

Mistaking the CEO for a Gigolo

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“Five days? Make it seven! Sheila is not a reliable person. Besides, I have my own matters to attend to...” David spoke from the other side of the phone.

“Deal!” Evan accepted the proposal without hesitation and put down the phone.

Davin was frustrated at the challenges of life. The situation was even made worse by his movement restrictions.

Throughout this period of time, he had to endure the unpleasant treatment!

Should I really seek Sheila’s help?

He didn’t think it was appropriate.

As he was contemplating whether to give Sheila a call, his phone rang and the dialer was ironically Sheila herself.

Evan knew him too well. He immediately called Sheila after putting down Davin’s call.

Sheila was looking forward to helping him tomorrow!

“I don’t think you can make it. I’ll think about it first before asking for your help,” Davin tried to reject her offer.

“Don’t need to think too much about it. I’m willing to help. Although I’m not sure what assistance you need, I’m here for you as long as you need my help! Davin, are you touched?” Sheila insisted.

Touched?

No way I’m touched!

Receiving help from Sheila would only aggravate the issue!

“You must be overwhelmed by my kind offer to help! Alright, see you tomorrow.” Sheila assumed after a prolonged silence.

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Davian shook his head in frustration. He thought of matchmaking Sheila with another man after his leg recovered.

Once she had a new target, then he would be left alone!

Needless to say, she would call off the wedding.

What a perfect plan!

I’m a genius. I’ll execute my brilliant plan once my leg recovers!

The next day...

Nicole headed towards Zane’s residence after sending Nina and Maya to the kindergarten.

She took a deep breath before entering. A mental note was imprinted in her mind that she needed to keep calm at all times and stand her ground.

If she failed, they would take advantage of her.

Her hands approached the door and gave it a loud knock.

The maid opened the door. She was shocked and yelled, "Sir, Ma'am, Ms. Nicole is here!"

Nicole entered the house elegantly, her confidence unshattered.

Zane froze when he saw her. His face was expressionless and his stare was complicated.

Sylvia gazed at her scornfully. Her sheer resentment was undisguised when she mocked, "What a rare guest! I heard that Mr. Seet chased you out of Rose Garden? Seems like you're not being welcomed anywhere you go, jinx!"

She must have heard this from Sylphiette.

Sylphiette thought she could deceive Evan and continue to impersonate her after she managed to answer his query.

However, Evan was not a gullible person that is susceptible to such elementary tricks.

Karma would hit Sylphiette in the near future.

"I'm here today to discuss the future of Lane Corporation, not to engage in meaningless bickering with you!" she gave Sylphiette a cold stare before shifting her gaze to Zane.

Sylvia could not believe what she heard and thought of it as a big joke.

Nicole was despised and chased out of the Rose Garden. Now the only person who would end up together with Evan was Sylphiette, her daughter!

If Sylphiette manages to persuade Evan, then Lane Corporation will rise from the ashes.

Nicole's help is not needed.

B****, she must be trying to pick a fight with us!

Sylvia crossed her arms and glanced at Nicole with a deadly stare, "Stop trying to act tough! Don't you have any shame? You even have the audacity to bring up this matter! Don't treat us like fools!"

She reminded Zane, "Sir, she doesn't have any money. The amount she offered is nothing but an empty promise, don't fall into her trap!"

Sylvia did her homework.

The last time Nicole spoke about Lane Corporation, she was lying and relying on Evan's reputation to get her way. However, Evan personally promised her this time. It was different.

If she could lie confidently the last time, it wouldn't be a problem this time!

"It is true that I don't have money now. It is also true that I have been chased out from Rose Garden. However, Evan promised to help me," Nicole calmly refuted.

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Do you all really think that by letting Sylphiette impersonate the girl from the past, Evan will be manipulated to save Lane Corporation?

Stop dreaming!

“Hey, b****, you sure are bold to utter such nonsense. Do you think we will trust you? We’re not gullible! Sir, don’t waste any more time on her and chase her out!” Sylvia reproached her for the statement.

She remembered vividly how Nicole slapped her and demanded Zane to divorce her. She kept the grudge all this while and had been waiting for the opportunity to take revenge.

This time, Nicole’s arrogance would be shunned and rebuked.

Zane had always measured one’s value based on the benefits that were brought to the table.

At that moment, he felt that Sylphiette was more valuable than Nicole. Despite Nicole’s attempt, he followed Sylvia’s wishes and ignored Nicole’s plea.

“Sylphiette will take care of the problem with Lane Corporation. Your help is not needed. Get out of here and never return!”

He wants me to leave?

I’m here for payback. I will not leave this easily.

I have some matters to confront him!

