

Chapter 861 A Firm Promise

"I was just a kid at that time, okay? Who has never done stupid things in their childhood?" Lemuel explained defensively. He raised his voice and clenched his fists in anger.

He fully expected Blake to back him up, but Blake did no such thing. Blake even revealed his most embarrassing childhood experience.

As if that wasn't enough, Blake also asked him to learn from Trevor.

This made Lemuel furious, but he couldn't get angry with Blake. He could only change the topic.

"Enough! Stop laughing! Let's not waste time. There are still plenty of attractions and spots in the zoo that we haven't visited!"

Seeing Lemuel's angry, red face, the members of the football team bit back their laughter.

"He's right. Let's move on now! There's

nothing interesting here anymore."

"Let's go and see other animals."

Some cheerleaders were timid, and instead of excitedly exploring the zoo, they were huddled together. When they saw the lions fighting and roaring, they moved away in fear.

One of the girls took half a step back and whispered, "But I'm still a little scared. You all go ahead. How about I just wait for you at the exit of the zoo?"

Trevor raised his eyebrows. The truth was that the most important part of this trip wasn't the trip itself but the team. It was supposed to be something that brought them closer together.

It would be a pity if someone was left behind. Lemuel glanced at Trevor and realized this was his chance to save his face.

He stepped forward, puffed out his chest, and loudly proclaimed, "Don't worry. The zoo is very safe. These animals may be fierce and scary, but they're all locked inside their cages and can't escape. Besides, if something

happens, I will protect you. So, don't worry!"

However, the reception of his boasting was much worse than the last time.

The members of the football team were too embarrassed to back him up and offer their support to Lemuel, and the cheerleaders were looking at each other and darting their eyes away from him.

It was obvious that Blake's revelation about Lemuel's childhood greatly damaged his reputation. There was no salvaging his image.

How could he protect them if he was afraid of dogs after being chased by one?

Lemuel's confident smile froze, and he looked down in shame.

He was filled with grief and indignation, but he clenched his jaw and glared at Trevor, fully believing that it was Trevor who put him on the spot.

His left eyelid twitched, and his nostrils flared. A look of bitterness and resentment swept across his face.

His fury surged through him. He thought it was all Trevor's fault. If it weren't for Trevor,

he would have been the center of attention.

Of course, Trevor noticed Lemuel's malicious gaze, but he just glanced at the latter with a faint smile.

Lemuel had locked Trevor in the elevator, and the latter hadn't exacted his revenge yet. Yet, Lemuel was staring at Trevor as though he was the victim.

Trevor stared back at Lemuel and narrowed his eyes.

Lemuel was taken aback by the way Trevor looked at him. He couldn't help but think about what he had done when Trevor was still inside the elevator.

He felt a little guilty and broke eye contact with Trevor.

He coughed to cover his embarrassment, especially since no one else reacted to his earlier declaration.

Even so, Lemuel wouldn't give up. He wanted to regain everyone's trust in him. So he cleared his throat and proposed loudly, "Okay. How about this? I'll walk in front so I can serve as your guide. If an accident happens,

I will be the first one to take the hit and suffer. That way, you won't be in danger and can easily run away!"

The girls looked at each other again and nodded. They felt a little relieved because of Lemuel's suggestion. They also didn't want to disappoint the others, so they nodded in agreement.

Lemuel smirked smugly at Trevor and deliberately bumped into his shoulder when passing by him.

"Just stay behind all of us. Don't be scared," he whispered to Trevor, holding his head high.

In Lemuel's mind, they were in the zoo, not in the wilderness. For sure, there wouldn't be any accidents here.

He knew he wasn't really putting himself at risk. Plus, he could win the girls' favor without any cost.

This way, no one would laugh at him or make fun of him even if they knew about his embarrassing experience. He could rebuild his image.

However, at that exact moment, something unexpected happened.

There was a sudden uproar in the crowd in front of them. People were running off in different directions. Someone screamed and motioned for everyone to move back.

"Beast! The beast escaped! Run! Run for your lives!"