

## The Miraculous Simone Gray by Opal Reese Chapter 211

### Chapter 211 Despair

Luca and Aaron hurriedly chased after their mother, only to find her collapsed on the ground. Startled, they quickly lifted her up and rushed her to the emergency room at the nearby hospital. The doctors provided emergency treatment for Salma and examined her condition. They explained that her anger had led to high blood pressure, which caused her to

faint.

Fortunately, she was brought in on time, and there were no major issues after receiving treatment. However, the doctor also advised her to be more careful in the future and to avoid losing control of her emotions. Only then did the two brothers heave a sigh of relief.

After Salma was taken to the hospital room to rest, Luca and Aaron stayed by her bedside. Then, Luca's phone rang. He looked at the caller ID before he immediately answered the call. "Dad."

"Are you with your mother? I've been trying to call her, but no one answered," Steven uttered.

After watching the video his wife sent him, Steven was furious. If he had been there, he would have broken his son's leg.

Luca was taken aback at first. "Mom's phone might have fallen at the spot where she fainted," he commented. Then he said to Aaron, who was next to him. "Hurry and go look for Mom's phone."

They were in a hurry to send her to the hospital earlier, so they hadn't paid attention to the grounds where she had fainted.

Aaron stood up. "Okay!"

Steven sounded worried on the other end of the line. "What do you mean? Did Salma faint? What happened to her?" he asked.

Luca didn't bother concealing anything-he told him about what happened in the hospital room after their mom fainted. When he heard that his wife was

fine, Steven breathed a sigh of relief. He was especially angry at his fourth son and Jodie.

One was a scoundrel, and the other was a wolf in sheep's clothing. Neither one of them were good people.

"You take good care of your mom and come back when she recovers. Get Andrew to come over to take care of your mom and stop meddling around with Jodie."

Luca nodded. "Yes, I'll get Andrew to come over soon."

It was clear that his dad was really angry this time. Andrew was in trouble, but he deserved it.

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As for Jodie, his feelings towards her were more complicated now. After hanging up the phone, he contacted Andrew and asked him to come over quickly.

In the hospital room, Andrew, who had just applied medicine to his face wound, was taken aback when he heard that his mom had fainted, lo, Mom fainted. I'm going to go see her."

Jodie was stunned. Isn't she a little too fragile? However, she feigned a worried look on her face. "Ah, why did Mom faint? Is everything okay?"

"The emergency treatment was timely, so she's fine now. But she hasn't woken up yet," he said while getting to his feet.

She pretended to be anxious as she stood up as well. "Then, I'll go see Mom with you." Because one of her feet was in a cast, she couldn't stand steady- she fell toward him.

Andrew immediately supported her. "It's fine. You're suffering from such a serious injury, and it's inconvenient for you to move around. I'll go on my own."

He was also afraid that his mother would wake up and get angry when she saw him and Jodie together.

Jodie pursed her lips. "Alright, I guess I would just be a burden if I tried to tag along in this state. She gave Andrew a nudge with a worried look on her face. "You hurry along, then. You can message me later." Andrew helped her sit down. "Okay. Rest well. I'll come see you later."

Jodie nodded. "Okay."

After Andrew left, the worry and anxiety in Jodie's eyes disappeared. Her expression was replaced by one of schadenfreude. She treated us so badly in the past. It serves her right to faint! Why can't it be more serious? What a shame.

In the meantime, Salma was still unconscious in her room after Andrew arrived.

Luca and the others looked at his miserable appearance, and they gave him sympathetic looks.

"You've paid quite a price for Jo," Luca said. When they returned home, it was likely that their

ather would give him a good beating.

Andrew glanced at him. "Stop talking nonsense. The three of them teased each other for a

while

After a while, Salma woke up.

The three brothers immediately surrounded her "Mom, are you feeling better?

Salina finally regained her consciousness after passing out for a while 'Much better. When

she saw the fourth son was also there, her face darkened. Initially, she wanted him to leave as she didn't want to see him, but she was also afraid that he would go look for Jodie like he did before. So, she held her tongue back.

However, she didn't plan to let Andrew go so easily, either.

“You and your brother still have work tomorrow, so you guys should go back to the hotel first,” she said to Aaron and Luca. “Andrew can stay here with me.”

If Andrew could stay with Jodie, then naturally, he should be able to stay with her as well. Luca and the others understood that their mother wanted to punish Andrew, so they played along with her.

“Alright, Mom, call us if you need anything.” As the two of them were about to leave, Andrew felt a bit uneasy. All three of them were her sons. Why could the other two go back to the hotel to rest? Yet, Andrew didn’t dare to object.

When Luca and the others reached the door, Salma called for them again. “I want you guys to tell Simone about me fainting and being hospitalized tomorrow. If she wants to see me, then you guys can bring her along.”

Although her husband told her not to actively seek out Simone anymore, Salma just really wanted to see her biological daughter after she fell ill. It was just like when she wasn’t feeling well before, and having her daughter by her side gave her a sense of security. When her daughter was still at home, she would eat the healthy food that Simone cooked specially for her. Simone would cook several times a week, and her blood pressure never rose again after eating Simone’s food. However, in recent times, her blood pressure had started to rise and was becoming unstable.

The more I think about it, the more it seems like having a daughter is better than having a son. She couldn’t help but feel a glimmer of hope and anticipation. Will my daughter want to come to the hospital to visit me after hearing that I’ve fainted? Salma wondered.

This would prove that Simone still cared about her as a mother.

Do you want me to explain how you fainted?” Aaron turned around and asked Salma. He could roughly guess what his mother was thinking. This can be an opportunity to reconnect with Simone. Considering how much Simone cares about Mom, she’ll probably come to the hospital to visit. right? It’s just that Mom’s reason for fainting seems a bit embarrassing to talk about.

Of course, it wasn’t embarrassing for his mother to faint, but rather, it was embarrassing to share what his younger brother did.

Salma had a similar thought. “Just say that my blood pressure suddenly rose and that it caused me to faint. Don’t mention the embarrassing things your younger brother did.”

Andrew felt unjustly accused. He hadn’t done anything wrong, so why was he being

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humiliated? He and Jodie were innocent, contrary to what others believed.

This sense of being wrongfully accused by his own mother caused a lot of discomfort within him. However, he didn’t dare to say anything as he was afraid that it would cause his mother to faint again.

“Don’t worry, Mom, I understand,” Aaron said with a nod.

After the two left, Andrew was left alone in the hospital to keep watch.

Salma thought of those antagonistic mothers-in-law in TV dramas, and she decided to torment her son a little. She made him fetch water, then complained that it was either too hot or too cold. Occasionally, she would get upset and throw a cup of water at him. She also made him sit on a hard, wooden stool while telling him to watch over her.

Salma couldn’t rest comfortably, so she woke up frequently and would order Andrew to do things every time she woke up.

She got him to fetch her water, wash her feet, massage her head, add a blanket if she felt cold, remove the blanket if she felt hot, and so on. It wasn’t until dawn that Salma finally fell into a deep sleep.

Andrew, on the other hand, was completely sleepless after being constantly tormented. With dark circles under his eyes and a look of despair on his face, he went to buy porridge for his mother.

Meanwhile, it was the final day of the live broadcast of the variety show, and the production team organized an activity. Lunch was provided by the production team. After this episode of the variety show, everyone waved goodbye to the live camera. The production team also gave everyone a day

and a half off. This allowed everyone to explore and have fun in the surrounding area before they all returned home together the day after that.

Simone was discussing with others about where to go sightseeing when Aaron and Luca walked over to her.

## Chapter 212 You're Ruthless

Leon and Tina noticed the two guys approaching Simone and followed suit. When Zac saw them, he raised an eyebrow at them. "Do you guys need something?" It couldn't be that they wanted to hang out together.

"We need to talk to Simone about something," Aaron explained. Simone was a bit puzzled. "What do you want with me?" she asked. Aaron's handsome face displayed a gentle and kind smile towards her. "My mom fainted last night and was hospitalized," he uttered. He knew that Simone probably wouldn't entertain him if he asked to speak with her privately. So, he said it in front of everyone.