“Dad, rumor has it that Mom was related to a murder case. She could not withstand the pressure and overdose on medication. She eventually succumbed to the side effects. You are responsible for the murder, right?” she asked.

Zane’s facial expression changed. Clutching his hand tightly, he yelled boisterously at Nicole, “Nonsense! Your mom died of sickness. There was no murder!”

His fierce and aggressive tone indicated that he was deeply bothered by that statement.

Looks like I am right!

When she was still at Rose Garden, she made a deal with Sylphiette and it was Sylphiette who told her this.

Initially, she thought that Mom was devastated by Zane’s betrayal and she consequently suffered severe depression. On top of that, Sylvia’s meddling further exacerbated the situation and she eventually succumbed to her illness.

She did not expect that there was something else behind Mom’s death.

Be that as it may, Sylphiette did not describe in detail about the alleged murder.

Zane’s reaction implied that he would not reveal the truth. Hence, she could only rely on herself to find out.

The priority at the moment is to regain ownership of Lane Corporation! It was her Mom’s and Grandpa’s blood, sweat, and tears!

“Dad, if you choose to keep quiet, I will not pester you further. However, Lane Corporation is mine and I want it back!”

“What an arrogant statement. If I don’t teach you a lesson, you’ll only take things further without an ounce of respect!”

Sylvia gave Nicole a tight slap.

Smack! The sound was crisp and clear.

Sylvia’s abrupt movement caught Nicole off guard and she could not react in time. The scorching pain on her face was negligible as compared to the heart-wrenching torment. She quenched her fist in an attempt to suppress her wrath.

It was not worth it to be dragged into a skirmish with Sylvia.

Zane definitely would not stand by her side. Besides, the Lane family has many servants at home and she was outnumbered.

At the same time, Nicole realized the cruel truth of reality, that the strong would prey on the weak.

She swore that if she managed to claim Lane Corporation’s ownership, she would focus on growing and developing the business. She will grow and be strong herself and will not fall prey to oppressive people again.

However, the only person that could help her now was Evan.

She took out the phone and wanted to give Evan a call. At the side, Sylvia was still enraged and continued to admonish her, “B****, looks like a slap is not enough. I’ll need to do more to ease my anger!”

Nicole was taken aback for a short moment. Her quick-witted instinct instantly suggested that she should invite him over instead of making a call. It would be more effective in achieving her objective.

There were two chances offered to her and it would be a shame not to take full advantage of the situation.

Hence, she immediately sent a message out.

Sylvia was agitated by Nicole's presence and tried to hit her with a cane.

"B****, time to teach you a lesson!" she yelled as her hand sped into motion.

Needless to say, Nicole was not a chicken waiting to be slaughtered. She nimbly avoided Sylvia's attacks and attempted to wrestle the cane away.

"Hey, don't try to retaliate! I will discipline you myself!" she screamed.

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Sylvia was in a state of absolute madness. She chased Nicole around the house with the cane in her hand. She babbled non-stop about how Nicole was a spoilt brat that deserved some punishment.

Zane was stupefied by the chaotic scene.

"Enough, stop right there! You're making me dizzy!" he howled.

"Sir, we must discipline her today to dispel the hatred I felt for her!" Sylvia urged.

“Don’t you dare lay a finger on me! I’ll give it back to you a hundredfold!” Nicole shrieked in reply.

Sylvia slammed the cane on the floor and furiously gawped at Nicole.

“Ask someone to tie her up. I’ll teach her the consequences of her action!” Sylvia said.

Zane sighed in frustration and headed upstairs.

He wanted Nicole to leave but she insisted to stay. Things would not have escalated if she would just heed the advice. She deserved it.

It would be good to teach her a lesson. This way, she would stop causing turmoil in the household.

Nicole realized that she was in deep trouble. A deep sense of regret brewed within her for her impulsive decision to head there alone. She should have asked Evan to tag along!

While she was searching for a solution, five strong and muscular male servants surrounded her.

“What are you all trying to do?” she yelled.

“You’ll find out soon enough!” Sylvia responded.

The maids swarmed towards her and dragged her into the room.

She was thrown on the floor.

The impact caused her knees and elbow to suffer minor injuries.

What is taking Evan so long?

Evan is a highly efficient person, he should be here anytime soon!

She was full of hope as she prayed for Evan's arrival to save her.

Sylvia walked in front of her and showed her victory taunt. Her withering glare sent rippling anger across Nicole's body.

"B****, I still remember what you did the last time. It's time for payback!" she kicked her on the waist.

Nicole couldn't help but moan in pain.

She raised her head and stared at Sylvia. Her eyes were filled with hate and disdain and she felt like ripping her arms off.

No, she wanted to devour her!

"Don't stare at me like that, the show has just started! You're a worthless piece of trash, what makes you worthy to be the mother of Mr. Seet's child? Don't even try to seduce him in the name of the child, I'll end you." she said.

