

## **The Miraculous Simone Gray by Opal Reese Chapter 231-240**

Chapter 231 Let Him Go

Jodie naturally didn't want to be hit with a ruler.

So, she hid behind Andrew. "My hand still hurts. Let it go this time."

The etiquette teacher couldn't tolerate any nonsense, and she retorted, "No. If you hide again, the punishment will be doubled."

Andrew didn't expect that the person his mother invited would be such a stubborn teacher.

"Who do you think you are? Our family invited you to teach etiquette, not to hit people. Don't think you can do whatever you want."

The etiquette teacher looked at him disdainfully. "Your etiquette is also very poor. How can you be the son of a wealthy family? I was invited by your mother. If you have any objections, take it up with her. But now, you must be punished."

Then she took out her phone and asked, "Should I call your mother and tell her?"

Jodie didn't dare to let her make the call. Salma now disliked and hated their hugging behavior the most. If Salma had known what was going on, she would definitely have been

angry.

And so, Jodie could only extend her hand without bandages. "I admit my mistake. Can we stop now?"

The etiquette teacher was not polite at all. She grabbed Jodie's outstretched hand with one hand and hit it hard with a ruler ten times.

Jodie cried out again, this time in pain.

Seeing her hand red and swollen once more, she felt like she was going to collapse.

It used to be smooth sailing, so why has it become like this? It's all Simone's fault. Can't she just return to the wealthy family and be a proper young lady? She just had to break off the relationship and leave, causing me to be so unlucky.

Andrew looked at Jodie being beaten like this and felt distressed again.

He was about to blame the etiquette teacher and comfort Jodie.

Luca pretended to look like he was doing it for Jodie's own good and said, "Andrew, if you don't want Mom to come back and blame Jo, you better keep quiet."

Only then did Andrew reign in his frustration and didn't say anything.

Jodie also felt particularly frustrated.

But what made her even more uncomfortable was that the etiquette teacher forcibly pulled her from the couch and put her in a wheelchair.

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She then pushed her upstairs to her room to continue learning etiquette.

Jodie couldn't resist sitting in the wheelchair with a gloomy look.

She had almost vented her anger on Andrew just now, but this woman came out and ruined it. How could she not be angry and on the verge of a breakdown?

After Jodie was taken away, Luca sat down next to Andrew and whispered to him, "Are you stupid? If she asks you for luck, are you really going to agree?"

Andrew looked at him inexplicably as he countered, "It's just a joke. What's the big deal?"

Luca was speechless. "But what if it's true? If you agree to lend her luck, what if it actually works? I've heard about people stealing luck and borrowing lives in the entertainment industry before."

He then emphasized, "So when someone asks to borrow luck or anything like that, you can't just agree casually."

Andrew sneered upon hearing that. "There's nothing so mysterious about it."

He casually added, "Besides, Jo has been having a rough time lately and is a bit unlucky. Even if I lend her some luck, what's the harm?"

Luca was so angry that he deflated.

This guy is really dumb, so much so that he's willing to lend it!

He was also grateful that he didn't tell Andrew about those things, as the latter would definitely spill the beans to Jodie.

"Fine, then. If you want to borrow it, go ahead. But don't blame me when you start having bad luck and accidents every day. After all, I warned you. Take a good look at Jo with your own eyes. She's not as innocent as you think. She's just pretending to care about you, but she doesn't do anything"

Annoyed, Andrew muttered, "Enough! Can't you stop talking about this every day? Have you all been sick recently, always targeting Jo? The incident last time wasn't entirely her fault

either"

He looked disapprovingly at Luca and sneered. "Plus, she already apologized to you. Why are you still holding a grudge? You are so petty

Luca did not know what to say.

D\*mn it! My good intentions have gone to waste.

"Fine! I'm petty, but you're not. I'll just wait and see if you have bad luck."

Having no other way to deal with Andrew, Luca turned around and left with a sulky face, leaving Andrew equally infuriated.

The truth was that Andrew thought his brothers were crazy and completely unreasonable.

After Luca went upstairs, Aaron was already waiting outside his room.

Aaron asked, "What happened?" Luca thought for a moment and said, "Let's talk in the garden."

Aaron nodded.

The two of them sat down in the garden.

Luca asked, "That etiquette teacher... You invited her, right?"

Aaron nodded. "Yeah, I was afraid that Andrew would fall for it, so I had to find a way to handle it. How is it? Is everything okay?"

Luca recounted what had just happened and Andrew's words.

Aaron sighed. "It's hard to reason with that stubborn fool. That's what he is now. Let me ask Titus."

He made a phone call and told Titus about what had just happened.

Titus was utterly speechless after hearing it.

"Andrew is just a blockhead. Let me ask Simone

Then, he hung up the phone and mentioned Simone in the group chat

He then explained the situation through a voice message

After listening, Simone was not surprised by Sc bag No. 4's choice

Sembag No 4 had not had his luck borrowed and did not know what i was like

Moreover, he was Jodie's most loyal lapdog

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And so, Simone texted, Jodie only needs him to borrow about a third of his luck. The impact. on his luck in the second half of his life is not particularly significant. After borrowing luck, things will start to go wrong after seven days, but his life will not be in danger.

From her perspective, there was no need to care about someone so eager to offer their luck.

It was only after being tricked that he would finally learn his lesson.

Besides, it was impossible to prevent it.

If they managed to stop it today, could they still prevent it when Jodie and Sc\*mbag No. 4 were alone tomorrow? Sc\*mbag No. 3 had already given such an obvious warning.

However, Sc\*mbag No. 4 felt that even if Andrew did lend her his luck, it didn't matter. Let him do it.

Upon seeing this message, Titus had a similar thought.

Losing a third of his luck would not have a significant impact on Andrew's life. At most, he would experience some unfortunate events. If Andrew was willing to give it up, then so be it.

Titus replied, 'Alright, I understand. He then contacted Aaron and informed him about the situation.

If they couldn't prevent Andrew, then there was no need to intervene.

They would let Andrew ruin himself.

Aaron also decided not to interfere.

They even speculated that it wouldn't be long before Andrew was the victim.

However, what none of them anticipated was that Titus would almost fall victim to it that very night.

## Chapter 232 He Was Truly Terrified

Titus returned home at night. He was in a group video call with Harold and Leon. As he pushed open

the door to his room, he was startled to find Jodie sitting inside, the dim light of a desk lamp illuminating her face. His heart skipped a beat. He regretted not locking the door before leaving earlier. Despite feeling uneasy, he walked in.

The camera on his phone switched to the view inside the room, and Harold and Leon also saw Jodie. Both of them were equally surprised and remained silent, watching the scene unfold.

Titus looked at Jodie with astonishment and asked, “Jo, why are you in my room?” He positioned his phone on his chest, pointing the camera directly at her.

He didn’t want to end the video call as he felt uneasy. Having his two friends with him on the phone provided some comfort.

Jodie, wearing a black silk camisole dress that perfectly showcased her figure, seductively looked at Titus and said, “Titus, didn’t you say that if I dared to come find you, you would accept me? So here I am.”

She blamed Titus for everything that had happened that day. If he hadn’t rejected her from the beginning, the other brothers wouldn’t have rejected her either.

She also wanted to improve her luck in the next variety show and restore her beauty.

After some thought, she realized that merely having one-third of Andrew’s luck might not be enough.

However, since she was going to accompany him on a variety show next, she couldn’t afford for him to be too unlucky, as it would affect her as well.

Therefore, she couldn’t take too much of his luck.

Pondering over it, she decided to target Titus, blaming his ruthless nature. She realized that Luca and Aaron were led astray by Titus.

Otherwise, they would have never treated her that way in the past.

Moreover, Titus himself said that he would take responsibility for her. It was a perfect excuse, which made it more convenient for her to act.

Among the five brothers, Titus was the most handsome, with a tall and well-proportioned figure. She wouldn’t be losing out.

