deal that came delivered up to his doorsteps?

Nonetheless, he knew that Nicholas wouldn't change his mind after making his decision. Although he thought that it was a pity to let go of a deal like this, he didn't try to convince Nicholas otherwise and quickly left with the document.

Not long after Edward left, Gregory dashed toward Nicholas before climbing up his legs and sitting down on Nicholas's thighs. Then, he declared in a childish voice, "Daddy, you're the best! You're the best daddy ever!"

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Chapter 110 You're Gregory's Lifesaver

Right then, Nicholas grinned before he reached out to ruffle Gregory's hair. "Good boy."

When Tessa saw that, she smiled as well. In fact, Nicholas's actions made her change her impression of him, as she used to think that Nicholas was a cold-hearted entrepreneur that wasn't affectionate at all.

However, it seemed like he was a father, after all.

Greg is really fortunate to have a father like this.

On the other hand, Edward went to the Gingham Residence to look for Roselle along with the document. When Roselle saw the document that she had sent out being returned without even getting opened, her face went pale.

"Is... Is Nicholas unwilling to forgive me?"

She was really hurt as her eyes turned red, and she felt pity for herself.

"There are things you can't just resolve with just some deals. Even if Sawyer Group really wanted this project, Young Master Gregory's presence is irreplaceable to President Sawyer."

After saying that, Edward left without looking back. When Yana noticed the document in Roselle's hands, she immediately got pissed off. "Why is Nicholas acting like an ungrateful brat? How dare he scoffed at the deal that you managed to get after you pleaded for it?"

Because of what happened to Gregory, Yana had gotten slapped. However, that was not enough to get Nicholas to forgive them, and Roselle had to lower herself to plead for the overseas company to get a deal with them, but that was still not enough. Isn't it obvious that Nicholas is just trying to screw with us?

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At the same time, Roselle was irritated as well. Right then, her grip on the document tightened before she tore the document into pieces angrily.

Nevertheless, that wasn't enough for Roselle to vent her anger as she turned around to push everything on her desk to the ground.

This time, she had really regretted her actions. I shouldn't have made my move on Gregory when it wasn't the time to do so yet.

"Why can't I be more patient?"

Roselle pulled at her hair harshly before Yana stopped her. "We will still have chances in the future. Even if we don't, we can still create our own chances. Don't worry. I'll make sure that Nicholas will be able to see you for your good."

"What should we do?"

Roselle had already lost hope. However, Yana smirked. "It's easy. We can hire some people to kidnap Gregory, and you can show up to save him at a critical and sustain some light injuries. That would be enough for him to forgive you."

Upon hearing that, Roselle looked shocked. Isn't that a little too...

"This is the only chance for Nicholas to forgive you because you'll be his son's lifesaver!" Yana exclaimed.

At this moment, Roselle looked taken aback.

It seems like this is the only way now.

Biting her lip, she nodded. "Anything you say."

The next morning, Tessa woke up early and started packing her stuff as she was planning to return to her orchestra practice because she had been busy dealing with her family issues and hadn't been going to her practices.

Although Trevor never said anything about her absence, Tessa knew she was running on limited time as the performance was due next month.

Although she had worked hard to be able to become the assistant concertmaster, she knew that it was possible for her to be replaced if she made any mistakes, and she would not allow herself to be stagnant.

Right then, Gregory gave Tessa a sad look. "Miss Tessa, can you stay?"

"I can't, since I need to go to work. However, I promise to visit you for lunch if I'm free at noon, alright?" Tessa ruffled Gregory's hair before she suggested gently.

With Tessa's promise, Gregory nodded. "It's a promise, then."

Then, Tessa nodded and quickly left while Gregory stood there and watched with reluctance in his eyes. At that moment, he really wanted to dash toward her and cling onto her leg so that she couldn't leave.

When Nicholas saw that, he asked, "Do you want to go with her?"

Immediately, Gregory's eyes brightened, and he nodded. "Can I?"

"You can't. She's going for practice, and you'll distract her if you go along." Nicholas took him back to the living.

"I promise I won't disturb Miss Tessa. I'll just observe her from outside, and she won't know about it."

Gregory clung to Nicholas's leg before he pleaded, "Daddy, I promise that I'll be obedient, and I'll listen to what you say. I won't disturb her from her job. Can you send me there? Please?"

"No. It's time for you to start going to kindergarten, and you can't slack off like this anymore."