The Miraculous Simone Gray by Opal Reese Chapter 101-110

Chapter 101 Are You Out of Your Mind?

Simone posted on Facebook as a response.

Her

post wasn't meant to explain herself to the anti– fans and sock puppets but to respond to her supporters.

Moreover, it was a direct jab at Sc*mbag No. 2.

Given Sc*mbag No. 2's personality and mindset, it was almost certain he'd su spect Simone of using physiognomy to help Fiona refurbish her image.

It was a calculated move, meant to make him feel as if he'd predicted her strat egy, leading him to continue manipulating people and spending money to mai ntain their popularity.

@Simonev: The righteous will be vindicated, and good will be rewarded, while evil will be punished; it's not a matter of if, but when.

Fiona swiftly reposted Simone's Facebook post.

Ethan and Harry followed suit by sharing it.

Upon seeing the post, Titus finally cracked a smile on his otherwise composed face. Then, he turned to Reuben and remarked, "Look, she's set on using ge omancy to cleanse Fiona's image. This time, I'll show her the meaning of a col ossal failure."

Reuben was surprised. "You actually predicted it!"

Upon glancing at Simone's enigmatic post on Facebook, it did seem rather cry ptic.

Titus smirked. "Indeed. She's trying to play games with me, but she lacks experience."

Reuben pondered **for a** moment. "Could this be a trap? I just feel like it's not t hat simple."

Given Simone's current way of doing things, her approach to posting on Face book seemed too straightforward and suspicious for just a post to clear Fiona's name.

It must be said that Reuben, groomed as the heir by the Gray Family, was ind eed more perceptive than the others, but Titus dismissed it, saying, "Reuben, you're overthinking it."

Upon sensing Titus' resolve, Reuben held back. "Alright, I'll keep watching"

He was intended to oversee whether Titus accurately predicted Simone's moves and whether the counterattack **was** effective,

If it failed and Tirus didn't showcase outstanding performance afterward, the major

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shareholders might have opposed his appointment as the president of the ent ertainment company when he went to the Gray Group later. This was not what he wanted to see.

Gray Entertainment had to remain in the hands of the Gray Family.

However, if Titus

was deceived by Simone again and this battle ended in failure, it wouldn't hav e been the worst outcome.

Titus had always had an easy time, and being brought down by Simone would have been a lesson for him, making him more cautious in the future.

He urged his team to intensify the situation, aligning with their prior strategy.

Beyond the entertainment industry, even the Gray Group shareholders and St even were observing this unfold.

For the first time, Steven discovered that Simone was competent. He pondere d whether Titus was truly dominant or if Simone had outwitted him.

Upon seeing Simone's Facebook post, Zac promptly expressed his support.

@ZacTurnerv: A clear conscience fears no accusation. I believe in Simone's j udgment, and I support you! @Simone

Zac's action garnered significant support from his fans.

My boy Zachy is truly courageous. Well done!"

This is what a friend does, showing support right away.

"Great job, Zachy! I support you!"

In response to these comments from Zac's fans, many were left speechless.

At the same time, his public endorsement of Simone left many in awe of his b oldness- showing no fear of potential consequences.

Openly supporting Simone at such a critical juncture was perceived as either f oolish or admirable.

hat astonished everyone even more was that both Alex and Jonah shared Zac 's **post**.

marked the first instance of both directors publicly expressing support for an a rtist **on** Facebook

Fullowing suit, Keira also shared Zac's post.

Despite her relatively short acquaintance with Simone, Keira believed that Si mone's decision. to sign Fiona had a purpose.

Keira suspected there was more to Fiona's story

Moreover, thanks to Simone's earlier warning, Keira had been cautious with her ex-

boyfriend. and discovered potential harm in time, preventing any manipulation.

With a solid background and no fear of the Gray brothers or antifans, Keira openly supported her friend.

Upon witnessing this, Eric hesitated. Despite his agent's opposition, he insiste d on his own thoughts and shared the same Facebook post.

They were a group, He could discern Simone's good character, prompting him to take a chance.

The actions of this small group surprised everyone.

Are they out of *their* mind? *They* actually follow Zac in supporting Simone.

Even Simone was taken aback.

Zac's support was expected, but she didn't anticipate Jonah, Alex, Keira, and Eric publicly supporting her on Facebook, especially since the latter three wer e unaware of the situation.

Simone then noticed her fans, Zac's fans, and some bystanders expressing their support and belief in her.

She felt warmth in her heart.

She looked at the lifeline on her palm, which had grown longer since her rebirt h, indicating that more and more people liked her.

She resolved to repay everyone's support.

Leon felt annoyed when he saw online rumors involving him and Jodie.

Can't things *calm down*? His frustration intensified upon seeing Zac quickly po sting on Facebook to support Simone. He cursed Zac inwardly for shamelessly taking advantage of the situation.

At the same time, he reflected on himself. Upon thinking of his father's words, **he** realized

t he had been too possessive in the past. Liking someone doesn't mean wanting **to** control them

ht of many people attacking Simone us Facebook and influencing his fans, he

ebook status. Velcony. The breakup was due to a misunderstanding now

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Simone's character. It was because I didn't handle the boundaries with female friends well. To those anti-

fans and sock puppets, don't try to twist this. I don't buy it. From now on, I will always stand by Simone's side and support her unco

Leon's sudden Facebook post caught everyone off guard.

Upon seeing the post, Titus was so angry that he didn't know what to say. In fr ustration, het kicked the coffee table away, exclaiming, "Idiot teammates! Why do I always end up with them? One Aaron wasn't enough, a nd now there's Leon..."

Reuben was also surprised by Leon's actions, stating, "After what he did, your plan to use him to clear Jo's name is ruined. It seems like Leon really cares about Simone; he probably won't help you any more."

Titus wanted to curse. "He's just crazy. Now, he's acting all sentimental. Where was he earlier?".

Unable to hold **back**, **he** called. Leon.

As soon as Lcon answered, Titus exclaimed, "Leon, have you lost your mind?"

Leon furrowed his brows and retorted, "Titus, mind your tone, or I'll end the cal I."

They did not have a superior-

subordinate relationship. Despite being signed to Gray Entertainment, he enjo yed a great deal of freedom. If he grew upset, he could leave at any time with out fearing any penalties.

Titus heard Leon's words and managed to suppress his anger slightly. "Why did you post such a Facebook status?"

Leon responded, "Obviously, it's to support Simone."

"So, now you want to support Simone?" Titus sneered. "Where were you earlier?"

Leon felt a twinge of embarrassment. "That's why I'm trying to make amends now."

Then, he added, "You should focus on something productive instead of constantly scheming against **your** sister."

Titus felt like he was about to explode. "Am I the one scheming against her? It's clear that she's deliberately targeting me and attempting to humiliate me!*

Leon stated, "You know the truth deep down in your heart. I won't assist you any longer. Take care of yourself

After that, he Inang up the phone.

Titus was left speechless, contemplating the unfair blame directed at him. *Wh y* are *they* suddenly holding me responsible when they were all involved from t he *beginning? This is* utterly ridiculous.

Chapter 102 Simone's Charisma

When Simone stumbled upon a Facebook post by Leon, it didn't stir any emoti ons in her.

She conveyed gratitude to Zac and others for their support by responding to their post. And she deliberately avoided any acknowledgment of Leon.

If she intended to sever ties, she knew it had to be done cleanly.

As before, she engaged with Leyla but brushed off Sc*mbag No. 5.

Upon observing Simone expressing gratitude to everyone except him, Leon fe It a sense of disappointment, though not unexpected.

Simone's personality, marked by a clear understanding of feelings of love and hate, was just like his sister's.

He was willing to bide his time.

Zac and others continued their unwavering support for Simone.

Gray Entertainment's sock puppets remained dormant, prompting fans of the sc*mbag couple and the anti-

fans of Fiona and Simone to flood their Facebook pages with insults.

Zac's fans naturally retaliated.

As night fell, rumors circulated. They asserted that Simone was merely employing geomancy and physiognomy to help Fiona clear her name.

They argued that the matter of physiognomy was not as she described it.

Nevertheless, Fiona's evident interference in others' relationships was undeniable, and they were not buying into any attempts at clearing her name.

At that moment, Simone was meeting with Gwen's roommate, Lisa.

They had met once before and had a good first impression of each other.

Lisa successfully applied to be Simone's assistant.

She had been busy taking care of things for her mother and sister in the past f ew days, causing a delay

Today, she came to the studio to report for work I

When **Simone explained** the upcoming work arrangements to Lisa, Gary knocked on the

door and entered the room.

