The Miraculous Simone Gray by Opal Reese Chapter 31

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Jodie was furious, her anger evident on her face.

Aaron; **and** Leon exchanged glances, sharing the sentiment that Zac lacked t act in this situation.

Leyla, however, sat on the sidelines, secretly reveling in the chaos. She obser ved the situation **and** concluded that dealing with a scheming girl like Jodie re quired someone with a sharp tongue, such **as** Zac. She appreciated his ability to identify and handle such situations expertly.

After seeing how upset Jodie was, Aaron couldn't help but feel distressed. He tried to console her by saying, "Jo, don't let him get to you. Your dumplings we re delicious, far better than the pierogis. I genuinely enjoyed them." He picked up a few dumplings, feigned delight, and consumed them all to prove his point

'Aaron's acting skills leave me speechless.

'I feel like he's not eating something delicious, but more like swallowing poison ...

"The look of truly enjoying delicious food should be like what Zac and the othe rs showed **just** now!

"Watching the other three eat breakfast made **me** drool **and** feel hungry, but I i nstantly feel full after looking at this side."

Aaron is truly a mama's boy. I wonder if he'll ever find a wife."

"What does Aaron spoiling his sister have to do with all of you? He is such an excellent brother, and

such an excell there are few like him."

'Exactly. When it comes to his biological sister, he should spoil her."

A man who knows how to spoil his sister is a good man."

As tensions rose, Aaron's fans began to engage in heated arguments with oth ers.

The contrast between Jodie's culinary skills and Simone's became more appa rent as the morning unfolded. The unsatisfactory taste of Jodie's dumplings lef t about half a plate uneaten, allowing viewers to mock her.

Meanwhile, Simone and her group had gone to

help a family catch fish, as they had agreed earlier. They dedicated their morn ing to this task, eventually preparing a hearty lunch. They continued. working until around 3.00 PM. After finishing their work, the host family also gave them two fish as **a** gift in addition to the payment.

Four people carried the fish back to the yard, surprised to find Aaron had alrea dy returned. He had been making repeated trips to the bathroom.

After seeing this, Zac couldn't resist a cheeky remark as **Aaron** emerged from another bathroom trip. "Did you eat too many dumplings this morning?"

Aaron was speechless as he found Zac's teasing increasingly irritating. Howe ver, Aaron's eyes lit up when he spotted Simone. It **was** as if he had found a s avior amidst his ordeal. "Simone, quickly help me

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prepare some medicine for diarrhea." His legs felt weak from diarrhea, and he regretted indulging in those morning dumplings.

Aaron knew that Simone had knowledge of traditional medicine. He remember ed when they were barbecuing outdoors, and he and Andrew had fallen ill with diarrhea. She had gone up the mountain, gathered herbs, and brewed a conc oction that worked wonders for them..

She understood what he meant but wasn't initially ready to lend a hand, remar king. "You've eaten quite a bit, and your body just needs time to digest. You'll be fine."

He was left speechless, feeling like she was making fun of him. He even put on a pitiful expression and said, "Can you bear to see me in so much pain ?" He reflected on how, in the past, she would fall for this act and immediately feel sorry for him.

However, Simone simply shrugged, responding. "Yes, I can. Why can't I? We' re not that close."

Her apparent heartlessness took Aaron aback, exclaiming, "You're too cruel."

She nodded, stating, "Yes. My heart is made of stone.

Zac, on the other hand, appreciated her brutal and relentless attitude. He com mented, "Aaron, this is your way of caring for your sister. You should cherish t hese moments of frequent bathroom visits."

Aaron could tell that Zac was mocking him. "Don't talk if you're not experiencin g it

Zac raised an eyebrow, remarking, "I'm in good shape. That's why I'm not exp eriencing it."

Aaron choked on his words, finally saying, "You!" But before he could finish hi s sentence, another wave of stomach pain hit, and he hastily returned to the b athroom.

Zac turned to the others, a sly grin on his face. "This is his way of showing lov e for his sister."

Keira added, "Now that Aaron is in such a state, why hasn't his sister come to take care of him?" Ever **since** discovering the relationship between these two and Simone, Keira felt quite disgusted. Her doubt **was** genuine.

Aaron, known for doting on Jodie, had ended up in this state due to her dumpli ngs. The absence of his sister's care perplexed Keira. Furthermore, Aaron's at tempt to boss Simone around had **been** shameless.

Zac shrugged. "I don't know about **that**. Maybe he's unilaterally obsessed with spoiling his sister." With a change of topic, he asked, "Are the children comin g soon?"

Simone replied. "Yes. The village head called earlier. Today, more than ten ch ildren will be coming over to learn."

Zac, who had never been a teacher, was excited and said, "Let's get ready."

So, the four of them began to prepare while waiting for the children from the vi llage to arrive.

Meanwhile, Aaron's fans criticized Simone for appearing cold– hearted and selfish. They also pointed. out Zac's perceived indifference.

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their attention to another **live** stream, the viewers watched Leon pick fruit with the

lively Jodie. The contrast made them feel somewhat dissatisfied. They began t o wonder if Aaron's sister was irresponsible, given that Aaron supported her s o much. The viewers' dissatisfaction grew, questioning why Aaron was experi encing stomach problems if it weren't for defending his sister.

Soon after, over **a** dozen children from the **village**, guided by the village head, entered the yard.

Zac and the others introduced themselves, outlining their respective skills and expertise. The children were given the freedom to choose what they wanted to learn.

Zac offered to teach guitar. Eric specialized in teaching drawing, Keira was re ady to share her singing skills, **and** Simone volunteered to assist with homew ork. The children could now select their teachers based on their interests and preferences.

As the children settled in, one teenager looked at Simone with a hopeful expre ssion and asked, "Miss, can you help me with my high school homework?" He had come during his vacation after hearing that someone **was available** to as sist with homework. She greeted him warmly and replied, "I can help." She motioned for the teena ger to come over and join her, saying, "Come and sit here. Feel free to ask me any questions you might have."

However, not everyone was supportive. Some of Aaron's fans and other view ers began criticizing Simone on the screen.

Is Simone trying to portray herself as an overachiever?

'She told the kid that he could ask her anything. Does that mean she knows e verything?"

"If she is asked something and doesn't understand, it could be embarrassing."

The teenager, who had never seen such an attractive girl before, approached timidly and took a seat. He retrieved a math test paper from his bag and pointed to a challenging question, saying, "Miss, I don't know how to solve this."

Simone leaned in, carefully examining the question. Once she grasped the pr oblem, she took his notebook and pen and began to explain, "This question..." She provided a detailed explanation and asked, "Did you understand?"

The teenager's eyes lit up, and he nodded enthusiastically, saying, "I understa nd now. Miss, your explanation is excellent. Encouraged by her helpful approa ch, he proceeded to ask Simone several more questions, not limiting himself t o math but also delving into physics **and** chemistry. She swiftly and effectively clarified the concepts with each inquiry, making them easily understandable f or the

Teenager.

"This girl is undoubtedly a top student; even I, a low-achiever, understood."

"She explains so well; she remembers high school topics so clearly.

"No wonder she confidently claims she can help with anything; she truly posse sses extensive knowledge."

"She's amazing; her explanations are simpler and clearer than those of our te achers."

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"Where are those who previously accused her of pretending to be a top stude nt?"

"They are left speechless now."

"Simone is truly great!"

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Simone assisted the teenager with their homework, and soon, two more childr en came seeking guidance. She patiently answered all their questions.

The teaching provided by others was commendable, and the children in the vil lage cherished this rare learning opportunity, studying earnestly. Of course, there **were** some amusing incidents during the lessons, most of which were caused by Zac.

After **two** hours, the children left the yard, **only** to return a while later, bearing meat, vegetables, and fruits prepared by their families as gifts for Simone and the others.

She held a jar of sauerkraut given by the teenager's grandmother. **She** smiled and said, "How about we have sauerkraut fish for dinner?"

Zac and the others nodded eagerly: "Sure. That sounds great!"

She then went into the kitchen to prepare sauerkraut fish.

Two **men** offered to help gut the fish, **but** their efforts **were** clumsy. **Simone** di dn't mind, though. After they gutted the fish, Keira washed it, and Simone exp ertly sliced it with precision.

Eric couldn't help but be amazed. "Simone, your knife skills are incredible."

Zac leaned over, grabbed a few pieces, and examined them. "Impressive!"

Keira also stared at Simone with starry eyes. "Your knife skills are on par with a chef's

Simone smiled at the three of **them**. "I specialized **in** it before." Then, she beg an marinating the fish, with the other three assisting.