Simone was a bit surprised to hear that Salma had actually fainted. She figured that it was most likely because of Andrew and Jodie. "So?" Simone didn't know what to say. "If she fainted, she just needs to stay in the hospital. What does that have to do with me?" Judging from the looks of the Gray Family brothers, Salma was definitely fine.

Furthermore, even if Salma was seriously ill, Simone still wouldn't visit her. Aaron hadn't expected Simone to respond in that way. He cleared his throat. "We're going to the hospital later and wanted to ask if you want to come along."

Simone shook her head. "I'm not going." Luca looked at Simone with a perplexed gaze. "She's your mom! Are you really that heartless?" The old Simone had a lot of empathy. If she heard that her mom fainted and was hospitalized, she would definitely get anxious. The old Simone would've offered to go to the hospital to take care of Salma. However, this time, she directly refused them with a cold look on her face. Luca found it hard to accept the new, heartless version of Simone.

Simone smiled at them. "Didn't we cut ties a long time ago? You guys shouldn't place any hopes on me. We don't have a relationship anymore. If

anyone in the Gray Family has an issue, I won't be involved in it at all. It's none of my business. Please remember what I just said. Don't bother me again next time, okay?" she uttered in a clear tone. Luca gritted his teeth. "You're really ruthless," he hissed.

Simone showed him a bright smile. "Thank you for the compliment!"

Luca was speechless. His sister was still as infuriating as ever. Simone no longer paid attention to them after that. Instead, she turned to Zac and the others. "I think venturing out into the ocean, as you guys mentioned earlier, sounds good."

Zac took a few steps to block Luca's view of Simone. He found these two brothers really annoying as they always bothered Simone. He smiled and responded to Simone. "So, is that the plan? My brother has a yacht in Slovance, and I can take us out in it."

Simone and the others nodded in agreement. "Okay, let's do that."

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Tina looked at the two groups of people with envy. She found herself really unlucky to be stuck with these three awful men. Otherwise, she'd also be able to head out for some fun. Simone could sense Tina's envy. After hesitating for a moment, she turned to question Tina. "Do you want to come with us?"

Tina's eyes brightened. "Can I?" Simone nodded and smiled. "Of course. you can."

"Yay! I want to go!" Tina cheered.

"Then let's go together," Simone replied with a smile.

"Great!" Tina immediately grabbed her suitcase and stood next to Simone. She waved to the other three with a smug look on her face. "Our group is disbanding. You guys can go play on your own." She was going out to have fun with Simone, and she knew that she would make these three losers jealous.

Leon and the other two were speechless. They couldn't believe how this traitor was showing off. But they had to admit, they felt a bit jealous and wanted to go too. Unfortunately, neither group wanted them. Back in their home country, as top celebrities, they were treated like royalty wherever they went. Only here were they despised and abandoned. Ugh! This is so agonizing!

The guests retrieved their own phones, but they hadn't returned the ones provided by the production team yet. Everyone could spend the money they had earned before, along with their own money. This time, it seemed like the production team had made a more decent decision. The two groups and Tina took a cab to the beach. Zac also called his brother to ask for permission to use the yacht.

On the other side, Leon was questioning the Gray Family brothers. "What are you guys going to do next?"

"We're going to the hospital to care for our mom, Aaron replied. Leon nodded. "Go ahead, then. I'll find a hotel to stay on my own." The three of them went their separate ways. Leon checked into a five-star hotel, but he still felt very down. After a while, he sent a message in their group chat.

Leon: Let's have a drink!"

Titus: Are you back already? Didn't you say you were coming back the day after tomorrow?"

Leon: 'Come to Slovence and have a drink with me!

Titus was speechless for a while. 'You better go wash up and go to sleep. You can dream during the day, too.

Harold: 'Leon, you seem so devastated from the breakup. Leon chuckled when he saw their responses.

Leon: 'Didn't we agree before that we should be there for each other when something happens?"

Titus: 'Didn't we agree to end our friendship before?'

Harold: 'Is it too late to end it now?"



Leon: 'Get lost... The three of them continued chatting in the group for a while. Leon mentioned Salma fainting and being hospitalized. Titus didn't know about this. So, he called Aaron and asked about his mother's condition. Aaron assured him that she was doing fine.

Titus then asked about the reason for his mother's fainting. Aaron didn't explain much-he told his brother to see it with his own eyes. After hanging up the phone, Aaron sent the video he recorded the night before. Titus played the video and was speechless after watching it.

I didn't realize that Andrew is even more impressive than me! Titus watched as his brother got beat up by their mother with a broom in the video. He couldn't help but laugh with a hint of menace. Previously, when he was seen hugging Jodie, he got kicked by Simone. Seeing that Andrew got beaten by their mother this time gave Titus some comfort.

So, Titus decided to head to the company to share the video with his eldest brother. After watching the video, Reuben had a complicated expression on his face. "Dad is coming back. I guess Andrew will suffer even more then," he commented.

Titus laughed. "He deserves it." The two boys exchanged glances. They both looked forward to watching their younger brother's downfall.

Meanwhile, Luca and Aaron returned to Salma's ward at the hospital. Salma seemed disappointed when she saw that Simone wasn't with them. "Didn't you inform Simone about me?" she asked. Aaron felt a tinge of sadness witnessing his mother in this state.

"I did, but she refused to come," Aaron said. He recounted his conversation with Simone truthfully. He also wanted his mother to understand that Simone was genuinely serious this time and that she no longer desired any connection with them. Luca sighed. "She's heartless now. She simply won't come to see you," he added.

Salma's expression changed, and she felt extremely uneasy. Tears welled up in her eyes involuntarily. She hadn't expected her daughter to refuse to visit her after hearing that she had fainted and was hospitalized. When Salma noticed her three sons staring at her, her face darkened. "What are you gawking at? It's all because of your mischief that drove your sister away, she snapped.

As she said this, she felt even more displeased with her three sons. At this point, Andrew felt like he finally had some company. All three of the brothers had to endure their mother's torment together. They felt like crying as they were all trapped in that position.

In the evening, the four of them were enjoying Chinese food that Andrew had specially

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purchased when Luca and Aaron's phones started ringing incessantly. They took their phones out and glanced at them for a while. Soon, their appetites vanished.

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## Chapter 213 Can't Get Over It

Luca and Aaron came across the pictures in the group chat; that jerk, Zac, had once again posted a bunch of photos. Both groups were enjoying a seafood barbecue on the yacht, but this time, it wasn't just Zac.

Even Keira and Tina joined in on the mischief, posting numerous beautiful photos, all of them featuring Simone.

There were pictures of them standing on the yacht, swimming in the sea, fishing together, and barbecuing. Every photo exuded so much energy. Most importantly, Simone looked incredibly happy and even cooked several seafood dishes that made everyone's mouths

water.

Luca couldn't help but comment, "That jerk, Zac Turner, eats the most. Why doesn't he eat himself to death?"

Aaron chimed in, "Yeah, he could choke on it. He's always following Simone around like a shameless dog."

Luca glanced at the plate of curry prawns and couldn't resist the temptation, sighing. "Simone's cooking skills are still as good as ever."

Overhearing their conversation, Andrew said curiously, "Let me see."

Without hesitation, Aaron handed him the phone, saying, "Take a look."

Salma cast a look at Luca, her intentions clear, and he reacted quickly this time, handing her the phone.

After they finished looking at the photos, Andrew suddenly lost his appetite, longing for Simone's cooking and medicinal soups, while Salma's focus was more on the trio's photos posted by Tina and Keira, where she saw her daughter so happy-eating, drinking, and having fun at sea.

Her eyes welled up with tears once again. "I fainted and was hospitalized, but she didn't visit me. Instead, she's having so much fun and doesn't care about me, her mother." Upon seeing these photos, she finally accepted the fact that Simone didn't care about her and was also deeply hurt because this was something she had never expected.

Her words silenced the three brothers for a moment, and they didn't know how to respond. After all, it was the truth, and they were uneasy about it, too. If Simone didn't even care about Salma, she probably felt the same way about them.

