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After that fierce beating, it soon attracted a lot of onlookers to surround that scene.

Renee found a relatively remote place and casually sat down. After that, she crossed her legs elegantly. She would protect Leia if William dared to resist, and teach him a hard lesson.

However, William's reaction was beyond her expectation.

Leia slapped him four or five times hard, but he did not even frown. He still wore a passionate and loyal expression. "Lei, can I hug you?"

William's cheeks were filled with finger marks, but he extended his arms as if he felt no pain. He just wanted to pull his beloved woman into his arms.

"Don't you f*cking touch me! You scumbag!"

Leia became angrier as she moved both her hands to slap him several times until her hands ached. The onlookers could not take it anymore, and they started criticizing her.

"This woman is too violent! Does she think she's a princess? She can't slap her man this way no matter how much he adores her. If she were my woman, I would break up with her right away!"

"This man is so cheap. He was still trying to please her when she slapped him like that. Serves him right!" "Look! Why aren't the women speaking up? Doesn't it count as domestic abuse if a woman hits a man?"

Leia was already annoyed. When she became the target of scorn now, she roared at the onlookers angrily, "Do you guys have nothing better to do? Can't you stop talking? Get lost! If not, I'll slap you guys too!"

However, the others did not stop talking but criticized her more further.

"This handsome man looks refined, handsome, and charming. This woman doesn't deserve him at all..."

The most outrageous thing was that a young woman tried to help William. She held his arm and stated enthusiastically, "Handsome, your girlfriend is so violent and willful. She doesn't love you at all. Why don't you break up with her, and I'll be your girlfriend."

Consequently, Leia flew into a rage and dragged William behind her. She then claimed her ownership in front of that young woman. "This f*cking scumbag is mine. Even if I beat him to death, he's mine. It's not up to a shorty like you to snatch what I give up!"

"You don't have a say in this. You've got to ask his opinion. No man can take it no matter how beautiful and rich you are because you're such a violent woman."

The young woman brushed past Leia and encouraged William, who was behind Leia. "Handsome, I'm certain you've long yearned to break up with her. Don't be scared. If you feel threatened, blink your eyes. We'll help you escape from such a violent woman!"

William's face became swollen from the slaps. His handsome and refined face appeared quite pitiful. However, he smiled with satisfaction.

"Guys, don't worry about me, and don't get my girlfriend wrong. We get along like this. I love her, and she loves me too. This is our way of showing our love for each other. The more vigorously she slaps me, the more it shows that she loves me. My love for her will grow too... You guys won't understand our happiness!"

After he made that remark, everyone was flabbergasted.

Leia inevitably screamed, "How crazy!"

The young woman looked awkward. "Okay, I'll leave you be." Since both of them were willing, the onlookers left in dismay.

"Leia, they're finally gone. Just slap me until you vent all your anger out."

William held Leia's hand and closed his eyes. He willingly waited for Leia to slap him.

He felt that it was his greatest happiness at the moment since Leia was willing to slap her.

Besides, he was over the moon since she was willing to compete for his affection against another woman just now. He claimed sincerely, "I'm willing to be your ghost even if you beat me to death!"

"Urk!"

Leia covered her mouth, and she almost vomited

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Her deep hatred had turned into extreme disgust. "Do you want to die? I'll help you!"

Her gaze turned extremely cruel and wild. She wanted nothing but to shoot him to death to vent her hatred for being lied to and fooled, but alas... she could not bring herself to do so.

"Cut the crap! Give Adie back to us. From now on, we'll have nothing to do with each other!"

However, William shook his head. "I won't tell you where the boy went even if you kill me, because the other party is too dangerous. You guys can't afford to offend that person. If I tell you, you'll be in danger. I've come to a desperate end now, and I'm left with no choice..."

"William Jones!"

Leia was pissed off and kicked him in the stomach. "Do you know how important Adie is to Renee and me? If you feel a tinge of guilt or regret, you'll tell me immediately. Don't make me kill you!"

William covered his aching belly and was in pain.

His gentle eyes had always been filled with brightness. Now they were filled with tears. He seemed to be grieving. He extended his arms again and almost pleaded with her, "Leia. Hug me, okay?"

Leia was struck speechless.