Given that the two fish

sent by the farmers during the day were quite **large**, Simone sought **opinions** from the others **and** decided to make them all into sauerkraut fish. They also prepared a pot of rice.

At this moment, Leon **and** the others had just finished their work outside. A te mpting aroma wafted into their noses as they walked to the yard.

Leyla smelled the aroma and couldn't help but ask, "What delicious **dish is th e** other group making?" **She only** had one dumpling in the morning, and the lunch at the farmer's house was mediocre, so she didn't eat much. She sudde nly felt famished.

After catching the scent, Jodie felt uneasy, knowing Simone was responsible f or this enticing aroma. "I don't know," she replied. She asked considerately, " What do you want to eat tonight? I can cook."

Leyla, her hunger growing, boldly expressed, "I want to eat whatever they're making right now."

Although Jodie's smile seemed forced initially, **she** quickly returned to her usu al pleasant demeanor. She responded thoughtfully, "Sure, I'll check it out later . If I know how to make it, I'll cook it for you." She enthusiastically added, "Eve n if I don't know, I can ask the production team and watch cooking tutorial vide os **to** learn."

Leyla wanted to express her skepticism, but she reluctantly forced a smile **an d** said, "**Thank** you for

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your hard work."

Leon felt a pang in his heart, recognizing the aroma **of** Simone's cooking. He l istened to

the conversation and looked at Jodie expectantly, saying, "We'll rely on you fo r dinner."

Jodie replied sweetly, "No problem. Leave it to me."

'Do you think Jojo can make sauerkraut fish?'

"She probably can. Didn't she say that she could learn from cooking videos?"

I mean, can she recreate the taste of Simone's sauerkraut fish?"

"That might be challenging. Simone's sauerkraut fish looked delicious even thr ough the screen."

'Exactly. I wanted to lick the screen when Simone was cooking just now.

'Simone's culinary skills are excellent. You can tell just by watching her knife s kills and preparation."

It might be difficult for Jodie if she wants to achieve that level.

"How do you all know that Jojo might be unable to do it?"

Exactly. She's not inferior to Simone.

Jojo specifically learned how to cook before coming to this show."

'Stop looking down on her.

"Yes. Jojo is amazing. Her brother is still stuck in the bathroom right now."

Fans of Aaron and Jodie were left speechless.

On the other side, Leon and the others entered, their eyes immediately drawn to Zac and his group sitting in the yard, busily savoring their fish dish. Simone ate her portion slowly, **savoring** each bite, while the others appeared unable t o restrain themselves.

Keira said with a satisfied expression, "This sauerkraut fish is so delicious."

Looking up from his meal, Zac added enthusiastically, "This is the most delicio us sauerkraut fish I've ever had." He gave Simone a thumbs up. "Even better t han what a chef would make."

Eric complimented, "I usually don't enjoy fish, but I can't stop eating this."

The group hadn't expected Simone's culinary skills to be this exceptional, and her response was humble, "As long as you like it."

You can imagine how delicious the sauerkraut fish is. Even Zachy, who has a picky palate, can't stop **eating**.

'Eric doesn't like fish much, but he's eating it this time and has had several bo wls.

'Keira has also abandoned her ladylike demeanor and is feasting on the fish."

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I'm getting hungry; I'll make a bowl of sauerkraut noodles to cat with their fish.

'Simone is so amazing!

Observing the others savoring their meal, Leyla couldn't help but feel even hu ngrier. She turned to Jodie and asked, "They are eating sauerkraut fish. **Can** y ou make it, Jo?" Although she

doubted Jodie's cooking skills, Leyla's craving for the dish was undeniable.

Jodic nodded, saying, "I happen to have learned how to make sauerkraut fish." She added, "But we don't have fish and sauerkraut. We **need** to buy some fr om the villagers."

They were paid directly for their work today, earning \$6 per person.

Leon **said**, "I'll go buy it." He was enticed by the aroma and also anticipated ta sting the appetizing sauerkraut fish.

Shortly after, the four devoured the two fish dishes on the table. Zac and Eric soaked their rice in the sauerkraut fish soup.

Zac slumped in his chair, patting his stomach, expressing. "I haven't been this full in a long time."

Eric said, smiling, "I rarely eat so much until I'm stuffed."

Keira enthusiastically nodded, "Me too." Looking at Simone, she inquired, "Si mone, what dish should we cook tomorrow?"

Simone smiled and said, "Whatever you want to cat, I'll make it for **you** tomorr ow,"

Overwhelmed with appreciation, Keira hugged Simone's **arm and** exclaimed, "**Ah**! Simone, you're so good!"

Zac joined in, smiling. "Simone, you're spoiling us."

Eric chuckled and agreed, "It's really fortunate to be in the **same** group as Sim one. Eric felt grateful that he **hadn't** ended up in the group with **a** famous cele brity who was still dealing with the aftermath

of diarrhea.

Zac added meaningfully, "So, happiness is all relative."

Just then, Leon returned with the fish and sauerkraut and happened to overhe ar their conversation. He looked at Simone with envy, unable to understand w hy she seemed to dote on Zac so much. If it weren't for the live broadcast, he would **have** rushed over to Simone and urged her to cook for him **in** the kitche n.

As his thoughts wandered. Jodie emerged from the kitchen. "Mr. Foster, you'r e

back," she greeted. She glanced at Simone in the yard, briskly walked over, a nd took the fish and vegetables from Leon's hand. "We wanted to eat fish, so you went to buy it. You've worked hard," she said, intentionally trying to provo ke Simone. Jodie wanted to make it clear that Leon was eager to fulfill her des ires, emphasizing Simone's seemingly lesser significance in his life.

Unfortunately for Jodie, Simone appeared unfazed and didn't even spare her a glance. Jodie couldn't help but feel slightly disappointed, wondering if Simon e's calm demeanor was just an act. Posted by **H-Admin**, ? Views, Released on December 4, 2023

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who hull jou entered with a serving tray, overheard this statement. With a rais ed eyebrow, he immorously commented, "You'll need the program team to pre pare another box of diarrhea medicine for you then"

Aaron was speechless. Why was Zac always hovering **around**? He looked dis dainfully at Zac and moned. "Why are you always hovering around?"

Zac simply shrugged, responding. Im just looking out for you."

Aaron chuckled and quipped, "Well, thank you very much!"

This banter between the two men left Jodie quite irritated. She pondered, Doe s this man look down on mi an much? Hmp! She was determined to prove **tha t** she was even more outstanding than Simonc.

She sliced the fish, but her knife skills left much **to** be desired. The slices varie d **in** thickness. As she neared the end of her task, her knife slipped, and she a ccidentally cut her finger.

Jodie appeared momentarily stunned **upon** seeing her finger bleeding. Then, out of habit, she turned to Aaron and looked at **him** with a pitiful expression. "

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Aaron, I cut my finger. She showed him her finger, bringing it close to his lips while saying, "Help me stop the bleeding

He promptly lowered his head and sucked on the injured finger, showing conc ern **as** he assured her. "It will be better soon." He also instructed Leyla to hurr y to the program team and fetch a bandage.

After witnessing these actions, Leyla felt increasingly uncomfortable. It was un usual for a brother to assist

his sister by sucking on her injured finger, **and** it made her wonder if these siblings were overly

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Even Leon couldn't help but **furrow his** brow **as** he observed their interactions.

Many viewers tuning into the live broadcast were equally taken aback.

"This **is** the first time I've seen this method of stopping bleeding, it's unique.

The way **Jojo** offers her finger to Aaron's mouth **makes** me wonder if she did this **at** home **too**.

"Don't you find it awkward?"

Of course I do. I've never seen anything like this between siblings.

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My husband has never helped me stop bleeding like this."

My boyfriend hasn't either. That useless man can't compare to Aaron.

Is it normal for adult siblings to be this intimate?"

I find it awkward, too. If I didn't know better, I'd think they were **a** couple.

I was just wondering if I was watching a romance show...

Soon, fans of Aaron and Jodie jumped in to defend them.

"You're just jealous of their close relationship.

Aero is so doting on his sweet little sister."

'Exactly. With a sweet sister like Jodie, Aero can never dote on her enough.

They are biological siblings, and some people are just projecting their negative thoughts onto them."

"Some people have dirty hearts, so they see everything as dirty.

Their fans quickly leaped to their defense, while many viewers grew increasin gly uncomfortable. After all, the interaction

between the siblings, as depicted, seemed to be awkward and unsettling for m ost.

When Simone, carrying

a bowl, joined the scene, she also observed Aaron and Jodie's unusually clos e bond. This sight was met with **a** sly grin from Simone, who was not disappointed by the spectacle.