In the future, if she could not stay in the Gray Family anymore, she could use this as a threat

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to force Steven and Salma to let her stay.

Jodie didn't say it explicitly, but Titus knew very well what she meant when she said he dared to take responsibility.

He awkwardly smiled and said, "I was just joking. Why did you take it seriously?"

Jodie laughed coquettishly and replied, "Titus, but I took it seriously. I really like you!"

Titus didn't find her cute or charming at all. Instead, he felt a chill run down his spine.

"But I'm not interested in you. Let me walk you back to your room."

He just wanted to get rid of this trouble as soon as possible. He was genuinely scared.

Jodie smiled and reached out her hand. "Alright, then. Carry me back."

Titus took a deep breath and decisively refused. "I dare not. I'm afraid my dad will punish me and make me kneel outside."

This remark made Jodie's smile fade a little.

"But you were the one who said before that if I came to find you, you would want me!" She glared at Titus. "One can never trust a man."

Titus got goosebumps all over. "Just treat it as nonsense." If he had known that Jodie was like this, he would never have said those things before.

Jodie was relentless. "I can't just pretend. I'm serious."

Titus was annoyed by her words, and he countered, "If you want to take it seriously, go ahead, but I won't play along."

He said coldly, "Either you go out by yourself, or I'll have your etiquette teacher come and escort you."

Jodie secretly resented him for not keeping his word. She made up her mind that since he didn't listen to reason, she would have to use extreme measures.

Her smile faded as she said, "Fine, then. Since you don't want to keep your word, I won't force it. Come over; carry me to the wheelchair and take me back to my room."

But Titus didn't dare to carry her. "You came in by yourself, so you can go back to the wheelchair by yourself. My parents have been watching me closely lately, and there's also an etiquette teacher. I dare not overstep my boundaries."

Jodie said nothing. He was the boldest one in the family, and now, he seemed timid.

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Frustrated, she hobbled back to the wheelchair with one leg and sat down, looking at him. "Then please push me back to my room. Is that too much to ask?"

Titus just wanted to get rid of her quickly, so he muttered, "Fine, I'll push you back." He guessed that Jodie wanted him to escort her to her room and then cause trouble. He planned to leave as soon as he brought her to the door.

As he pushed Jodie out, his phone, which he had placed in the pocket of his shirt, exposed the camera. Just a few steps away, Jodie suddenly grabbed his hand and turned her head, looking at him with charm. "Titus, can you share your luck with me?"

Titus was startled and about to wave her hand away to refuse, but unexpectedly, he couldn't control himself.

At that moment, he only wanted to be good to Jodie and was willing to give her anything. He nodded, "I... I..."

Before he could finish the last word, he suddenly felt a burning sensation in his chest. Instantly, he regained his sanity and quickly pulled away Jodie's hand, stepping back a few steps in a hurry.

He gazed at Jodie with a sense of dread and demanded sharply, "What have you me?!" He then placed his hand on his chest.

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Fortunately, he had followed in Harold's footsteps and previously purchased a talisman from

Simone.

Initially, he had bought it casually for some psychological reassurance, but little did he know it would prove to be so effective.

Jodie hadn't anticipated that Titus would regain his sanity so quickly.

She had ignited a special incense in the room and utilized a talisman given to her by her brother to cloud his mind.

Within a brief period, it could cause the person who touched it to lose their sanity.

Although the effect was temporary, it was sufficient for Titus to comply.

That was why she had used it..

Who could have predicted that just as she was on the verge of success, he would regain his sanity?

And wasn't it said that when someone was deceived by the incense and talisman, they could not recall what had just occurred? How was it that Titus not only remembered but also sensed that something was amiss? The incense and talisman were too unreliable.

Jodie feigned ignorance. "I merely touched your hand. What's the matter with you, Titus?" She then put on her usual act of appearing teary-eyed and wronged. "Titus, do you truly despise me now? Can I not even touch your hand? You weren't like this before!"

Titus was fearful as he muttered, "Yes, I truly despise you now. So please, cease bothering me any further."

He reached for the talisman hanging around his neck, but it was gone, as it must have been. used up and turned to ashes.

He couldn't remain in the room any longer.

If Jodie were to do something again, he would be in trouble.

"Fine. If you won't leave, then I will."

Thus, he swiftly opened the door and fled at the utmost speed..

Jodie was at a loss for words upon seeing that. Is there really a need for this? I'm not a ferocious beast!

### Chapter 233 We Were Oblivious Before

After hastily exiting the room, Titus was reluctant to be alone. He was fearing another encounter with Jodie.

Therefore, he headed to Luca and Aaron's door, where he knocked and asked them to join. him in the garden.

Once they were seated, Titus finally let out a sigh of relief.

Luca observed Titus' sweaty forehead and anxious demeanor, expressing concern, "Titus, what's wrong? You look like you've seen a ghost.

Upon opening a bottle of water he had brought from home, Titus took several big gulps before responding, "It's even scarier than encountering a ghost."

Just then, Harold's voice emanated from his phone, inquiring, "Titus, are you okay? What happened just now? We almost bought into it."

Upon recalling the recent video chat with Harold, Titus took out his phone from his shirt. pocket and turned the camera back to himself.

Terrified, he explained, "It's really strange. If I hadn't experienced it myself, I wouldn't dare to believe such a thing exists. You all saw or heard what happened after I entered the room."

He continued, "No wonder she wanted me to hold her or support her. It turns out that after she touched me, she could use some kind of sorcery on me. Just now, she grabbed my hand and asked me to share half of my luck with her. In my heart, I wanted to refuse, but my mind only had one thought-I could

give her anything. And then I couldn't help but say that I agreed. Fortunately, I bought the talisman from Simone painted with Harold. Before I finished speaking, my chest suddenly felt hot, and I instantly regained my clarity."

Titus remembered the talisman. He reached out to open the collar of his shirt, revealing a red string.

He touched it, finding his hand covered in black ash.

"Look, the talisman worked. It broke Jodie's spell on me and burned itself into ashes. Fortunately, I ran fast. Otherwise, I don't know if I would have been affected again."

While Titus had believed Simone's words before, the firsthand experience heightened the impact.

Harold looked at him with an expression that conveyed, "I knew it," and "We sensed something was off with you."

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Leol furrowed his brow and asked, "Does she have this kind of ability, too?" He had witnessed a different side of Jodie today compared to her previous innocent and obedient self.

Not to mention her revealing outfit, the things she said to Titus were simply shocking.

Titus said, "I don't know if she has any special abilities."

"Did any of you watch the video just now?"

Harold replied, "I did. As soon as you entered the room. I found Jodie lying there dressed like that. So, I felt that something was off and quickly clicked on the video."

Titus gave him an appreciative look. "You're quick-witted."

"Send the video to the other group so Simone can watch it."

He added, "I don't dare to go back to the room anymore. I want to find Simone and buy two more talismans."

The talisman's effect was clearly good. He needed to have one more on him to feel safe.

He used to think Simone was charging too much-five million dollars for a talisman. It was the first time he had heard of it, but he had accepted it. Now, he felt it was worth it.

Harold touched the talisman on his chest, feeling a surge of security. "This thing is indeed useful. Thankfully, I was wise at that time. Luckily, you followed me and bought it that day. Otherwise, you would have lost your luck by now."

He sighed again. "Your precious sister is really ruthless. How can she directly ask you for half of your luck?"

In the past, the Gray brothers were indeed very fond of Jodie.

Whenever they went out together, they would bring her gifts.

Whenever she had a problem, the Gray brothers would protect her nervously. To receive this kind of betrayal, in the end, was quite pitiful.

Titus' face darkened. "Indeed, although I've been suspicious of her lately, I haven't done anything to her. I loved her for more than ten years, but I got this result. It's really ridiculous"

She asked for half of his luck for granted. She never thought about what would happen to him after he lost so much luck.