"Miss Gray, the online sentiment is starting to go in the direction you predicted . Should we add fuel to the

fire, or should we start clearing Fiona's name a bit?" Gary's eyes were filled with excitement. He had developed great admiration for Simone, as she accur ately predicted

all of Titus' actions.

Simone contemplated for a moment and responded. "No need. Let Titus people spread rumors for the next few days. When bystanders see it for the first time, they might indeed.

feel disgusted with us. But if they encounter these negative comments consist they

might develop a rebellious mentality. After being exposed to it for so long, they will find these people annoying. They will wonder why the y can't stop cursing. Also, they won't even like the fans of those two. If we can turn the tables, it will also evoke a specific sentiment that the real victims are

suffering greatly. Not only were they harmed by the perpetrators, but they wer e also relentlessly chased and cursed by their fans. This will elicit more sympa thy and pity.for Fiona, intensifying the disgust toward the two who betrayed he r."

She narrowed her eyes and added, "Well, I prefer a direct hit so they can taste the bitter fruit of their own actions and never recover. We don't need to clear Fiona's name now; otherwise, we might alert Titus and make him suspicious. Let him continue to misunderstand. Once they fall into this trap, they won't be able to climb out."

Upon hearing this, Gary realized that he had been too calm, just as he had do ne before.

eager to win and needed to remain

His admiration for Simone reached new heights.

They decided not to take any further action.

The next day, the online sentiment took a turn for the worse.

Many people began criticizing Simone as a fraudulent charlatan or a fameseeking

geomancer.

The idea of using physiognomy to clear Fiona's name was absolutely unacceptable to

everyone.

With the support and funding from Gray Entertainment, the title of Simone's U northodox. Approach to Clearing Fiona's Name' quickly went viral.

Shmone's loyal followers became upset upon seeing this.

Then, a verified geomancer on Facebook found two bare—faced photos of Fiona and posted them for analysis. He claimed that based on the physiognomy reading, Fiona was **not** the intruder but rather a victim of ba d luck and malicious people.

Simone's other loyal followers clicked on the post to see.

seen the bane-faced phynomy reading of this girl and it aligns with Master

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Talways knew our granddaughter it was a kind—hearted and beautiful person. How could she possibly do something that would tarnish our industry and reputation? It's those people who are trying to smear her

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If those laypeople don't understand they shou speak recklessly Fiona's physio gnomy reading clearly shows that she has been harmed by malicious individu als. How could she be *the* one causing harm?

Yes, I see her as a sterim based on her physiognomy reading

Our granddaughter idol did the right thing

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Good dards are rewarded, and evil deeds are shed. This girl's physiognomy r eading clearly shows that the is good—hearted With granddaughter of's help her back is about to turn around

She was supposed to be a miserable life, but she doesn't have to

If that's the case, does this coure as defying far Sie Will it have any negative effects on her

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Yes, defying tate involves using secret methods change the fate or fortune of someone who is on the verge of death That's when a bemes self-destructive

Was that defying fate when she saved two children last time!

Like when granddaughter idol observed the phognomy reading last time and j umped into the water to save the children, it was about helping them avoid de ath, not defying fate

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Defying fate requires extraordinary means and extremely difficult

Many of those are witchcraft that legitimate gromancers rarely practice as it would harm theinselves.

Maingnomy is just a way to predict and help people avoid danger in advance. It is a deline and Lioness given by face, and it is allowed.

That's why there are so many people who want to seek help from gromancy maters

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As they continued their conversation, they realized that most of them were cer tified geomancy masters, and some of them were quite famous.

Many wealthy individuals and celebrities who had consulted these masters ad mired Simone's charm. They were surprised that these masters liked her and openly supported her, prompting thoughts of secking Simone's help in the future.

As these masters came out in support, more people rallied behind Simone and Fiona.

Moreover, this sparked suspicions that there might be a hidden agenda behin d Fiona's involvement.

rumors.

The Gray Entertainment team noticed this and started spreading ru

They either asserted that these masters were biased toward Simone due to b eing her fans, or they claimed that these individuals were supposedly 'geoman cy masters' hired by Simone, labeling them as mere con artists.

These comments infuriated the geomancy masters.

They were not con artists at all and felt even more frustrated when they witnes sed that some people actually believed these baseless accusations.

Regardless of their attempts to defend themselves, it seemed futile; they had no choice but to wait and see how events would unfold to prove their innocenc e.

In a collective response on Facebook and in the comments, they asserted, "T he truth will be revealed, and someone will face the consequences.

Many eagerly awaited the next development.

Soon, it was time for Fiona to go and film a variety show.

Lisa accompanied her and handled some trivial matters on her behalf.

Simone and Gwen watched the live broadcast from their office, while Titus als o tuned in on

the other side.

The variety show, which used to be **pre**—recorded, switched to live broadcasting for these two

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An episode of the recorded session was two hours long. The behind–the–scenes footage. would be released separately.

For the live broadcast, there was no behind–the–scenes footage. It started at 10 o'clock in **the** Thorning and concluded at 8 o'clock in the evening.

During the broadcast, a two-hour break was arranged for the

guests.

Upon Fiona's appearance, the live chat became inundated with negative comments, disrupting the show's atmosphere and frustrating original viewers who came to enjoy the variety show.

Despite the calls for restraint, the fans, anti– fans, and sock puppets of the sc*mbag couple refused to heed them.

As a result, their idol left a highly unfavorable impression on the audience.

Criticism extended to Kelly. They questioned his judgment in having Fiona, a fallen artist, as a guest on the show.

This prompted many bystanders to join in criticizing Kelly, Fiona, and Simone.

Satisfied with what he witnessed, Titus instructed Chris to monitor the situation before closing the live broadcast and moving on to other tasks. Unbeknowns to him, right after the live broadcast ended, Simone hacked the sock puppet's verified account, which tarnished her and Fiona's reputation the most.

Chapter 103 Ready To Start

Simone had hacked a verified account under Gray Entertainment, known for it s track record **of** leaking accurate information.

Around ninety percent of the leaks had proven true, earning "him" the moniker "leak king."

It was widely rumored that "he" was a reliable source. As a result, his disclosures garnered significant credibility.

Naturally, the revelations predominantly involved artists from Gray Entertainm ent's rival companies and other entities in the entertainment industry.

A year prior, this account had unveiled Fiona's involvement in a scandal and supplied supporting evidence.

Simone, meticulously planning a counterattack to redeem her reputation, seiz ed control of this account. By employing their own verified account to expose I eaks and provide evidence, Gray Entertainment would find themselves silence d.

After all, their own cultivated account had turned against them. What could the y do? They were probably just feeling the urge to go crazy.

Beyond commandeering this account, Simone hacked into the sock puppet company responsible for postings on Gray Entertainment's behalf.

She uncovered incriminating evidence of their involvement in Fiona's scandal, including transfer records and attempts to discredit her. She took a screensho t of these findings and promptly sent it to her email.

With these tasks accomplished, Simone returned to monitoring the live broadc ast.

Gwen inquired, "Should we release the evidence now? The online situation is escalating. The sock puppets and the anti-

fans are rallying for Fiona's removal from the show and a halt to the recording.

"Many people are still discussing her past in the live chat. They're also pressur ing Kelly.

"If this **persists**, can Kelly handle the pressure?" Simone glanced at the live broadcast, where the group was on **a** mountain.

Fiona seemed isolated, with little interaction from other artists. Yet, she remained composed, free of self—doubt or embarrassment, radiating positivity and optimism.

Simone replied. "It's not time yet. Let's wait a litt fonger. Let Fiona change eve ryone's perception through her own efforts. When those anti–fans become increasingly repulsive.

then we can strike."

Upon hearing Simone's words, Gwen thought about Fiona's recent efforts and nodded. "You're right. You're the one **who** can handle this."

Simone smiled. "After all, I've been in this industry for a long time."

As they continued watching. Gary and his team displayed patience, ready to a ct on Simone's command.

After a while, Kelly reached out to Simone, hoping for Simone to take action.

She persuaded them to resist the pressure. Not only did they permit Fiona to c ontinue the live broadcast, but they also increased the number of shots.

The variety show's theme was thrilling and challenging, which was aimed at pushing the limits.

Activities included bungee jumping, walking on a cliffside plank road, and crossing a **glass** bridge between two mountains.

A few days earlier, Kelly had warned the guests to be mentally prepared.

However, if they were genuinely unable to confront the challenge, no one would force them. Alternatively, it was acceptable if someone in the group completed the task.

Everyone first tackled the glass bridge, divided into groups of three.

Fiona and two other permanent guests—a male and a female—were grouped together.

The female guest among them was an artist from Gray Entertainment. Therefore, she targeted Fiona more, isolating her from her teammates.