In contrast, at home, Jodie behaved like a spoiled little princess. She had a te ndency to seek her brothers' comfort, especially when feeling the slightest dis comfort. At times, she would even pretend to be unwell **to flaunt** her need for **their** attention. On the other **hand**, Simone never experienced jealousy in simi lar situations, as she could never engage in such intimate actions with her sc* mbag brothers.

Jodie's habit of seeking comfort continued when Simone entered the room, an d **Aaron** dutifully consoled her for an extended period. The way they comforte d **each** other was remarkably intimate, causing **a** shiver to run down the spine s of those present and making the viewers watching the live broadcast cringe.

"This feels more like a romance than a countryside variety show."

'I also feel like I'm watching a fake countryside variety show.'

"Do

you think Jojo's boyfriend will be jealous of her close relationship with her brot her in the future?"

"Can Aaron's girlfriend tolerate this?"

'I might be a bit selfish, but I wouldn't be able to accept a boyfriend closer to hi s sister than me.""

'Neither would I. If I had a boyfriend like that, I'd be disgusted.

"Seeing the two like this, I suddenly feel like I **have** a boyfriend with a female best friend...

I have the same feeling/

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Naturally, these comments

sparked criticism from Aaron's fans. They fervently emphasized that the Two individuals were biological siblings and urged people not to jump to conclusion s hastily

Leyla quickly requested a bandage from the production team. She passed it to Aaron, who carefully applied to Jodie's wounded finger. Despite the injury, Jo die remained determined, focused on cooking the sauerkraut fish. She had foll owed the recipe steps meticulously, but the result failed to exude the same ap petizing aroma as Simone's earlier **creation**. **This** was evident to the live view ers **and** Leon and the others, who watched with anticipation.

Despite her hunger, Leyla **wasn't** particularly eager to dig into the sauerkraut f ish in her bowl.

Nevertheless, Jodie picked up several fish pieces and insisted, "Miss Morse, I made this sauerkraut fish just for you Give it a try."

Leyla rolled her **eyes** in her heart, doubting how it was specifically made for h er. She didn't dare to decline the offer. Summoning a strained smile, she repli ed, "Sure!" Taking a piece, she

forced herself to eat it, struggling to hide her discomfort. The fishy taste was o verwhelming, lacking the delightful aroma of Simone's earlier sauerkraut fish. She instantly regretted expressing her desire for the dish.

Jodie asked persistently. "How is it?" She felt confident about her cooking skill s **and** remembered all the steps well.

With a strained smile, Leyla replied. "It's okay." Then, she quickly finished the fish in her bowl. She then got up to serve herself a bowl of rice, eating it rapidl y to avoid more fish offerings from Jodic.

Jodie was dissatisfied with Leyla's response. She believed Leyla was intention ally causing trouble, even. though she **had** prepared the dish **at** Leyla's reque st. She then used her fork **and** spoon to pick up some fish and offered it to **Aa ron** and Leon, saying. You should give it a try as well."

Aaron took a bite and was astonished. He couldn't help but wonder why there **was** such a noticeable difference between Jodie's dish and Simone's. Althoug h he hadn't had the opportunity to taste Simone's creation, the delightful arom a of her cooking filled the **entire** courtyard, raising his expectations.

As he lay in bed, his

stomach growled **and** he yearned for a satisfying meal. Given Simone's reput ation for excellent cooking, he had every reason to believe that her dish would have been exceptional. However, the fish Jodie had prepared was overwhelm ingly fishy and lacked the flavors he had anticipated. Even the texture of the m eat was **somewhat** tough, leaving him disappointed.

Despite his true

feelings. **Aaron** gave a supportive smile and praised Jodie, saying, "It's very d elicious."

Upon hearing that, she offered him a few more pieces. "Aaron, you should hav e some more."

Look at Aaron pretending it's delicious. I'll give it a negative review!

They've always said he lacks acting skills, and now I believe it after seeing thi s.

Aaron, have some fish!

'Haha... She's trying to poison her own brother."

It's Leon's turn next; it's time for him to demonstrate his acting skills.

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Leon's first bite of sauerkraut fish almost made him spit it out. The difference b etween Simone's **culinary** skliis **and** Jodie's cooking **was** stark; Jodie's dish was simply unappetizing. However, he forced himself to swallow the fish to pr otect her reputation.

"It's... okay," he stammered, struggling to convey the deliciousness of the sau erkraut fish.

She was relieved to hear **their** approval and encouraged, "Feel free to have m ore if you like it. Taking a piece for herself, she bit into it, but her expression q uickly turned **grim**. The fish was excessively fishy despite her meticulous adh erence to the recipe she had learned. She couldn't afford **to** spit it out during t he live broadcast. So, she gave most of the fish to Aaron, fully aware **that** he would eat it. She also served Leyla and Leon smaller portions, keeping the res t for herself.

Aaron struggled with indescribable bitterness **as** he saw the brimming bowl of fish meat. However, he **had** no choice but to consume it, all while yearning fo r Simone's cooking.

Leyla reluctantly accepted the fish, not wanting to eat it but compelled by Jodi e's insistence. She discreetly choked it down and continued with her plain rice

Leon, **too**, put on an act, savoring the dish with feigned delight. The only reas on they pretended was to avoid exposing

Jodie's culinary shortcomings. Although the contrast with the other group was evident, it remained subtle enough not to draw attention. However, it was app arent to everyone that he even struggled to eat the sauerkraut fish.

'Leon is indeed the best actor. Even if it's bad, he **can** still eat it with a deliciou s expression.'

'If it weren't for Jojo giving him so much, I doubt he would eat more than three pieces!

From this, we can see that Leon spoils Jojo."

Their relationship must not be simple. Jojo really knows how to make Aaron a nd Leon orbit around her.

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"The most miserable one is Aaron. After eating **such** a **large** bowl, I wonder if he'll have diarrhea tonight."

'If he doesn't eat a big bowl, how can he show his love for his sister?"

After reading these comments, Leon's and Aaron's fans weren't too pleased. Surprisingly, this time, they chose not to retaliate.

They were also curious about the dynamics between Aaron and Jodie. Aaron' s **fans** were somewhat. disheartened as they could discern his reluctance whil e eating. Their sympathy for him grew after enduring a day of stomach trouble **and** such misery. **This** marked the first instance when they found Jodie's acti ons somewhat insensitive.

On the other side, Simone and her group called the village head and went to t he home of the shadow puppetry inheritor.

The elderly man in **his** sixties lived alone with his grandson as his son and da ughter–in–

law sadly. passed away. Delighted upon hearing Simone's group's intentions, the old man wholeheartedly agreed.

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He proudly displayed his cherished shadow puppet dolls for Simone and her group.

After deliberation, Simone **and** her group decided to perform a shadow puppet ry rendition of "Journey to the West. The old man possessed a set of shadow puppet dolls depicting the master and three disciples, **but** additional character s needed to be created.

Simone's group decided **to** assist daily, showcasing the process of crafting sh adow puppet dolls for the viewers. This was **a** meaningful gesture appreciated

by the elderly man, who eagerly shared the history of shadow puppetry with t hem. They attentively listened, interjecting with questions from time to **time**.

When they returned to the courtyard, it was well past 8.00PM. After their retur n, they heard Aaron vomiting. This time, it was **not** just diarrhea; he was also experiencing bouts of vomiting.

Simone couldn't help but sigh, **remarking**. "It's true love indeed." She felt Aar on deserved the discomfort, given his insistence on consuming the food despit e his known stomach issues.

Zac acknowledged, "This brother's love runs deep. He added, "I reminded him in the evening when I went to the kitchen, but unfortunately, he didn't appreci ate it."

Keira couldn't help but feel a bit of schadenfreude. "Aaron is truly miserable."

During the live stream, Aaron's fans were left heartbroken. Their disappointme nt had turned into anger directed at Jodie. And, of course, some were quick to blame Simone.

Aaron had previously asked for her help in finding medicine, but she had decli ned. As **a** result, she was also held accountable by his fans.

Simone's fans, however, swiftly came to her defense. They pointed out that sh e didn't owe **anything** to Aaron **and** questioned why she should have to follow **his** orders. Furthermore, they argued **that** the blame, if any, should be placed on the man himself. After all, he had known about his stomach issues and still insisted on eating the food prepared by Jodie. In essence, he had brought the trouble upon himself.

Ast the live stream concluded, many viewers left comments expressing genuin e concern for **Aaron's** health.