Judging by her appearance, she holds a lot of resentment toward me."

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Harold said, "She treats you guys like friends turned enemies."

"She believes she deserves your love and efforts. Once you withdraw it, she feels owed an apology and resents you."

In a joking manner, Harold remarked, "She even left you with half of the luck. Is she planning to raise you again and then betray you later?"

In response to this, Titus was irritated and retorted, "Get lost! You're the one who should be betrayed."

It appeared that he took Simone's metaphor about raising pigs to heart.

He added, "Stop talking nonsense. Quickly send the video to that group. I'm hanging up."

Being serious about important matters, Harold affirmed, "Alright!" Then, he promptly sent the video to the group after the call ended.

On Titus' side, Luca and Aaron were both fixedly looking at him.

They questioned, "Titus, what's really going on?" After having heard Titus and Harold's conversation, they already had a rough idea.

Titus did not hold back and recounted the entire incident that had transpired in the room.

After finishing, he received the video sent by Harold in the group, which he then clicked on and allowed Luca and Aaron to watch.

Upon viewing it, both Luca and Aaron shivered.

The video from the moment Titus entered the room revealed Jodie's seductive. catching them completely off guard.

appearance.

This revelation changed their perception of Jodie, who had always pretended to be kind and innocent in front of them.

This is her true colors... Once again, it completely subverted their perception of Jodie.

In the past, she had always acted as if she were kind and innocent."

Aaron added sarcastically. "No wonder she wanted to enter the entertainment industry Her acting skills are really good"

Luca concurred. "Yeah, those eye movements and gestures in the video were really captivating and provocative

The realization hit them hard. Luca expressed, "I really didn't expect that the person we've loved for so many years would be like this in reality."

Aaron chimed in, “And that part at the end is truly chilling. Titus almost fell for it.”

Though skeptical before due to Jodie’s attempts to ask them for their luck, they now fully believed what Titus had said.

The eerie feeling was more intense than ever before. And now, they found Jodie utterly terrifying.

Titus sneered, “We were oblivious before.”

Luca, deep in thought, suggested, “Could it be that our unwavering love for her in the past was influenced by some kind of enchantment from her?”

Both Titus and Aaron found resonance in this question, feeling it provided an explanation. “That is not impossible.”

Titus asserted, “I’ll consult Simone about this later.”

Then, he tagged Simone in the group chat, asking her to take a look at the video and see if she knew what was going on.

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## Chapter 234 Come On, Let’s Hurt Each Other!

Simone stayed awake when Harold sent the video, so she clicked on it to watch.

She was surprised by how open Jodie was. Is this still the same Jojo who used to pretend to be innocent and pure in front of a few sc “mbags?

It seemed like she was ready to confront Sc\*mbag No. 2 if he dared to ask for it.

It was just as Simone had suspected..

Jodie treated those sc\*mbags as if they were her own men. That’s why her possessiveness was

so strong.

When Simone saw Titus' message, she sent a voice message. I've finished watching the video. You must have been influenced by some kind of mind-controlling talisman. This talisman doesn't have much effect when used directly by ordinary people. When you returned to your room, did you smell anything like sandalwood?"

Titus thought for a moment and replied with a voice message, Yes, I never light incense. But I did smell a faint scent of sandalwood when I entered my room.

Simone was truly remarkable to have figured this out.

Simone replied, "That's right. Using a specially made incense in combination with the mind- controlling talisman can influence people's minds. The effect of this talisman doesn't last. long, but it's enough for her to achieve her goals

Titus couldn't help but ask, 'Can she use this talisman on me a second time?"

Simone replied, 'Of course she can. If she still has the specially made incense and talisman, she can continue to use them on you. This talisman has a limitation: it must come into contact with you. So, be careful and try to avoid it. But she likes to fall down, accidentally trip, and end up in your arms. It's quite hard to guard against

The Gray brothers were speechless.

It turned out those falls were all staged. No wonder they happened so frequently recently Simone could see through it all.

Titus finally asked what they had been thinking before. Did we love her so much because we fell under her spell

Simone's voice of disdain came through What are you thinking? Don't make excuses for your foolishness and blindness. If she was so powerful, she wouldn't need to use incense and

talisman on you You've been showering her with love for over a decade and this is the

outcome. It's your own doing

These sc\*mbags are ridiculous. They actually want to find solace in their past love for Jodie. Could it be that this brings them psychological comfort?

Gwen's voice message was scorned. 'Don't delude yourselves. It's all your own doing. Don't blame everything on Jodie.'

Harold immediately typed in the group. Jodie: It's clearly your own foolishness. I won't take the blame for this, thank you!"

The Gray brothers felt embarrassed.

Titus couldn't say anything to Simone and Gwen, so he tagged Harold. 'What do you want? Go to bed and stop bothering us.'

He is the most unethical. How can he follow along just to mock and belittle us for the sake of flattering Gwen?

Harold replied, I can't sleep; I just want to sit back and enjoy your show. But what happened just now was really exciting. Titus, you're quite lucky! Why didn't you take advantage of the situation? That didn't seem like your style."

Among the three of them, only he and Leon hadn't been with other women. Titus didn't date. or have a girlfriend, but he often changed partners. He wasn't pure and innocent. And if it weren't for Titus' previous words to Jodie, Jodie wouldn't have thought of having a fling with

Titus.

Titus was speechless. How can he be considered a good friend? Clearly, he's just someone who enjoys teasing. How can he say that in the group? What does he mean by saying it doesn't seem like my style? What is my style? It sounds like I am not a decent man

Titus replied in the group, 'I couldn't enjoy that kind of luck. You can take it if you want. And don't misjudge me. I'm a decent person.'

He still wanted to maintain his image in front of Simone and Gwen. Harold could see through his thoughts.

Titus, you've long lost your image in Simone and Gwen's eyes. So, let's not pretend, okay?"

He took the opportunity to express his loyalty in front of Gwen. 'Leon and I maintain a perfect record, unlike you, who seem unaware of the number of girls you've been involved

with

Leon also chimed in. What kind of person are you? Can't you have some self-awareness" Then, he hurriedly expressed his loyalty and innocence in front of Simone, Harold and !

never mess around; it's only you who knows how many partners you've had. If you didn't know Jodie had issues beforehand, you would have fallen for it today.

Titus was left momentarily speechless. These two are shameless. Why are they belittling me to express their loyalty?

Titus: "Heh, if you can be with someone like me who likes to have fun, can you still be innocent?"

He tagged Harold.

Titus: 'Harold, where's Freya? Haven't you always brought her everywhere before?"

He also tagged Leon.

Titus: 'Leon, you used to meet Jojo privately quite often. Today's luck shouldn't be mine; it should be yours. Jodie has always been craving for you.'"

Come on, let's hurt each other! I'm not afraid of you two.

Harold and Leon remained silent. He is a je\*k.

Harold: Just get lost! You have a mouth that does not speak good words."

Leon: 'Slandering and spreading rumors all rely on one's mouth, so shut up! I can't let Simone misunderstand me.

Simone: 'None of you are good people; all of you are scum.

Gwen: 'Yes, none of you are good. But it's quite interesting to see you accusing each other.'

Simone: 'You guys continue.'

Harold and the others were speechless. It's all because of those two scumbags who ruined my image in the group.

Harold: 'Ahem, let's get back to the main topic. Simone, if Jodie succeeds today and takes away half of Titus' luck, what will happen to him?'

Simone: He will experience seven days of bad luck. He will stumble while walking and choking on water. Everything in his work and life will go wrong. He might even get hit by a car, slip and fall down the stairs, or have a flower pot fall from the sky while walking on the road. These kinds of situations occur every month. Although losing half of his luck won't directly endanger his life, it will still be quite miserable. If he experiences another loss of luck afterwards, it might also affect his lifespan, possibly reducing it.