While climbing the mountain, she "accidentally sprained her foot. Since she w as wearing cropped pants, her visibly swollen ankle was on display.

She pretended to attempt to walk on the glass bridge. Then, she covered ber f oot, claimed she had tried her best but couldn't walk, and appeared emotionall y distraught.

As for the other two groups of six, even those with a slight fear of heights end ured their apprehension and persevered.

Fiona used to be afraid as well, but she had trained specifically for the past fe w days, so she

uccessfully **crossed** the bridge with the male guest, displaying a calm demea nor.

They den proceeded to the cliffside plank read

After overcoming their fears through various means of self– encouragement, the other two groups of six people cautiously crossed the roa d under the guidance of the team leader.

The **male** guest deliberately didn't wait for Fiona and walked with the team leader first.

Fiona had long grown accustomed to such treatment, so she didn't change he r expression or feel unhappy. With the assistance of the staff, she secured the safety rope and followed suit.

Her performance in this situation won the favor of many audiences.

Her fans were even more heartbroken. Previously, Fiona never needed to car e about the attitude of a second—

tier artist, yet now she was treated so coldly by one.

However. Fiona indeed did not disappoint them; she was becoming stronger a nd stronger.

Finally, it was time for bungee jumping off the cliff.

This time, the other two groups of guests went first.

Upon standing on the bungee jumping platform and looking down, they backe d down and didn't have the courage to jump.

Almost everyone chose to give up because they couldn't overcome their fear.

Even for those who weren't afraid of heights, it was normal not to dare to jump off such a high cliff.

Out of the six people, only one male guest chose to give it a try. He was usuall y a fan of extreme sports, so he managed to do it successfully but still scream ed in fear.

The male guest, who was in the same group as Fiona, attempted it on the stage but gave up because he was too scared to jump.

Now, only Fiona remained, so she took a deep breath and said, "I'll give it a try."

She walked up to the stage, closed her eyes, and reminisced about the events of the past year. She also recalled how Simone and Gwen had accompanied her to this cliff bungee jumping location, helping her overcome her fears and p sychological barriers.

Because **of** their encouragement and companionship, she conquered her fear s and took that Teap.

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Simone and Gwerr believed in her, warmed her **heart**, and supported her. She couldn't let

Then she opened her eyes. She didn't play the victim or feign fear. She neithe r crafted a persona of strength and bravery nor exerted effort to overcome the situation.

Instead, she smiled and jumped down.

After a scream, she shouted, "Fiona. keep going!"

This scene stunned the director and the other guests.

Even though Fiona had been mistreated, she didn't give up and continued to e mbrace life with a smile. It was an indescribable sensation that defied words.

The audiences who were tuning into the live broadcast were deeply moved as well.

Many people expected Fiona to utter something like "Get lost, se"mbag!" or ex press her pitiful state. However, she surprised everyone. She simply whispere d to herself to keep going, never give up, and face life with a smile.

Numerous audiences empathized with their **own** challenging situations.

For a moment, many couldn't help but be touched. Some even welled up with tears, and countless fans of Fiona couldn't help but shed a few themselves.

Fiona's fans flooded the live chat with messages

Fiona, keep going!"

Fans of other artists and passersby couldn't resist joining in.

Simone's eyes gleamed with a smile. "I knew she had it in her."

For those who worked hard, were sincere, and kind, life would never be a disa ppointment for them.

Even if Fiona was forced to leave the industry and find another job, Simone be lieved she could still maintain a positive and optimistic outlook.

She signed Fiona not only to humiliate Titus but also because she admired Fiona's approach to life and work.

Ar that, she sent a message to the operations team. We can begin now.

Chapter 104 Unwitting Self-Sabotage

Simone and Gary strategized on how to counter the accusations.

Initially, she logged into the verified account on her computer and posted an a pology on Facebook.

@lamleakskingy: I want to apologize to Fiona for leaking false information. A y ear ago, I received evidence alleging that Fiona had interfered in the romantic relationship between a popular young male star and a rising female star consi stently causing trouble and suppressing the two. After examining the evidence , which proved to be authentic, I was enraged. How could Fiona, a renowned A–

list celebrity, engage in such morally reprehensible behavior? Consequently, I disclosed the information, which led to Fiona facing widespread criticism and online backlash, plummeting her from A—

list status to a level worse than a D- list celebrity. However, I now realize that I misjudged Fiona entirely. I was manipulated by someone, and my actions cau sed harm to her. It turns out the popular young male star had clandestinely deleted the genuine evidence beforehand and even slandered his ex—girlfriend. I will unveil the truth about the incident involving Fiona's alleged inte rference from a year ago. Everyone can scrutinize the details and draw their o wn conclusions. I sincerely apologize to Fiona once again. I deeply regret my actions, nearly tarnishing the reputation of a positive and inspirational celebrity. Henceforth, I will permanently deactivate this account and refrain from disclo sing any further information."

Simone then posted numerous photos of Fiona with the se'mbag involved, including timestamps and locations. She shared ch at records between Fiona and the sc*mbag, as well as conversations with the real instigator.

Additionally, she exposed the resource list Fiona provided to them and screen shots of the manipulated sock puppets.

The verified account of the Leaks King was a long-time Gray Entertainment-supported account with millions of fans and a very high popularity.

When this apology surfaced on Facebook, it sent shockwaves through the entire industry.

The Leaks King Apologizes to Fiona, the Truth of the Past Turns Out to Be Lik e This... swiftly ascended to the top of the trending topics, driven by its own p opularity.

As people began clicking to learn more, they were unprepared for the multitud e of hidden facts and twists **in** this unfolding drama.

Subsequently, Gary's tearn identified themselves as "Gray Entertainment employees and Cinsiders before they stepped forward to disclose additional information.

The truth behind Fiona's framing and online atars, **as** well as the mudslinging, was unveiled through the revelations of a few individuals. Why did **the** whistle blower issue an

apology? It transpired

that Simone's studio had located him and presented evidence, urging him to a pologize to avoid legal repercussions.

Driven by guilt or fear of litigation, he opted to apologize for his errors.

As readers processed this information, a wave of sympathy for Fiona swept over them.

The reprehensible actions of the two individuals came to light–despite benefiting significantly

from Fiona, they had colluded to tarnish her reputation with false accusations.

Upon exploiting Fiona's trust, one of them shamelessly deleted photos and evidence.

Fiona's agent displayed a similarly despicable stance, failing to support their a rtist and even aiding the wrongdoers. The agents of the sc*mbag couple were

equally shameless

and ruthless, knowingly assisting in the deletion of surveillance videos and the destruction of evidence.

Thankfully, Simone's studio enlisted technicians to restore and repair the compromised evidence.

They also located the Leaks King, apprising him of the situation.

Whether due to realizing his mistake or fearing legal consequences, the Leaks King courageously came forward.

Without this intervention, Fiona's besmirched reputation would have been per manently affected, potentially leading to her swift exit from the entertainment i ndustry under the auspices of Gray Entertainment.

The actions of this prominent entertainment company, intentionally supporting the perpetrator against the victim, were nothing short of outrageous.

This revelation sheds light on why Fiona faced such severe accusations. Rath er than aiding her, her own company aligned with the actual wrongdoers and s uppressed her.

It was challenging to imagine how she could turn things around.

Soon, many people on the live chat were discussing this.

Fans of the guests and passersby were curious and went to check the trendin g topic on Facebook, especially after watching Fiona, who had been accused by the entire internet, still smiling and cheering herself on.

Everyone **felt** a sense of discomfort and anger. Fiona's fans were crying their hearts out, and even more passersby couldn't help but shed tears

Those sc'mbag **couple** and their agents, as well as Gray Entertainment, were truly bullying

people.

'How could someone engage in such despicable and disgusting behavior?"

For the sake of profit, some people have not only lost their moral compass but also their humanity.

This kind of entertainment company should go bankrupt as soon as possible.

These kinds of

agents should be fired directly; they were pests in the entertainment. industry.'

'Fiona signing with Gray Entertainment must have been the unluckiest thing th at had ever happened to her.

'It's alright. She met Simone, and she will definitely have good luck from now on.

'People who are kind and hardworking will have good luck. Both Fiona and Simone are like that.

'Why aren't the people who previously claimed that Simone was unreliable and used physiognomy to clear Fiona's name coming out now?"

Those sc*mbag couple's fans were so fierce before, constantly polluting the liv e chat, but now they're silent.

And what about those brainless people who followed the sock puppets' lead a nd relentlessly bashed Fiona and Simone? Why don't they come out and continue their nonsense?"