Back at the Gray Family, Steven had gone on a business trip, leaving Salma a nd her four sons to watch the live stream.

She couldn't help but feel worried about Aaron's health. Aaron has always had stomach problems. Now **that** he's vomiting and experiencing diarrhea **in a re mote village**, who knows what might happen," she expressed her concern, he r face reflecting a hint of disappointment. "Simone is ruthless. She's ignoring A aron this time."

In the past, when Aaron fell ill, Simone would **take** the initiative to care for him . However, this time, even when he showed weakness and asked for Simone' s help finding herbs for medicinal

soup, she refused coldly.

Salma had become somewhat unaccustomed to the change

since Simone had left home decisively.

Simone used to care for her mother's health diligently, monitoring her blood pr essure daily and ensuring she took her medicine. She even provided special massages to **help** her sleep peacefully at

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night. With Sunone absent recently, there was no one to care for her this way, leading to a decline in her sleep quality

Previously, Selma hadn't thought much of it. After all, Simone was her biologic al daughter, and she was expected to be kind and caring toward her mother a nd family. However, she found it hard to accept that her considerate biological daughter appeared cold toward her brother.

Salma said, "Could she not **want** to acknowledge us?" She found this especially difficult to accept. Reuben frowned and **said**, " She's probably still holding a grudge against Aaron."

Titus chimed in, "Aaron is pushing himself too hard. He shouldn't eat when he' s unwell."

"And Simone is being ignorant. They are biological siblings, but she's intention ally creating a tense atmosphere on the show, making us look bad," Reuben added.

Titus agreed, "Indeed, Simone is becoming increasingly unruly," He continued , "I had already cultivated an image for Jo as a sophisticated lady. Logically, s he should **stand** out. However, Simone insisted on participating in this variety show, creating a stark contrast with Jo. Now, Jo's recent reputation isn't favor able."

Initially, he had planned for Jo and Simone to have contrasting images to dem onstrate that Jo, who grew up in their family, was much more exceptional than Simone, who grew up outside their family. Additionally, he **aimed** to make Si mone understand **that** without his support and guidance as her agent, she wo uldn't succeed in the industry.

However, unexpectedly, things had taken a different turn. If this continued, it w ouldn't be beneficial for Jodie. To alleviate the situation, Titus had already hire d internet trolls to manage comments. Still, due to Aaron's health issues durin g the livestream, some fans expressed dissatisfaction with Jodie. Titus also no ticed that many viewers were distorting the relationship between **Aaron and** J odie, which added to his concerns. This situation was causing him a great dea I of stress.

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Salma's face darkened upon hearing her two sons' words.

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"What should we do? Jo has been raised delicately since she was young. She has worked so hard to learn household chores and cooking just for this variet y show. **It's** not easy."

After a moment of thought, she suggested, "How about asking Aaron and Jodie to withdraw from this variety show? This way, they won't have to suf fer anymore and won't clash with Simone, aggravating the conflict.

Titus immediately disagreed, "No. If they withdraw now, it won't be good for th eir reputation."

Moreover, it would be like admitting defeat to Simone.

He added, "Jo has always wanted **to** pursue a career in the entertainment ind ustry. If we ask her to give up now, she'll definitely be upset."

Salma asked, "Then what should we do?"

Titus pondered for a moment and said, "Mom, how about you give Simone a c all and ask her to withdraw?"

Salma was taken aback. "Are you suggesting that I ask her to come back?"

Titus nodded. "Yes. She cared so much about your health before. You can sa y you're not feeling well and would like her to come back. You've been having trouble sleeping lately, right? It's a good opportunity for her to come back and give you a massage. As long as she withdraws from this va riety show, we'll compensate her later. After all, she's our biological sister. We can't treat her unfairly, **can** we?" He planned to provide good opportunities for Simone after she returned.

Andrew chimed in, 'If she comes back, I can give her the role of the **second** fe male lead in my new drama."

The role of the first female lead had already been assigned to Jodie..

After listening to the reasoning, Salma agreed, "All right. I'll give her **a** call, but haven't they all handed in their phones?" She had been at home watching the live stream these days.

"It's not a problem. I'll contact the production team and ask for Simone's curre nt phone number," Titus said.

Salma nodded, "Okay."

He quickly obtained Simone's new phone number from the production team.

Salma picked up her phone and dialed the number.

Simone was making straw baskets in the courtyard. When she heard the phon e ring, she picked it up and glanced at the incoming call.

Although the new phone only displayed the number, she immediately recogniz ed it as Salma's. In the

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past, she had memorized the phone numbers of everyone in her family due to her longing for family

affection.

She answered the call and turned on the recording, as well as the speaker.

"Hello!" Salma's voice soon came through. "Simone, it's me."

Simone asked coldly, "What's the matter?"

Salma said, "I haven't been feeling well these days, and my sleep quality hasn 't been good. Come back

tomorrow."

Simone chuckled. "You want me to come back to make medicinal meals and **give** you

massages?"

Salma hesitated. That was indeed what she meant, but the words coming fro m Simone's mouth made it feel somewhat unpleasant.

"I'm not feeling well, so I want you to come back and visit me."

Simone asked, "It's not that you miss me, but your body is uncomfortable, so y ou need me to return. Am I just a kind of caretaker in your eyes?"

Salma felt awkward.

She had been used to Simone's **care**, and she did miss it a little now that Sim one wasn't around.

However, she couldn't say that out loud; it would sound like she was surrendering. "How can you speak like **this?**" She c ontinued assertively, "I am your mother, and if I want you to come back, you c ome back."

Keira, who was nearby, frowned upon hearing the voice on the phone.

Simone asked, "Do you know that I'm participating in a variety show?"

Salma replied, "I know, but it's just a variety show. It doesn't matter even **if** yo u come **back**."

Simone continued, "You don't want me to continue participating because Jodi e's performance on the variety show is mediocre."

She added bluntly, "And you called me to ask me to quit."

Salma didn't expect Simone to be so aware of their intentions. She didn't direc tly admit it and said, "I watched the live stream, and Jo performed very well. S he's very outstanding."

"Titus said that as long as you come back, he will help you find two good opportunities."

"And Andrew said he can cast you **as** the second fernale lead in **his** new dra ma."

It seemed like they were implying that they had done enough for her.

Simone sneered. "Well.... I **thank** you for that. But I wouldn't dare to accept a ny of the good opportunities from Titus. He's

probably set too many traps for me and is just waiting for me to fall into them. I 've experienced this before, and I won't fall for it again. Jodie is the female lea d in Andrew's new

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ma, right? Are you trying to make me play the supporting role for her?"

Salma had the speakerphone on

Andrew had a fiery temper.

Upon hearing Simone's sarcastic **remark**, he couldn't help but shout, "Simone , don't be ungrateful. If weren't for the fact **that** you're our biological sister, we wouldn't have bothered with you.

What's wrong with helping Jo? Why do you always **have** to compare yourself with her? Can't you just stay low?"

This statement made Keira furrow her **brow even** more. Could someone reall y **say** something like **this**? He helped **his** adopted sister belittle his biological sister and expected her to accept it. What was wrong

with them?

Simone sneered. "I am indeed ungrateful. What can you do about it? You mad e it clear before **that** you wanted to blacklist me from **the** entertainment indust ry, and you've acted **on** it. So, continue with your blacklist. Let's see if I care."

Displeased, Salma **said**, "Simone, don't stay upset anymore. We are still a fa mily. If you come back. tomorrow, we won't blame you."

This daughter of hers had **such a** strong temper.

She personally called Simone to come **back and** extended **an** olive branch. W hat more did Simone

want?

Simone scoffed. "Madam Johnston, let me remind you that I've already cut tie s with your entire family. So, stop with the emotional blackmail. If you're feelin g

unwell, please go to the hospital. If your family has any issues in the future, pl ease don't come looking for me."

She hung up before Salma **and** the others could respond.

At the Gray Residence, Salma's expression turned even more sour upon hear ing the busy tone from the phone. She tightened her grip on her water glass. "How... How can she be like this?"

She felt a strange sense of emptiness inside. Did Simone no longer care about her biological mother's health? The four brothers also wo re displeased expressions.

"She has fully matured now"

Titus squinted. "Then, we'll undermine her and ensure she never succeeds ag ain."

He refused to believe that with the four of them present, Simone would still be able **to** secure favorable. opportunities and continue her career in the entertain nment industry after completing **this** variety

show.

She was the one who forced their hand.

Salma also wanted to teach Simone a lesson. "Good idea. She's crossing **the** line at the moment." Then, she **added**, "But regardless, she is still your sister. Don't go too far."