This was not just searing Scumbag No. 2.

Titus swallowed hard upon reading Simone's message.

Titus: "This is serious."

Fortunately, he managed to avoid it with the talisman. Otherwise, he would definitely want to cry. He was really scared listening to Simone.

Harold patted Titus in the group.

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Harold: "Titus, take care!"

Leon: "Take care, Titus!"

Titus: 'I haven't been hit yet. What's there to take care of? Why are they talking as if I'm already about to have a streak of bad luck?'

Harold thought of a question and asked Simone; If Titus didn't refuse today and enjoyed this 'fortune, would anything happen?'

Simone: 'Once something happens between the two of them, the connection of the curse will become even closer. Even if Titus doesn't agree to lend his luck in the future, Jodie can still leech off his luck, just like how Freya leeched off your luck. And if Jodie can't stand it in the Gray Family, she will definitely use this matter to her advantage, using various threats and temptations.

She then tagged Titus in the group.

Simone: "Today, it was you who chickened out. Otherwise, the outcome would be worrying. Your friends can only light candles for you.'

She didn't believe that Sc\*mbag No. 2 was a righteous gentleman who didn't touch Jodie. It was obvious that he was scared because he knew Jodie was problematic.

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## Chapter 235 Something's Not Right

Titus was embarrassed when Simone exposed the truth and didn't expect to have such a negative image in Simone's mind. It's all because of those two who keep spreading rumors, he grumbled silently.

But if he hadn't known about Jodie's problem, he might not have refused. Since she dared to come, he had no reason to be afraid. It was just a casual fling between them, but now, he regretted it and realized that he couldn't be so casual in the future.

Harold gave a response. 'It's a shame that Titus can't become a big tree like me; otherwise, I would have a companion too.

Titus retorted, 'Get lost. Who wants to be your companion?'

He didn't want to be affected by Jodie's misfortune, so he asked Simone in a text, 'Can you sell me two talismans?'

He felt unsafe without talismans on him and felt like a piece of juicy meat, always on guard. against Jodie, the fox.

Then came Simone's reply. 'Sure, 1.5 million.

Titus agreed. 'No problem, I'll transfer it to you now. Should I come to your place again to have you draw it?'

Although 1.5 million was not a small amount, things that could be solved with money were not a big deal. Luck and life were more important.

Simone replied, 'Hmm, come over.'

Luca and Aaron had been observing the conversation between the three of them. After hearing Simone's words, Luca said, "Titus, ask Simone if she can draw a talisman for us, too."

Since Titus almost fell for it, they might not be spared as well. Without talismans, they would become vulnerable, at the mercy of Jodie.

Aaron nodded eagerly. "Yes, we want it, too. We'll pay."

Titus was concerned that his two younger brothers would be affected, so he asked Simone, who didn't object, and asked them to transfer the money. If Jodie took away too much of the Gray Family brothers' luck, it wouldn't be good for her.

She and Jodie were in a zero-sum game; if Jodie's luck skyrocketed, she would be suppressed. So she had to help the three troublemakers draw talismans.

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Of course, not a penny less.

Both of them were relieved when they saw that Simone had agreed.

Aaron sighed. "Indeed, our biological sister is the best."

Luca sighed as well. "Yes, she's still the best."

So, what nonsense had they done before?

Aaron sighed heavily. "Simone said that we spoiled Jodie. It has nothing to do with manipulation and is our problem. This also means that she is even less likely to forgive us."

That was what Simone meant.

After hearing this, the other two didn't feel good either, and Titus stood up. "Alright, let's go find Simone to draw the talismans. Otherwise, I don't dare to go home." Even if he got the talisman painted by Simone again, he was still planning to move out for a while. Living at home was too terrifying because he had to be constantly on guard.

Luca and Aaron rose to their feet. "Yes, let's go find Simone and the talismans." They, too, were afraid, and the same thought on Titus' mind suddenly was on theirs-it was better to move out for a while because it was too dangerous at home.

When the three of them left in the car, Jodie went to Andrew's room. Titus had run away, and both the incense and the talisman had lost their effectiveness, which frustrated her to the point of wanting to vomit blood. But for now, she couldn't do anything about Titus.

She went back to her room first and saw that even the foundation couldn't hide the spots on her hands. Unable to wait any longer, she had to look for Andrew. It happened that the other brothers were not around at the moment, so they wouldn't ruin her good fortune.

In Andrew's room, he poured a glass of water for Jodie. "Jo, why are your eyes red again?"

Right before coming, she had deliberately cried. Trying to cover it up, she said, "It's nothing"

Andrew frowned when he saw her like this and asked, "Did someone bully you?"

She pursed her lips and answered, "It's not exactly bullying; it's just that Titus said he hates me. I don't know why, but recently, Titus, Luca, and Aaron have all had a big problem with me when I didn't provoke them" She sighed with grievance "But it's normal for them to dislike me. After all, Simone is all they care about now."

Andrew reached out and stroked her head They've just been acting foolishly recently Don't be bothered by them and I'll talk to them later Cheer up, they don't care about you, but I do"

Jodie leaned against his shoulder and hugged him “You’re the only one I have now

Andrew, I’ve been having a tough time recently. Will you lend me some luck? Once I have good luck in the future, I’ll return it to you.”

If she could take away all of Simone’s luck according to plan, then she would become popular in the entertainment industry and have an endless supply of luck. After that, she wouldn’t mind asking her brother for help to return the luck she borrowed from Andrew.

Andrew smiled and said, “What’s the big deal? It’s just luck. If you want it, take it.”

Jodie’s eyes lit up. “Andrew, are you agreeing to give me some luck?”

He replied, “Of course, I agree. Take it.”

She was overjoyed in her heart. “Andrew, you’re the best. I like you the most.”

After sitting for a while, she made an excuse that she was tired and was escorted back to her room by Andrew. Back in her room, Jodie found a bowl and poured water into it. Then, she took out another talisman and wrote Andrew’s name and birthdate on it with a pen before lighting it up and throwing it into the water.

If anyone else were there, they would surely be amazed. The talisman, which was ignited and thrown into the water, not only did not extinguish but continued to burn in the water. It was only after the entire talisman had turned into ashes that the fire was finally put out. The ashes instantly dissolved into the water as if they had never appeared.

Jodie’s eyes were filled with joy and excitement as she witnessed this, and she picked up the bowl and drank all the water. After drinking, she had a feeling that the weakened luck that had been present before would soon return, and her appearance would also return to normal.

On the other side, Titus and his brothers arrived at Simone’s apartment. Simone wasted no time in engaging them in conversation and immediately took their breath away by drawing the talismans.

Initially, they were scheduled to return the next day to retrieve it, but the three of them were too anxious and couldn't wait until tomorrow. So, they sat and waited for two hours until Simone finished drawing the talismans for them. Once again, she emphasized the time limit of the talismans.

Aaron wanted to find an excuse to talk to Simone, but after she handed them the talismans, she promptly asked them to leave. With no other choice, the three brothers had to depart the apartment with the talismans, sensing that Simone was still impatient with them.

Upon returning home, they coincidentally encountered Andrew, who was suddenly famished and had gone downstairs to grab something to eat. As he quickly devoured his food, he glanced at the three of them. "Why are you three hanging out together?" Ali of a sudden, he felt a sense of isolation and abandonment from his brothers, which made him feel very

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uncomfortable.

Titus replied, "We went out to have some fun and just got back." He glanced at the plates and snack wrappers on the table. "Are you a bottomless pit?"

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Luca and Aaron also noticed that their brother had eaten so much. "Are you alright?" They had never seen him with such a hearty appetite before, and something seemed off, no matter how they looked at it.

## Chapter 236 Finally Arrived

The three of them immediately thought of Jodie while Andrew glanced at the table and realized that he had eaten a lot, but he still didn't feel satisfied. "I don't know what came over me today. I'm famished and want to eat."