She realized that it was useless no matter how much she beat, scolded, and threatened him. Hence, she changed her plan and softened her tone. She asked, "Will you tell me the truth if I hug you?"

William was stunned for a while before he nodded. "Yes, I'll tell you everything as long as you hug me." "Fine, I'll hug you."

Leia also extended her arms to hug him.

However, she felt greatly disgusted inwardly.

That scumbag had lied to her. Now he even pretended to be passionate. She was greatly disgusted.

If it weren't for the fact that she had to make him tell her Adie's whereabouts, she would have shot him to death long ago. "Leia, you know what? I never expected to fall for you..."

William hugged her very tightly as if he wanted to make her a part of him.

"Do you remember the first time we met? It was at this very restaurant too. You were teaching a scumbag a lesson at the time who

bullied a young woman. You kicked him several feet away. You even pointed at him and claimed that you hate the kind of coward who bullied girls the most. You made him remember your name. You told him you're the most heroic woman in Beach City, Leia Osborne...

'I thought that you were too violent at that time, and you were not at all my type. I thought that no men would like you, but... I only spent a month with you before I fell head over heels for you!

'You're adorable, kind, and loyal. You're as naive and innocent as a child. I feel like the absolute sinner every time I approach you..."

Leia lay in his arms, but she rolled her eyes exaggeratedly.

She yearned to interrupt his sentimental confession, but she could only keep up the act to find out where Adie was.

"I'm filled with great remorse. I let Briar control me for that ridiculous obsession in my mind. In the end, I hurt you and your friend. I'm a sinner, and I don't deserve your forgiveness."

"Hmph! You know your place well. Now it's time for you to make up for it. Don't stall for time. You..." 'Ahem! Ahem!"

William suddenly coughed vigorously. Besides, he was on the verge of collapse.

Leia noticed that something was amiss. When she looked up, she found dark blood oozing from his lips.

He smiled at her and confessed, "Leia, I've wronged you, but my love for you is real. I know that you can't bring yourself to do it. So I'll kill myself to give you an explanation.

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William was quite weak now. He found it hard to stand, so he leaned his head against Leia's shoulders.

He had long known that he had committed an unforgivable crime, and it was no longer possible for him to be with Leia. Hence, he was determined to die. He just wanted to see and hug her one last time.

He had consumed a strong poison before meeting her. Now the poison started to take effect.

"Leia, this is what I deserve. I regret many things, but the one thing I don't regret is getting to know you. I have no regrets now that I can die in your arms..."

William spoke intermittently. He exhausted his last effort to hug Leia as long as he could.

Leia's eyes became red as she said fiercely to him, 'William Jones, you're just a cunning man. What tricks do you want to pull now? A sympathy getting ploy, isn't it? I won't believe you!

Til count to three. Tell me where Adie is right away. If not, you're going to suffer. Three, two..." Renee was sitting quite far from them, so she could not hear their conversation at all.

She just saw her beat him up. Then she hugged him, and he cried and wailed piteously. At a glance, it was a very complicated entanglement. They could not separate from each other at all.

She was fine with it.

Although William was a scumbag, she would give them her blessing if he turned over a new leaf and be with Leia sincerely. After all, the most interesting thing about love was that it would make a conscious person lose their mind and principles.

Frankly speaking, people knew that love was a piece of crap. No matter how others around them tried to dissuade them from that, they would still enjoy it greatly if they got deeply involved in it.

Renee even felt that she would fall in love with Stefan again if he were still alive. They would just go around in circles. That was the typical mindset in love. People always claimed that it was disgusting and stupid, but she rather enjoyed it. Stefan...

Why was she thinking about him again?

Renee shook her head and lifted her glass to take a sip. She tried her best to stop thinking about him. At that time, a waiter carried a light blue cocktail over and put it in front of her.

"Excuse me, miss. A gentleman bought this glass of Blue Flame for you."

Renee did not even look at it before she replied indifferently, "Just put it there."

She was devastatingly charming. There were endless people trying to hit on her, buy her a drink, or ask for a light, from the moment she took her seat. Naturally, she would not even look at that glass of Blue Flame.

'The gentlemen wished that you could give it a try. He claims that it's your favorite.' "Oh?"

