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Ethan glanced outside, his gaze lingering for a moment before he mustered the courage to speak, "It's alright. Go ahead and share your thoughts. They will return in due time, and I will handle the situation as it unfolds."

Victoria had carefully considered Ethan's words after their conversation yesterday. If she truly wanted to persuade Bane to let her leave this place, she realized that being passive was not an option. Not only would her chances of escape diminish, but his psychological issues would remain unresolved.

Observing the clarity in her eyes and her newfound determination, Ethan could tell that she had devised a plan of action. That was more valuable than anything else because as long as she was alive, there was hope for everything.

"Very well. Since you have your thoughts and decisions, let us proceed according to your plan."

As they awaited Bane and Jessie's return, they continued their discussion about her children. While he was not entirely certain about the dynamics between her and Alaric, he had witnessed their interactions with the children over the past five years.

Therefore, he had plenty to share on the topic of her offspring.

Victoria displayed evident interest in the subject of her children. Though Ethan maintained a neutral expression, she hung onto every word he uttered, mentally

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picturing her children's personalities, faces, and appearances based on his descriptions. The more she imagined, the warmer her countenance became,

After conversing for a while, he noticed Bane's absence and told her, "Miss Selwyn, let's pause here for today, I shouldn't overstay my welcome."

"Are you not going to say anything more?" She felt a tinge of disappointment and pursed her lips, hoping for further revelations.

Although reluctant, she realized that Ethan had already devoted a considerable amount of time to their discussion, so she reluctantly let go of her expectations.

Once he departed, she settled onto the couch and reflected upon the information he had shared about her children. The more she contemplated, the brighter her mood became.

After some time, Jessie returned to the room. As she entered, Victoria remained unaware and unintentionally revealed a faint smile on her lips. Caught off guard, Jessie hesitated and rubbed her eyes, half-expecting her perception to deceive her. However, the smile remained, confirming what she had seen.

She blinked, a bit slow to react. Does seeing a psychologist have such a rapid effect? Just days ago, she was reluctant to speak, but now, she's willing to open up and even smile?

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For some reason, Jessie sensed that this matter was not as simple as it appeared and had little to do with Benjamin, the psychologist. With this suspicion in mind, she approached Victoria and cautiously asked, "Miss Selwyn, you're smiling?"

Lost in her thoughts, Victoria had not noticed Jessie's presence until she heard her voice. The smile vanished from her face in an instant as if it had never been there.

In that split second, Jessie almost doubted what she had witnessed, the speed at which the smile disappeared, leaving her momentarily uncertain.

"You're back," Victoria said, swiftly regaining her composure.

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Jessie simply nodded in response. "Mr. Morison and Dr. Lawson are still talking. I don't know what they're discussing. If I could eavesdrop, I can come back and inform you."

Victoria observed Jessie, who had been taking care of her attentively during this period. When she had initially requested Jessie's help, it was not only because they hailed from the same country but also because Jessie appeared delicate and vulnerable. Victoria knew that if she had to flee or make any resistant moves, she could not protect herself.

However, Jessie's kindness and support exceeded Victoria's expectations. Despite Bane being the one who paid her salary, she seemed more aligned with Victoria's

interests.

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'By the way, I haven't informed Mr. Morison about your improved appetite these past few days. Let him worry about you,' Jessie remarked as if perceiving Victoria's thoughts.

She curved her lips and smiled genuinely at Jessie. "Thank you."

Jessie did not misinterpret this time. Victoria did genuinely smile, and she smiled in return. With this, will Miss Selwyn be okay from now on?

"Miss Selwyn, there's no need to be so polite. I'll take good care of you. It will be like this

every day from now on," she assured her.

Every day? Victoria lowered her gaze and remained silent. If possible, she wanted to escape this place as soon as she could. Once she left, she would not have to face these people ever again.

Without responding to her words, Victoria allowed her to continue talking.

"Miss Selwyn, I was genuinely scared when you refused to eat for those few days." Jessie brought up the recent past, leaving Victoria at a loss for words. If Ethan had not shared information about her children, she might have continued on that path.

The thought of her children's well-being, if anything happened to her, sent shivers down her spine. Losing one's willpower was truly terrifying.

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Lost in her thoughts, Victoria pursed her lips and asked softly, “How long will their conversation last? When they’re finished, please inform Bane that I would like to see him.”

Jessie’s surprise was evident in her voice. “Miss Selwyn, are you finally willing to see Mr. Morison? You’ve been avoiding him every time he attempted to meet with you.”

Indeed, some matters needed to be resolved for Victoria to move forward. She desired to escape this place and could not keep evading him.

Afterward, Jessie left to call Bane as soon as he finished speaking with Benjamin. She waited by the door, expecting his prompt arrival. However, time stretched on, and he did not emerge. Her curiosity grew, and she could not resist it any longer. Why are they conversing for such a prolonged period?

After nearly an hour of waiting, Jessie could bear it no longer and decided to knock on the study door.

Knock, knock-

With her first knock, there was no response from inside, so she knocked again.

“Who is it?” Then came a cold voice from within after a brief silence.

She was taken aback by the icy tone but gathered her courage to speak, “M-Mr.

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Morison, it’s me.”

There was another moment of silence from inside, and eventually, the door swung open.

Upon seeing Bane, Jessie intended to inform him that Victoria wanted to see him.

However, before she could utter a word, he interjected, "It's you. How is she?"

Quickly seizing the opportunity, she chose to answer his question first. "Miss Selwyn doesn't seem to be doing well. She vomited just a moment ago."

She was concerned that Bane might summon the doctor if she revealed the truth, so she was compelled to fabricate a response on Victoria's behalf. As anticipated, his eyebrows furrowed upon hearing her words. "I see. It's still not working, huh?"

Observing him closely, Jessie felt the urge to eavesdrop on, their conversation.

However, before she could attempt to get closer, she heard his next instruction. "Go and tidy her up. Tell her I want to see her."

This unexpected turn of events caught her off guard. What day is it today? Miss Selwyn had just expressed her desire to see Mr. Morison, and now he, too, expressed his wish to meet with her. Perplexed, she simply nodded and replied, "I'll return and inform her."

Since Bane wanted to see Victoria, Jessie decided not to mention her request to see

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him.