Luca said, "Stop eating. If you keep going, you'll ruin your stomach."

Although Andrew still had the desire to eat, he wasn't as hungry as before. In addition, he was afraid of overeating and damaging his stomach, so he reluctantly put down the food. "Alright." He yawned. "I'm so tired. I'm going upstairs to sleep."

Titus noticed that his fourth brother was in a very bad state, looking completely listless, and couldn't help but ask, "Did Jo come to see you tonight?"

Andrew was puzzled. "Yeah, why?"

Titus asked again, "She asked you for luck, and you gave it to her?"

Andrew was stunned. "How did you know?"

Titus wanted to facepalm. This idiot actually gave it to her. Looking at Andrew with a sympathetic gaze, he said, "Andrew, you're on your own now."

Luca and Aaron were relieved when they heard that Andrew had given it to her and said in unison, "Andrew, you're on your own now."

Otherwise, they didn't know what else to say. No wonder Andrew's behavior was so strange just now; he didn't even feel satisfied after eating so much, and his overall state of mind also looked very poor. As it turned out, he had given his luck to Jodie, but both of them were shocked once again by how quickly she reacted and deeply realized that this thing was too mysterious, and so was Jodie.

They were waiting to see what would happen to Andrew after seven days.

Being stared at by his brothers with sympathetic and angry gazes and being told to fend for himself, Andrew didn't know why, but he had a strange and uncomfortable feeling. Glaring at the three of them, he exclaimed, "Are you guys crazy? I'm fine. And also, what's going on with you guys lately? Why are you all against Jo? Did Simone say something to you? Although we are partly responsible for Simone leaving, you can't blame Jo for it. You guys-" He lectured the three of them seriously and meant to tell them not to blame Jodie and to continue treating her well.

Couldn't be bothered to argue with him, Titus reckoned that nothing he said would make a difference since Andrew had already fallen into the trap.

However, he didn't want to hear these senseless words, so he immediately interrupted. "Okay, I'm sick, alright? I'm afraid my

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illness will affect you and Jo, so I'll move out tonight." He didn't dare to stay at home anymore, and Andrew happened to give him an excuse.

Luca and Aaron were speechless, thinking, Titus is so clever to find an excuse so quickly. Neither of them dared to stay at home as well. Although Jodie had taken Andrew's luck, nobody knew if she would be satisfied and continue to target them.

Luca said, "I'm sick. I'll also move out."

Aaron chirped in, "I'm seriously ill. I'm moving out, too."

When Andrew heard the three of them say this, he was speechless. "Are you serious?"

Titus nodded. "We can't be more serious. Andrew, this family relies on you now." After saying that, he ran away. Quickly, he packed up in his room and left, not wanting to stay at home for even a minute.

Luca and Aaron became anxious when they saw Titus running so fast, and Aaron said. "Andrew, Jo and this family rely on you." After saying that, he left, too.

Luca patted Andrew's shoulder and said, "It's hard for you to bear it alone, but keep it up! Call us if you need anything." After saying that, without waiting for Andrew to respond, he also left.

Seeing the three of them disappear one by one, Andrew thought to himself, These three really have something wrong with their heads. But he was too tired and exhausted to think about anything else, so he went back to his room and fell asleep.

Titus and Aaron packed up their things and left home as quickly as possible. Luca was delayed because he received a call from his agent. When he

finished packing and was about to leave with his suitcase, he ran into Jodie in the hallway, the latter humming a tune and in a good mood.

When Jodie found Luca alone, her eyes lit up, and she sweetly called out, "Luca, why are you holding a suitcase?"

In the past, when she smiled like this, Luca would find her sweet and cute. But now, with the dim light in the hallway, it seemed eerie no matter how he looked at it, and he felt as if he was a delicious piece of meat.

Despite his nervousness, he maintained a normal expression on his face. "My agent called and asked me to record a song."

Jodie said, "But you don't have to move out for that, right?"

Luca smiled. "I need to go out for a few days to find some inspiration."

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Pushing her wheelchair, she glided toward him and looked up at him with a dependent look in her eyes. "Luca, I've been having a rough time lately, and you—"

She was no longer satisfied with one-third of Andrew's luck. If she wanted to become popular by counterattacking in the next variety show, she needed even better luck. Since she ran into Luca alone, she wouldn't hold back anymore.

As soon as he heard her speak, he had a feeling that she had come for him. Afraid that she might suddenly grab his hand or find an excuse to touch him, he immediately interrupted her before she could finish speaking.

Raising his hand to check the time, he casually said, "Jo, I'm sorry, but I have to rush to the airport now. It's getting late, and if I delay any longer, I won't be able to catch my flight. I'll talk to you properly when I come back."

After saying that, he quickly dragged his suitcase and ran off. It wasn't until he drove out of the villa area that he finally breathed a sigh of relief. Earlier, he was almost scared to death.

As he drove into the city, his tense nerves finally relaxed. Finding a place to park, he then took out his phone, created a separate group, and added his second and fifth brothers to it. Then, he sent a voice message to the group, recounting what had just happened.

Both Titus and Aaron were relieved that they had escaped quickly. This time, Luca had reacted swiftly and fled before Jodie could make a move. Otherwise, they would have wasted a precious amulet, and all of them felt as if they had narrowly escaped a catastrophe. Simultaneously, they couldn't help but sympathize with Andrew and lit a row of candles in their hearts in his honor.

Meanwhile, Jodie had just realized that Luca had fled so quickly, which left her speechless.

What's happening? Why did Titus and Luca react so strangely upon seeing me? Her expression darkened as she narrowed her eyes and thought to herself, You can run, but you can't hide. I won't let you escape my grasp.

In the following days, Titus and the other two did not return home. At the same time, Reuben went on a business trip with Steven while Salma was back at her parents' house. Only Andrew, who needed to rest for most of the day to recover, and Jodie, who was slowly regaining her appearance but was tormented by her etiquette teacher every day, remained at home.

On this particular day, Simone was about to report to the film crew when two unexpected guests arrived at her house.

## Chapter 237 Prestigious

One day, as Simone was about to leave and change her shoes, she heard a knock on the door. She stopped and opened it, only to see an old man with a kind face, accompanied by a man with white hair and a youthful appearance. She had seen both of them when she was a child.

"Hello, masters!" She gestured for them to come in. "Please come in and have a seat!" These were her master's comrades.

The old man, Magnus Hart, smiled and said, "You remember us."

The white-haired man, Sage Caddel, smiled and nodded at her. "Mones."

After they sat down, Simone went to brew two cups of tea and placed them in front of them. She asked, "Do you guys have something to discuss with me?" She had not seen them in many years as they did not usually interact much.

There had to be something important now that they showed up.

Sage took out a seal and handed it to her. "This is the seal that your master entrusted us temporarily before he passed away. He instructed us to seek you and hand over the seal."

Simone was stunned for a moment, then took the seal. It was the tool that her master had used for many years, his identity seal.

Certified by the geomancy association, every master would carve a seal with their name, containing their aura, and leave special marks on it. Then, it would be registered with the association and used as a form of identification in the future.

She also had a seal that she carved herself. Feeling the familiar aura, Simone caressed the seal as her eyes turned red. "Why did he entrust the seal to you guys for safekeeping and only hand it to me now?" This was something she did not understand.

Sage replied, "Your master left something for you in the storage vault of the geomancy association. Only this seal and the key in your hand can open it. He left something for your but calculated it wasn't time for you to receive it yet. We don't know what exactly it is and why he chose to give it to you now."

Simone held the seal, her eyes becoming even redder. "So, that's why." She missed her

master.