They've been silenced by concrete evidence that contradicts their claims. They don't dare to come out and judge anymore.

I just want to say Simone is amazing! After signing a contract with Fiona, not o nly did she help Fiona to secure **good** resources, but she also found evidence to clear her name from false accusations, washing away the injustice."

'Simone is incredible...

Fiona, keep up the good work!"

Following this comment, a wave of people started praising Fiona and Simone.

Then, **Gary's** team started exposing the sc*mbag couple for their arrogance, behind–

the- scenes bullying of less famous artists, buying sock puppets to attack their opponents, and other scandals

They **also** exposed the sembag couple's agents, who were the same people who had **forced**

Simone out in the past.

One of them was even related to Simone by blood-Titus.

This revelation further fueled everyone's anger. They all rushed to the Facebook pages of the sc"mbag couple and Gray Entertainment, leaving comments filled with mockery and insults.

This time, there were no sock puppets involved; it was everyone's genuine reaction.

The criticism that Fiona and Simone had endured previously multiplied, rebounding against those who had initially criticized them.

At Gray Entertainment's office, Chris rushed in without knocking on the door. He looked flustered.

Upon sensing something was amiss. Titus looked up with a sense of unease.

As anticipated, Chris blurted out, "Mr. Gray, we had a problem. I don't know w hy, but our verified account of the Leaks King, which used to leak information f or us, suddenly posted. an apology to Fiona on Facebook and shared a lot of evidence from a year ago.

Titus' expression instantly changed. "How is that possible?"

Even Chris couldn't believe it upon seeing it. It was the account they had been sponsoring, so it was impossible for it to betray them. Then, he received a me ssage, and after reading it, he told Titus, "The tech department says this account has been hacked."

At that moment. Chris had a feeling. This precisely embodies *the* sensation *of* self–sabotage.

Chapter 105 She's Truly His "Good Sister!"

Titus read through the Facebook post and evidence shared by the verified influencer they had personally trained. Taking his assistant's advice, he didn't get

angry, and he didn't throw his phone away this time around, Instead, he slum ped in his chair with frustration.

"Is it true that the tech department can't recover this account?" he asked. The assistant sensed that something was off with the boss, but it wasn't hard for him to make sense of it. After all, they had lost miserably this time. Previously, his boss had been extremely arrogant after he thought that he had predicted Simone's strategy for redeeming herself. Who would have expected Simone to take such an unusual path? She didn't even attempt to clear up the accusation s through manipulation or deception. Instead, she used the most advantageous evidence to counterattack.

Who could have imagined that Simone would find someone to expose the veri fied influencer account

they had nurtured and even use it to clear Fiona's name? An apology from the verified influencer account had a much greater impact than using other marke ting accounts. to expose evidence.

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key was that Simone and her team were adept at playing the victim card. The y allowed. their opponents to

throw dirt and set the rhythm, letting the tension reach its peak before counter attacking. Fans and bystanders who didn't understand the situation could only sympathize with Fiona. On the other hand, they felt utter disgust toward the t wo people that, the boss had brought with him.

The company's operations team had spent a significant amount of money in the

in the past few days. They had to do some unlawful work in order to help Simo ne clear up Fiona's name. Anyone, the boss especially, would be furious to h ear about this.

The boss messaged the tech department to inquire about this matter.

The tech

department said they can't recover it, the department head replied. "This account is useless from now on."

Judging from the last sentence on Facebook, this account would no longer ex pose anything. So, not only did Simone counterattack the boss, but she also r endered useless the account that the company had invested a lot of money an

d effort into developing. Titus clenched his phone as he trembled with anger. He found it even more difficult to accept this fact. Not only had he lost, but everything he had done before had also served as a stepping stone for Simone.

He wouldn't believe it if one were to tell him that she hadn't planned it all out in advance.

This the first time in his life that he had been so blatantly shamed and embarr assed, and it was all at the hands of his **own** sister. He rembered the day Sim one left home resolutely. He had spoken harshly to her and their family, thinking that it **would** make her come back

and apologize.

Now, not only did he feel embarrassed and hurt, but he

was.

noticed how ironic the situation

"Boss, the operations team is asking about how we should handle the public r elations, Titus assistant said. The operations team had never expected Simon e to make this move, and they

were at a loss.

Simone hadn't just exposed evidence to clear Fiona's name, but they also gra dually released. evidence of the poor character of those two individuals. If the y didn't do damage control with the public, the two cash cows in the boss' han ds would also be ruined.

Titus let out a self-

deprecating chuckle. "How can we salvage this? Let's make sure they don't e mbarrass themselves any further. They're a bunch of useless people. I don't k now why we keep them around,"

This was the operations team he had pushed so hard for, and now he felt a pang of regret. After all, Simone and the team that they discarded had successfully fought back this time. The more he thought about it, the angrier he became.

All of a sudden, Titus felt a sharp pain in his chest. He coughed up some bloo d.

"Boss, are you okay?" His assistant was startled.

Reuben walked in just in time to witness this scene. "You vomited blood beca use of this?" he asked with his brows furrowed. *Isn't* Titus' mental resilience a little too.. *fragile?*

Titus wiped his mouth

with a tissue before speaking expressionlessly. "I've been holding it in for so lo ng, and it's all coming out now." He didn't want to admit that he vomited blood because of his sister.

After the assistant left at Reuben's request, Reuben approached Titus. "The company's shareholders just called me and asked for an explanation from you regarding this matter."

"Are you referring to the entertainment company's charabolders or the group's

"Are you referring to the entertainment company's shareholders or the group's shareholders?" Titus asked.

The entertainment **company**, Reuben replied. Then, he changed the subject. "But the shareholders of the group will also be dissatisfied with you."

Previously, his father had already made all the necessary arrangements. Reu ben would first become the president of the entertainment company that was under the Gray Group. This would be both a test and an opportunity for him to gain experience. After some time, he

o be transferred to the headquarters **and** eventually take over Cray Group. Aft er he left,

younger brother would then take over the reins of the entertainment company.

However, his younger brother didn't just fail to showcase some impressive res ults. He even fell victim to a few consecutive attacks from their own sister. This would make the

shareholders of the group company have a negative perception of Titus and m ight event leave an impression that Reuben was incapable of being relied upo n. This matter would end

having some impact on him, of course.

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Titus smirked. "It's just a marketing failure. There's nothing to explain to them."

Reuben furrowed his brows even more. "The company has suffered significant losses this time. The effort put into developing the account was wasted, and t hose two popular stars **in** your hands are now useless."

Before coming here, he had researched and inquired about it. Those two individuals who were exposed this time would never be able to recover.

"More importantly, Simone's team is the one in control now, and the company's reputation has been greatly damaged because of this,' he added. "Now, the official

Facebook page of the company has been taken over by Simone and Fiona's f ans and all sorts of bystanders. There have been a lot of online rumors about our company's artists' characters, suggesting that they're problematic. Some people are even asking for a boycott of our company's artists and demanding an explanation from us. With this chain reaction, it can be predicted that our c ompany's stocks will definitely drop significantly tomorrow."

Due to this intense uproar on the Internet, the reputation and interests of the c ompany had been directly impacted. The shareholders were definitely angry a nd would certainly demand an explanation from both Reuben and Titus.

Titus felt an urge to puke again. "Simone truly lives up to the Grays' name—she's as ruthless as us," he hissed through gritted teeth. Not only did she emb arrass him and ruin his reputation, but she also forced the company to hold him accountable.

Great, she's truly my good sister"! he thought.

Reuben hadn't expected Simone to be so ruthless and accurate with her calculated actions.

"I warned you about this. She's not that simple. I told you not to underestimate her," he said.

However, his younger brother was overly confident and refused to listen to him.

Titus expression darkened. "Indeed, I must admit, I underestimated her once again. Tell me, Reuben. What **should** I do?"

Reuben pondered for a moment. The company will publicly announce the sus pension of your **managerial** position to provide an explanation to the public. The two artists under your thanagement will be terminated."

wir actions had already violated the terins of the contract. Therefore, the comp any **was** ble to dismiss them outrightly, and the other party would have to pay a penalty for

breaching the contract

Titus sneered. "Hah! Is the company using me as a scapegoat to appease public anger? Simone really executed her plan perfectly."

At that moment, he suddenly understood the feeling of being criticized and bo ycotted by the entire internet. He understood the pressure of public opinion for cing him to take action—

it was as uncomfortable as cutting out his flesh with a knife.

A year ago, he helped his two artists deal with Fiona. He never anticipated that one day, they would face a backlash twice as strong.