Titus smiled. "Mom, rest assured. We have our methods."

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If she weren't his sister, he would have resorted to more extreme measures lo ng ago. And because the was their sister, he **didn't** want her to slip away from their grasp.

On the other hand, Keira looked at Simone with sympathy. "Your mother and brother are going too far"

She wouldn't be able to endure it either if she had to deal with a family like tha t.

No wonder Simone cut ties with them.

Simone didn't mind and simply smiled. Im accustomed to it"

She, too, couldn't quite comprehend the thought process of the Grays.

They didn't **like** her and only cared about Jodic. They also instructed her **not** t o compete with Jodie, so her decision to sever ties and leave should have sati sfied them, right? Why did they insist on holding her back! If hat a group of od dballs,

As the **two** were conversing, a sudden knock on the door interrupted their **dis cussion**.

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Upon hearing a knock on the door, Keira rose to answer it. As she opened the door, she was greeted by the sight of icon standing there. "Mr. Foster, **what** can I do for you?" she inquired.

Leon glanced into the room. "I'm looking for Simone."

Simone stood up and approached, asking, "What's the matter?"

Leon explained, "Aaron is suffering from diarrhea and uncontrollable vomiting. He wishes to see you."

Simone raised an eyebrow. "It's not as if he's on his deathbed, about to utter h is final words. Why does he want to see me?"

Leon stared at her in astonishment. "How can you say that?" Aaron is her own brother, and yet she is so indifferent towards him!

Simone coldly replied, "What do you expect? I have no interest in seeing him, **and** that's **final**." With that, **she** reached out to close the door.

Leon quickly pushed the door, arguing, "Simone, regardless of any past issue s you've **had** with him, now is not the time to be unreasonable. Aaron said you could find the herbs. He's truly suffering, so **why** won't you help him?"

Simone sneered in response, "It's already dark outside, **and** now you want me to go searching for herbs. in the mountains?" She continued, "Even if I had go od vision, if something were to happen to me up there at this time of night, wo uld you take responsibility? Is my life that worthless to you?"

Witnessing her eyes grow colder, Leon was stunned. He shook his head and said, "No, we never thought that way. I know what you're capable of, and besi des, I'll accompany you." Perhaps this will alleviate some tension between us. He added, "Simone, can you bear to see **him** suffer from vomiting **and** diarrhe a all night?"

Aaron's vomiting had become overwhelming for **him**. He wanted to ask Simon e to **make** medicine for him, but he couldn't bring himself to **approach** her

again. That's why Leon volunteered to go to her on his behalf. In addition to genuinely wanting to help Aaron, he also wanted to confirm if Simone cared fo r her own brother. Deep down, he was worried and afraid **that** she could be so heartless..

Simone replied with utmost seriousness, "Why wouldn't I? I have no connectio n to **him** anymore. If he's unwell, he should see a doctor; I won't help him. Th ere's **a** clinic in the village. You can take him. there." With that, she slammed t he door shut, leaving a dumbfounded Leon outside.

Leon couldn't believe that she **had** completely disregarded Aaron's suffering. I t was true that it was already dark outside, but given her abilities, gathering he rbs in the mountains and making medicine would be no problem for her. Howe ver, she refused to do so.

A sense of panic washed over him. If she treated Aaron–her own brother– like **this**, how would she treat him, her ex–

boyfriend? Is she truly determined to sever ties with us? He stood at the door way. contemplating knocking again. However, he knew her temperament well; no one could force her to do something she didn't want to do. So, he had no choice but to turn and return to the room where **he** and Aaron were staying

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Aaron lay in bed, his face pale as he clutched his stomach. Seeing Leon enter , he anxiously asked. What did Simone **say?**"

Leon shook his head. "She said she doesn't care."

Disappointment filled Aaron's face. He took a deep breath and said, "I'm in su ch a condition, and yet she can just stand by and do nothing." He felt overwhel med with distress.

Leon let out a sigh. "I think she means it this time. She's truly determined to cu t ties with you guys."

Aaron pursed his lips. "Is it necessary for her to go to such extremes over such trivial matters? It's not as **if** we mistreated her or anything!" In his heart, he was glad that his sister had been found and brought back. Over the past year,

he had grown close to Simone, who had been kind to him. He knew she care d. about them, but now, she **was** willing to abandon her sibling affection? How had things come to this?

Observing his disappointment and inability to accept the situation, Leon also f elt uneasy deep down. He couldn't help but wonder: If it were him suffering from vomiting and diarrhea, needing her help to gather herbs in the mountains and make medicine, would she be willing to do so? He used to be **certain** that she would never abandon him, but now, he wasn't so sure.

At that moment, Aaron began to feel unwell **again** and rushed outside to continue vomiting. When he returned, Leon suggested, "Let me find someone from the production team to take you to the clinic for a checkup."

Just then, Jodic entered, holding a glass of warm water. That's right, Aaron. I'l I take you to the village clinic." She knew that Leon had gone to Simone to ask for her help in gathering herbs, but she found herself unable to intervene, or it might seem like she didn't want her brother to get better. However, deep dow n, she didn't want Simone to get involved. Just as I expected, that woman has become so heartless that she doesn't care about Aaron at all. This way, he w on't keep thinking about her, will he?

Feeling too unwell to object, Aaron had no choice but to agree to their suggest ion.

Soon, someone from the production team arrived and took him to the village cl inic for intravenous therapy.

Jodie looked at her brother and said, "Aaron, I'll stay here with you."

Aaron shook his head. "There's no need. You've had a long day. Go back **and** get some rest."

Jodie argued, her expression filled with worry, "But I'm concerned about you."

Aaron gave her a reassuring look. "I'll be fine. The person from the production team is here, anyway. Get a good night's sleep so you're ready for tomorrow's live stream."

Jodie never wanted to stay here in

the first place; the place reeked of cheap disinfectant, making her uncomforta ble. Besides, after a long day, she wanted **a** good night's sleep. However, she

couldn't just leave immediately, so she pretended to volunteer to stay with hi m, knowing that Aaron cared about her and wouldn't want her to do so. After h e finished speaking, she reluctantly replied, "Alright, then. I'll go back first. If y ou need anything, just give me a call."

Aaron nodded. "Okay."

Jodie reached out and tucked him in. "Good night, Aaron."

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Aaron mustered a forced smile and bid Jodie good night.

As he watched Jodie walk away, a thought crossed his mind: If they hadn't de cided to cut ties with each other and if Simone had been in Jodie's position to day, would she have stayed to take care of him?

Closing his **eyes**, memories of the past flooded his mind. His stomach had be en in poor condition, and he had experienced episodes of vomiting and diarrh ea. During that time, Simone had put her work on hold, taking days off to stay by **his** side and care for him. She would prepare herbal medicine and **congee** for him, advising him to eat his meals on time and avoid cold food. Not only th at, she even cooked and delivered meals to his workplace every day.

Back then, he **had** appreciated her care and the meals she provided, but at ti mes, he found it somewhat bothersome, questioning why she felt the need to be so involved in his life. Now, however, he couldn't help but feel a wave of no stalgia.

Being alone in the hospital, hooked up to an IV, he felt a **sense** of vulnerability . At the same time, he wondered if Jodie truly cared about him. *She* knew I ha d diarrhea *after* eating dumplings in *the* morning, *yet she* served me fish with s uch a strong smell for dinner. Was it thoughtlessness on her part, or did she a ssume *I* wouldn't refuse? Shaking his head, he realized he couldn't dwell on th is. Deep down, he reassured himself that Jodie was kind–hearted **and** couldn't have done it intentionally.

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The next day, Simone prepared congee and burritos for breakfast.

Meanwhile, Jodie accidentally overslept and didn't have time to make breakfa st for her group. They decided to have breakfast at the family's house where t hey were working-

After receiving an intravenous drip the previous night, Aaron's vomiting and di arrhea had subsided. However, he still felt weak and his legs felt shaky. Leon suggested that he rest in the yard.

As Aaron struggled to get up, he saw Simone and her teammates enjoying the ir breakfast of congee and burritos. On the other hand, Zar and the others wer e also happily eating their breakfast. The delicious aroma made Aaron sudden ly feel hungry, but Simone didn't even acknowledge him or invite him to join th em. This **made** him feel even worse, **and** he realized that Jodie and the other s were having breakfast at a villager's house. He felt dejected and abandoned

Simone inwardly thought, "It serves him right." She understood that Jodie was used to being taken care of by her family and had never been in a position to t ake care of others. She probably didn't even consider making breakfast for Aa ron. While Jodie and the others could go out for breakfast, Aaron **had** no choi ce **but** to go **hungry**. Simone decided not to worry about him.