She retrieved her gaze and looked at that glass of cocktail. Her gaze instantly changed as she lifted the glass to take a sip.

That familiar taste filled her with agitation and anxiety.

Renee quickly stood up and asked the waiter with a sharp gaze, "Where's the gentleman who bought me the drink?" 'I'm sorry. He has left."

'What does he look like? Is he very tall and handsome? Does he carry a cold and condescending aura?' "He's indeed handsome, but he looks very aloof and distant. Do you guys know each other?"

Renee did not answer his question but continued asking agitatedly, "Which way did he go?" 'Humph! Of course, he was more than her acquaintance.

She specially designed that cocktail. The vodka's fierceness was blended with the freshness of mint. It was then mixed with lime- flavored soda water. Its chemical reaction turned the color of the drink into a melancholy blue... She had only made that drink for Stefan before.

So, she was certain that the man who bought her that glass of cocktail was Stefan.

That discovery was like some kind of stimulant drug. Consequently, Renee became quite excited and anxious

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She knew that he was not dead. He was so tough, even tougher than cats with nine lives. How could he just die like that?

Renee learned from the waiter that Stefan had left from the side door. So she wanted to run after him through the side door immediately...

"Ah! Someone's dead!"

Someone pointed at William, who fell to the floor motionlessly and screamed.

Most of the people in the restaurant dispersed in fear. However, some bolder people surrounded the scene. "William, you scumbag! Stop pretending you're dead. I won't believe you. I'm warning you. Get up now!"

Leia was so scared that her face turned pale. Her hands trembled as she ceaselessly pushed the man who was lying on the floor.

Renee realized that something was wrong, so she came back from the side door. "What's wrong?"

Renee pushed the crowd aside. She frowned and asked with a low voice.

Someone pointed at Leia and accused her loudly, "This woman is a murderer. She's been slapping this handsome man just now. Now she beat him to death!"

"Yes, it's her. Call the police now to lock her up. Don't let her run away!" "No, that's

impossible. No way!"

Leia shook her head. She was quite helpless. "This scumbag looks refined, but he's not that weak. How could he die just because I slapped him several times?"

"William, stop pretending. Do you think it's funny? Get up now!"

The others were soon enraged as they condemned her with indignation.

"You're the one who's pretending. You're a beast. You beat him to death, but you refuse to let him off!" "Don't try to deny it. We're all witnesses. The police will arrive soon..."

Renee had a headache from all the noise. She kept a cold expression as she roared, "Just shut up!" Undeniably, her aura was quite powerful. Everyone soon kept quiet out of fear.

"Ren, hurry up and see what trick this scumbag is trying to pull..."

Leia reacted as if she had seen a savior. She immediately gave up her spot to Renee and pretended to say without concern, "I won't stop him if he wants to die, but he hasn't told me where Adie is. We can't let him die this easily!"

Renee said nothing before she half-kneeled on the floor and touched the dark blood beside William's lips. She then sniffed it and said lowly, "He might have taken poison beforehand. What's more, it's not a small dosage. He's ruthless."

"W-What?"

Leia felt like she had received a great blow as she looked at the man on the floor coldly. Her vision gradually became blurry, and she could not hold her tears back.

She did not expect that he would choose to end things that way. Was it because of his guilt or weakness?

Renee looked at Leia with great heartache. She then immediately said, "Don't be sad first. It's not long after he's been poisoned. We can probably save him if he's rushed to the hospital for a gastric lavage now."

"He wants to die. Why should we save him?"

Although Leia said that, she tried her best to get him up and was about to rush him to the hospital. When the onlookers saw that, they gave her a hand.

Renee watched from afar, but she did not follow Leia. She believed that Leia could take care of it on her own. On the other hand, she now had a much more important thing to deal with.

Renee walked toward the side door... She had to find Stefan that night

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The side door led directly to the beach, and the sea breeze blew at the surface of the ocean, sending waves against the beach. It was now late at night, so it was rather dim at the beach. There were not many people around, just a few couples taking walks. Renee stepped on the uneven beach sand. Her large, clear eyes scanned the coastline back and forth quickly.