How did it come to this? Andrew frowned. "This is truly outrageous Cutting off ties cannot truly sever our blood connection"

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He had always believed that they were siblings connected by blood and that there was nothing they couldn't overcome. But now, it seemed that Simone couldn't get over it.

These words made Salma even more heartbroken, and she threw the bowl she was holding directly at him, hitting his face and covering him with food.

Jumping up, he grumbled unhappily, "Mom, what are you doing?" What's gotten into her? She threw a water cup at me last night, and now she's throwing a bowl.

Salma stood up and quickly walked to the corner, grabbing the broom in the ward. Swinging it at Andrew, she said, "What do you think I'm doing? If it weren't for you guys, Simone wouldn't have been targeted because of Jodie. How much was she hurt by you guys that she doesn't even care about me anymore."

Unable to hold back, she cried while hitting, "She doesn't even want me as her mother!"

Not only Andrew but also Luca and Aaron couldn't escape this time.

"You bunch of troublemakers, if it weren't for you, my daughter would already be here at the hospital with me. You're always causing trouble. Why did I give birth to you guys? You're not worth anything." Salma vented all her grievances and discomfort onto her three sons.

Luca and Aaron, who were originally just bystanders, now also became victims of the beating, and they complained endlessly, feeling unjustified that they were in for a beating because of their younger brother, especially Luca, who felt that participating in the variety show this time was the biggest mistake. If he had the chance to do it over, he would not participate. No wonder his heartless second brother had helped him to participate; he probably wanted to see him in such a miserable state.

Andrew also felt very unjustified because he wasn't the only one who blamed Simone, so why was his mom focusing on hitting and punishing him?

And now, it had all turned into their fault.

Although his mom didn't blame Simone like they did, wasn't she biased toward Jodie, too? Then, the scars on his face increased, as did those on his arms.

Andrew was angry. "Mom, why are you so biased? You act like Simone cutting ties with us has nothing to do with you. Didn't you give her a hard time back then? Didn't you blame Simone for being cold towards Jo? Now you're acting like it's all our fault, as if you're innocent. While dodging, he added, "If you have no problem, why wouldn't Simone come to the hospital to see you?"

This was also what Luca and Aaron wanted to say they were indeed at fault, but their mom wasn't innocent either!

Both of them couldn't help but dodge and complain. "Yeah, Mom. That's enough As

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Simone's mother, you didn't protect her and favored Jo more. As your sons, we're just learning from you. You used to say that Simone was messing around, and now you're doing the same."

Exposed by her sons, Salma was ashamed, and her chest throbbed with anger. This was the thing she least wanted to admit and accept. They are not my sons; they are three troublemakers. Her blood pressure soared again, her body weakened, and her face turned even paler. Dropping the broom, she rushed to the bed as she struggled to breathe.

The three brothers were startled by the situation. "Mom, what's wrong with you?"

Aaron immediately ran to call the doctor.

The doctor came in and treated Salma again. Afterward, with a stern face, he lectured the Gray Family's three brothers, telling them not to let the patient get so agitated again. If she fainted again, it would be very dangerous.

The embarrassed three brothers could do nothing but swallow their complaints and listen to the lecture, not daring to tell the truth to their mother anymore. Otherwise, if she fainted again, their guilt would be even greater.

After Salma lay down, she forcibly suppressed her anger lest her condition worsen, but she couldn't help the tears streaming down her face. What had she done to deserve this?

The three brothers sat by the bed, losing their appetite. Initially, Andrew planned to finish his meal and visit Jodie, but he didn't dare to slip away now. Hence, he could only lower his head. and send messages to her.

After Salma had shed enough tears, she heard the continuous, incessant sounds of her fourth son's phone notifications, and then she saw him bowing his head while typing. With a hard face, she addressed Luca, saying, "Hand me Andrew's phone and let me see it."

To avoid incriminating himself, Luca swiftly grabbed the phone from Andrew's hand before he could react.

The phone was still unlocked and displaying the chat screen with Jodie.

Upon reading the chat history, Salma exclaimed angrily at Andrew, "I'm in such a state, and yet, you still have the time to chat with Jodie, to cajole and entertain her. You heartless jerk. Do you have any conscience at all? Is she more important to you than me, your mother?"

She felt that she had raised her son in vain, and it truly infuriated her.

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## Chapter 214 I'm Sorry!

Andrew appeared helpless as he looked at his mother. "Mom, please stop messing around, or you'll faint again." His mother, Salma, used to be a normal wealthy lady, but now she was acting like a shrew.

His words infuriated her. "Nonsense, you're the one messing around."

Being accused of messing around by her son made her feel particularly uncomfortable, and she couldn't help but wonder if Simone was treated the same way. Even though Simone hadn't caused any trouble, her family labeled her as a troublemaker.

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Feeling frustrated, Salma exerted all her strength and smashed the phone on the ground. "I

you not to chat or think about going to see Jodie. Y-You worthless thing! Stay by my bedside for the next few days, and don't go anywhere."

Her son was thinking about sneaking off to take care of Jodie while she was sick; he was truly heartless. Right now, she deeply regretted her decision to adopt Jodie, who had turned her sons into beings without conscience and brains.

Andrew saw the shattered screen of the phone on the ground. He picked it up and checked it; it had blacked out, and he was even more frustrated. Who did he provoke? His mom was truly sick, and her condition was serious.

When he was about to speak, Aaron immediately stopped him. "Andrew, you need to calm down now. If you say anything and make Mom even worse, what will we do?"

Luca added with a serious face, "Andrew, stop messing around. You do nothing all day but provoke Mom."

Andrew pointed at himself, unable to believe it, and asked, "Am I messing around?"

Luca replied, "Of course, aren't you the one messing around? Or is it us? Can you just calm down? You're happy to disturb the peace of our home, aren't you?"

Andrew was speechless listening to these words. Why did they sound so familiar? Then, it dawned on him. "Are you using the same words to lecture me as you used to criticize. Simone? Are you crazy?" As he said this, even he was stunned.

Luca was also taken aback. Did he say those things to Simone before? It seemed like he did. But upon careful recollection, Simone hadn't actually done anything that would make someone furious. She hadn't even made their mom faint and end up in the hospital, nor had she done anything inappropriate. Why did they always say Simone was "making a fuss" back

then?

Luca suddenly asked, "Andrew, when we scolded you for making a fuss and told you to calm

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down, were you really unhappy?”

Andrew gave him a disdainful look. “Of course, if I said the same to you, would you like it?”

Aaron added, “But you’ve also criticized Simone like this before when she didn’t do anything, and she certainly didn’t make Mom so angry as you did.”

Andrew choked, “Are you saying that you’ve never criticized her like this before?”

Aaron’s face showed a hint of guilt. “Yeah, we’ve all treated her like this. No wonder she doesn’t want to forgive us.”

They never thought about this before, but now that they thought about it, they all felt a little embarrassed and couldn’t help but wonder if Simone was unhappy and uncomfortable when they criticized her like this in the past.

Moreover, it seemed like she really didn’t do anything wrong, but they accused her, which was even more unfair. This statement made Luca, Andrew, and even Salma fall silent. After all, they had all done this before.

Aaron sighed and said, “What they say is true. You don’t feel the pain until it happens to you.” Looking at Salma and Andrew’s reactions now, he could tell they couldn’t accept being criticized as “making a fuss.”

They had hurt Simone in the past. Otherwise, she used to be so kind-hearted and cared about them from all angles.

Luca sighed as well. “Many times, you only realize the value of something after losing it.”

Salma had stopped her tears, but they started flowing again. Now, she could truly understand how it felt to be spoken to like this by loved ones, and it was uncomfortable, suffocating, and infuriating. Moreover, her sons were even more excessive in the past. No wonder Simone didn’t want to come to the hospital and preferred to go out and have fun with others.

She asked, “What should we do for Simone so she would let go of the past?” She wanted to make amends with her daughter and have her continue to care for and accompany her. This time, she would reciprocate her feelings with the



same or with even more care and companionship as long as her daughter could come back.

Aaron and the others looked at each other. "We don't know." If they knew, they would have already brought her back.