Sylvia instructed the servants to keep watch. As she was leaving the room, she snatched Nicole's phone away and slammed it hard on the floor. The screen shattered into pieces.

"Don't even think about asking for help!"

A loud bang echoed throughout the room, followed by the sound of the door being locked.

She was completely cut off from the outside world.

Her heart sank. Sylvia was a wicked witch and god knows what she would do to her.

Evan, when will you be here?

The promise to help her twice is nothing but a lie!

Sylvia exited the room and made a phone call. Then, she hastily headed towards Zane's room to discuss her plans.

Zane was shocked after hearing the news. He gawked at her in complete silence.

"Zane, she was raised by us. Lane Corporation is also wound up because of her. We should at least get something back from her, right? Although Mr. Cannon is old, he is a person of prominent status. He is a perfect match for a woman like her that has four children!" Sylvia's voice broke the silence.

She continued to persuade him, "More importantly, the betrothal gift is extravagant! For a woman like her, five million is more than what we can ask for. Think about this, we're in this mess because of her!"

Sylvia's annoying rattling resonated in his ears.

Her motive was to get Nicole to marry the old man. In that case, Nicole would not be able to get close to Evan. Besides, she stood to gain a lavish reward.

Zane thought about the mess that he's in. He lighted a cigarette and ruminated the proposal.

Zane's indeterminate looks prompted another attempt of persuasion from Sylvia, "Zane, I'm doing this for Lane family. Once we go through with this, we'll get five million! The amount will be fully credited to your account. Remember, we are in dire need of money."

As money was his primary consideration, Zane dismissed all reservations and instantly replied, "Alright, you take care of it!"

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Sylvia got what she wanted and she could not hide the happiness in her face, “Don’t worry about it, I’ll make sure everything is being done flawlessly.”

Sylvia quickly gave Mr. Cannon a call.

“I’ll go over tonight and inspect her myself, to see if she is well worth five million.”

“Tonight? Mr. Cannon, I just want to seal the deal as soon as possible. She is in high demand. Her figure will definitely please you. Besides, her soft and gentle personality will be to your liking. You will love her! Can you come over earlier?” Sylvia was willing to lie in order to seal the deal.

She went to great lengths and even described Nicole as a soft and gentle woman, which was absurd and untrue.

Mr. Cannon was thrilled, “I’m still overseas and cannot make it there immediately. I’ll be there in the afternoon.”

“In the afternoon? That works for me. You can come over by then,” Sylvia responded.

“Great!” Mr. Cannon exclaimed in excitement.

Sylvia was relieved when she put down the phone. Everything was settled and now she will wait for the deal to close and she will receive her payment.

“B****, once everything is set in stone, you would not be in Sylphiette’s way anymore.

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After school, Nina and Maya were waiting anxiously for Nicole. They saw their peers leaving one by one and their frustration started to brew. Their eyes dilated with hopeful images of their mother arriving to pick them up.

“Nina, why is Mommy not here yet?” Maya asked.

Maya pouted and her disappointment was evident.

“Maybe Mommy is busy. Let’s just wait for her,” Nina replied.

The two waited for some time but Nicole still did not show up.

Nina took out her phone and tried to call Nicole. However, Nicole’s phone was switched off.

What happened?

Did Mommy forget about us?

The pair cluelessly looked at each other.

“Maya, I’ll bring you home. Let’s call for a cab,” Nina made a decision to not wait any longer.

Maya nodded joyfully.

She was amazed at how her sister handled the situation. Nina didn’t pick a fight with her. Instead, she surprisingly took care of her and acted like an elder sister.

The two sisters reached home and realized that Nicole was not there. Nina quickly gave Rocky a call.

“Uncle, is Mommy still at the clinic?” she asked innocently.

“I’m not really sure about that. I was not at the clinic today. What’s wrong?” he sounded concerned.

“Mommy is not home yet. I want to know where she is,” Nina held back her tears.

“I’ll give her a call,” Rocky immediately dialed Nicole’s number.

“She switched off her phone,” he was puzzled.

She turned off her phone?

Rocky could not figure out why.

Is she with Evan right now?

“I’ll ask around. Don’t worry, your Mommy will be safe and sound,” he consoled the girls.

“Thank you, Uncle Rocky,” the pair responded.

Rocky wanted to give Evan a call. However, a sudden thought crossed his mind and he froze with the phone in his hand.

If Evan knew that he was meddling with Nicole’s matters, he would be offended and started going after Yan Group again.

The previous encounter with Evan caused him to lose the Summervale building. If he were to piss him off again this time, the repercussions could be severe!

Besides, Ian was infuriated when he found out that Rocky made an enemy of Evan.

