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Before Serena could even express her anger, Alma was **already** apologizing. “My bad, I accidentally got **your** dress **dirty**, which made you have to go **to the** bathroom, and then **you tripped** over the hem. After the dinner **party, you can** come to my place and pick out a new dress as compensation. Now, **don’t** stay **on** the ground; **it’s** cold. Let me help **you up!**”

As Alma **pretended to help** Serena, she **deliberately** stepped on her dress. Before Serena could stand up, she fell again. The sound of her dress **tearing** was clearly audible.

Seeing this, Alma quickly said, “Chill, sis, I’ll cover you!”

She pretended **to use the** torn dress **to** cover Serena, but in reality, she was deliberately messing with her, making her reveal even more. “Back off!” Serena angrily pushed her away, instinctively covering her exposed leg, and then stood up with the help of Martha.

cream before I left, so my hands were a bit slippery. I’m really sorry! I was only trying to help Serena up; I didn’t expect her to fall again. I’m really

seemed very sincere; she even handed her own shawl to Serena and said, “Serena,

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torn dress without giving Alma a second glance.

a wronged manner, holding the shawl in her hands, and said dejectedly, “Is Serena mad at

saying this, Beverly turned to Kenneth and Louisa with a smile and said, “I’m really sorry; this kid can be a bit of a klutz. I’ll apologize for her. But after Serena comes out, whatever you

felt sorry for Serena, the mother and daughter had already apologized, so she couldn’t pursue it further. She could only say, “Martha,

Alma herself could feel it. Alma looked at Martha’s retreating figure and thought, This old woman, Serena, was no longer

but it wasn’t her problem. She casually enjoyed the food on

dining hall.

moving around different tables, eating food, causing the entire floor to become very chaotic.

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“What on earth are you blabbering about?” Attlee’s uncle clearly **didn’t** buy this story, with the relatives and friends around him adding fuel **to** the fire. “You’re a low-ranked nobody, so I don’t blame you for not knowing about booking the entire restaurant. But if you **don’t** call your manager **over today, don’t** blame us for not being polite!”

“That’s right, call your manager! He needs to apologize to us personally!”

“What kind of attitude **is** that? You’re just a waiter, yet you act so high and mighty. Who do you think you are, bossing us around?”

One of them even blew smoke in the waiter’s face, giving him a contemptuous look.

“I’m sorry, sir, smoking is not permitted here, the waiter maintained his composure, “Mr. Murphy did not book the **entire** restaurant. **If** you don’t believe me, you can ask him. We have important guests today, and the manager is personally serving them in the private room and can’t come over. We hope you can understand.”

“What do you mean by that? Are you looking down on us?”

booked the entire restaurant; are we worth less than an onion? Your attitude is terrible!” “Attlee must have booked the entire restaurant; why else would the

“Call your manager!”

him

the commotion and hurried over to inquire,

still here; wouldn’t he have a negative impression of Yoli if he saw the

Murphy insisting that our manager

littered with leftovers; melon seed shells and cigarette butts were everywhere on the floor, and someone even extinguished

Dawn Restaurant

this area, then an additional 20% will be added to

and torn, and the cleaning

did Attlee book the entire restaurant?”

is the Murphy family’s now;

money out of us? Isn’t this the Dawn Restaurant under the McMillan Corporation? Is the

to help resolve

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Then, someone picked up a plate **of** leftovers and dumped it **right on the carpet**.

“Uncle, wait!” Olga was shocked, but it was too late to **stop** it.

The **other** relatives followed **suit**, some stubbing out their cigarettes on the carpet, some pouring soup on the plants.

Olga felt **dizzy**.

Suddenly, someone accidentally knocked over an antique while wreaking havoc.

Ironically, the antique fell where there was no carpet, and with a loud crash, it shattered into pieces.

The entire hall went quiet.

worth three million dollars.”

Olga felt weak

seeing the outrageous behavior of his family, was immediately disgruntled with their manners, but Yoli had gone to the restroom

Attlee, and the

but you really have to pay for this,” the supervisor, after hearing what happened, noted. “The antique is three million dollars, the plant is two hundred thousand dollars, and the carpet is fifty thousand dollars. We can provide the original purchase receipts. If you don’t pay, we’ll have to call

to make

CEO is also dining here today. If he

a sense of impending doom.

the CEO, Romeo, was ruthless. If anyone caused trouble on his

you book the whole restaurant?

million

quickly said, “Hold on a moment.” Then

I really need your help with this! You know, I don’t have that much cash on hand right

uncomfortable. “To be honest, I don’t

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After Attlee had paid the compensation, those relatives still wanted **to argue** with a few waiters about w ho was right **or** wrong. Attlee **hurriedly pulled** them away

“Attlee, you’re really too kind, letting these unfriendly folks step all over your

“Even though we, the Murphy family, are loaded, we can’t let them act so recklessly!”