Sigh! For a moment, the four of them, mother and sons, suddenly had nothing to say and didn't want to speak anymore.

Andrew's understanding was not as deep as the other three. Besides feeling that they shouldn't have criticized Simone like that in the past, he was worried about Iodie, who was

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left alone. Still, he didn't dare to slip away. Otherwise, he didn't know what his mom would do. Not only would he continue to suffer, but his mom would be even more angry with Jodie.

Meanwhile, Aaron thought for a moment and took out his phone to send a private message to Simone. Sitting next to him, Luca happened to see it. After thinking for a moment, he, too, privately messaged Simone, sending a message.

On the other side, at sea, Simone and Tina sat chatting and drinking fruit wine while Zac and the others played the guitar and sang.

Simone placed the phone provided by the production team on the table, and it beeped twice. She picked it up and looked at it to find messages from Aaron and Luca, and the content was the same.

Aaron: I'm sorry.

Luca: I'm sorry!

Simone felt somewhat puzzled and speechless. Are these two being dumb again? she wondered but didn't reply and exited the messaging app. Then, she continued to listen to Zac and the others singing, laughing happily with them.

The Gray Family's actions no longer affected her emotions in the slightest. Seeing Simone smiling so brightly, Tina thought that she was incredibly beautiful when she smiled and couldn't help but take a couple of her pictures. With Simone's permission, she posted them. in the group chat.

Leon, who was drinking at the bar, felt a pang in his heart when he saw them. It had been at long time since he had seen Simone smile so happily and brightly. Indeed, she hadn't been happy during those days before, he thought with deep regret.

Aaron and Luca were equally uneasy. The Gray Family had never witnessed Simone smile like this before. It came as no surprise to them that she did not respond to their messages. They simply wanted to apologize to her now, regardless of whether she accepted it or not.

After Tina posted the photos, she noticed that Zac, Harry, and Keira were still singing while Eric and Brandon were grilling food. This presented a rare opportunity for her and Simone to have some alone time together, and she couldn't let it slip. Therefore, she stood

up and grabbed a piece of paper and a pen. After she wrote a few lines, she placed it in front of

Simone.

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## Chapter 215 Inescapable

Upon witnessing Tina's actions, Simone deduced that she had something important to convey. Therefore, she accepted the paper and read through its contents.

'My phone has been bugged, so I can't directly disclose it. They want to cause trouble in the variety show's final episode. They intend for Jodie to recover and continue participating, so they will find a way to postpone the livestream for another month.

Simone nodded in understanding.

With a pen in hand, she wrote on the paper. ‘Seeing how they insist on having Jodie participate, are they coming after me?’

After seeing her reply. Tina responded, ‘Yes. There is a deep connection between you and Jodie, so starting with Jodie is the most direct and effective approach if they want to hurt. you. I have been cursed, so I cannot speak or write about top-secret matters. But I believe that you should be able to figure it out once you find some information. They will probably lead the production team to Cubilis in the variety show’s next episode. Be careful!’

Considering that she had visited Cubilis several times with her mentor, Simone was no stranger to that place.

Cubilis is a city that preserves the appearance of an ancient fortress.

The entire city lacks modern buildings. Cars are prohibited from entering, and the means of transportation are limited to horse-drawn carriages and ox-wagons.

Things such as antiques and geomancy are especially prevalent.

There must be a reason for the person coming after me to choose Cubilis as the next filming site.

Simone inquired, “Are you still planning to go?”

Tina answered, ‘I will go too unless something unexpected occurs. It’s inescapable for me either, so I might as well attempt to break free from the so-called predetermined arrangements.

This was also why she didn’t propose that Simone refrain from participating in the variety show’s next episode or attempt to change the location.

Tina figured there would undoubtedly be a subsequent scheme even if they managed to escape this time. Hence, it was better to be aware of potential issues and be prepared in advance.

Simone nodded in agreement. You’re right. Since it’s inescapable, let’s take a risk’

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Well, I am no different.

The ending of my previous life seemed to have been predetermined long ago.

It was inescapable.

So, I have to enter the game first and then strive to break free and alter the situation if I want to continue living and take control of my own destiny this time.

Of course, I will seek all the necessary revenge as well.

Now that I learn they will head to Cubilis to film the variety show's next episode, I can be more prepared.

"Thank you for informing me!" Simone wrote, expressing her gratitude.

With that, Tina replied, "You're welcome. I'm also involved in this game. You are the key and the last hope for breaking the game, so I want to cooperate with you."

Then, she added, "Of course, I'm not pretending when I said I'm your fan."

Tina was being truthful. She genuinely admired Simone's bold and decisive personality.

She felt satisfied to witness how Simone frankly rejected her former loved ones, treated them as she pleased, left them speechless with her retaliation, and even openly and boldly eliminated each of them.

Compared to Simone, Tina was much more timid and could only be led by the nose and manipulated by others.

If she wanted to resist, she could only do so secretly. Otherwise, the people she cared about would suffer.

She began watching Simone from the first episode of the live variety show and discovered that Simone was someone she aspired to become but couldn't.

For that reason, besides envy, her fondness for Simone grew stronger.

Unconsciously, she became Simone's devoted fan.

Simone smiled. "Thank you for your support!" She appreciated and cherished the support of all her fans, for she knew aside from the company, the managing team, and her capability, fans were the most crucial factor in ensuring a celebrity progressed further.

Only with the support of these lovely fans could she rise higher and higher.

Upon returning to Corynthea this time, she also planned on throwing a special event to

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express her gratitude toward her fans.

Tina: "What would you like to ask me? I will tell you everything I can.

With that, Simone pondered for a moment before writing down. 'Is your biological father the same as your current Dad' Tina should understand my question.

Tina shook her head. 'No. Jodie Gray and I are the illegitimate children my Mom had with another man'

Curious, Simone asked again, 'Is Ernest, your eldest brother, not your dad's biological child too?'

Tina replied, 'He's also an illegitimate child.

Simone: 'Have you ever met your biological father?'

Tina: 'I haven't met him, but I suspect he is the man my Mom often mentions, who has been very kind to us. I am getting controlled to carry out my tasks through phone calls and letters. I know a little secret, but I can't speak or write about it due to a curse.'

After reading what Tina wrote, Simone was somewhat taken aback. She didn't expect Tina, Jodie, and Ernest's biological father to be so mysterious that none of them had seen him before.

As for being unable to speak or write due to a curse, that wasn't surprising to her.

I am aware that such curses exist.

It is the most effective when the curse is cast since birth. Likewise, it is the most difficult to break as it requires numerous conditions.

If the curse is cast when one is older, breaking it will be much simpler.

Based on Tina and the others' situation, it seems that their biological father had cursed them at birth.

Moreover, he could prevent them from developing rebellious thoughts and revealing those secrets by doing so.

Still, this curse is a witchcraft banned by the special department and the geomancy association.

It's no wonder I saw Ernest exude a sense of confidence despite being captured that day.

So, it turns out that he has been cursed with this forbidden witchcraft. Unless it is broken, not even the people from the special department can force him to speak

Simone asked, 'Does Jodie know?'

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Tina replied, 'That idiot doesn't even know she's an illegitimate child, so how would she know about these things? Ernest exerts all the control over her

Because of that, Tina was enraged when she saw Jodie treating their father with contempt. and disdain.

Simone also shared this sentiment. True. Although Jodie is pretty scheming, she is still foolish compared to Skyler and Tina.

Moreover, she's oblivious to the fact that she's foolish.

Once again, Simone asked, 'You didn't learn geomancy or mystical arts?'

Tina responded, 'No. Neither Jodie nor I can learn them. The curse that we're under includes. denying us the chance to learn such knowledge, and we will

receive its backlash if we refuse to believe and secretly attempt to learn. We are merely tools created by that man to achieve his goals!

When Simone saw this, she was slightly puzzled.

How did Skyler and Ernest master this knowledge if they were cursed and unable to learn it? Thus, she inquired, ‘But isn’t Ernest highly skilled in geomancy and mystical arts?’