Sage saw her teary-eyed and longing expression and said, "Before your master passed away. he instructed us to take care of you. But he also told us not to disturb you before handing over the seal. Only then could we contact you. I'm the head of Cloudmist Observatory in Iriden. If you need anything, feel free to contact me. Of course, you can drop by whenever you're free"

Magnus added, "I'm the vice president of the geomancy association. If you're interested in becoming a geomancy master, you can come to me. We've seen your talent in geomancy and mystical arts displayed during the live broadcast. We believe that your master would be happy and relieved. He entrusted us to take care of you, and we will do our best. Don't be too formal with us."

Simone was surprised and said, "Thank you for your care."

That was the kindness of her master, and she would naturally not disappoint him. Moreover, there were many things she needed to figure out. The identities of these two masters were not simple.

Although Cloudmist Observatory in Iriden was not the largest spiritual space in Cebros, it was the most famous in the circle. The ability of a spiritual leader in geomancy mystical arts was strong. Many influential and wealthy people wanted him to help with physiognomy, but they had to wait in line with no guarantee that he would help.

As for the vice president of the geomancy association, he was also a well-known figure in the circle. She had never expected that these two masters had such identities. Her master had never mentioned these things to her before.

Magnus smiled lovingly and said, "You're our junior, so we must take care of you." He then asked, "Do you have any questions for us?"

Simone did have some questions. She looked at the two of them and asked straightforwardly, "Masters, do you know how my master passed away?"

He replied, "Before he adopted you, he went to Newton and came back severely injured. We asked him, but he didn't tell us who did it. That injury originally affected his lifespan. A year before his death, he performed a divination. We don't know what he saw, but he used a secret technique at the cost of depleting his lifespan. As a result, he was rapidly aged by the backlash of the heavenly path and passed away shortly after."

She was stunned and asked, "Do you know what secret technique it was?"

Before her master passed away, she was studying at Cebros. When she rushed back after hearing that he was seriously ill, it was no wonder that he gave her the feeling of being completely exhausted. It did not seem like a

normal process of aging and dying, but rather like the withering and decay after overexertion.

So, it turned out that her master was affected by the backlash.

Sage sighed and said, "He didn't tell us, but we speculate that he might've defied fate. Otherwise, even with a severe injury, he wouldn't have only lived for a little over ten years. Only a secret technique like that would require the sacrifice of one's final lifespan and vitality. He had a hint of sadness in his eyes. "Yes, according to our observation of his aura, he should've been able to live for another ten or twenty years before using the secret

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technique."

At that, Simone's body stiffened, and she suddenly had the urge to burst into tears. She held back because the two masters were still present. Could Master have changed my destiny?

She choked up a bit and asked, "Do you know who hurt him?"

Magnus replied, "We have some leads. We'll let you know once we confirm."

Sage looked at her and said, "Your master hopes the rest of your life will be happy and smooth. He never intended for you to seek revenge for him. You don't have to be fixated on this matter. We will take care of it."

She pursed her lips. "I understand, but I still want to know who did it."

As for seeking revenge, of course, it had to be done.

"We will inform you once we find out."

Simone nodded. "Okay, thank you, masters!"

Sage asked, "Is there anything else you want to ask?"

She pondered for a moment and replied, "No, I just need some time alone."

She was hesitant to trust these two easily, as their previous encounter had been brief years ago. They were unaware of the secrets surrounding her

master. Therefore, she had no inquiries and would have to conduct her investigations.

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Sage could sense that she was suppressing her emotions. "Alright, we won't disturb you. Let's exchange contact information."

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She nodded. "Okay!"

Modern geomancers kept up with the times and utilized messaging apps in addition to phone calls. She then bid farewell to the two.

Just as they were about to depart, Magnus advised her, "You should retrieve the belongings your master left at the geomancy association as soon as possible. Perhaps you will find some answers you seek."

Simone nodded. "Thank you for reminding me, master."

The two departed, and as soon as she closed the door, she could no longer control her emotions. She squatted, hugged her legs, and burst into tears.

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## Chapter 238 Astonished

Simone cried for an unknown time before getting up to freshen up. She walked into the living room and casually picked up a doll from the cabinet. Opening the back of the doll, she took out an ancient key from inside.

Her master had given her this key before he passed away. He had said that one day, she would need it. Presumably, besides the seal, what the duo mentioned earlier was that this key was needed to access what her master had left behind.

The geomancy association had a dedicated storage facility for mystical tools, antiques, and other items for geomancy masters or wealthy elites. Each storage cabinet required a specific method to open. Anyone who tried to open

it forcefully or cleverly would face a backlash from the ancient formation outside the storage facility.

Therefore, it was considered the safest storage place in the country. Of course, the storage fee was also astonishing.

Simone pondered for a moment. She decided to wait until the next episode of the variety show to take out the items and have a look.

The headquarters of the geomancy association was located in Cubilis. She had a feeling that she was under supervision now. There was no need to go there to retrieve the items, and she was not short on time either.

She caressed the ancient key and stuffed it into the doll along with the seal. She also attached a talisman to conceal the aura inside the doll. Carrying these two things with her at all times was inconvenient, and keeping them in a safe at home or a drawer was even less secure. By placing them in the doll, she could openly display it as a decoration on the cabinet in the living room, and it would not attract attention or reveal that hidden things were inside.

Simone calmed her emotions and then left for the set of the Republican Era drama she was filming. She played the third female lead, while Ethan played the second male lead.

The third female lead had fewer scenes and could be filmed in half a month. This drama had a large investment from the production company.

After receiving her payment from the variety show, she also invested millions. When she arrived at the set, filming had not started. The director was talking to Zac, and she was surprised. Why is he here?

At that moment, both the director and Zac noticed her entering. Zac raised his hand, smiled, and waved at her. "Simone!"

She walked over. "What are you doing here?"

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He smiled and said, "I'm here to play the third male lead."

The director said, “The previous third male lead dropped out, and I’ve been looking for an actor who fits the image and talisman. I didn’t expect Mr. Turner’s agent to contact me proactively, saying he wanted to play this role.” He half-jokingly added, “I had to catch him. quickly, didn’t I?”

Zac had a charismatic and somewhat rebellious image, exuding a handsome and slightly. rogue charm, like a nonchalant nobleman from the Republican era. He was a top-tier young idol, and if he joined the project, it would attract much attention. His acting skills were also impressive, and coupled with his proactive approach, there was no reason for him to refuse.

Simone and her friends were major investors, which was why he explained in such detail. She smiled and said, “I see.” She asked him, “Why did you decide to act in this drama?”

He did not hide anything and replied, “I heard you were cast as the third female lead in this drama, so I was curious and wanted to look at the script. I quite liked the third male lead role, so I volunteered.”

He had come for Simone specifically; otherwise, his agent had a bunch of other offers for male leads that he had turned down. The thought of being able to act alongside her and see her frequently made him feel delighted.

She nodded with a smile and said, “The script is indeed great, and your image matches well with the male lead.”

Zac extended his hand and said, “Please take care of me in the future.”

Simone shook his hand and replied, “Sure, let’s take care of each other!”

Alex had also figured out by now that Zac had come for Simone.

No wonder he, a big star, suddenly decided to act as the third male lead. He purposely gave them space and said, “You two chat. I’ll make arrangements, and we can start filming soon.

The opening ceremony had already taken place, and Simone had helped with the scheduling. The drama had been filming for a while now, mainly focusing on the scenes between the female and male lead.

After Alex left, Zac sent a message on his phone. Then, he started discussing the script with Simone and even sought advice on some acting techniques.

After about ten minutes, his assistant hurriedly came in and handed him a bag. Zac thanked the assistant, took a box of frozen eye masks from the bag, and handed it to Simone. 'I noticed that your eyes are a bit swollen, so I had my assistant buy a box of eye masks to reduce the swelling for you.'

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She looked at the box he handed her, feeling a bit stunned. She did not expect this man to be so thoughtful and considerate. She smiled and accepted it, saying, "Thank you, I do need this. I cried quite a bit earlier, and now my eyes feel kind of swollen."

