

## Repaid 171

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Aside from the vocal praise for Cordy living up to her reputation, everyone was saluting Noel for showing grace in defeat.

After all, Noel had been indisputably leading in both points and popularity, and there were many who could not accept her defeat.

And yet, Noel seemed to be earnestly congratulating Cordy.

[I thought they were on bad terms, but I guess I was wrong. Sisters would never turn against each other over a man!]

[I didn't think that Noel was so understanding. She's even happier than Cordy, who just won.]

[I just looked through the previous episodes. Noel looked so nervous just before they announced Cordy results. She was even more nervous than Cordy.]

[Maybe we misunderstood her. Maybe she is truly in love with Kyle Jessop.]

Meanwhile, John was frowning over the fact that Noel was getting all the praise when it was Cordy who won.

in the WhatsApp chat group at the same

Noel have a change of heart or something? Or did she bribe the production team

designer is astounding. Should I ask

[You're so fat no one can design anything for you. Don't make things

and Sam started to argue while John ignored

the screen since the show would soon be

was about to give her winner's speech, a member of the audience suddenly yelled,

over the studio that went silent for Cordy's speech,

design was plagiarized from Lovely's work! Lovely is an internationally renowned fashion designer, and

it really was plagiarized! I've been

only

attempts to calm things down failed

is not fair! Cordy should be

can't accept this! Do

erupted into chaos, with audience members throwing bottles at Cordy, and security

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Noel appeared utterly surprised, since she must not look happy at all-not with countless cameras aimed at her.

Naturally, her devious heart could not have felt more cathartic to see Cordy suffering!

After tonight, Cordy's reputation would hit rock bottom, and she would cause Starstream Group's business to go to ruin as well!

It was delightful the more Noel thought about it, and she was trying her best to resist laughing out loud.

Naturally, the audience were convinced that her contorted expression was just her being sad.

"Forfeit Cordy! Reorganize the ranking!" someone in the audience yelled.

The rest soon followed, showing solidarity!

were also flaming Cordy in

disgusting. It's unforgivable!

her. It's like I accidentally swallowed

better than Cordy. I guess Noel and Kyle

was right to have a

his fingers rhythmically

Randy could basically

serious-the Jessops really should not have challenged

group was silent

know what to say, and one slip of the

man could really

dialed a number and instructed coolly,

perplexed. "But I don't think

"It's an eyesore."

the voice on the other

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Maron's words left the entire studio in stunned disbelief.

Cordy was actually Lovely, the best international designer of the new age?!

Her design had completely eclipsed every other fashion designer's at the Sheeny Cup and earned her an international following.

However, because the competition was conducted online, no one had really seen Lovely, and she refused any interview and requests.

And once she gained fame, all her works were constantly published in international fashion magazines at astronomical prices. They all dubbed her the most prodigious fashion designer there was, and her accolades made her the pride of the continent as well.

Naturally, given her stardom in the fashion industry and refusal to reveal herself to the public, there was speculation that Lovely was a cripple or too hideous. Some even claimed that Lovely was actually a group and therefore could not present themselves in public.

despite all those rumors, Lovely never came forward to speak up for herself,

to kingdom come just because she won second place in the continent and fifth place worldwide in the rumors-that Lovely could either be ugly

designer superior in skill would never be better looking

sense of superiority for years, only for Maron to tell the whole

How could it be

really were

knew Lovely. Even if Lovely did not produce much, anything

bent on getting her personal designs,

now, Maron was saying

It was ridiculous!

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Maron could not help looking at Cordy, who remained composed from the very start, just then.

He had definitely been surprised to run into her at the studio today, especially when he had done his best to ask Cordy to stay in Astonia all those years ago. He could have helped her push her way to the pinnacle of the international market, not to mention that the nation's royalty had contacted him, asking for Lovely's personal designs.

She refused, however, saying she was choosing something more important than fame.

She only agreed to meet Maron before returning to Zidonia to thank him for years of support, saying that she might retire from the fashion industry and focus on business instead. He naturally did his best to persuade her not to leave, insisting that he would never demand a yearly quota of designs from her. All he wanted was for her to not give up on her own dreams because he could feel her passion for fashion design.

Thankfully, she listened, and it was why her breathtaking designs occasionally appeared in the market over the last few years.

Even so, the audience remained skeptical.