Reuben sighed. "This failure is not entirely a bad thing for you. When the public scrutiny subsides. I will promote you directly to the head of the talent m anagement department. In the meantime, I want you to reflect on the reasons behind your failure and learn from it."

"Gray Entertainment will be entrusted to you in the future. I hope you won't dis appoint me or your father," he added with a serious tone.

Titus sneered. "Do I have any other choice?" Obviously not.

Before Reuben could respond, Titus continued speaking. "I understand. Well, coincidentally, I wanted to take a vacation for a while. After saying that, he grabbed his phone and car keys and left the office without hesitation.

Chapter 106 Even More Exciting

In the meantime, Mr. Wills and his team were setting the pace as they pursue d their targets. After gaining complete control of the situation. Mr. Wills went to

Simone's office. Simone and Gwen were watching a live stream of a variety s how. As expected, the tone of the livestream had completely changed.

Previously,

they had been criticizing Fiona, but now it was filled with sympathy and words of encouragement. Fiona's performance in the variety show did not disappoint. When Mr. Wills entered. Simone smiled at him. "Please have a seat!" Suppressing his excitement, Mr. Wills sat across from the two women b efore updating them on their operations.

Simone nodded with a smile. "You've done an excellent job."

Mr. Wills pondered for a moment. "Miss Gray, if we set the pace and put pressure on Gray Entertainment, **will** they really take action against Titus?" At that point, Gray Entertainment was controlled by the brother s

of the Gray Family, and they practically had complete control over the company.

So, he wasn't sure if Reuben would be willing to take action against his own y ounger brother. However, Simone replied with great certainty. "Don't worry. B ased on my understanding of Reuben, he will make Titus provide an explanati on to the company and to the public. However, this won't mean they are comp romising. Reuben is eventually going to inherit the chairman position in Gray Group, and Titus will be trained to take over Gray Entertainment. They need t o satisfy the shareholders now in order to take those two positions smoothly in the future. So, they will use Titus Gray as a scapegoat to appease the public anger. The two artists under Titus Gray will also be expelled and held account able, Simone said.

"Within half an hour, Gray Entertainment's official website and Facebook will d efinitely announce the results of their actions against the three individuals," she added after glancing at her watch.

Mr. Wills now had a lot of trust in Simone. "So, Titus is done for this time?" Si mone shook her head. "No, after some time, when the heat dies down, and no one is paying attention any longer, Reuben will start using him again. They be lieve in the idea of working together and having mutual benefits, which is why they are so against the idea of having outsiders in the

company."

Simone could empathize with Mr. Wills when she saw the look of discontent on his face. After all, anyone who was manipulated and plotted against by Titus would want

to retaliate as soon as possible and completely crush the other party. "Don't w orry; our counterattack this time will have an impact on the Gray brothers as w ell." She smirked. "If this happens a few more times, even if Tinus **is** the chair man's own son, he won't be able to take over Gray Entertainment in the future."

Since Reuben will be transferred to the group, it will also have a significant impact on his

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resume. We won't know if he can successfully

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future." One way or another, it was Simone's plan to continue adding fuel to the fire and obstructing their path. Just like they did to her. Tit for tat.

Mr. Wills calmed down after that conversation. It was already quite a success f or them to have forced Gray Entertainment to cast out Titus. Titus reputation was almost completely ruined in the industry. Furthermore, their actions had c ompletely tarnished the reputation of the top talent agent. The two of them chatted for a while longer.

Gwen picked up her phone after a while. "Everything is within Simone's expectations and control. Gray Entertainment has posted the outcome on their official Facebook page and apologized to Fiona and everyone."

"Reuben is

the smartest among his brothers," Simone commented. "Handling the situation . and apologizing to the public as quickly as possible will indeed divert their att ention from the company. It will also calm down a lot of people's anger."

"Should we continue to press on?" Mr. Wills asked. "We don't need to focus on Gray Entertainment anymore," Simone replied. "If we cross the line, Gray Group might take action. We don't have the strength to compete with Gray Group right now. Furthermore, the public's attention span won't be long. They have already dealt with the situation and apologized. If we keep targeting them, the public might turn against us."

Then, she changed the subject. "But we can keep an eye on Titus,' she uttere d thoughtfully. "Knowing him, after being humiliated like this, and after having t he company turning against him, he definitely won't go to the company for a while. He will most likely go to various entertainment venues to vent his e motions."

"And if we keep

an eye on Jodie, she'll probably play her role **as** the good sister. She will defin itely take the opportunity to show her support after her brother's incident. If the y are together, we should immediately contact the paparazzi. They will surely capture some useful photos. We don't even need to spend money on marketin g. We can just watch the show," **Simone** commented.

Gwen chuckled. "That's a good idea. Season two of Simone's variety show will probably start next week. Let's give Jodie some of the spotlight. We should just listen to Simone from now on. She knows what she's doing."

Mr. Wills smiled with a look of admiration on his face. "From now **on**, we will all listen to President Gray." Simone is really amazing, Mr. Wills thought. Not *only can she* predict *the* opponent's moves, but *she* also knows how to strike back. If something scandalous about Titus and Jodie *is* captured by the paparazzi, things will get even more exciting.

"I'll book **a** restaurant for tomorrow night and invite everyone from the studio, Simone suggested. "Let's have **a** meal together. Everyone has worked hard these past few days!"

Mr. Wu chuckled. Tll inform them later. It was comfortable to work with Simon e. **She wasn't**

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just a powerful fighter: she was also respectful toward everyone.

Meanwhile, Steven was in his office at Gray Group having tea with a close sh areholder. This shareholder was Donovan Gulls, and he was the general man ager of one of the influential departments in the company. "Mr. Gray, have you heard about what happened at the entertainment company today?" Donovan asked

Steven had been paying attention to this matter of course. "Yes, I heard."

Donovan smiled. "Like father, like daughter. Your daughter has a strong ability to strategize Among Steven's several children. Reuben had always been the one that most people looked up to Previously. Donovan also had a good impression of Titus Donovan figured that Titus was quite capable, although **not** as good as the other children.

But this incident completely changed his view. Among Steven's children, it see med that his daughter was the most impressive one Her various calculations and counterattacks this time were simply perfect. Moreover, she knew when t o pause and assess the situation, which was

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Steven smiled bitterly. I underestimated her in the past. The sibling rivalry turn ed her into the victor. This was something he hadn't expected. It had also turn ed the Gray Family into the public's laughingstock. It was rare for siblings to turn against each other like this in their industry.

Donovan smiled. "Your daughter is a promising talent. I believe she should be provided with more attention and training. She has a good understanding of the entertainment industry, and I think she is more su itable to be the future successor of Gray Entertainment"

He and Steven were on the same team, which was why he could be so direct. Although Gray Entertainment was just a subsidiary of the group, it had been generating considerable profits in recent years. As major shareholders, t hey received one—

third of the total annual dividends from the entertainment subsidiary

Naturally, they hoped for even greater success for the entertainment subsidiar y. After this incident, Steven had a different perspective **on** Simone, and he be gan to recognize her abilities even more. However, he sighed. "She holds a si gnificant **bias** and resentment towards the Gray Family. I'm not sure if she wo uld be willing to return to the entertainment company."

The Gray Family business was inherited from Steven's ancestors, and he had always been committed to taking it to the next level. Both Titus and Simone w ere his own blood. As long as one of them could manage the entertainment company better than the other, he would support whoever was in charge.

So, he was somewhat tempted by his friend's suggestion. Yet, he **was** concer ned that Simone would resist. Donovan also had some knowledge about the

Gray Family. After pondering for **a** moment, he offered some advice. "**As** a fat her, if you extend a helping hand to her, I believe

she would follow you. I heard she is also skilled in geomancy. Can you help me get in touch with her? Perhaps you can invite her to come and assist me. What do you think?" Donovan asked.

Chapter 107 Too Late

Steven had been contemplating how to approach Simone and reach out to her proactively. Upon hearing his old friend's words, he smiled. "Of course, that's not a problem. I'm just unsure about her proficiency in geomancy. Please don't blame her if she's not too accurat e."

His daughter was adopted by a geomancy master and had been learning thes e skills since she was young. She even pursued a related major in college. However, from what he understood, a young geoman cy practitioner like her would only have average skills. When his daughter first came to their home, she got along well with her brothers. He heard that his eld est son had asked Simone to help with geomancy in the entertainment compa ny's office. Before his fourth son started filming a drama, he had also asked Si mone's help to determine an auspicious time. Steven never inquired about the results.

Donovan smiled. "You're being modest. Simone participated in a live broadca st of a variety show, and she could tell that one of the villagers sons was in da nger just by reading the

that villager's face. She jumped into the water and rescued the son. Later, she noticed. another person's child was having issues because of the bracelet the y were wearing, and after handling it, the child's issues were resolved. Judgin g by her performance, her skills are definitely not mediocre."