The sea breeze made her hair messy and ruffled the hem of her white dress, revealing her slender legs. She was like a succubus running wildly in the dark. There was a different touch of charm to her...

Renee looked around for a long time, but it was to no avail. Her excitement gradually turned into disappointment. She cursed inwardly, "Stefan, damn it! Are you playing hide-and-seek with me? How childish!"

She suddenly felt that she was a bit foolish, and she wanted to stop the game now. After all, he would appear one day if he was still alive.

While dwelling on that, she bent down and dusted off the sand on her calves. She then smoothed her long, messy hair behind her ears and was ready to go home.

When she got to her feet, she suddenly discovered a familiar and upright figure. He was standing around three hundred feet in front of her, facing the ocean and staring at it gloomily.

Although the lighting was not good and she could not see it very clearly, that figure was exactly the same as Stefan's. He looked so tall and cold, especially his side face. He appeared exceptional and gloomy... Who could it be if it wasn't Stefan?

Renee's gloomy eyes lit up again. Her eyes glistened with excitement now. "Stefan!"

She almost subconsciously blurted his name out.

However, Stefan did not stop but turned around to run when he heard her voice.

Renee was slightly stunned. Her desire to win was suddenly aroused as she ran after him. "Hey, why are you running? Stop!"

Although her leg injury had just recovered and she could not exercise vigorously, he was nearby. She could not let him run away again.

The fine sand on the beach made her steps uneven. It was easy to fall.

While 'Stefan' was running away, he bumped into something and stumbled. Poof! He fell flat on the ground.

Renee followed closely behind him as fast as she could. Like a police officer who was pursuing a criminal, she pressed the man underneath her.

"Humph! Stop struggling. You can't run away. Did you do anything shameless that you can't face me?"

When things turned out that way, the man gave up struggling and smiled helplessly, saying, "It's been a long time. You're still so relentless. If it was Stefan, I don't know if he could survive this or not."

"Huh?"

Renee's expression changed immediately because she was caught off guard.

Julian turned around. His face resembled Stefan's so much. Now he was full of apologies. "I'm sorry. I just wanted to buy you a drink, and I didn't want to bother you. Now it looks like you might have gotten the wrong idea."

Their distance was quite close, and her long legs were pressed against his waist in a compromising position.

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Renee grimaced and hurriedly let Julian go. Then, she got up and made herself look presentable. She said coldly, "Are you saying you made that glass of Blue Flame earlier?"

Julian looked nonchalant as he remained seated on the beach sand. Julian propped his arms and looked up at Renee. Then, he asked in reply, "What? Did you think Stefan made it for you?"

Renee rolled her eyes coldly before shifting her gaze to the deep dark sea. She pursed her lips and said nothing.

Julian explained, "Stefan made this drink for me before. I pestered him for a long time before he gave me the recipe. He said it was your creation. I found the drink interesting. The heat of vodka and the coolness of the mind are the most incompatible things. However, they created such a magical chemical reaction together... Well, it's just like you and Stefan."

Renee snorted disdainfully. "You're overthinking. I didn't think much and concocted it on a whim. I didn't remember the recipe until you reminded me of it."

"Why are you still acting tough? If you really forgot the recipe, why did you chase after me so frantically just now?" "So, were just tricked me?"

Renee glared at Julian and questioned him in annoyance, "You teased me like I'm a fool. Do you think it's cool? I should've known. All men in the Hunt family are abnormal. Stefan is cold. Jovan is crazy, and you're childish!"

Thinking back, the image of her frantically chasing over Julian and shouting at him was just too embarrassing.

Renee was not only angry with Julian. Instead, she was mad at herself for losing her mind over the man's side profile, which resembled Stefan's. How could she?

Julian did not defend himself. He patted the seat next to him and invited Renee. "We haven't seen each other for four years. A lot has happened since we parted. I'd like to talk to you."

Renee refused ungraciously, "I've got nothing to say to you. It's late. I'm going home."

Renee did not have much to talk about with Julian. As far as she was concerned, Julian and Stefan were on the same team. Renee did not want to get involved with anyone in the Hunt family!

"What if it's about Stefan?" Julian watched as Renee turned away coldly and indifferently. Then, he said meaningfully, "Aren't you curious about how is he now?"