As for Skyler, Simone didn’t mention him proactively because she wasn’t sure if Tina was aware that he was her brother or if Skyler could become an ally or a hidden enemy.

Tina: “That’s because he’s a son. The curse only targets daughters. I suppose it’s because the reason we were born and the tasks we were created for and controlled to perform are different from theirs. I’m not entirely sure about the details.

Only then did Simone understand.

I see... So, daughters aren’t allowed to learn geomancy and mystical arts. This explains why Freya isn’t knowledgeable about it either.

The people behind the scenes kept us in the dark about them.

Simone asked, ‘Apart from the three of you, do you know if you have any other siblings?’

Tina replied, ‘I can roughly guess that there are many ‘children’ like us, but I don’t know who they are. We haven’t had any contact with those people either. The only ones I know are the three of us. By the way, there should be other individuals entering the entertainment industry other than me and Jodie. I feel like they really need the luck derived from the strength of faith. After all, as a celebrity working in the entertainment industry, our luck will also improve when more and more people become fond of us, our careers flourish, and our popularity continuously soars

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“Even so, I believe the masterminds who assist us and grant us so much luck must have hidden motives. There’s no such thing as a free lunch. The stronger our luck becomes, the more advantageous it is for them. Somehow, I

have a feeling that they are raising us like pigs. Once we become sufficiently plump, that will be time for us to get slaughtered.

## Chapter 216 What an Absurd Idea

Simone couldn't help but laugh at Tina's comparison of herself to a pig. However, the analogy was not entirely inaccurate.

Why would they allow these individuals to become popular in the entertainment industry?

The people behind them wouldn't be so benevolent. They were only thinking about their own children.

They were most likely waiting for them to succeed and then take advantage of them.

The luck accumulated in the entertainment industry, as long as it was obtained through legitimate means, would not have any impact on the fans.

They wouldn't be discovered by special departments or geomancy associations.

Take her, for example. If she wanted to extend her career, she needed more people to like her, but because she gained fans through her own efforts, there would be no backlash and no impact on those who liked her.

If luck was obtained through witchcraft, not only would it take effect quickly, but it would also have a significant impact on the fans.

That would be considered stealing luck, and it would come at the expense of others.

For example, when a trouble-making celebrity's luck skyrocketed, and their career flourished, their fans' luck would be weakened.

The deeper and more loyal the fans, the more luck they would lose.

They would have to compensate for the rapidly increasing luck of their beloved idols.



However, this method was more likely to be discovered and dealt with by special departments.

The person behind Tina and the others had been planning for twenty years or even longer.

They were patient, choosing a method of luck absorption that wasn't easily discovered.

For example, they would let Tina and the others become popular and increase their luck, and then they would absorb it.

Considering this, there should be more individuals like her in the entertainment industry controlled by their "parents"

'I think there should be more. I'll pay attention to it later, Simone texted.

'I see that you appear to be enthusiastic about variety shows, but in reality, you're playing it cool behind the scenes with those three people.

'Are you actually not interested in becoming popular?'

Tina replied, 'Yes. I don't want to be taken advantage of or be quickly exploited.

'I was forced into the entertainment industry and didn't like it at all. I just pretend to work hard so that I won't become too popular, but I can maintain a steady increase in popularity and luck.'

This way, others won't suspect her of rebellion.

Alternatively, they might try other methods to push her forward forcibly.

After all, becoming popular in the entertainment industry was not that easy.

Apparently, unless they resort to witchcraft, they are afraid of being discovered, so they don't dare to openly engage in mischief.

This was the loophole she was exploiting.

Sometimes, she couldn't understand. Why did the others want to run away, yet Jodie still willingly walked into the trap and allowed herself to be controlled?

Simone found Tina to be a very clever girl.

Tina was still clear-headed and rational, knowing what she wanted, unlike Jodie, who was completely blinded by power and overly confident in herself.

Perhaps over the years, being pampered by the Gray Family had made her too self-assured, like a delicate flower that couldn't withstand the storm.

Then came Tina's next text. "They made me get close to you to win your favor and trust and then help Jodie to deal with you."

I can only say that you and Jodie have a deep connection, and so do I with Jodie."

Simone replied, 'Alright, I understand. Let's follow their plan and not alert them. Let them reveal their true colors.

After all, acting was their specialty.

Simone still didn't fully trust Tina. She had never had any interaction with Tina before, so it would be foolish to trust her wholeheartedly

Tina likely had reservations about her as well, but that was normal. So, she still needed to confirm whether Tina truly wanted to cooperate or if she was just pretending to get close to her.

She couldn't let her guard down, but she also couldn't be overly suspicious.

Of course. As long as Tina didn't intend to harm her, she would sincerely consider her as a friend.

Tina smiled and replied, 'Alright.'

Conversations and dealings with smart people are simple and comfortable.

They understood each other without needing to say anything and could even anticipate each other's thoughts.

Simone enjoyed being with someone like Tina. It was effortless and pleasant.

After they finished writing, Eric and Brandon walked over with plates of grilled seafood.

Tina

put away the pen and went to help them. Then, when no one was paying attention, she threw the paper filled with words into the fire of the barbecue grill.

She watched as the paper turned to ashes before returning to chat and eat barbecue with everyone.

That night, they spent time on the yacht and returned the next day.

They met up with the production team and returned home together.

The Gray brothers didn't accompany them this time, as they stayed in Slovence to wait for Salma to recover before returning.

Leon did come back with them, but he remained aloof throughout the journey.

His attitude, especially towards Zac, was filled with hostility and dislike.

Zac naturally didn't tolerate him.

Who among them wasn't a scion of a wealthy family or a top-tier celebrity?

Not only did he ignore Leon, but he also continued to switch seats and sit next to Simone.

On the way back, the two of them chatted easily and joyfully, showing that they were comfortable in each other's company.

It was evident that Simone felt relaxed and happy when she was with Zac.

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This made Leon feel uncomfortable and even more resentful towards Zac.

Upon arriving in Corynthea, the group exited the terminal.

Simone saw Gwen standing in the reception area.

Gwen also saw Simone and smiled, waving her hand. "Simone, I'm here."

Simone bid farewell to the program crew, Zac, and the other guests before quickly walking towards Gwen.

Leon saw Gwen waving at Simone as if she hadn't seen him and felt slightly sad.

He followed behind Simone and walked toward Gwen.

Gwen reached out and held Simone's hand. "Let's go."

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Simone held onto her luggage with one hand and was held by Gwen with the other. "Okay!"

She had specifically told Gwen the time of her return, and Gwen had volunteered to pick her

The two walked ahead, with Leon following behind.

They arrived at the entrance to the parking lot.

Gwen turned around and inexplicably looked at Leon. "Why are you following us?"

He replied, "You're my sister. Can't I follow you?"

"If you're here to pick Simone up, can't I hitch a ride with you?" He followed along because he wanted to hitch a ride in order to spend more time with Simone.

Gwen was at a loss for words. "When did you become so shameless? Although we are siblings, our relationship is not good at the moment. Plus, who gave you permission to hitch a ride? You think too highly of yourself. My car is for Simone to ride in."

Then, she gave Leon a disdainful look. "You should have your two good buddies come pick you up."

Why did he want to hitch a ride? Did he think she was foolish? Did he think she would help him? What an absurd idea.

Leon's face turned dark. "I am your brother."

Gwen pursed her lips. Then, let's end our sibling relationship. Don't follow us. Find your own ride.

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After saying that, she waved at Leon and walked into the parking lot, holding onto Simone.

Simone never turned around to look at Leon, nor did she say a word.

Feeling rejected by his own sister and hearing such harsh words, Leon couldn't bring himself to hitch a ride anymore. As he watched Simone's figure disappear in front of him, his filled with disappointment and pain.

Feeling even more frustrated, he put on a mask and headed toward the cab exit.

He had specifically instructed his assistant not to come pick him up today.

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After getting into the cab, he messaged the other two to join him for a drink in the group

chat.

Chapter 217 The Secret Of Birthdays Revealed.

Upon seeing the news, Harold and Titus were left speechless.