She could not help but feel good being cared for like this. After all, even her ex-boyfriend, Leon, had never been this considerate toward her.

Zac smiled. "No need to be polite with me." Then, he asked cautiously, "Did something happen to you? Is there anything I can help with?"

In his eyes, Simone was a strong girl. If her eyes were swollen from crying, something must have happened. He was worried about her and even felt a little sorry for her.

She gave him a reassuring look. "I'm fine. I met someone today who was close with my master and couldn't help but miss him, so I cried."

When it came to Zac, she trusted him. He breathed a sigh of relief. "That's good."

Simone went to the other room to apply an eye mask. After a while, the swelling in her eyes had subsided. Then, the stylist took her to change clothes and put on makeup.

Today, she would shoot her scenes. When she came out, everyone present was stunned, their eyes filled with amazement. At that moment, she wore a red dress, perfectly highlighting her exquisite figure. Her hairstyle was the popular finger wave technique from the Republican Era.

With her flaming red lips, she looked bold and glamorous, exuding a captivating aura that overwhelmed others. She walked over in high heels, with

buildings from the Republican Era on both sides and extras dressed in Republican costumes passing by.

Just by looking at her, she appeared to be a stunning beauty reminiscent of the Republican Era.

Alex's eyes were filled with surprise.

Judging from Simone's vibrant and flamboyant appearance, he thought she would be perfect for this role. Still, he did not anticipate that by simply changing her makeup and adjusting her demeanor, he could see the true essence of the female lead in the drama.

He smiled and sighed. "I can already predict that Simone will astonish countless people after this drama airs."

Zac also witnessed her breathtaking beauty for the first time. "Of course, I'm amazed as well." Indeed, Simone looked beautiful in any attire, and each style exuded its charm and elegance.

The filming of the plot officially commenced.

Her acting skills were incredibly polished, not requiring any guidance from the director, and she immediately immersed herself in the character. Her first scene took place in a nightclub, where she portrayed the role of a singer.

As soon as she appeared, every smile and frown exuded a captivating allure. Standing on the stage, she began singing the songs from the script. Her voice was melodious and graceful, charming everyone present and transporting them to the Republican Era.

At that moment, Zac portrayed the role of a wealthy young man who frequented the nightclub, and he fell in love with the girl at first sight. Subsequently, the two of them embarked on a complex relationship.

At that moment, he was enthralled by Simone, more infatuated than ever before. After finishing the song, it was time for their dramatic scene.

He was utterly immersed in the scene with her, only snapping out of it when the director shouted, "Cut."

Alex was not only amazed by Simone's appearance and demeanor but also by her acting skills. He believed that this play, solely due to her character, would attract a large audience, which was fantastic! When he decided to release the stills, he planned to include several close-up shots of her.

In the following days, Simone reported to the set. At the same time, she keenly noticed that someone was secretly observing her every day. Sure enough, her previous intuition was

correct.

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## Chapter 239 She Got It All Right

However, Simone pretended that she was still in the dark and continued her daily routine.

One day...

Zac received a call from his agent after wrapping up a shooting session. He immediately responded in surprise, "Alright, I'll be there right away."

Zac asked when he saw Simone come out after changing her attire, "Can you do me a favor, Simone?"

Simone inquired, "What is it?"

He replied, "Mr. Reich, my brother's childhood friend and also the president of our company, had a car accident and is in the hospital. He's been having an unusually tough time lately, and I feel something's fishy.

"So, I was wondering whether you could go to the hospital and help me check if there's anything wrong with him."

Simone smiled and replied, "Of course, I'm happy to help.

The two of them hopped in a car and headed to the hospital following that.

It was a high-end private hospital with tight security and excellent privacy.

They wore masks as they made their way to the ward, and they encountered no paparazzi at

all.

Simone had an eerie feeling right before they entered from the door of the ward.

Then, Zac pushed open the door. There were three people inside the ward. One of them was lying on the bed, and one was sitting while the other was standing.

Simone recognized the person on the sick bed. He was Felix Reich, the president of Royal Entertainment.

His complexion was pale, and he looked exhausted as he received an IV drip.

The person who was seated beside him was a handsome man. He was peeling an apple with a paring knife when they entered the ward.

Meanwhile, the man who was standing by the sickbed exuded a cold and stern demeanor. He looked like someone not to be trifled with.

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Zac ushered Simone into the ward, and all three turned their attention toward them.

Felix wasn't surprised to see Simone as he knew Zac's feelings toward her. He was only astonished to see that Zac brought her along. Did they advance to the next stage in their relationship?

Zac also noticed the other two in the ward were momentarily surprised. He greeted the handsome man, "Hi, Tommy." Then, he also greeted the stern man, "Julian."

Julian's cold demeanor and gaze went away when he saw Zac. He nodded before shifting his gaze on Simone. "Who is this?"

He had heard from Felix that his brother had developed feelings for a celebrity previously. The female star had also saved his brother's life during a variety show. This gorgeous lady must

be her.

Zac smiled as he said, "Julian, this is my friend, Simone. She's also my savior." Then, he introduced the man to Simone, "This is my older brother, Julian."

He pointed at the man beside the sickbed. "This man here is Felix's older brother, Tommy."

"The person on the bed is Felix, the president of our company. You should know him by now."

Simone greeted them with a smile after that.

Julian said as he tried to put away his cold demeanor, "Thank you for saving my brother, Miss Simone."

"We intended to visit you, but Zac wouldn't allow it. He said he wanted to repay you himself, so we didn't make contact with you,"

He explained why they refrained from visiting to express their gratitude after Simone saved Zac. Their family remembered Simone's life-saving action even though they didn't visit her

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person.

Simone only smiled before replying, "It wasn't that big of a deal. You're overreacting."

Julian responded, "It's only fair."

Zac was planning to repay the favor himself, so he shifted the topic so that they would stop talking about it any further. He looked at Felix and said, "You've been unusually unlucky lately, Felix. I suspect there's something wrong with you. That's why I asked Simone to come and take a look at you."

Felix was taken aback, and he asked, "What could be wrong with me?"

Zac replied, "I'm worried that you've been affected by something negative."

Only then did Felix realize what the problem was. Not only was Simone the secret admiration of Zac, but she was also a geomancy master.

He had indeed been quite unlucky recently, but he didn't think of the possibility of being affected by something negative.

He knew he had to trust Zac on this, and now that Simone was also here, he couldn't refuse. Therefore, he smiled and said, "It seems that all my efforts on you haven't been in vain. Look at how considerate you are."

Then, he turned to Simone again. "Well, can you please take a look for me, Master Gray? I don't feel there's anything wrong with me. It's just Zac being overly concerned."

However, Simone noticed negative energy entwining Felix's body. Even his philtrum had an unnatural complexion.

"Your assessment seems to be less accurate than Zac's. You're currently surrounded by bad luck. It could be fatal if you don't deal with it soon."

What Simone had said shocked everyone.

Felix couldn't believe it, and he pointed at himself as he asked, "Me? Surrounded by bad luck?"

Simone nodded and answered, "Yes. Even your philtrum is turning dark. You're in a dangerous situation."

He was skeptical of her claim and asked, "Is it really that bad? Can you tell me how I got myself into this?"

Then, she gathered some of his breath and calculated. "Did your run of bad luck start half a month ago? You seem to have had poor sleeping quality recently. You also have been having nightmares, by the looks of it. You would get startled and wake up from bad dreams. Plus, you can't muster the energy to do anything during the day. You feel tired, yet you're not sleepy and can't fall asleep easily. You had a car accident today, so it must have been because there was something wrong with the road in front, and you took a detour."

Felix was surprised. "You've got it all right."

His recent streak of misfortune was known to Zac and a few friends.

So, it wasn't that surprising that Simone knew as well.

However, he didn't tell anyone about the fact that he had been having bad nightmares that might wake him up, and he would feel mentally exhausted during the day. He also didn't let

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anyone know that he had a car accident and took a detour due to unexpected traffic today.