Renee's fingers stiffened. At last, she turned over, followed Julian, and sat on the beach. "Go ahead."

Let me hear what you can say!"

Renee felt extra awake as the cool sea breeze and humid moisture enveloped her. She never believed that Stefan was dead and needed a firm answer from Julian.

Julian stared at the undulating sea with melancholy in his eyes. He said with a faint smile, "I'm not sure if Stefan is still alive. If I said that, would you hit me?"

Renee clenched her fist and said through her gritted teeth, "Yes!"

"Don't hit me first. I'll tell you what I know, and I hope it'll help you..."

Julian began telling his story. "H Group has been growing at accelerated growth. The company seems to be developing quickly in the past four years, but there are many problems and vicious competition. Many want to snatch the power. If Stefan had really gotten into something bad, it wouldn't be an accident. It's planned, just like Tristan's death years ago!"

Renee was shocked. "So you're saying... Stefan and Tristan were both murdered?" "Yes." Julian nodded. "If I'm right, it's likely that the same forces are plotting against them, and I-I need your help!"

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Renee furrowed her brows, unable to figure out Julian's plan. Comment by _ Lunaelle: who is this? Comment by May: Updated.

Renee was just a stranger to Stefan and had nothing to do with the Hunt family. How could Julian ask her for help? Julian must be overestimating her kindness.

Julian continued with a grave expression. "Six months ago, I stepped down as Chief R&D Officer at KCL Group and sold some of my shares. KCL Group has changed ownership now. I heard that the new chairman is also from a technical background, but is more business-minded than me. He's going to carry out a radical reform of the whole group, from all levels of staff, internal management, and external partners. I'm no longer as influential after stepping down from my position..."

Renee arched her brow and said nonchalantly, "A business is like a kingdom. Changes are inevitable, even for a prosperous kingdom. So what exactly are you trying to convey?"

"I'm a free spirit. I love freedom and don't want to be involved in these business disputes. I don't care about KCL Group's future, but KCL Group and H Group have always worked well together because of my relationship with Stefan. The two groups have been inseparable."

"Now that Stefan is in trouble, and the new chairman wants to make changes, I'm worried. The partnership may be affected..."

Julian let out a long sigh. He said worriedly, "Stefan has been holding H Group together. Now, troubles are everywhere. H Group will sign a strategic cooperation agreement with KCL Group on the G6 Chip. The cooperation is significant enough to overturn the entire technology industry. It mustn't go wrong, or it'll be devastating to H Group!"

"So?" Renee said coldly, "What does H Group's future have to do with me? How can I even help?" "If you want, you can!"

Julian wore an unfathomable smile and said calmly, "Stefan's life is uncertain now. There are all kinds of rumors out there. H Group has no leader now. More importantly, people like Jovan are waiting to strike at a time like this. It's especially critical to have someone to represent Stefan and complete the deal with KCL Group in Stefan's stead..."

Renee finally understood Julian's intention and laughed. "Are you asking me to put the business back on an even keel?" "That's what I mean."

"Are you crazy? I'm divorced. How can I represent my ex-husband? Do you find Beach City too calm? Must you stir up such drama to liven up the city?"

Julian explained with a serious face, "I'm not kidding. Everyone knows that you're irreplaceable to Stefan. He even personally starred in Hunt My Everheart to get you back. As long as you hold a press conference and announce that you and Stefan are married again, it would make sense for you to act as his representative to handle the H Group's matters."

"That's ridiculous!" Renee interrupted Julian's proposal in a fury. "Marriage isn't a child's play. I'm already divorced. Your proposal is simply absurd. I'll never agree to it."

Julian said, "Take it easy. Gaining people's confidence is just the first step. More importantly, you have to maintain the KCL Group's trust. Take this chance to restructure H Group and remove those who should begone.

Also, find out who's behind Tristan and Stefan's murder, and let their souls rest in peace..."

"Finding the murderer is the police's responsibility. I can't help."

Renee found Julian's proposal absurd. She stood up and refused to talk to Julian anymore. "Don't you care about Stefan's death at all? Don't you want to avenge his death?"

Julian thought Renee was not such a cold-hearted person. Otherwise, he would not have gone all the way to approach her for help.