Titus said, "Simone is disrespecting you again? Look at how she's provoking you."

Leon used to abstain from alcohol, but now he turned to it whenever he was upset. Besides Simone's provocation, he couldn't think of any other reason.

Harold added, "Be more confident and remove the question mark. If Leon wants Simone to respect him, he should hurry up and flatter her. How could he possibly think of the two of us?"

Leon was speechless. These two guys always hit where it hurt and were no good, but he didn't know who else he could drink with.

He asked, "Are you guys coming out?"

Harold had recently been repeatedly frustrated by Gwen. At this moment, he was already sitting in the bar. So, replied, "I'm already drinking. You two come over."

Then, he sent his location in the group chat.

Leon answered, "I'm coming right now."

He opened the location and told the cab driver to go there.

Titus also answered, "Alright. I'll come over now, too." As he didn't have anything to do, he was ready to watch the show of these two heartbroken people.

When the three of them met at the bar, Simone and Gwen had returned to their apartment.

Simone took a shower first. Then, she came out and ate the noodles Gwen cooked.

After she finished eating, Gwen pulled her to sit on the couch and handed her a folder, saying, "We have found the information we hired a private detective to investigate before."

Simone took it and opened it to take a look.

Inside the folder was Jodie's birth certificate photo.

Simone saw Jodie's date of birth and felt that it was as she expected. "She was born on the same day and at the same time as me."

In her sentence, "at the same time" referred to the same hour, but the minute of Jodie's birth was delayed by a while.

It meant that after she was born, her mother had a cesarean section and gave birth to her sister.

She didn't know her exact birth time before.

After returning to the Gray Family, she obtained her birth certificate from Salma, and only then did she find out..

After Gwen finished speaking, she frowned and said, "It definitely can't be a coincidence. It's terrifying when you think about it."

She asked in confusion, "Your birthdays are the same. Is there something that can be manipulated? What is the purpose?"

Otherwise, the other party wouldn't have intentionally performed a cesarean section to have Jodie and Simone born at the same time.

After Simone finished reading Jodie's birth date and time, plus the information revealed by Tina, she already understood why.

"They are plotting against my fortune," she added. "Jodie was born because of me, and both of us have been manipulated. My fate and hers seem to be intertwined. As one rises, the other falls. As long as my luck weakens, Jodie's one can increase. I have bad luck, and Jodie becomes fortunate."

Things that were previously incomprehensible had now been explained.

This also explains why she used to have bad luck as a child. For example, something as simple as walking sometimes results in an inexplicable fall.

It wasn't until her master helped her find the pendant amulet that her bad luck gradually disappeared.

During Simone's own unlucky moments, Jodie's luck must have been extraordinary.

In her past life, she wanted to leave the Gray Family and discovered that her master's death was not simple. She was kidnapped because of it.

It should be related to this as well.

If she were to leave the Gray Family, it would affect Jodie's position within the family and consequently impact her luck.

At that time, Jodie was already a sensation in the entertainment industry, so she couldn't let her influence her.

Her luck at that time was greatly diminished, so she couldn't let her continue living.

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In this life, she made the decisive choice to leave.

She became more popular than Jodie in variety shows and was liked by more people.

As a result, not only could Jodie not absorb her luck, but her luck would also weaken.

That was why she suffered such a terrible fall before.

If it were in her past life, even if she experienced backlash, it would only be superficial to Jodie.

After all, Jodie's curse on her was not a curse of magic; it was just a silent curse with a touch of luck, but to fall so miserably indicated that her luck had been greatly diminished recently.

This also explained why Tina said that she and Jodie had a deep connection with each other.

Gwen was startled, "What? Is your luck intertwined?"

She thought carefully and suddenly realized, "No wonder she wants to take away your parents' and brothers' love while stealing my brother. She wants to enter the entertainment industry and remove your resources. So, every time she takes something from you, she gains

it for herself?"

Simone nodded. "Yes. That's what it means."



Gwen's expression turned sour. "Isn't that just stealing?"

To steal Simone's luck and everything from her was despicable.

Simone's eyes turned cold. "Yes. That's why Jodie is so determined to take my things."

Gwen asked, "Is it not easy to separate you two? Something must be done." She added, "You were once lost because of Sc\*mbag No. 5. Could it be the work of someone behind Jodie?" This way, Jodie could be sent to the Gray Family

Let Jodie take over Simone's former name, steal her love, and replace her original life.

From a wealthy heiress to a kidnapped orphan, it was not accidental or coincidental.

Simone nodded. "I used to speculate, but now I am certain that it was them."

"Not only did they intentionally kidnap me, but they also took my hair at that time."

No wonder Tina gave Jodie's hair to her, saying she would need it in the future.

Breaking the bond between her and Jodie requires using their hair and birthdates.

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The reason they only kidnapped her instead of killing her was to let Jodie have better luck and take over her life.

In addition to taking her luck, the Gray Family should also be the target.

After all, not only the Gray Family had been arranged, but also the Foster Family and Jenner Family-the two other wealthy families.

In wealthy families, luck naturally surpassed that of ordinary families, especially for families that had been passed down for generations. Their fortune had been accumulated for over a hundred years.

The mastermind behind all this was relying on his “offspring” to steal these wealthy families’ fortunes gradually.

I wondered what they were using all this stolen fortune for. We must expose the mastermind behind all of this.

Gwen rubbed the goosebumps on her hand. “It feels a bit eerie. The mastermind behind all of this is so despicable and shameless.”

Such an individual deserves to die. Then, she said, “By the way, let’s look at Freya’s date of birth. See if there’s any issue.”

She felt that there was something amiss with Freya as well.

Simone examined Freya’s birth certificate. “Her date of birth is different from yours.”

Simone knew the birthdates of Leon and Gwen.

Gwen nodded. “Indeed, it’s different.”

Then, she suddenly recalled something. “By the way, her birthday is the same as Harold’s”

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## Chapter 218 Can’t We Hope for His Well-being

Gwen had celebrated Harold’s birthday several times before, so she was familiar with it.

Simone asked, “Do you know the exact time of Harold’s birth? If you knew, I could figure it

out.”

Gwen shook her head. “I don’t know the exact time.”

“How about I ask him?” Even though she had decided not to love him anymore, she couldn’t bear to see him get hurt.

In any case, she had already reminded him. If he didn’t listen, his life and death would be his responsibility, and it had nothing to do with her

Simone nodded. “Go ahead and ask and find out if he knows about Freya’s problem.”

Gwen called Harold.

At the bar, Harold and Leon were drinking and complaining.

Titus was watching from the side, occasionally making sarcastic remarks.

Suddenly, Harold’s phone rang.

He picked it up, and his eyes instantly lit up.

He answered, his voice unusually gentle. “Gwen.” This made Titus unable to help but comment. “I’m getting goosebumps.”

Leon was also speechless. “He gives me the creeps too.”

Harold couldn’t be bothered with the two of them. He spoke even more tenderly. “What do you need?” It was the first time he had proactively called her since Gwen returned to the

country.

Gwen was also not used to it. His speaking so gently made her rub her arms.

She straightforwardly said, “Please speak normally. Your sweet talk is killing me.”

He was speechless and repeated what he had just said to Gwen in his usual tone. “Gwen, what do you need?” She asked, “Are you free to talk now?” His thoughts turned, and he asked. “What do you mean by being free to talk? I’m at bar, and there are two people with me. Does that count?” She said, “Then, that doesn’t count. Wait a moment.” She looked at Simone and asked, “He’s at a bar. Should we avoid saying something? Simone thought for a moment. “Why don’t you have him come over to our place?”

She had set up an array in the apartment and used anti-theft, anti-eavesdropping, and anti-recording systems.

Talking here was safe.

Gwen gave her a thumbs up.

Then, she told Harold, "Simone and I want to talk to you about something. Do you have time now?" He said. "I have time."

He added, "Whenever you want to talk to me, I have time."

Gwen rolled her eyes. "Don't say those useless words."

He indulgently said, "Okay. I'll listen to you."

She was speechless. "Harold, you're shameless."

Harold was speechless. This hurts.