"Haven't you asked her for help?" Donovan asked. Steven had been busy bef ore and hadn't made time to watch that variety show. So, he really didn't know about this. "She helped me with geomancy and auspicious times for my two s ons, but she hasn't helped us with face reading, so I don't know much about it, " Steven explained.

Donovan had great faith in geomancy. He had only started paying more attenti on to Simone after he heard another geomancy practitioner praising Simone's face reading skills.

"She has three taboos, so she can't help you with face reading," Donovan explained. Steven. also believed in geomancy, but he didn't know about this. "The three taboos?" "They are not able to read the faces of relatives, politicians, or themselves," Donovan elaborated. "Geomancy practitioners are unable to read the faces of their relatives or themselves, as it is said to be concealed by some divine secret. But this is expected. Otherwise, they would simply be too powerful. It would be chaotic if all that geomancy practitioners did were to constant ly help themselves and their family members avoid misfortune and disasters while seizing or occupying good fortune. But it's not a problem to help relatives and oneself with auspicious times and geomancy arrangements."

"I understand," Steven said after listening to Donovan's words. "I'll ask her wh en she's available, then." Steven took out his phone and dialed Simone's num ber several times in at row. However, it was either that her line was busy all the time or that her phone was turned off. Steven had another suspicion, but he thought it was impossible. He pondered for a moment and found Simone on the app that they used to chat.

He sent her a message, but he was then notified that they were no longer friends. This

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confirmed Steven's previous suspicion. He couldn't believe it. Not only had his daughter blocked his phone number, but she had also deleted him as a friend on the

friend on the app. This realization made Steven's expression turn sour

Mr. Gulls noticed this. "What's wrong?" he asked Steven relaxed his expression into a smile. "Her phone is turned off. She's probably busy. How about I arrange a time for us to talk about geomancy once I get ahold of her?"

Mr. Gulls didn't think much of it "Sure." After Mr. Gulls left. Steven called in **an** assistant to borrow their phone. Then, he called Simone. Samone saw an unfamiliar number, and she didn't know who was calling

She answered. "Hello"

"Simone, it's me." Simone naturally recognized Steven's voice and was some what surprised *Why* is *he* calling me? It can't postbly he about Some No. 2, rig ht? Koting Steven's personality, he *doesn't* seem *like* the *type* to help Sembag No 2 scale When she was in the Gray Family, Steven was often busy and not at home, and he didn't pay much attention to household matters. He wasn't hi ased towards Jodie the way other people were

But he didn't show much concern for her either. After taking her home, he gave her a card and didn't bother much about her after that. So their father—daughter bond **was** very weak The day she left, Steven believed what Salma and his few sons said. He assumed that she w always causing trouble, and he was unhappy about it What he wanted most was a harmonious family. But sin ce his daughter was using chaos in the family, he allowed his sons to teach he r a lesson and make her obedient. He didn't investigate whether what those p eople said was true,

Perhaps there was a difference between blood relatives and non—blood relatives. Naturally, he didn't have the same closeness with his daughte r, who had only been brought for a little over a year, as he did with his wife an d sons. The day that she decided to leave the Gray Family, she treated them all as strangers. She didn't even think about demanding his fatherly love or an ything, nor did she need it. "Who are you?" she asked.

Steven frowned. I'm your dad."

"I don't **have** a dad. I cut off all ties with everyone from the Gray Family a long time ago, Simone replied. Steven didn't expect Simone to say **that**. She actu ally wants *to* cut ties, he thought. And from her tone, he could tell she was seri ous. He sighed. "Simone, are you still holding grudges after so long?"

"Nothing matters anymore. I don't hold grudges she told him. "If there's nothing else you have to say, then I'm hanging up.

I contacted you today because there is something I want to say, Steven uttere d hurriedly "1 have an old friend who wants to ask for your help with geoman cy. When do you have the time for this? Let's make an appointment. He didn't mention family matters again, as he was

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afraid that Simone would really hang up. He wanted to use Mr. Gulls' matter a s an opportunity to mend the relationship with his daughter.

However, Simone decisively refused his request. No, I don't want to have any involvement with the Gray Family or anyone associated with them. So, you can tell your friend to find. another geomancer.

The Gray Family members couldn't just reach out to her whenever they wishe d to. Once she said she was cutting ties, she was insistent on not getting involved with them again. Does Steven think that I'm *going* to *listen* to him *just bec ause* of his *single phone* call? What a joke.

Steven was taken aback by Simone's immediate refusal. "Why are you so stubborn, child? There's no long-

standing grudge among us family members. There must have been some mis understanding before. Why don't we set a date to gather and have a meaningf ul conversation? If your brothers have any concerns, I will address them."

Steven had heard about the situation between Simone and Titus. It was Titus who had been too harsh in his treatment of his sister. On this matter, Steven d idn't support Titus. Regardless, Simone was his biological daughter Steven di dn't

want Simone to wander out without any support. However, he never expected Simone to have such a strong temper. Not only did she express her desire to sever ties verbally, but she also wanted to distance herself from them in her a ctions.

Simone sneered. "We have no relationship now. If you think that they are the ones with issues, you'd discipline them first. It's too late, Mr. Gray! I don't want to have any further ties with you, so there's no

need to have a meal or a chat. Don't contact me again in the future. I'm hanging up!" And she indeed hung up after saying that.

Chapter 108 This Is Getting Interesting

Steven listened to the loud *beep* coming from his phone. For a moment, he di dn't know how to feel. This was the first time someone had dared to hang up o n him before he finished speaking. And it was his own daughter.

Naturally, Steven wouldn't react like Aaron and Titus, who would call back afte r Simone hung up on them. He was too embarrassed to do that

It wasn't just the fact that Simone had hung up on him but also how resolute S imone seemed with her words. She wasn't just acting on impulse; she truly did n't want them as her family anymore. From what he could recall, Simone care d a lot about their family since she returned home.

Although she didn't grovel to please anyone, she still cared about everyone at home. She didn't do it in a superficial way. Instead, she did it through her actions.

Steven was busy and didn't spend much time with his daughter, but every no w and then, she would send him detoxification pills and health pills that she m ade. They were effective, which showed that she put effort into it.

How did it come to this? He sat there for a while, then called his secretary in.

"I want you to investigate the conflicts and relationships between Simone, my wife, my sons, and our adopted daughter. I want you to focus on investigating my adopted daughter. See if she has any contact with the geomancy master worshipped by the Gray Family. Do this in secret. I don't want a third person to know about this," Steven ordered.

His wife and sons had always told him that Simone didn't get along with their adopted daughter after she came back. They claimed that she just wanted to snatch things from their adopted daughter and would often cause trouble. If th at were the case, it would suggest that Simone cared a lot about the Gray Fa mily's wealth and possessions, but looking at the situation then, that didn't see m like the case.

Simone probably felt like she had been wronged that day. That was probably what pushed her to her limits and forced her into leaving the Gray Family. Pre sently, it seemed like she didn't want to acknowledge them or ask for anything from the Gray Family.

Steven believed that things weren't **as** simple as his wife and **sons** described it to be. After

she **came** back, he had planned to include her in the family genealogy, to mov e her household registration to their home, and to announce her identity public ly.

However, their adopted daughter fell ill, so his wife and sons asked him to p ostpone this matter. After that, he coincidentally met the geomancy master worshipped by the Gray Family. The master congratulated him on finding hi

s biological daughter. They **chatted**, **and the master hinted that** he **had mad e** an accurate prediction in the **past**. His **prediction** had

allowed them to adopt a girl with the same age and birthdate as their biologica I daughter.

Not only did the Gray Family prosper, but they also found their biological daug hter eventually. After listening to the master's words. Steven was in complete agreement with him. Then, the master performed a divination for him and told him that it was not yet the time to reveal his daughter's identity to the public. The master

claimed that it would be best to wait until a year later. Otherwise, both his biol ogical daughter and adopted daughter would face calamities. It would also have an impact on the fortune of the Gray Family.

He told his wife about this, and she agreed to announce Simone as the heires s of the Gray Family a year later when she would be listed in the family tree. T hey would change her surname and household registration at that time. Since their daughter had already returned to them, it didn't matter whether they did t hese things sooner or later.

Steven agreed to this plan, but now, he couldn't help but have some doubts.

The secretary didn't expect the chairman to ask him to investigate these privat e matters, but this represented trust, so he nodded and promised the other ma n. "Rest assured, Mr. Gray. I will handle this properly."