Renee exhaled and wore a cold expression. "Yes. I don't care whether he's dead or alive. You have the wrong person."

Julian looked at Renee's fading figure as she walked away. He could not help but shake his head, feeling sad for Stefan.

'As soon as a woman stops loving a man, her heart turns colder than stone! Tsk. Poor Stefan. If only you knew this would happen. Would you regret what you've done?' Julian thought.

Renee returned home in the night, feeling distressed

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From Julian's words, Renee could tell that H Group was in trouble this time. Stefan had gone missing at such a critical moment, and his fate was unknown. Even if Stefan were alive, he would probably be in a difficult situation.

Even so, what did it have to do with her?

The rise and fall of an empire was normal. Besides, H Group was the industry leader for many years. It was only normal for H Group to decline after so long.

Even if she promised Julian to run the business in Stefan's stead, she could not restore the declining business.

However, Renee was curious to know who had the guts to plot against the heir to the Hunt family twice in a row. As she thought of that, she opened her laptop and looked for information about Tristan's murder years ago.

Unfortunately, there was very little information about Tristan on the internet. There was almost nothing.

Renee thought the Hunt family might have specifically restricted public information to keep Tristan's death from the public eye. Tristan's case happened five years ago and took place in Newrest.

Renee thought the local police might have a detailed case record, so she planned to hack into the local police's records.

The Newrest police file system was notoriously complex and used the most primitive binary key code, which was Renee's weakness.

Years ago, Renee lost to Haze in a global hacking competition because of this oversight. Haze happened to be an expert in this area.

Renee wondered if she had to ask for Haze's help again. However, it was not fun to engage with Haze. Haze had been very quiet lately and did not bother her. Approaching Haze at this time was just asking for trouble!

After thinking about it, Renee decided to take matters into her own hands. She wanted to try and hack into the system herself.

Renee tapped her fingers on the keyboard and tried breaking in multiple times but failed each time. At last, her numerous attempts had alerted the local police, and they were targeting her IP address.

-Sh*t!"

Renee had to quit first just to be safe. She decided to forget about it. After all, these had nothing to do with her. It was not worth wasting her time.

If she had the time, she might as well check on Adie's whereabouts. She wondered how Leia was doing and whether William got rescued. If William survived, would he tell them where Adie was?

Renee became worried about Adie's situation again. At

the same time, the doorbell rang.

"Who's here at this time of the night?"

Renee shut her laptop impatiently and went to the door

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Renee opened the door and was overjoyed to see who had arrived at her doorsteps. It was none other than Adie! 'Mommy, it's been a long time. I miss you so much! Hug me!"

The handsome little Adie opened his arms towards Renee calmly. He was neat and clean. He seemed save and did not fall into the wrong hands earlier.

Adie's arrival took Renee by surprise, but soon anger filled her. She crossed her arms and began to lecture Adie with a stern face. ' Adie. Did you have a lot of fun before coming to me?"

"I was only away from Sun Island for a short moment. How dare you? Do you think we won't be worried? Are you trying to make me angry?"

"Hey, Mommy. Calm down. I'm back now..."

Little Adie shrugged indifferently. He expertly jumped into Renee's arms and put on the most innocent and cute look on his face. He looked at Renee with his big, shiny eyes and blinked adorably. "Mommy, you know me well. What's there to worry about?

You're getting too worked up... But I know that's because you love me too much. Mommy is the best. You're the best in the world. I love you the most!"

Adie knew Renee well, after all. He knew Renee was soft-hearted and easy to persuade. Whenever he got into trouble, he would sweet talk and act adorably to have her forgiveness. However, it was not so easy to fool Renee this time.

Renee resisted the urge to pinch little Adie's chubby little face. She said sternly, "Aiden Everheart, stop giving me that face. I won't fall for it. So tell me honestly. What are you planning to do with all this commotion?"

Acting cute did not work this time. Seeing that, Adie stopped pretending and reverted to his usual cold and arrogant look. He explained, "Well, I was worried about you. I'm afraid you might get hurt in Beach City alone, so I'm here to protect you!"

Renee was lost for words. She held her palm to her forehead and felt an immense headache. Just listen to that. Had a four-year-old child really said that?