“If you can’t confront them because of your status as a tycoon, let me handle it! I can totally deal with these people!”

Attlee was extremely embarrassed. He put his hands together and pleaded in a soft voice, “I invited you all for dinner today, firstly to celebrate **Yoli’s** good grades and secondly to introduce her fiance to you in advance. He’s still here. Could you give me a break and stop causing a scene?”

Everyone suddenly remembered Zachary’s existence and instinctively looked at him.

Thinking about how expensive tonight’s dinner was made him feel

Meanwhile,
images of them. One looked like the
restroom and found that there were people guarding all the
options, she had to move toward the spiral staircase on the other
this staircase, and just as she was about to step on the first step,
you can't go up there."

and

restroom is 100 meters to
elegant smile and gently asked, "Can I ask, is David having dinner
reveal the privacy of the

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After grabbing a **bite**, Alma **noticed** Serena was **still** missing. **She put on a concerned face** and said, "Serena hasn't **come** back; I'll go check **on** her."

She **got** up and headed **towards** the restroom, which was about fifty yards from the dining area.

Reaching the restroom door, she knocked and sweetly called out, "Silly sis, are you okay **in** there?"

The restroom door was flung open angrily, and Serena splashed all the water from her hands onto Alma's face.

Although Alma managed to block some of it with her hand, some water still got onto her makeup.

"**You** meanie!" Serena, after splashing the water, was ready to slap Alma hard!

But Alma effortlessly caught her wrist and said, "You really think you're some kind of princess?"

"If it wasn't for Auntie's pity, you'd be on the streets like a homeless person by now! You can't even afford tonight's dinner, let alone

was grinding her teeth but couldn't find the words

with you, an outsider, over one of their own?" Alma looked

came out of the restroom with Serena's dress, couldn't help but say, "Ms. Alma, please let go; you're hurting

could reply, Martha added with a stern face, "Otherwise, I'll have to record

go disdainfully, brushing off her hands as if touching

all this

won't be fun!" As Alma was about to enter the restroom,

new hatred—it's all

followed Serena and calmly reminded her, "Tonight's dinner is about Ms. Bella, so let's not cause any more trouble. It would leave a bad impression on the master and mistress, who would think you're deliberately ruining Ms. Bella's party. There

the Collins family! I can tell she has a grudge against Arabella, but she wouldn't dare bully

Bella. Of course people will pick on the weaker

Serena even more upset. Arabella, that woman, always had all the advantages.

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She hustled over to Beverly, grabbed her arm tightly, buried her face **in** her chest, and whimpered, "Mom!"

She looked like she'd been **done** wrong big **time**.

Seeing her, Serena **couldn't help** but feel pissed. If she didn't know the full **story**, they'd think she was the bad guy!

"**What's up?**" Beverly looked down to see a handprint on her daughter's right cheek. If they didn't look closely, they'd think it was just makeup.

Beverly had a hunch her daughter was up to something, so she went along with the act, raising her voice with concern, "What happened to **your face?**" **All eyes were** suddenly on them.

"Mom, **don't** ask!" Alma kept her head down, her voice tainted with reproach, as if she didn't want anyone else to know.

Beverly turned to Serena, asking gently, "Alma went to see you just now; how did she come back like this? Do you know what happened?"

a loss. How was she supposed to know what Alma was

Alma immediately stopped her, saying, "I did

their

hurts. Don't touch!" Alma teared up

this point, everyone was looking at Serena in disbelief.

hit her?

dress tonight. I'll apologize on her behalf, and later I'll take

Serena felt wronged. Beverly sounded like she hit Alma

didn't say you hit her; don't jump to conclusions!" Beverly feigned a scolding smile, speaking softly, "Don't rush; it's Alma's

also confused. Alma had gone to the restroom to check on Serena out of concern, and when she came back, she had a red handprint on her face that looked real, even wincing

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After she finished speaking, she casually tucked a loose strand of hair behind her **ear**.

There's no way Beverly **wouldn't** notice the ulterior motive behind her daughter's move, and she asked, "Why **is** your hair wet **too**?"

"**It's** 'cause it's so hot **out**; I'm just sweating! Anyway, it's got nothing **to** do with Serena; let's **just** eat!" Alma tried to divert the topic and added in a low voice, "Let's **not** embarrass Bella."

Serena was ticked off. Wasn't Alma's comment a sneaky way of implying that her wet hair and the mark on her face were Serena's doing? And she **had** the nerve **to** pretend to be considerate. What a joke!