“It’s just words!”

public figure with such international renown should not be suffering such a solemn expression and resonant voice, he

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with my authority and reputation as an editor of the world’s most famous

public figure willing to speak up for another person, even putting their reputation on the line

need to question his integrity, but the audience members bribed by Kyle would do what they must to swing the sentiment

Cordy said bluntly right then, not wanting further harassment

had scouted her, mentored

had always been aloof-her abusive family left her paranoid and distrustful toward everyone, and she therefore refused to reveal her face as Lovely.

role as her referee, and promoted her designs so that they were accepted by

a result, but just as her career as a fashion designer rose to its pinnacle,

find someone who did not hate her for her past,

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There was no doubting it now. With the testimony of an internationally renowned authority and Cordy’s own social network profiles, she was Lovely!

The studio audience, who were just grumbling about the competition’s outcome moments ago, was instantly silent.

Those watching the livestream were stunned into silence as well, with the live comment section pausing for seconds.

Still, in John’s WhatsApp group, Bob could not help sending more messages.

[Holy crap! Cordy is Lovely?! This is amazing! The pride of the continent! The prodigious fashion designer!!!]

[She is as beautiful as she is talented! Who wouldn’t fall for her?!]

[What did you eat to become so sharp-eyed, Johnny?!]

Kyle probably wants to hang himself right about now. Jay, it’s not like I’m

Kyle was

even after being with her for years-she was just some street performer when he met her! If not for his alms, she

a relationship, Cordy had mentioned a good career

his parents urged him to return to Zidonia. He naturally ignored Cordy's so-called career prospect since whatever it was, it would only sustain her own living expenditure

but for him, Jessop Corp was

been into her, and it was a selfish move

becoming a public

toward her sacrifice and intended to repay her... that was,

polar opposite, and Noel only cared more about his feelings. She would always be quick to sense that he was getting upset and seemed to worship him

and his own executives would even side with her.

with the stark contrast,

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Anyone in the business who knew what went on behind the scenes would know-Kyle's plot was twice the pride, double the fall!

All he ever did was get humiliated by Cordy again and again!

The only thing he could do now was clench his fist as he glared at Cordy from behind the screen.

Meanwhile, the host spoke again. "Now, we are all convinced that Cordy is Lovely and honored that she would take part in this competition. However, the rules make it clear that contestants are to design something on the spot, and any sort of imitation is forbidden. The judges and the production team have thus unanimously agreed that even if Cordy has used an old design, it still counts as plagiarism. As such, we shall deem her forfeited as a contestant--"

"But I did design a dress," Cordy said, cutting him short.

While the host was left taken aback, Cordy repeated herself loudly and clearly, "I designed a dress on the spot. Someone made a switch."

again left in an

be reality TV, not a movie! What was

were whooping in excitement, while countless comments bulleted across the live comments

my heart

bloodbath! I can smell

leap out of my chest. I just

it ever has

Ms. Sachs, do you mean to say that you designed and made a dress, but

face turned pale

made her superior! In fact, Mandy had always been jealous of women more beautiful than she was, and Cordy's outstanding

Cordy all this while, and when Noel suddenly mentioned that she was interested in Kyle, Mandy did not hesitate

had been Mandy's friend for years, constantly fawning over her and doing her favors, and

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As every pair of eyes turned toward Nana, she started to tremble in panic.

As she was standing in front of the host, the studio audience, and the cameras, Nana had to admit that she took away the gown and returned to the studio.

Hence, the truth was revealed-Cordy was framed with malicious intent.

However, everyone somehow knew Nana was certainly not the mastermind, since she had no argument against Cordy.

With that, every crosshair was leveled on Mandy, who still stood on stage, her face now ashen and unable to defend herself.

Even the host was snarling, "Why did you switch out of the gown Cordy made? Why did you try to frame her?!"

All Mandy could do was purse her lips and stay silent.

she had, the future of her showbiz career ended here as she stood under the

to Noel, pleading with her eyes that Noel cover for her or come up with some explanation so she

however, was more furious than

was not about to allow her character setting and integrity be

when she came up with this scheme-if the ever happened,

unexpected

do this, Mandy? I know you don't want my sister to win for Jessop Corp's sake but you shouldn't frame her like this! You were my best friend

head with both hands and appearing

was left staring at her

could Noel push everything onto her? Why did she have to

judges and audience, looking utterly miserable as she sobbed, "I didn't think that things would turn out like this, and I find it sincerely regrettable... That's my sister on one side, while my best friend on the other. I have therefore decided to forfeit my place, and the winner is my sister, Cordy. She deserves this win, and I'm

turned and started to walk

end the drama right here, with her unscathed and looking like an

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[Why does Noel suddenly smell so fake?!]