There were many times when Renee felt that Adie was the better version of her and Stefan. Adie was only a young child, but he was not easy to deal with. Renee frequently lost to Adie in their long battle of wits!

"You're just a child. Staying safe is the greatest protection for you. How could you leave Sun Island without a word? You had no adult to accompany you. If you run into thugs, who'll save you? You're so small.

Anyone could easily capture you and kidnap you!"

'No way." Adie was full of confidence. "I'm smart. Thugs only rely on brute force. Those who try to hurt me are already with the police. Mommy, it's not the first time. You should know that."

Renee fell silent. Adie had such a good point and left her speechless.

'Mommy, don't be so worried! I came to protect you. You shouldn't be angry. Instead, you should reward me well!" Adie proposed in a logical and unhurried manner.

"Reward you?"

Renee was pissed off and laughed. Adie was indeed amazing. He could easily trick her with his logical explanation. It was as if staying angry was simply unreasonable.

Renee responded to Adie with a kind smile. She said gently, "You want a reward, right? Be a good boy and wait for me. I'll get it for you now!"

Adie instantly let out a sigh of relief. He nodded with a bright smile, "Okay, Mommy. I know you're the best and most understanding Mommy.'

Shortly after, Renee took out a ruler. She raised her eyebrows and snapped at Adie, "Get down on your knees and hold out your hands!"

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Adie behaved this time. He knew Renee was furious, so he listened to her orders obediently.

Adie got down on his knees at once and held out his hands cooperatively. He faced Renee's anger calmly. "Mommy, go ahead. You should calm down after hitting me. Don't stay angry. Anger is bad for your health. It's okay for me to be in pain.'

'You're still being slick, aren't you?"

Renee got furious and hit Adie's palm with the ruler. She questioned with a stern tone, "Do you know what you did wrong yet?"

It was a painful hit. A red mark immediately emerged on Adie's tender skin. Even so, Adie remained strong. Although his eyes were full of tears, he did not cry out. He raised his chin and said stubbornly, 'I didn't do wrong.'

What's wrong with protecting Mommy?"

"Adie!" Renee was so angry that she hit Adie with the ruler again, harder than the previous time.

Renee had no other choice as the little one was getting more and more disobedient each day. She could barely control him anymore. She had to teach him a hard lesson before he got himself into more trouble.

With this in mind, Renee hit Adie several times and said harsher than ever, 'You won't admit your mistake, will you? I'll punish you until you admit your mistake!'

"Boo-hoo!" Adie was just a child after all. Finally, he could not hold back anymore and finally cried out. However, he remained stubborn as he cried. 'Mommy, go ahead and hit me. Even if you beat me to death, I don't think I'm wrong. I just want to protect you. I don't want Bad Daddy to hurt you!" Renee froze. "What... What do you mean by Bad Daddy?"

Adie wiped his tears and stared at Renee with a pitiful look, "Mommy, you don't have to hide anything from me. Abby and I know everything! Daddy Liam isn't our real daddy! It's the big bad Stefan!"

Renee panicked. She had never mentioned Stefan's name in front of the two little ones! 'I have a recorder in the study and heard every meeting you had with Daddy Liam..."

"I know Stefan is our real daddy. I know that he mistreated you and broke your heart. He has hurt you..."

'You've been working so hard all these years, taking care of us, dealing with Azure Group, and staying up all night in the lab doing experiments. You did all that in order to defeat him early. It's so that we can return home as soon as possible and live in peace, right?"

The little one sobbed and revealed everything.

"What..." Renee could not imagine how much Adie and Abby had gone through at the tender age of four. She did not want her children to grow up in hatred, so she explained, "I worked hard not because of him. I just want to give you a better life. I want to revive our family and bring the Everheart family back to glory..."

'The Everheart family used to be very powerful and admirable. Your grandparents, especially your great-grandfather were incredible people, so you should..."

'I know, so I want to contribute too!"

Little Adie said with a proud expression, "Mommy has been working so hard. I want to help share the burden, so I went to Bad Daddy's company and got the important document that Mommy and Daddy Liam mentioned..."

"Important document?"

Renee had just begun educating Adie with love. So how did the topic change so drastically?