

The Princess and the Pauper (Arabella)

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The talent competition was about to take off in a blink.

The first round was all about musical instruments. Serena, one of the shining stars from Summerfield College, took the stage for a violin performance.

Sitting among the audience, Arabella was first disturbed by the deafening applause and cheers. Soon, however, she found herself more annoyed by the discordant violin melodies.

It turned out that Serena's violin performance was even more displeasing than her piano playing.

Thankfully, the performer on stage soon changed, and the music gradually took a turn for the better.

As Arabella juggled her work on her phone and the violin melody, she lifted her gaze, intending to give her eyes a break. To her surprise, Alma Collins was standing under the spotlight, violin in hand!

Alma, with one hand on the violin and one on the bow, was an image of ecstasy. Her performance was so enchanting that it set the whole audience ablaze.

She was indeed another shining star from Summerfield College, often compared to Serena. Both of them were not only exceptionally beautiful but also extremely talented.

But to Arabella, Alma's violin performance was just barely passable.

Arabella continued working on her phone until Alma finished her piece, earning high praise from the judges.

The applause from the audience was like rolling thunder, wave after wave, seemingly endless.

With a radiant smile, Alma took the microphone and announced, "While we have contestants from many prestigious schools today, the competitor I was most looking forward to facing didn't participate. I don't want to leave with regrets, especially since she tried to come to Summerfield College. I'd like to invite her to take the stage and show us all her unique talents."

With that, she directly called out Arabella.

Everyone was left stunned. Alma, the darling of Summerfield College, had just challenged the top scholar from Westerly College!

Her confident smile carried the aura of a winner as the spotlight began its hunt for Arabella.

The atmosphere was electric.

"Alma dares to challenge the best student." someone from Westerly College gasped. "Even if Arabella can play the violin, it's unacceptable for Alma to spring this on us without any notice. This is a total lack of respect!"

"She's clearly trying to put Arabella in a difficult position and make Westerly College look bad. She definitely has ulterior motives."

"This is outrageous!"

Finally, the spotlight found Arabella, drawing many eyes to her.

The short-haired girl next to Arabella offered, "Let me go up. Although my major is piano, I do know a bit about the violin"

Anything was better than going up there knowing nothing at all.

"It all comes down to whether our top scholar dares to accept the challenge."

The host, who was the president of the Summerfield College student council, said passionately. "Let's give a big round of applause to encourage her!"

The applause was deafening. All eyes were on Arabella.

Westerly College's students were growing anxious. "They're being too much."

As the hosts, they should at least try to smooth things over instead of egging everyone on."

"Arabella, you didn't sign up for the competition. You can totally refuse."

Having just finished her work, Arabella stood up casually, "Sure, I can play along."

The girl beside her was about to dissuade her when Arabella took the violin from her hands, saying, "I'll just borrow this for a bit."

"No." the girl nervously whispered, "This is a cheap violin. It won't sound as good as Alma's".