[That's a mistress' child for you. What a sore loser.]

[Noel is really giving me a poor taste in the mouth. You lost, so just accept it!]

At the same time, Cordy spoke earnestly. "Dear judges, it's my hope that this panel will provide a fair assessment to conclude this competition while remaining unaffected by external factors. I'm convinced that the audience in the studio and watching live would want a legitimate, reasonable.

outcome."

The studio audience were certainly curious about Cordy's design too, since every work by Lovely had been a masterpiece, and to see it would be a reward for the eyes!

Some started to cheer loudly. "We want to see Cordy's work!"

"Justice for Cordy!"

the competition going! We need a

the cheers grew ever deafening, the live comments were supportive

while in his WhatsApp

texted the group again just then: [Holy sh\*t! This is outrageous! Mandy actually went that far?! Jay, my friend, your wifey really isn't the down-to-earth type, huh? Better keep your

then commented: [I think it's probably Kyle who planned this,

not the brains... It's not like

Bob right then.

Anyway, forget Mandy-Noel really makes me sick! No woman I ever met is a bigger b\*tch

agitated, Sam joked: [Would Johnny even have a shot if

chat away in the group while the two

the spot, it was decided that

ever so slightly-she could have said

not continue the competition.

they wanted it to keep going, and she knew that she had even less of

an apologetic smile and said, "I was just thinking that my sister would win first place anyway even if I forfeited. I mean, she already beat me

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Everyone in the entire studio seemed to stop breathing at that very moment, as if breathing too loudly would shatter the magnificence before them.

After all, no godlier masterpiece embodied the grace of the woman standing on stage.

Even without her marvelous beauty and bewitching figure, her blue diamond gown left the entire studio in awe.

Did the noble elegance of the dress complement her beauty or was it the other way around?

No one could tell!

All they knew was that the woman and the gown were one, and together, it was indescribably beautiful.

The live comments went crazy once more.

[It's so beautiful I can't breathe!]

[Cordy's so gorgeous! Why isn't she in showbiz? I want her to star in films and drama series so that I can see her every day to ease my sore eyes!]

that gown to

excited too, with Bob

it twice or I'll

[Just remembered Kyle again. It's hilarious! Jay, remember to ask your

contempt could be felt all the way behind a

the initial shock, and

did she fail to destroy Cordy's reputation,

could even imagine how popular Cordy would soon become while

children, she could never

outshone her in any way,

while Noel only ended up in some second-rate college. That was why Noel drugged Cordy and left the latter in the bed of some stranger to stage a scandal,

with Cordy and Noel

had to leak news that Cordy visited the hospital to get an abortion to leave Cordy's reputation in pieces. The ensuing scandal

not begin to describe how great that felt, which was why she never imagined that Cordy would make such a grand

there was no denying it now-Cordy's design was acknowledged by everyone and was the outright winner, soundly defeating

winner's trophy once more, everyone eagerly

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[Cancel Mandy already. She has no right to be a celebrity.]

[Don't you think she broke a dozen laws there? The departments concerned should really launch an investigation and penalize her appropriately.]

Still, the competition was now over, and the two-hour program somehow extended to four, although the viewership also skyrocketed through the roof.

And with the recording over, everyone filed out of the studio.

Cordy headed backstage to thank Maron before leaving the studio under the crew's escort.

However, there were a ton of journalists congesting the exit, mobbing Mandy and Noel and preventing them from leaving.

"Mandy, can you tell us why you would frame Cordy? Could it be because you were afraid Cordy would win and in turn affect Jessop Corp?!"

"Don't you think such behavior is despicable?!"

you expect to be penalized for your

"Mandy, please say something!"

verge of falling apart, and she lost

were relentless, even taking photos of

leaving! Move!" Mandy

goody two shoes. "Calm down, Mandy. They just

wanted to turn on Noel just now while they were still

had to bear with it because she did not want to blow

pretending to be the nice girl, which

that thought, she slapped Noel

eyes welled with tears right then, and she stared miserably at Mandy as wounded inwardly. "Mandy..."

How could you hit someone  
someone being so