The next day, Simone had dinner with the people from her studio. After the meal, Gwen asked Simone to go to a bar with her.

During the meal, Simone noticed that Gwen wasn't in a good mood, but she w as dressed in a sexy and glamorous way. It was only after they got in the car t hat she questioned Gwen.

"What's wrong with you?"

Gwen didn't hide anything from her good friend. "Useless Rock came back."

Simone had guessed before that it might be related to Harold. "He contacted you?"

Gwen pouted. "He sent me a message, but I ignored it. Then, he called me. He asked me why I didn't go back, why I abandoned my work and wasn't responsible... I hung up before listening to the whole thing."

Simone thought about her words for a moment. "Are you sure you want to bre ak up with him?"

Gwen immediately nodded. "Of course, I'm sure. He called me again today, b ut I didn't answer and blocked him. I'm a bit annoyed, and I want a drink."

It wasn't that she was still attached to him, but she was just feeling a bit frust rated especially when a friend sent her a message specifically to talk about it.

Harold didn't just bring that other girl back; he also introduced her to friends in their circle. She felt like her past self was a joke, but the man wasn't a great person either he tried to latch onto her while he was taking Freya out. He su ggested that she study economics and

management and agreed to let her work at his company abroad.

He would voice his restrictions for her, the same way a boyfriend would do to a girlfriend.

It gave her the illusion that

Harold cared about her. It made her believe that one day, she would melt his i cy heart, and they would be together. She had overlooked the fact that there was

always a third party by his side. Only after she woke up did she realize that Ha rold was fooling around with both sides. He wasn't a serious person.

Thinking about it, she suddenly had the urge to beat that b*stard

1. up.

Simone could tell that Gwen really wanted to let go of Harold. However, it was obvious that Gwen was still angry at him.

Simone made some calculations with her fingers. "Let's go to the bar you use d to frequent."

Gwen didn't think much of it. "Sure!" S

he had originally planned to find a quiet place nearby, but she didn't mind Sim one's suggestion. After parking the car, the two women entered the bar. This bar was owned by a young man in their circle whom Gwen considered a child hood friend.

Simone also knew him, and their relationship was decent. Most people in their circle would come here for gatherings and such. The first floor was open to everyone. The second floor, however, was exclusive to those with special cards, offering a high level of privacy. It only served the young masters and ladies of the circle or people with extraordinary backgrounds. Simone, being popular now, was easily recognizable. So, she wore a duckbill cap and a mask.

It was still early, and there weren't many people on the second floor. The corn er spot happened to

be empty with dim lighting. It was just what the two of them needed, so they w alked over and sat down. They ordered drinks and savored them while enjoyin g the live performance downstairs.

Soon, more people started to arrive, some of whom they knew. However, they didn't bother to greet them.

After half an hour, another group of people arrived.

Gwen was taken aback to see them. She turned to Simone. "Did you know th at Useless Rock and Scumbag No. 2 would come?" Gwen asked.

"I predicted that **your** presence here would completely resolve the issue that **h as** been bothering you," Simone said. "But I didn't expect **Useless** Rock to be hanging out with Scumbag No. **2:**

She was also somewhat surprised.

Gwen glanced at them again. "Not only are they together, but they also seem to be enjoying themselves."

Titus was with Jodie, while Harold was with Freya. There were also a few you ng gentlemen and ladies from the social circle accompanying them.

Simone smirked. "This just got even more intriguing."

Gwen suddenly seemed interested as well. "Exactly."

She took out her phone, turned off the flash, and snapped two pictures of Titu s and Jodie. The paparazzi couldn't show up there, but she could provide som e materials first and take more pictures later.

As for Harold and Freya, she couldn't be bothered to photograph them. Their news was not worth much.

Chapter 109 Shocked

The group sat down at a table opposite Simone and Gwen.

Since Simone and Gwen were sitting in a dark corner and they deliberately sat sideways, the people on that side didn't notice.

After the group sat down, Jodie and Innocent Lily didn't sit with the other girls.

Instead, one sat next to Titus, and the other sat next to Harold.

The four of them were sitting on a large couch, with two men in the middle and two women on the sides.

After ordering drinks, Titus and Harold leaned in to chat while Jodie and Innoc ent Lily poured drinks for them, giving the impression of two couples.

Simone, with her good hearing, could vaguely hear their conversation.

Sc*mbag No. 2 was discussing investing in web dramas, specifically the new drama of Sc*mbag No. 4, with Useless Rock.

Curious, Simone asked Gwen, "Were Sc*mbag No. 2 and Useless Rock close before?"

She wasn't very familiar with Harold. When she arrived at Cebros, he went abroad.

Gwen whispered, "Sc*mbag No. 2, Useless Rock, and Leon were all high sch ool classmates. They were *a* tight—

knit trio during their school days." She added, "Sc*mbag No. 2 is two years old er than us. He dropped out for **two** years before returning to our grade."

That was why she had Sc*mbag No. 2's contact.

Leon came to Cebros during his first year of high school, but she couldn't due to her grandfather.

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Unfortunately, her grandfather passed away during her second year of high sc hool.

At that time, Gwen wanted to stay and be with Simone.

However, with a significant inheritance in her hands, her mother persuaded h er grandmother and father to transfer her back to Cebros for school.

As a result, **she** ended up in the same class **as** Leon.

To defy **her** mother and **due** to her rebellious ne at the time, she pretended **to** be a bad student, but behind **the** scenes, Gwen actually studied with Simone. So, she had a solid

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foundation.

However, during exams, she would randomly fill in the answers, intentionally maintaining the last–place record.

Every time her mother saw her grades, she would be furious. It wasn't because she cared about Gwen's future but because she felt embarrassed.

After all, both Skyler and Leon were influential figures in school when they wer e students.

Both of them consistently ranked in the top three of the entire grade.

The other cousins and siblings also had good grades.

Every time the Fosters used Gwen to taunt her mother, she found it quite amu sing.

In their year, Harold was a genius student, always ranking first in the whole school. After Gwen transferred, the t

eacher arranged her seat next to Harold. He had a cold temperament, and she initially tried to start a conversation, but he was ve ry indifferent.

After that, she ignored him.

Later, she was pursued by a boy outside of school.

She didn't agree and told him to go away

When the boy's ex-

girlfriend found out, she brought a group of about ten people to confront her.

Gwen was capable of fighting, but there were too many of them. Before she could react, the girl took a brick and smashed it toward Gwen's head.

At that time, Harold happened to pass by that alley. So, he swung his backpac k and hit the girl, saving Gwen from being hit on the head.

He **also** stepped in and beat down several boys who were surrounding her.

Although Harold had a cold temperament, he was good–looking and always a top student.

That day, seeing him fighting in his

school uniform, Gwen suddenly found him very hot and had **a** crush on him. **B ecause** of this incident, she no longer pretended to be a bad student **but** inste ad worked hard to catch up with him.

She would **often** pester him and **ask** about acadernic matters.

He would **sometimes get** impatient, but he would **still** carefully explain the qu estions **to her**.

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Other girls saw this and started to seek his help, but he would coldly refuse.

Every month, she would bother him to go out and play.

Harold would act unwilling, but he would always show up at the agreed locatio n.

During the SAT, Gwen worked hard and got into the same college as him. She even listened to his advice and studied economics and management.

In their third year of college, he finished all the undergraduate courses, obtain ed all the credits, and received his graduation certificate through an early exa mination.

He also got accepted into a prestigious foreign university for his graduate studies.

Before going abroad, he told her that he would start a company overseas in the future and hinted that she could join his company after graduation.

After he went abroad, they maintained contact.

Whenever she sent him a message, even if his reply came late, there was still a reply.

If Gwen encountered something she didn't understand in her studies, he would patiently teach her through video calls.

So, after graduating from college, she went abroad to find him and joined his c ompany.

It was then that she discovered Harold had a secretary, Innocent Lily. From the way she looked at him, it was clear that she was infatuated with him.

She had arguments with him because of Innocent Lily, but he would always say they had no relationship and ask her not to overthink.

She pursued him and wanted to define their relationship, but he would always change the subject and avoid it.

Because of Innocent Lily, they had many fights.

Before Gwen returned to the country, they had planned to have a meal togeth er, but Innocent Lily suddenly fell ill, so he broke the appointment to visit her in the hospital.

As a result, they stopped talking.

Seeing Simone decisively break up with Leon, Gwen suddenly felt exhausted.

That was when she

decided to let **go**, stop entangling with him, and return to **the country** to **accompany** Simone.

When Gwen and Leon came to

Cebros for high school, Simone was still in another city, so she wasn't very fa miliar with these things.