Serena couldn't hold back and blurted out, "Mom, I swear I didn't hit her. That mark must be something she drew **on** herself. Martha can back me up!! **didn't** lay a finger on her!"

was adamantly denying it, and on the other side, Alma

leaning

was right there. Surely they couldn't just accuse Alma of making a scene out

at me? Let's just eat." Alma couldn't handle the attention. "If there's anything you want to say, let's talk about it after dinner!" Arabella smirked, seeing right through Alma's act. The whole thing could be solved with a

Arabella decided not to interfere with their sisterly spat and

everyone quickly shifted

Alma was usually sweet and wouldn't be capable of such deception. He shook his head, not knowing

swear I didn't hit her!" Serena had never

saying you hit me. Let's drop it!" Alma continued to whisper as she ate, serving food to Serena in

gras is tasty; what do you think?" Alma asked with a smile,

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Zachary added, probably worrying that she might misunderstand, "This is all me, it has nothing to do with my parents."

As for the engagement party, his parents had long since let him take the reins.

Yolanda seemed to have a hunch but still asked subconsciously, "What do you mean?"

"That is, on the day of the engagement party, we will invite all our family and friends over, and any close relatives and friends from your side can come too. But as for those distant relatives,

Zachary hesitated for a moment, but finally decided to just say, "Would it be possible for your parents to invite those distant relatives at another time? Would that be okay?"

"Zachary, are you saying our relatives aren't good enough, worried they'll embarrass your family?" Yolanda immediately got a bit miffed.

"Yoli." Zachary wanted to explain but didn't know how to begin.

She didn't see how uncouth her rural relatives had been just now. He didn't even want to remember it a second time!

If his family saw it, not only would he be the laughingstock, but everyone would oppose the marriage! things to get too awkward.

look down on us Murphys, Zachary, then you don't have to worry about my future." Yolanda retorted angrily.

that's not what I meant!" Zachary tried to explain quietly, "It's because

to put into words. He didn't want to

ignored because I took too long in the

Zachary got a bit flustered

had happened, but she had a bad feeling. Did something major happen while

a drink and said, "I promised you before, after the engagement party, I hold."

he mean?

going to marry her anymore?

to spend the

he was superior?

look down

were really good-looking, but she didn't say it to provoke him

was that

"I just transferred all my

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"I feel like I'm totally being underestimated here!" David grumbled to himself.

"Let me give you a lift home, David." This proposal lit up David's eyes, and he looked at Arabella excitedly. "But you haven't finished your meal."

“I’m already full.”

While David was thrilled, he didn’t forget to warn Romeo, “Don’t you dare follow us!”

Finally, he had a chance to spend some alone time with his sister!

Even if it was just for a little while.

David walked out shoulder to shoulder with Arabella, looking as pumped as if he’d just won the lottery.

“Bella, is there anything you want to know about the entertainment industry? I can tell you everything I know.” David said it indulgently. “Not interested? That’s cool; I can tell you something else.”

from the moment they stepped into the

when she spotted David out of the corner of her eye.

in trendy clothes, chatting joyfully with a girl. And that girl was Arabella!

rubbed her

hahaha?” David was laughing heartily.

was amused by his silliness and nodded, “Yeah,

funny story to tell you.” David began to spill more industry

was chatting and laughing with Arabella

Were they dating?

her. She covered her mouth, unable to believe this was

it be that Arabella was invited

it was common for him to

worthy of being with such a

founder of QY, she wasn’t

with jealousy. Only after they had left

interest in his ordinary

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Seeing the two brothers bickering endlessly, Louisa smiled at Arabella and said, “Bella, why don’t you see Romeo out first? We’ll wait for you at the door.”

“Alright.”

As Romeo walked through the lobby with his arm around Arabella's shoulders, Yolanda's mouth hung open wide enough to fit two eggs.

Wasn't that the man she'd been pining for?

He was actually walking arm in arm with Arabella, whispering something to her.

And Arabella was smiling brightly, her eyes were flirting with him!

Hadn't she just been hugging David?

That was way out of line!

dating two guys

How shameless!

it? She had two amazing guys attracted to her, and they didn't even

simply mind-blowing.

them leave the restaurant, Yolanda immediately stood up and said, "Zachary, I need

Again??

to ask if she was feeling unwell, but he noticed that she was headed in the opposite direction of

dim light, holding Arabella's face in his hands and kissing her passionately. She covered her mouth, unable to believe what she was

was deeper than

after a while, he reluctantly

him: "I'll take our dar home later; you can leave

alone

tone sounded a bit

and said, "Behave."

give me some