Zac noticed Aaron's expression and asked, "Aaron, didn't your sister make br eakfast for you? You were sick all night and even had to go to the village clinic for treatment. **Didn't** she make you some congee? She didn't **even** stay with you while you were getting the drip, did she?"

Aaron glanced at him and replied, "I just don't have an appetite." He thought t o himself, "**This** guy is really getting on my nerves."

Zac continued,

"Even if you don't have an appetite, you should eat some congee to settle you r stomach. You got sick because of your sister, but **she** left you behind. It see ms like you two aren't as close as you claim to be. Aaron's expression froze at his words, He couldn't help **but** wonder why Jodie hadn't made him any cong

ee. In the past, Simone would go out of her way make him congee when he h ad.

stomachaches. He decided to stop comparing and glared at Zac before **leavin g** the yard and returning

to his room.

Aaron's fans were heartbroken to see him looking pale and unwell.

Meanwhile, Jodie, Leyla, and Leon went to help a family pack vegetables. Wh en they arrived, they offered to buy breakfast, but the **family** insisted on cooki ng noodles for them for free.

As they enjoyed the steaming and delicious noodles, Leyla felt a sense of relie f. In the past, she would have been disgusted by such food **and** event, but no w she appreciated having something normal to eat. She was still wary of Jodie . She looked at the camera **and** said, "Now **that** we're here, I wonder what **Aa ron** is having for breakfast

in the yard. Should we ask the family to make a bowl of noodles and bring it to **him?**"

Jodie suddenly realized that she had forgotten to make breakfast for her broth er. At home, there were always servants to take care of such matters, and she had overslept due to exhaustion. She had been so focused on performing wel I during their work that she neglected her brother. She inwardly cursed Leyla f or meddling, but outwardly she acknowledged her suggestion. She explained. "My brother usually doesn't eat anything in the morning after he has been sick . Whatever he eats, he will just vomit it out. There's no need to bring him nood les. I'll ask the family to make some congee around noon and

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bring it to him."

Leyla didn't fully believe her explanation, but she didn't dwell on it. "Okay," she replied.

Meanwhile, in the yard....

Simone **and** her teammates had arranged to learn how to extract camellia oil using the traditional method from a villager. After breakfast and getting ready, they prepared to leave.

As they **were** preparing to leave, Simone suggested to Jonah, "Aaron shouldn 't go without eating in his condition. Can you guys make some congee for him so that he can at least have something to **eat**?" It wasn't that she **was** concern ed about Aaron, but rather that she wanted to highlight the contrast between h erself and Jodie. Knowing Jodie's personality, if anyone mentioned breakfast, she would surely come up with an excuse, claiming that Aaron would vomit if he ate. In that case, her lie would be exposed.

Jonah didn't want to take any risks with Aaron, who was **a** well– known celebrity. "Okay," he replied before instructing his assistant to prepare t he congee.

Once the congee was ready, Jonah's assistant delivered it to Aaron's room.

At that moment, Aaron was feeling both uncomfortable and hungry. As soon a s he saw the congee, he eagerly took it and started eating. Surprisingly, he m anaged to have two bowls of it without experiencing any further vomiting or di arrhea.

When the assistant mentioned that it was Simone's idea to make congee for h im before she left, Aaron felt a mix of emotions. Even in times of discomfort, h e still longed for someone to care for **him**. He couldn't help but feel a glimmer of hope. Does her suggestion for the production team to make conger for me mean she still cares about me as her brother?

After finishing the congee, Aaron took his medicine and drifted off to sleep wit hout experiencing any more vomiting or diarrhea.

This incident further tarnished Jodie's image among the viewers of the livestre am. She had previously neglected to make congee for her brother **and** show c oncern for his well–

being. To cover up her mistake, she even rejected Leyla's suggestion to bring him noodles, despite him spoiling her so much. It was clear that Aaron was hu ngry, otherwise he wouldn't have eaten two bowls of congee. Moreover, he di dn't experience any negative reactions after eating it. On the contrary, he only took his medicine after eating the congee to alleviate his hunger. Aaron's fans quickly lost their affection for Jodie, whose actions left **a** negative impression. She didn't care about her brother as **much** as Simone, despite th eir differences. As the saying goes, there is no contrast without harm.

It wasn't just **Aaron's fans** who grew more displeased with Jodie **and** express ed their dissatisfaction in the comments. Even Salma, who was watching the li vestream, felt a rare sense of displeasure towards Jodie, especially after readi ng the comments in the live chat comparing her to Simone. She couldn't help but wonder if this **was** the difference between a biological sister and an adopt ed sister.

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Simone and her three teammates went to the villager's house to assist in the t raditional method of extracting camellia oil.

For many viewers **watching** the livestream, this **was** their first time witnessing such a method of oil extraction. Simone **and** Keira helped steam the camellia seed

powder, while Eric and Zac helped mold the steamed powder by **hand**. Finally , they took turns pounding the molded powder, similar to striking a bell.

Both the celebrities and the viewers **found this** process rather interesting.

Jacob **Poole**, the owner of the farmhouse, chatted with the four of them while they worked.

Eric asked, "Does your camellia oil sell well?"

Jacob replied, "It's not bad. We sell it in town and earn just enough money **to** cover the costs and labor." He then changed the subject, asking, "Have you all tried camellia oil be fore? Do you know its benefits?"

Erie, Zac, and Keira shook their heads. "No, we've never tried it before, nor do we know much about its benefits."

Simone explained, "Camellia oil has a pure aroma when consumed. It's also r ich in nutrients, earning it the nickname 'Olive Oil of the East." She went on to explain its uses and **flavors** in salads, stir–

fries, **frying**, baking, **and** soups. Additionally, she added, "In addition to being used in cooking, **camellia** oil can

so moisturize

the skin, nourish hair, aid in weight loss, reduce wrinkles, and whiten and bea utify the skin."

Jacob was stunned before he replied with a chuckle, "You know quite a lot, Mi ss Gray. Indeed, camellia

oil is a wonderful product." He hadn't expected this **famous** celebrity to be so knowledgeable about camellia oil.

On the other hand, Keira was very interested in the other benefits of camellia oil. "You mentioned this oil can even nourish the hair and skin?"

Simone replied, "Yes, it can. In fact, camellia oil is great for hair care. You can ..." She explained several methods and effects of using wild camellia oil directl y for hair care. "You can also purify camellia oil for skin care or **make** lip balm with it."

He said with a smile, "People around here **do use camellia** oil for hair and ski n care." He asked Simone, "But we've never tried making lip **balm** with it in dif ficult?"

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Simone replied, "No, it's **not**. You can make it with **camellia** oil, beeswax, and vitamins. Handmade lip balm made with camellia oil is not only moisturizing b ut also safe to use; even children and pregnant women can use it." She then suggested to him. "I

noticed you have several plantations of wild camellia here. There are also quit e a number of families producing camellia oil. Actually, you can try making ess ential oils and lip balms with camellia oil and sell them online. These pure natu ral and chemical- free products are quite popular, you know."

Jacob said with a wry smile, "We tried selling our camellia oil online before, bu t not many people bought it. They prefer to buy from well-

known merchants. Otherwise, we wouldn't be selling it at a low price to those buyers."

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Simone thought for a moment and **said**, "In that **case**, you can sell it through li ve-

streaming. Just livestream the process of extracting the oil and making essenti al oils and lip balms. When viewers see that you don't add any chemicals **and** that everything is clean and hygienic, people will buy them."

Jacob's eyes lit up. "That sounds like a good idea. If we do it, we'll definitely k eep everything clean and **hygienic**."

Simone asked, "You'll need beeswax for making lip balm. Do you have any be e farmers here?"

Jacob nodded and replied with a smile, "Yes, we do. We've got several bee fa rmers here who produce pure local honey. There are also people in the nearb y villages who keep bees, so beeswax is readily available. It's just that we don 't know how to extract the essential oils and make lip balm."

Simone replied, "I know how to do that. I can teach you."

Jonah didn't expect her to know about these things. The point was, this could also benefit their show: helping villagers prosper would help spread positive vi bes. So, he chimed in, "You can advertise your products on the livestream of our show. We'll share a link to your livestream **so** that interested viewers. can visit your livestream and make purchases. Of course, there can be no compro mise on product quality. If you want to do it, we'll need to talk to the village he ad and have them oversee things." If they were going to advertise their produc ts through the variety show and make live stream sales in order to **make** a fort une, only products of good quality could be involved.