Although they kept in touch, they didn't mention others much. After all, they didn't know each other.

After entering the entertainment industry following her graduation from college , Simone was recognized as a member of the Gray Family.

That was when she found out that Leon and

Sc*mbag No. 2 were classmates, and they could be considered childhood frie nds, but she didn't inquire much about their high school days.

She said, "No wonder they seem to have such a good relationship. Useless Rock even wants to invest in Sc*mbag No. 4's drama."

Gwen said, "When we were classmates, I didn't know he was your brother an d would treat you like that. Otherwise, I would have beaten him up."

Although

Gwen and Leon were classmates with Sc*mbag No. 2, they didn't return to Ce bros until high school.

At that time, the Gray Family had already given up searching for their biologic al daughter openly, and no one in their circle or the Fosters mentioned it.

Sc*mbag No. 2 did mention his sister but in an affectionate manner.

So, they were unaware that the sister he referred to was not his biological sibling.

When

they were together, they didn't deliberately inquire or explore each other's family

matters.

Furthermore, Simone and Sc*mbag No. 2 didn't resemble each other.

Therefore, they never connected Simone with being the lost daughter of the G ray Family. Later, when they discovered that Simone was Scmbag No. 2's sist er, they were all surprised. Simone chuckled and said, "It's alright. I'll have a c hance to beat him up myself in the future." While they were conversing, opposite them, Jodie picked up a glass of wine and took a sip. She then choked, co ughing continuously, and her eyes became red.

Titus immediately went over **to** pat **her** back.

Jodie **took** advantage of the situation to lean **against** him and act spoiled, allo wing **him** to comfort her.

In Titus' embrace, Jodie even reached out and hugged his neck, rubbing her f ace against his chest.

Titus reciprocated

by embracing Jodie, comforting her while also using a tissue to wipe the

wine from the corner of her mouth.

Observing this, Gwen exclaimed in surprise while taking photos, "Is the Gray Family raising a daughter, not a daughter—in—

law?" That didn't seem like the behavior between siblings. When she had a go od relationship with Leon in their youth, they never acted like this.

After they returned to Cebros, their sibling relationship became more strained and distant.

Not to mention hugging, Leon would never pat her head or have a situation where they would link arms at a banquet.

Back in the Gray Residence, Simone was also shocked to see Jodie being so intimate with the five sc*mbags.

"Yeah, Jodie has always been the center of attention."

Simone also noticed that the reason why the five sc*mbags behaved this way was because Jodie intentionally guided them to become accustomed to it.

Then Simone's gaze shifted to Innocent Lily sitting not far from the two. Sudde nly, her were filled with astonishment.

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At this moment, Jodie leaned against Titus' chest, revealing her profile.

Innocent Lily gazed at Jodie and Titus with a hint of envy, showcasing her ow n profile.

Simone patted Gwen and remarked, "Hey, look at Innocent Lily's profile. Does n't it resemble Jodie?"

Upon glancing over, Gwen expressed surprise, "You're right; they do look alik e."

Capturing all four of them in the frame, Gwen took photos with her phone. She also snapped separate pictures of Jodie and Innocent Lily.

Right after

taking the photos, Innocent Lily seemed to sense something, turning her head in their direction.

Gwen promptly set down her phone when Innocent Lily shifted her gaze.

Despite the dim lighting, if observed closely, the general appearance of the pe ople on this side was still discernible.

Innocent Lily's body trembled slightly. She appeared not to recognize Gwen a s she withdrew her gaze.

While pouring wine for Harold, Innocent Lily leaned closer to him to converse.

Harold nodded intermittently.

Although they weren't seated very close, her intimate conversation with him e xuded a sense of ambiguity, especially with the couple next to them embracin g each other.

Gwen chuckled, saying, "She definitely saw me and recognized me."

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Previously, their interactions were normal, but Innocent Lily now acted ambiguously and intentionally approached Harold to talk. It was evidently done as a show for Gwen to watch.

Simone nodded, affirming, "She definitely recognized you."

Then, she inquired of Gwen. "Do you know who she is?"

Gwen recalled the earlier incident when Simone asked. "I don't know. I asked Harold before, and he only said she's a relative of his family. I don't want to be come the kind of malicious woman who loses her mind over a man, so I haven 't investigated or suppressed Innocent

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Harold are because of her, I have never intentionally targeted her."

She glanced at Innocent Lily, then at Jodie.

Then, she looked at Simone and asked, "The two of them don't look similar from the front. but from the side, they look like twins. Do you suspect that they have some kind of relationship?"

Simone nodded. "Yes, I always feel that it's not just a coincidence. Let me tak e a look at their physiognomy."

Normally, she wouldn't deliberately look at someone's physiognomy. Otherwis e, it would not only be tiring but also feel like intentionally prying into someone's privacy—

unless the other person's philtrum was obviously blackened, which could be s een at a glance, like that time during the livestream.

Curiosity surged within Gwen, prompting her to nod and say, "Yes. Take a loo k."

Upon seeing Innocent Lily not

looking in their direction, she deliberately stood enough, her attention was part ly diverted to this side as she instinctively looked over.

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Simone carefully examined her facial features.

When Innocent Lily continued to turn her head to look at Harold, Jodie straightened up Titus' arms.

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She turned around and reached out to take the glass of water that Titus had a sked the waiter to bring.

Simone then carefully examined Jodie's facial features. A look of surprise app eared on her face. "From physiognomy, it suggests that they are half—sisters with different mothers."

She asked Gwen, "What is Innocent Lily's last name?"

Gwen's eyes widened in shock, clearly not expecting them to have this kind of relationship. "Innocent Lily's surname is Lawson. Before Jodie joined the Gray Family, was her last name them to have this kind of relationship. Lawson?"

Simone frowned and shook her head. "No, it was Wilson."

Gwen was stunned for a moment. "Well, how can they be half—sisters with different mothers? Is there something hidden?"

She believed that Simone wouldn't be mistaken; the issue must lie with the two sisters.

And from **the way** they look, it **doesn't** seem like they **are** very **familiar with** each other."

Upon looking at Jodie and Freya, it seemed like they had just met.

Simone nodded. "They indeed don't look like they are pretending to be unfamil iar. Could it be possible that they are half—sisters with different mothers, but they don't know about each other's existence?"

For some reason, she felt that this possibility was the likeliest.

Gwen nodded. "It's very possible,"

Then, jokingly, she quipped, "Are they not compatible with the two of us?" *Oth erwise, why would they coincidentally* come *to ruin our* relationship?

After hearing her words, Simone's eyes deepened. "Jodie and I share the sam e birthday."

This was something she heard from Salma after joining the Gray Family. Salm a said that they adopted Jodie because a master had predicted it—adopting Jodie, who shared the same birthday, and giving her the name Simo ne originally had, would help them find their biological daughter.

She had actually had some doubts before since the incident involved a socalled master.

For instance, why was she abducted by human traffickers at the tender age of four?

When she regained consciousness later, why could she only recall playing wit h a little boy who eagerly watched the performance from the front, completely oblivious to what was happening behind her?

She vaguely remembered the boy was Aaron, but details such as his appearance and the location eluded her.

Her memory failed to capture her name, her parents' identities, or the circumst ances at home.

Consequently, after her rescue, she remained devoid of any recollections, and the city she found herself in was distant from Callington. This was why she be came a child untraceable **by** any known relatives.

After being adopted by her master, she still remembered what happened when she was a child.

She was **smart** from a young age and even had the ability to have a photogra phic memory. Even though she was only four **years** old at the time, she could n't forget everything.

This doesn't **seem** *right*.

Now that she had discovered that Jodie and Innocent Lily were sisters, the f eeling of

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something being off deepened.

After hearing Simone's words, Gwen's face showed a bewildered expression.

"Oh, you have the same birthday? I mean, Innocent Lily and I were also born on the same day. At that time, I happened to come a cross her resume at the company. I was amazed that we were actually born on the same day." She looked at Simone, confused. "Is it really such a coincidence?"

"But I don't know what time she was born."

However, for some reason, she always had a feeling that Freya might have be en born at the same time as her.

Simone said, "I find it hard to believe that it's just a coincidence. So, we need to delve into Innocent Lily and Jodie's background."

Gwen nodded in agreement. "Yes, I also believe we should thoroughly investi gate. I know a skilled private detective. I will hire him to conduct the investigati on."

"Great!" Simone nodded. "Also, find out if Innocent Lily and Jodie have the exact same birth time as us-down to the minute and second."

The birth time was determined by the year, month, day, and hour of birth.

However, even if two people were born at the same hour, the minutes and sec onds could be different.

Therefore, they needed to investigate to make an accurate judgment.