She couldn't be bothered to argue with him. "If you have time, come to where we live."

Without hesitation, he nodded. "Okay." Only after Gwen hung up the phone, she remembered she had blocked Harold.

So, she unblocked him.

Then, she sent him the location and apartment number.

After hanging up the phone, he showed it off to Leon. "Gwen asked me to go find her."

"Leon, you'll have to drink alone from now on."

Leon was speechless. This is also a scam bag,

He asked, "Gwen asked you alone to go find her so late?" His sister's personality was similar to Simone's decisive and straightforward.

She had dumped this se m bag, so why would she agree to meet him alone? It didn't seem likely

Only then did Harold say, "Simone is also there

"But Gwen asked me to go, so it's a good start

When Leon heard this, he immediately perked up Is Smone there too? Then, Ill go with

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Harold looked at him inexplicably. "Gwen asked me to go for something. Why are your coming along? Are you intentionally trying to provoke Simone? Even if you want to harm me, you won't be able to get in." Leon's face darkened. "If you can't speak, then shut up."

"You're going to do something, and I'll accompany you. What's the big deal?"

Titus also chimed in. "I'll go with you guys too."

He had nothing to do now, so he wanted to see them make a fool of themselves.

Harold was at a loss for words. "You two are almost the same. I'm going to take care of something important."

Leon and Titus said in unison, "We'll go with you to take care of something important."

He ignored them.

Seeing the location sent by Gwen, he stood up and said, "You guys continue drinking. Put it on my tab."

Then, he was about to leave.

Leon stood up and followed him. "Do I look like someone who needs that little bit of money? I'd rather follow you."

Titus also stood up. "I'll pay the bill. Let's go."

Harold asked with a dark face. "Are you guys serious?" These two were trying to harm him. Leon and Titus both nodded. "We're serious."

Titus scanned the QR code and paid the bill.

Then, the two followed Harold out after getting into the car.

For the first time, he realized that these two had such thick skin.

Knowing that he couldn't shake them off, he could only send a message to Gwen.

"Gwen, your brother, and Titus are shamelessly following me. They want to come along. What should I do?" Gwen was speechless when she saw this message.

How did her brother's shamelessness reach this level?

"Simone, Leon, and Sc'mbag No. 2 are sticking around with Harold."

"What should we do? Should we let them come along?" Or should we have Harold come next time?" She didn't mind the other two coming along.

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But she was afraid Simone would mind. After all, both of them were the ones Simone was least interested in dealing with now.

Simone thought for a moment. "Let's go together then."

Leon could be ignored, but she had a question that needed clarification from someone in the Gray Family, and Sc\*mbag No. 2 coming was perfect.

Gwen nodded. "Alright." She messaged Harold. "It's up to you guys."

Harold breathed a sigh of relief. "Gwen, you're so kind." Gwen was not used to it. Harold was acting like a lapdog now. "Don't flatter me."

If he had been this kind to her earlier, they might have been together long ago, and things wouldn't have turned out like this.

Regardless, it was too late now, and she wouldn't change her attitude because of him.

Harold's eyes dimmed upon seeing this.

He said to Leon, "If you want to come, then come."

Leon felt a glimmer of joy. "Did Simone agree for us to come along?" Harold glanced at him, "Don't get too excited. I don't think Simone will accommodate you."

Titus also said, "I think so, too."

Leon's face grew darker. "You guys can leave."

We were still brothers. Couldn't you hope for my well-being?

When the three arrived at the location, they were allowed in because Simone had already informed the security in advance.

Upon reaching the door, they saw that it was open.

Harold still knocked. "Gwen?" The voice of Gwen came from inside. "Come in. There are shoe covers in the shoe cabinet. Put them on yourselves."

He smiled and said, "Alright." The three put on shoe covers and entered, closing the door behind them.

They saw Simone and Gwen sitting on the couch, engrossed in their phones.

"Have a seat," Simone looked up. "What would you like to drink?" Harold smiled and said, "Just water."

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Simone nodded, got up, and poured three glasses of water, placing them on the table.

Then, she looked at Harold. "We have something to tell.

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about Freya."

"I don't know if your two friends can listen. Are they trustworthy?" Leon and Titus felt a pang in their hearts.

So now, it seemed they were only Harold's friends in Simone's eyes. And whether they were trustworthy or not, did they need to ask Harold?

## Chapter 219 Surprisingly, Such A Relationship Exists

When Harold heard Simone's words, he found it very intriguing. "If I find them unreliable, should I not let them listen?"

Simone nodded. "Of course."

"In that case, we can only ask them to wait outside for now."

Since the discussion mainly involved Harold, it was only natural for him to make the decision himself.

Leon and Titus were speechless. It turned out that they were at his beck and call.

The more this was the case, the more curious they became.

Both of them looked at Harold and constantly exchanged meaningful glances.

Let this guy handle it.

Harold ignored the two of them and said to Simone, "They are both trustworthy. Just say it. If it's about Freya, it might be helpful for them to listen as well."

He had already suspected that Simone and the others had discovered something.

Simone said, "Alright, since you don't mind, we won't bother with them." Then, she asked, "Do you know if Freya has any issues?"

Harold glanced at Gwen before he said, "Yes, that's why I deliberately kept an eye on her."

Simone had already guessed this, so she asked again, "Do you know when Freya's birthday is?"



He shook his head. "I don't know. I just have a feeling that she shares the same birthday as

Gwen."

He remembered Gwen's birthday and even celebrated it with her.

Simone took out a photo from the folder on the table and handed it to Harold. "Take a look and see if it looks familiar."

He took it and looked at it; his face showed a surprised expression. "Her date of birth is actually the same year, month, day, and hour as mine."

He furrowed his brow. "So, all her previous information was fake?"

Gwen asked, "You haven't seen her household registration and ID card?"  
When she first saw

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Freya's birth certificate, she was also shocked and surprised.

After all, when she was still at Harold's company, she saw that Freya had filled in the same birthday as hers, but it was different on the birth certificate.

Harold shook his head. "I haven't seen them. But when she joined the company, she should have registered with her ID card. For salary payments and such, her real name information is required. I'll ask the HR department to retrieve the records and take a look."

He immediately made a phone call.

Because of the time difference, the HR manager of his overseas company had not finished work yet.

Soon, a photocopy of Freya's ID card was sent over.

Harold showed his phone to the two of them. "Her birthday on the ID card is indeed the same as Gwen's."

Gwen was puzzled. "Then, why is it different from the birth certificate?"

Simone understood. “The ID card was intentionally changed later.”

Harold and Gwen were shocked. “Intentionally changed?”

Simone nodded. “That’s what I suspect.”

She asked Harold, “Is your birth time a little earlier than Freya’s but within the same hour?”

“Yes, I was exactly half an hour earlier than her.” He bobbed.

Simone calculated with her fingers, after which she understood. “Indeed, that’s the case.”

Harold also realized that there was a big problem. “Can you help me solve this mystery?”

Leon and Titus were completely confused, and they both looked at Simone, who commented, “Let me explain. Freya was born for Harold. It was arranged a long time ago. So, after Harold was born, Freya’s mother had a Cesarean section to give birth to her intentionally at the same hour.”

Gwen widened her eyes. “So, you mean someone also manipulated Harold and Freya, and their destinies are intertwined to affect each other?”

Harold didn’t understand. “What do you mean by our destinies being intertwined to affect each other? Then, he had a lightbulb moment. “Are you saying that if Freya’s fortune rises, mine will weaken?”

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Leon and Titus were also shocked to hear this. Could such a thing really happen?

Simone said, “No, after my calculations, I found that Harold and Freya’s fortunes are not a trade-off. But rather, they are intertwined and interconnected. When she saw that they didn’t understand, she explained, “Ivy can only grow by clinging to a big tree. Harold is that big tree, and Freya is the ivy. The better Harold’s fortune is, the stronger Freya’s fortune will be.”

She looked at Harold and asked, “Has Freya been helping you in your career? Has she been gathering a lot of information about the Jenner Group for you?”

It was no wonder that even though Harold didn't know that there was a problem with Freya's birth chart, he still kept her around.