Jacob replied with excitement, "All of us are honest folks. If we can do this, we definitely won't cheat. And besides, as Miss Gray just said, we can let viewer s watching our livestream supervise us at any time. He had heard his son, wh o worked outside the village, talk about farmers selling their

crops through live-

streaming. Some people in the village had tried it, but for several months, hard ly anyone showed up, let alone made any purchases. Therefore, they had no choice but to give up on **this** avenue. And now, with the show helping **with** ad vertising, this would be a good opportunity. He was so excited. that he couldn' t even wait any longer; he called the village head and invited him over to discu ss it.

The village head **was** also happy and excited when he heard this. He had bee n finding ways to help the villagers generate **income**; unfortunately, the village was impoverished, and they didn't have any specialty products, making it diffi cult to find

ways to help the villagers become rich. Camellia oil was considered a specialt y product, and the village committee had been acting as a go-

between to help the villagers sell it, but its price had never gone up significantly.

Soon, the village head visited Jacob's home, where Simone repeated what sh e had said earlier.

The village head was very supportive of her idea. This is great! Our village co mmittee will certainly keep an eye on this **at** all times."

Simone then proposed, "Actually, it's not only the camellia essential oil and lip balm that can be sold. through live-

streaming, but also other products from your village. You can showcase and s ell all of the village's agricultural products during the live–

stream. For example, Mr. Webb's peaches are not only sweet and flavorful, bu t they also surpass the expensive peaches sold at many grocery stores in the city. The rice grown in your village is organically fertilized with minimal chemic al additives, and I have personally tasted it over the past few days it's deliciou s. Additionally, the villagers' homemade meatloaves, sausages, and local hon ey can also be sold through the live—

stream. Your village can establish a committee and select one or two individu als to focus on live-streaming. By watching **the** live-

stream, customers can witness the production process of

these products on a daily basis, ensuring their quality. The person conducting the **live**–stream can receive a commission for the products they

sell."

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Simone and her three teammates went to the villager's house to assist in the t raditional method of extracting camellia oil.

For many viewers **watching** the livestream, this **was** their first time witnessing such a method of oil extraction. Simone **and** Keira helped steam the camellia seed

powder, while Eric and Zac helped mold the steamed powder by **hand**. Finally , they took turns pounding the molded powder, similar to striking a bell.

Both the celebrities and the viewers **found this** process rather interesting.

Jacob **Poole**, the owner of the farmhouse, chatted with the four of them while they worked.

Eric asked, "Does your camellia oil sell well?"

Jacob replied, "It's not bad. We sell it in town and earn just enough money **to** cover the costs and labor." He then changed the subject, asking, "Have you all tried camellia oil be fore? Do you know its benefits?"

Erie, Zac, and Keira shook their heads. "No, we've never tried it before, nor do we know much about its benefits."

Simone explained, "Camellia oil has a pure aroma when consumed. It's also r ich in nutrients, earning it the nickname 'Olive Oil of the East." She went on to explain its uses and **flavors** in salads, stir–

fries, **frying**, baking, **and** soups. Additionally, she added, "In addition to being used in cooking, **camellia** oil can

so moisturize

the skin, nourish hair, aid in weight loss, reduce wrinkles, and whiten and bea utify the skin."

Jacob was stunned before he replied with a chuckle, "You know quite a lot, Mi ss Gray. Indeed, camellia

oil is a wonderful product." He hadn't expected this **famous** celebrity to be so knowledgeable about camellia oil.

On the other hand, Keira was very interested in the other benefits of camellia oil. "You mentioned this oil can even nourish the hair and skin?"

Simone replied, "Yes, it can. In fact, camellia oil is great for hair care. You can ..." She explained several methods and effects of using wild camellia oil directl y for hair care. "You can also purify camellia oil for skin care or **make** lip balm with it."

He said with a smile, "People around here **do use camellia** oil for hair and ski n care." He asked Simone, "But we've never tried making lip **balm** with it in dif ficult?"

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Simone replied, "No, it's **not**. You can make it with **camellia** oil, beeswax, and vitamins. Handmade lip balm made with camellia oil is not only moisturizing b ut also safe to use; even children and pregnant women can use it." She then suggested to him. "I

noticed you have several plantations of wild camellia here. There are also quit e a number of families producing camellia oil. Actually, you can try making ess ential oils and lip balms with camellia oil and sell them online. These pure natu ral and chemical- free products are quite popular, you know."

Jacob said with a wry smile, "We tried selling our camellia oil online before, bu t not many people bought it. They prefer to buy from well– known merchants. Otherwise, we wouldn't be selling it at a low price to those buyers."

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Simone thought for a moment and **said**, "In that **case**, you can sell it through li ve-

streaming. Just livestream the process of extracting the oil and making essenti al oils and lip balms. When viewers see that you don't add any chemicals **and** that everything is clean and hygienic, people will buy them."

Jacob's eyes lit up. "That sounds like a good idea. If we do it, we'll definitely k eep everything clean and **hygienic**."

Simone asked, "You'll need beeswax for making lip balm. Do you have any be e farmers here?"

Jacob nodded and replied with a smile, "Yes, we do. We've got several bee fa rmers here who produce pure local honey. There are also people in the nearb y villages who keep bees, so beeswax is readily available. It's just that we don 't know how to extract the essential oils and make lip balm."

Simone replied, "I know how to do that. I can teach you."

Jonah didn't expect her to know about these things. The point was, this could also benefit their show: helping villagers prosper would help spread positive vi bes. So, he chimed in, "You can advertise your products on the livestream of our show. We'll share a link to your livestream **so** that interested viewers. can visit your livestream and make purchases. Of course, there can be no compro mise on product quality. If you want to do it, we'll need to talk to the village he ad and have them oversee things." If they were going to advertise their produc ts through the variety show and make live stream sales in order to **make** a fort une, only products of good quality could be involved.

Jacob replied with excitement, "All of us are honest folks. If we can do this, we definitely won't cheat. And besides, as Miss Gray just said, we can let viewer s watching our livestream supervise us at any time. He had heard his son, wh o worked outside the village, talk about farmers selling their crops through live–

streaming. Some people in the village had tried it, but for several months, hard ly anyone showed up, let alone made any purchases. Therefore, they had no choice but to give up on **this** avenue. And now, with the show helping **with** ad vertising, this would be a good opportunity. He was so excited. that he couldn' t even wait any longer; he called the village head and invited him over to discu ss it.

The village head **was** also happy and excited when he heard this. He had bee n finding ways to help the villagers generate **income**; unfortunately, the village was impoverished, and they didn't have any specialty products, making it diffi cult to find

ways to help the villagers become rich. Camellia oil was considered a specialt y product, and the village committee had been acting as a go-

between to help the villagers sell it, but its price had never gone up significantly.

Soon, the village head visited Jacob's home, where Simone repeated what sh e had said earlier.

The village head was very supportive of her idea. This is great! Our village co mmittee will certainly keep an eye on this **at** all times."

Simone then proposed, "Actually, it's not only the camellia essential oil and lip balm that can be sold. through live-

streaming, but also other products from your village. You can showcase and s ell all of the village's agricultural products during the live-

stream. For example, Mr. Webb's peaches are not only sweet and flavorful, bu t they also surpass the expensive peaches sold at many grocery stores in the city. The rice grown in your village is organically fertilized with minimal chemic al additives, and I have personally tasted it over the past few days it's deliciou s. Additionally, the villagers' homemade meatloaves, sausages, and local hon ey can also be sold through the live—

stream. Your village can establish a committee and select one or two individu als to focus on live–streaming. By watching **the** live–

stream, customers can witness the production process of

these products on a daily basis, ensuring their quality. The person conducting the **live**–stream can receive a commission for the products they

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Early the **next** morning, Simone woke **up at** around 6.00AM to **practice** marti al arts.

The production **team's** cameramen **arrived at** the **courtyard** in **advance** and **set** up **the live–**streaming equipment.

Simone's fans and those who specifically tuned in to watch the martial **arts** pe rformance **were** already **eagerly** waiting.

In no time, the live stream began, **revealing** Simone in her tracksuit, with her **hair tied** back in a ponytail and **a fresh**, makeup–**free face**.

'Ah, my wife's beauty is truly unparalleled!'

'She looks stunning even without makeup!'

'You look so innocent, Wifey!'

'Watching my wife's beauty makes my breakfast taste better.'

As the live stream started, Simone began her martial arts routine as if it were j ust another day.

This routine was taught to her by her master, and she had made some adjustments herself after return ing from the other world.