Now, he was given a shot at redemption. Everything had to be perfect and he could not risk messing up the project assigned to him.

He struggled to make a decision and tried to convince himself that Nicole would be fine with Evan.

With the compelling reason that he tricked his mind to believe, he was convinced to dismiss his worries and focus on the work.

Nina was restless as there was no news from Rocky.

On the spur of the moment, she thought of asking Juan to search for Nicole.

Without any hesitation, she picked up her phone and called Juan.

Juan was holding Lego tenderly in his arms when the phone rang. Upon hearing the news, he immediately retrieved a GPS tracking device across the room and sophisticatedly maneuvered through the buttons.

It was not long before he managed to track her down. He swiftly called Nina, "I manage to find out where mommy is. I'm heading over there now."

"Juan, I'll take care of it. I will give you a call if I need help," Nina surprisingly took up the responsibility.

Juan thought about her suggestion and viewed it as an opportunity for her to develop independence. Kyle and himself could not be there for them all the time as they were often not physically around their mother.

"All right then, I'll leave it to you. Please call me if anything happens," he responded.

Nina brought some bread for Maya before leaving, “I’m going to look for Mommy now. You can have some bread while waiting. Don’t leave the house or you’ll get kidnapped!”

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“I’ll follow you,” Maya volunteered.

“No need. You’ll only cause more trouble,” Nina refused her offer.

Maya was upset with the rejection. Does she think that I’m stupid?

Mommy said I am smart!

Fine, maybe it is for the greater good. I admit that I’m clumsy and physically out of shape.

Her unhappy thoughts vanished abruptly as the scrumptious-looking bread caught her attention.

She tried to strike a delicate balance between losing weight and satisfying her taste buds. She eventually compromised, “I’ll only eat one, just one!”

Without much delay, she started munching on the bread.

As she was eating, she couldn’t help but exclaim, “This bread tastes so good. How can such delicacy exist in the world?”

It was the cause of her obesity and the source of all evil.

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Nina took a cab and arrived at the location. The small mansion was in a run-down condition and it was far from being glamorous. She checked the location again and confirmed that Mommy was there.

At the corner of her eyes, she unexpectedly noticed an old woman screaming from the yard.

She squinted her eyes and tried to get a good look. The next thing she knew took her by surprise.

Why is that wicked witch here?

Nina remembered everything clearly, about the troubles that Sylvia caused to Nicole.

She quickly crouched under a tree to hide from her line of sight.

She was bewildered. Why is Mommy here?

Is she captured?

Her heart sank at the thought of it.

She furtively observed the situation in the mansion. It was not long before she slipped behind the pond at the back of the yard.

Coincidentally, she managed to eavesdrop on the conversation between two maids.

“Both of them are the children of the family. However, Nicole was treated horribly! Even we are treated better than her,” one of the maids sighed.

“That’s right. Nicole must have endured a multitude of hardships. Ma’am used to find fault with her all the time. Indeed, a stepmother is incomparable to a child’s biological mother. I truly sympathize with her,” another maid replied, “this time Ma’am locked her up in the room. Who knows what will happen to her?”

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The two maids slowly disappeared from her sight. Nina’s panic-stricken face was clearly reflected in the pond.

That devilish witch, she locked Mommy up! I’m done with her bullying Mommy all the time. Today, I will stand up for Mommy!

She quickly dived into a deep state of thoughts.

She slowly reached for the makeup in her bag and started a big transformation project.

In the nick of time, her appearance changed dramatically. The transformation was phenomenal.

Her watery eyes were paired with thick eyelashes; her silky white face as delicate as a doll.

It appeared that makeup is a privilege enjoyed by the rich.

She took another glance at her clothes. This needs to change.

With a few DIY drawings, it gave a different touch to her clothes.

Her appearance was perfect and she was exuding supreme self-confidence.

Surely, that evil witch must be financially motivated. She always asks for money from Mommy. She must love money a lot! If I am dressed poorly, I will definitely be chased away.

Hence, she took advantage of her weakness and impersonated someone rich.

Now, what reason should I use to get into the mansion?

The dots started to connect and her eyes sparkled with brilliance.

I have an idea!

Let's do it!

She headed towards the living room with her head held high.

Almost immediately, she was stopped in her tracks by the maids.

"Whose child is this? Why are you here?" they asked.

Nina let out a cough before staring at the maids. Her elegance was inherent and natural.

"I am from the Thales family. I'm here to see Sylvia! Who are you? How dare you block my way?" she asked haughtily.

Such arrogance!

The Thales family?

I've never heard of them.

The maid scrutinized her in doubt. However, he could not deny that Nina didn't look like a child from an ordinary family. Hence, she played it safe and immediately conveyed the message to Sylvia.