Harold knew that Simone was a powerful geomancy master, so he wasn't surprised that she could figure this out. He admitted frankly, "Yes, she has indeed helped me a lot over the years. We have a mutually beneficial relationship. But I know that her intentions for getting close to me are not pure."

He could sense that Freya had feelings for him, but he also knew that this kind of affection. was worthless and meaningless.

Freya deliberately approached him and initially helped him using bait with a hidden agenda.

It was very likely that she would eventually betray him. He had always been on guard against her, but he never expected that his luck and Freya's were actually connected in this way.

No wonder his stepmother brought Freya back and deliberately ignored and scolded her as she pushed her toward him.

He asked, "So, does that mean my luck won't be taken away by her?"

Simone replied, "Although it won't be taken away, she can continuously absorb. your luck. By helping you take over the Jenner Family, your luck will skyrocket, and she will be able to absorb at least one-third of your luck. Or even more than half."

She asked, "So, do you think this is a good thing?"

Harold choked. "Of course not."

Having so much of his luck absorbed by Freya made him feel uneasy.

He was a very ambitious person, and having good luck could greatly benefit his career. Having one-third, or even half, of his luck absorbed by Freya would definitely make his career and life less smooth sailing.

I used to think that Freya was placed beside me by my stepmother on purpose. After she assisted me in expanding and strengthening my career, she would stab me in the back, take

over my achievements, and bring me down. Their goal is to let my younger brother inherit the Jenner Family.”

Harold asked with a heavy heart, “So, it’s not the case now?”

Was his initial judgment wrong from the beginning? He was aware that Freya and his stepmother were not ordinary, and there must have been a geomancer assisting them behind the scenes.

In addition to being a double agent, Freya herself had some issues.

He felt that Jodie was the same and faced similar problems. However, he never connected it with his and Freya’s luck.

Then, a question came to his mind. “Since Freya shares the same birthday as mine, why did she change her ID card to match Gwen’s? Could it be to prevent me from discovering that she would absorb my luck?”

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Harold always suspected that Freya changing her ID card had a purpose beyond simply hiding from him.

It wasn’t just about avoiding his discovery.

Simone explained, “To absorb your luck while also stealing Gwen’s luck. Gwen and her are at trade-off. If Gwen is unlucky, her own luck will increase.”

No wonder she felt a strange sensation when she first saw Freya.

It turned out that she played a bigger role than Jodie; she was a double agent.

No wonder Gwen disliked Freya so much.

Gwen had been plagued by misfortune for a long time. When she was at Melinda’s house, she suffered a lot.

After she became her neighbor, she would often encounter unlucky incidents.

Later, on the advice of her master, Old Mr. Foster found a mystical tool to suppress Gwen,

and she gradually returned to normal. She always had a feeling that after she died in her previous life, Gwen would follow the same path.

Now, it seemed very likely.

Gwen pointed at herself in shock. "Ah, it turns out that she and I are bound together!"

Simone nodded. "Yes."

Initially, she didn't want Gwen to know too much as she feared for her safety. Who would have thought that Gwen would also be dragged into this mess, just like her?

If they couldn't escape, then they could only face it together.

It was better to know a little more.

She didn't expect that Freya and Gwen would have such a relationship of luck stealing.

Gwen had a mix of emotions. "We really are the best of friends. We have both been betrayed by men and bound by others to steal our luck. And the opponent we face is our own sister."

When they heard this, Leon and Harold both felt uneasy.

Harold coughed awkwardly. "Gwen, when were you betrayed by a man?"

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Gwen looked at him coldly. "Isn't it you?"

He immediately denied, "No, I absolutely did not betray you."

She sneered. "In my eyes, you are a betrayer."

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Then, she mocked again, “You deserve it too; it’s your choice to put a time bomb beside Thinking you could use others to help you deal with your biological father and stepmother. But, in reality, you were used for your luck, and she just wants to absorb more luck. When the time is right, they will directly take away all your luck, and you will wither like an old tree.”

Harold was speechless. This statement made him feel very embarrassed. It had to be said that he was indeed acting smart before.

For a normal person, who would think of such a thing as borrowing luck? He only knew that there was a geomancer behind Freya, so it was easy to deal with the ordinary person, Gwen.

That was why he didn’t dare to confirm his relationship with Gwen or treat her too well until he was sure about the person behind Freya.

He thought he was protecting her, but because he liked her too much, he couldn’t bear to leave her in the country. He was afraid that she would be taken away by other men.

So, he led her to chase after him and live and work by his side abroad.

However, he deliberately ignored her in front of Freya. As he thought about it now, he realized that he had also been influenced and made foolish by Leon.

Harold looked at Gwen and nodded. “Yes, it’s my own fault.”

He thought he was in control of the situation, but who knew there was another layer of deception? Although he felt like crying, there were no tears.

Leon’s attention, however, was on Simone.

“Wait, Gwen, are you saying that you and Simone are the same? Does that mean Simone is also bound, and her luck is being stolen little by little?” Gwen looked at Simone and saw her indifferent expression. She knew that Simone didn’t mind if the three of them knew.

So, she nodded. “Yes!”

Leon’s eyes narrowed as he tentatively asked, “Could that person be Jodie?”

Gwen raised an eyebrow. “How did you suddenly become so clever?”

Leon was speechless. That hurts; I don't want this sister anymore.

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His face looked a bit ugly as he muttered, "How could this happen?"

So, when he helped Jodie before, he almost caused Simone to lose her luck? His heart. couldn't help but ache.

What kind of foolish things had he done before?

Unable to hold back, he looked at Simone with guilt and said, "I'm sorry!"

Simone glanced at him indifferently. "I don't need those three words anymore."

It meant that it was too late.

Leon felt even more uncomfortable, but he didn't know how to speak up.

Titus snapped out of his shock and said, "So, Jodie coming to my house was actually planned? Does that mean her birth date and time are the same as Simone's?"

Jodie came to the Gray Family on the advice of the geomancer sponsored by the Gray Group. They said it would be beneficial for the Gray Family to find their biological daughter. When she changed her name to Simone's former name, Jodie, it was also to help Simone suppress her luck.

The idea was to let Simone live a smoother life outside and avoid any unexpected accidents. They also suggested that Jodie's birthday should be changed to the same day as Simone's in

the future.

Her household registration and ID card should be changed to have the same birth date.

Both her parents agreed and helped Jodie make these changes.

So, in his subconsciousness, he knew that Jodie's birth time was different from Simone's.

She just replaced Simone, so their birthdays were changed to be on the same day, but now, according to Simone and Gwen, all those things were just misleading them!

Simone replied, “Yes, in fact, she and I share the same birthday. According to the information we found, after Mrs. Gray gave birth to me, Jodie’s mother had a cesarean section. She was born a few minutes later than me but within the same hour. Why did she use my former name and my birthday? It was just to steal my luck.”

She looked at Sc\*mbag No. 2 and said, “So, over the years, you’ve been played by Jodie and the people behind her.

Ever since she found out the secret of her and Jodie’s birth time, she knew that in order to break the situation, she had to involve the Gray Family

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Although they had severed ties, their bloodline was still the same.

If they failed to inform them about Jodie’s situation, they might end up doing something even more foolish and inadvertently aided the opposing party.

In order to thwart the individuals supporting her, she had to disrupt their plans for the Gray Family, the Foster family, and the Jenner family

She needed to put a stop to the children of those individuals who were using various methods to steal and snatch luck.

Titus’ expression changed. “Are you certain?” He never anticipated that Jodie’s visit to their house would serve such a purpose.

Simone shrugged. “Believe it or not. If I have had my luck stolen, you won’t fare any better. Do you believe you can escape?” She gazed at Sembag No. 2 with a smile that lacked sincerity.

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She used a sarcastic tone and continued, “You’re akin to a pig that has been fattened. up someone else. When the time comes for slaughter, you will be the ones to be killed. Having your luck stolen is your destiny.”



Titus had no words for that. This depiction truly rendered him speechless! However, if this was the truth, then her portrayal was not incorrect; it was just a tad harsh.