It started with a harmonious blend of subtle and powerful movements, eventually unleashing her strength with explo sive strikes. Practicing this routine daily not only improved her physical fitness but also prepared her for combat situations.

Her fans were fascinated by her martial arts performance, which exuded a heroic and gallant aura. They couldn't help but exclaim and send hearts in the chat.

As for members of the Martial Arts Association and general martial arts enthusiasts, they were not only impressed by her looks but also deeply captiv ated by her martial arts skills. Many praised her in the

'This young

girl's martial arts skills are exceptional, with subtle but powerful moves and ex plosive strikes.'

When these are

blended, not only does it not appear haphazard, but it looks mighty. She's definitely an

expert.'

'With her level of skill, she must have trained for over ten years!

'I've seen a grandmaster practice a similar routine, and she has improved it, m aking it even better.

'I've decided to become this young girl's fan from now on!'

'What's

her Facebook account? I want to follow her. She should post more martial arts videos in the future.

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Marry people were asking for Simone's Facebook account, and her fans quick ly shared it

Young people nowadays are so openminded. So many people are calling this young girl wifey!

"My gr><daughter likes two celebrities, and she always calls them sonny and daughterling. From now on, this young lady is also my daughterling.

May I ask how old you are? You even have a granddaughter.

Tm 68.

You're quite trendy, old man, still entering a fandom at your age.

Of course. Even though we're old, we still need to keep up with the times, don't we?'

In that case, this young girl will be my daughterling too.'

I don't have Facebook, but I'll ask my grandson to create an account for me. I want to support my daughterling.

'She should post more martial arts videos in the future. It would be even better if she could start *a* live stream for interactive engagement.'

That's right. You guys quickly comment under her Facebook.

Many of these comments left Simone's fans somewhat bewildered. They hadn 't expected their wife to gain a new group of elderly fans because of her martia I arts performance. But soon, they felt immensely proud of their wife's talent, c alling her the 'senior citizen fan harvester.'

After Simone finished her martial arts practice, the live stream's focus shifted t o Jodie, who was practicing yoga in the morning.

Last night, Jodie overheard the crew discussing that Simone's martial arts vid eo went viral and was trending. She also learned that the production team pla nned to livestream Simone's martial arts performance the following morning.

This made Jodie feel jealous and even tempted to scold the director for favoring Simone so much and helping her gain fans. To counteract it, she cam e up with a plan. Since Simone did martial arts, she would practice yoga in the early morning.

In her opinion, a woman doing martial arts was not particularly appealing to w atch, but her graceful yoga practice was more attractive.

As Simone disappeared from the camera's frame, the viewers in the live strea m were introduced to a young woman dressed in a midriff– baring tank top and tight pants practicing yoga in the courtyard.

Jodie had even put on light makeup and tied her hair in a bun, giving her a yo uthful and energetic look. On top of that, her choice of clothing further showca sed her great physique in front of the

viewers.

She then started her yoga practice with a confident smile, making her movem ents as graceful and elegant as possible.

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At oner, an elderly gentleman was puzzled. **Huh**? Who's thie? Why did they s uddenly switch to

This is another female celebrity participating in the variety show.

This young lady's yoga isn't as exciting; I'd rather watch my daughterling do m artial arts.

Is Jojo doing this on purpose? Simone did martial arts, and she suddenly practices yoga.

To be honest, she looks alright, and her figure is decent, but she's not particul arly striking.

Right. Although Simone wore a tracksuit, she looked stunning during her martial arts performance.

Jojo is quite crafty; **she** applied light makeup while Simone was makeup-free.

'But even with makeup, I don't think she's as pretty as Simone.

'Oh, please. There's a huge difference between them.

After watching Simone's martial arts, seeing this delicate yoga practice gives me a strange feeling.

"The contrast is too strong. I was mesmerized by Simone's gallant charm, and now I'm finding this elegance weird."

'I don't want to watch Jojo do yoga; I want my wife doing martial arts.'

"The thing is, you can watch yoga anywhere, but Simone's martial arts perfor mance is truly unique.

'I follow a few other yoga streamers, and some of them have better figures, an d they even have sexy abs.'

'Now that you mentioned it, I'm suddenly curious about whether my wife has abs.'

'I'm curious too.'

'I wanna see.'

From then on, the chat was filled with people wanting to see Simone's abs, an d the tone of the comments took an unexpected turn.

Seeing the live chat, Jonah couldn't help but smirk. *This time, Jodie really wen t* for wool and came home shorn. She probably wanted to create a contrast wit h Simone. Who would have thought the viewers didn't buy it, and she even bo osted Simone's popularity? If she finds out, she might be quite frustrated.

After Simone finished freshening up, she went to the kitchen to prepare breakf ast.

Zac set an alarm every day to watch Simone practice martial arts. When she was done, he also went to wash up and then headed to the kitchen to help.

As a result, the live stream was once again divided into two parts. One for wat ching Jodie practice yoga, and the other for observing Simone and Zac in the kitchen.

However, the viewer count for Jodie's stream was quite meager, with just over ten thousand viewers,

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mainly her fans and **a few** supporters from Aaron's fandom.

In contrast, **the live** stream featuring Simone and Zac **had** already garnered **a** million **viewers**.

So Zachy is also an early bird."

"It's evident that Zachy woke up early to watch Simone practice martial arts."

"Even Zeus, who has a discerning palate, **wakes** up early just **to** watch my wif e **practice** martial **arts**. She's truly captivating."

"Wow, wifey is making crab pierogis and shrimp dumplings today. Another **day** to **make** our mouths

water.

"**Poor** Aaron is in for another demanding day. **Before** Jojo practices yoga, she has prepared plain congee.

"I feel sorry for the other three guests in Jojo's group."

"I really want to interview them and find out how they feel witnessing Zachy's group happily savoring their **meal** every day."

"From the looks of it, they're smiling, but tears are welling up inside."

The **viewers** playfully chatted in the live stream, leaving the fans of the other group feeling quite upset. They couldn't help but sympathize with their 'husba nds' and idols.

Simultaneously, there was growing dissatisfaction with Jodie. Didn't *she claim* to have learned cooking specifically to join the variety show? **Is** that all she has **to** offer?

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After Simone finished **preparing** crab **pierogis and** shrimp dumplings, Jodie went **to the** kitchen to make breakfast. In addition **to** the **congee**, she **also** fri ed **two eggs for each** person.

So, both groups had breakfast at the same time.

Zac's trio **enjoyed** another satisfying **meal**, devouring **plates of** crab **pierogis** and shrimp dumplings, leaving them **feeling completely** satisfied.

The other group, however, had a plain breakfast of congee and fried eggs.

Jodie smiled **at** Aaron and said, "Aaron, **I** specially made **congee** for you. **Hav e as** much **as you** like."

Upon hearing this, Aaron felt like crying. Can I **tell** her **that** I don't want any m ore

congee? He had eaten congee all day yesterday and now felt nauseous at t he sight of it.

What he craved **were** crab pierogis and shrimp dumplings. Simone used to m ake them at home, and they **were** even tastier **than** the ones from a restauran t. Just thinking about the taste made his mouth

water.

However, Jodie had made congee specifically for him, so he couldn't let her kindness

go to waste. He could only nod and say, "Alright, I'll have another bowl later."

He quickly finished a bowl of plain congee and filled another, drinking it as if it were a chore.

Afraid that Jodie would offer him another bowl, he hastily wiped his mouth. "I' m full."

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When Jodie noticed that he had quickly finished two bowls, she thought he liked the congee she had prepared. Thinking she was being considerate, she said, "If you like congee, I can make it for you again

tomorrow."

His face stiffened, and he smiled awkwardly. "You don't have to accommodate me. Let's see what Mr. Foster and

Miss Morse want to eat tomorrow, and you can make that. My stomach is muc h better now." He really couldn't drink any more congee.

Of course, Leon

could tell Aaron's discomfort, and he felt sorry for him. He then said, "How abo ut we have pierogis or breakfast burritos tomorrow? I miss Simone's pierogis and burritos."

Meanwhile, Leyla remained silent, knowing that her opinion didn't matter.

Hearing Leon's suggestion, Jodie didn't think much of it. She believed that the congee she cooked was pretty good. As a considerate princess, she naturally wanted to cater to the group's preferences. So, she nodded and said, "Alright, I'll make breakfast burritos for all of you tomorrow. That's simpler than pierogi s."

Finally, Aaron breathed a sigh of relief. "Breakfast burritos sound great. Just th inking about them makes me hungry."

'Hahaha, Aaron has it tough.

'I feel sorry for Aaron; his sister really doesn't understand him. Even I can tell he doesn't want congee