Now, Felix was certain about Simone's capabilities since she accurately pinpointed all these. He couldn't help but feel a sense of unease.

At that, he asked again, "Are you implying that what's been happening to me isn't a natural occurrence?" Simone nodded. "Yes, there's a strong negative energy around you. Someone must have done something to you."

Then, she observed Felix's forehead turned dark from an already pale complexion.

Her expression immediately changed. "This is bad."

Felix, who had been talking just a moment ago, suddenly struggled to breathe right after Simone had said that. His complexion became extremely pale.

He fell into a life-threatening situation, stunning Zac and the others.

Simone quickly stepped forward and removed the IV drip from Felix. Then, she retrieved a holy talisman from her bag and handed it to Felix.

She had prepared several talismans and kept them in her bag because people in her line of work would come across emergencies such as this pretty frequently.

Thankfully, the talisman worked like a charm.

Felix held onto the talisman, and the oppressive negative energy around him subsided.

The darkening of his forehead also faded.

His breathing returned to normal before long, while his lethargy also began to improve.

He genuinely felt that he was a goner just now.

Felix now had absolute confidence in Simone's capabilities since everything she said was true. He also figured he might not survive without Simone's intervention a moment ago.

Felix looked at her as he continued to recover, and he asked softly. "What happened to me just now? Was something wrong with the IV drip?"

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wasn't just Feir who had suspected something wrong with the dr. Tomm and that shared the same concerns.

So, they didn't rush to call the doctor when Felix was recovering

Sumone said. "The IV drip itself is time but that also makes in a pozitiem.""

Felix was confused. What do you mean Samone answered. The medication fine, but it leads to an allergic reaction. Talk about your recent or bat luck

It's a severe kind of allergy that could result in death

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There is nothing you can do other than believe that you're truly unindyan tins prime.

Felix shuddered after bearing that

He didn't think his bad back could lead him to a severe allergic reaction.

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He asked. "Can you figure out why I'm having such bad luck?" He bang with anyone lately, and no one in his family would fight him over his inheritance. Who could be behind all this? Simone carefully examined Felix, and her gaze eventually fell on the jade ring he was wearing on his thumb.

"Take this ring off and let me have a look."

Felix didn't hesitate to remove the ring and hand it to her. Could this be the geodem? Simone took a glance and confirmed that the ring had been tampered with with some sort of negative energy.

"Gentlemen, let me show you something

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Simone took out a variety of tools from her bag and swiftly crafted a talisman of The S.

Then she placed the talisman on the table beside the saucer, and she put the ring on my o

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A faint wisp of black smoke emanated from the talisman.

The talisman wobbled and reassembled to a pair of shorts after

The once transient jade ring had disappeared!

An unpleasant warning sense

came over the two of them.

Julian switched on the air purifier to dispel the bad odor in the ward.

Simone turned to Felix and asked, "Did you start wearing this half a month ago? How did you come across it?" Felix nodded. "Yes, I began wearing it half a month ago."

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Then, he shifted his gaze to Tommy, who was seated beside him. “Where did you get this, Tommy?” Tommy answered with a hint of grimness on his face, “I bought it from my wife’s cousin at an antique auction house.”

“My wife informed me that her cousin had acquired a shipment of ancient jade at her auction house about half a month ago, and she invited me to take a look.”

“Her cousin recommended this jade ring to me when I visited.”

“I liked the fact that the jade ring was translucent and made of high-quality jade, so I decided to buy it.”

“Her cousin told me that wearing it only brings greatness, so I put it on the same day.”

He looked at Felix and continued, “Little did I know that you also took a liking to it the next day. So, I gave it to you.”

“It looks like you’ve now saved me by directing all the bad things to yourself.”

Tommy would have lived a life full of pain and guilt if his younger brother had died due to this incident.

However, Felix only breathed a sigh of relief. “It’s a good thing that I’m the only one affected. It would have been more troublesome if it were you.”

“You and Zac don’t meet with each other that frequently, after all. Zac wouldn’t have sensed anything amiss and asked Simone to help out if it were you.”

He was genuinely happy that he had spared his older brother from a calamity.

Tommy felt moved and said, “I’m afraid I wouldn’t have made it if it weren’t for you.”

Then, he looked at Simone and asked, “Is this what the ring looks like originally, Master Gray?” Simone nodded and replied, “Yes, it was tampered with before. The dark-red tint and negative energy it carries were intentionally concealed.”

“This ring likely originated from an ancient tomb”

“Someone deliberately soaked this ring in the deceased’s blood after he or she had passed away before placing it back on the occupier of that tomb

“That tomb was also tampered with The good geomancy of the tomb was transformed into a

desolate one for whatever reasons.

“The jade ring now harbors some sort of grudge and is entwined with negative energy after being taken from such a place.”

She turned to Felix and explained, “The fact that you are still alive is a blessing. It must be due to all the good deeds that you and your family have done previously,”

“An ordinary person would have succumbed within seven days.”

“The car accident you had before might not end up being just an injury. It could’ve been the end of your life.”

“Also, you might have used up the last bit of your blessing during the car accident.”

“That’s why you are influenced by the negative energy of the ring, and bad things start to happen now in quick succession.”

Felix didn’t look like someone who would die young if nothing bad had happened to him.

However, he could have faced an entirely different fate if Zac didn’t bring Simone along today.

She went to the set arranged by Sc\*mbag No. 2 to film around this time in her previous life.

Later on, she heard that the president of Star Entertainment had an accident and someone had replaced him in his place.

They didn’t specify the exact time back then, so she didn’t pay much attention to it.

Simone realized it must have occurred today now that she thought about that.

She wouldn't have realized that Felix's premature death was intentionally orchestrated if she wasn't here today.

Felix's face turned even paler, and he couldn't help but feel nauseous.

"And I've been wearing this for half a month"

The ring was soaked in the blood of the tombs owner after all Not only did it make him feel nauseous, but also the thought of it made him shaver in lear

Felix would definitely steer clear of thumb rings for at least a good while

Then he said to foming This was intentionally designed to conceal its appearance Tes The prison who oframed it must be aware of it

"The fact that you bought it could be either a coincidence or someone wanted you to have it."

Tommy's face darkened as he replied, "I don't believe in coincidences."

"I was basically dragged to the auction that day. I didn't want to go there."

Felix's expression instantly turned ugly. He furrowed his brows and asked, "Could it be Gianna?" Gianna had shown nothing but love and affection toward Tommy all these years. She looked as if she prioritized his well-being more than hers.

Could it be all of it was just an act? But Tommy didn't feel like she was acting.

Then, Tommy shook his head before saying, "There's no way Gianna would do this."

He continued, "Not so sure about her cousin, though."

"Jane Fordson is an expert in jade, and she persistently recommended this ring to me on that day."

He narrowed his eyes as he added, "She even said that it would bring good luck. Was she trying to bring harm to me?" Felix immediately knew who his brother was referring to. "Could it be that she did it for her brother's business? I heard that she's helping her eldest brother in the company and had already bought out several other jewelry companies."

“Didn’t she also use her exceptional gambling skills to acquire some top-quality jades recently? She is stealing the spotlight of the master gambler in your company. probably seen as a threat as the president of the largest jewelry company

“Reich Group will be in grave trouble if anything bad happens to you.”

You are in the country.

“On the other hand, her family’s jewelry company will benefit from your demise and potentially rise to the top.

“Besides, she can solidify her position in the Fordson Family if she helps them to overtake Reich Group or even acquire it.

The daughter of the Fordson Family will have no power even if she is found and returns now if that happened”

Tommy didn’t want to believe that Jane had planned all this

But someone who had taken down the biological daughter of the Fordson Family from the pecking order was certainly not one to be trifled with

He had once

usually felt

assessed her ruthlessness by chance. She

was completely different then, then