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Dean brought over the brewed coffee and served one to Arabella.

Hans took a sip and told Julian, "From now on, switch Arabella's coffee to premium quality. Oh, and order a snack cabinet for her. Fill it with snacks so she won't get too bored when she's working"

"Roger that!" Julian quickly jotted it down. "Any specific requests for the snack cabinet and snack brands?"

"Only the best will do."

"What about the renovation company? Should it be the best as well?"

"Yes. The materials used must be eco-friendly and healthy; there must be no formaldehyde or other harmful substances. Also, move the file room next door somewhere else, clear it out, and merge it with this office. Let the designer design a bedroom for Arabella to rest in. The bed, mattress, and other stuff should also be top-notch. And preferably, there should be a walk-in closet."

Arabella thought to herself, was she here to work or on vacation?

it!" Julian quickly

her. The sofa should be comfortable, and install a projector so she can watch movies when she's couldn't help but interrupt, "Brother, I'm here to work."

his coffee and stood up. "I'm heading to the company to check on things. You stay here and rest; there is no need to accompany

you rest for a bit. I'll have the coffee sent over soon!" Julian followed Hans to check on the different departments of the company.

brother treats you so well. You're really lucky! I also have a brother, and when we were kids, he used to pull my ears a

he said this, Dean sighed, wondering why other people's brothers

chuckled. "Don't you ever get him

always end up on the losing end, and he turns the tables on me. This harmonious scene between you returned, and Arabella noticed something seemed

"Are you upset?"

notice. He softened his demeanor

letter to you, Ms. Bella, through email.

was even managing this?

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At **high** noon, the restaurant staff nearly dropped their utensils in shock when they saw Hans and Arabella strut in together.

Mr. Collins still hasn't left the company? He's still eating lunch with Ms. Bennett?

Did he really have a thing for Ms. Bennett, just like the rumors suggest?

But there's at least a six- or seven-year age gap between them!

Was this a classic case of an older guy chasing after a younger girl?

"He seems really gentle when he's chatting with Ms. Bennett."

Hans leaned in to listen to Arabella, gave a nod, said a few words to the cafeteria staff, and then helped Arabella with her food. He took it to the table first, letting her sit and wait.

gentleman! Helping Ms. Bennett with her food before getting his own. No trouble at all."

"Bella!!"

this point, Molly, who had just gotten her food, saw Arabella sitting alone at the table. She joyfully carried her tray and sat next to her. "Why are you alone? Did Mr. Collins

this than she saw Hans approaching them

Collins?" Molly was surprised. "Did I take your seat? Sorry, I'll

okay; let's eat together."

Arabella, wiped his hands with a sanitizing wipe, and began peeling shrimp.

Just like Bella,

peeled shrimp one by one on Arabella's plate

of the dishes he

you should try our cafeteria food. Ever since Bella revamped the

peeled shrimp into Arabella's bowl and said, "I'll give it a

and gave her a small smile, saying, "Your staff speaks highly

is my good friend, not just a staff

already surpassed that of boss

"Well, invite your good friend over to our place sometime." Having finished peeling the shrimp, Hans added a piece of meat to Arabella's bowl.

"You should eat too." Arabella was worried his food would get cold.

“Just seeing you enjoy your food makes me happy, and it increases my appetite. I’ll surely eat more than you later.”

Hans didn’t stop what he was doing; instead, he said, “I might come back late from this trip abroad. Take care of yourself and go shopping or watch movies with your good friend when you’re bored. All expenses are on me. If there’s anything you can’t handle, call me.”

“Okay.” Arabella responded and ordered a steak for Hans, urging him to eat.

Hans’s eyes softened; his little sister was ordering food for him! That’s a treatment no other brother got!

Suddenly, he felt like creating a chat group just to show off to everyone else.

“I’ll be back to keep you company soon.” Hans said after finishing his meal, “Your brother David will be back in a few days. He’s blunt, so if he unintentionally hurts you or makes you feel wronged, tell me. I’ll sort him out.”

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When Molly heard the news, she was freaked out big time Mr Collins’s kindness and strictness were all too real, they were beyond imagination!

He could scold his own brother without any hesitation, that was simply horrifying!

“David is coming back?” Arabella was a bit surprised

“Yeah, not sure when, though, don’t bother about him” Hans put some fish onto Arabella’s plate, thinking to himself, No more chances to help his sister from now on, David really hit the jackpot!

“That’s too much, I can’t finish it” Arabella didn’t want him to add more to her plate. “If you’re not eating, neither am I.”

“Okay Seeing the shrimps were mostly peeled, Hans wiped his hands with a disinfectant wipe and said, “I’ll wash *my* hands first, then I’ll add some soup for you, then I’ll eat”

After Hans left, Molly couldn’t help but nudge Arabella with her elbow:

“Oh my God, I’ve never seen Mr. Collins this gentle before. Bella, you’re so lucky to have such a good big brother, he defended you in front of everyone last time, and now he’s peeling shrimp for you. I wish I had a big brother like that!”

“Your mom is good to you too, isn’t she?” Arabella gently smiled; this kind of affection and care from family was something she hadn’t experienced in the Murphy family for eighteen years, except for a bit of warmth from Grannie Grace.

The employees around were all discussing:

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Arabella also tried hers “It’s pretty good

At that moment, someone brought in a bunch of snacks Julian took it upon himself to sort them out. “Ms. Bella, Mr. Collins doesn’t usually snack. If there’s anything you don’t like, let me know, and I won’t have it brought next time”

“Okay” Arabella wasn’t much into snacks either, but she was touched by her brother’s thoughtfulness.

Julian sorted the snacks into categories, labeling them as nuts, spicy **snacks**, biscuits, candies, pastries, chips, and so on, making it easier for Arabella to find them later

Dean watched this with envy, wishing he had such a considerate brother.

Once Julian was done, Hans told him to head back to the headquarters: “I’ll stay with Bella a bit longer.”

He was leaving the country tomorrow and didn’t know when he’d have time to spend with his sister again.

respectfully

Bennett, won’t those spicy snacks be too hot for you? If you want, I

“Go do your work.”

touched the snacks Hans had sent,

Dean left.

sat opposite

alternated between typing, replying to voice messages, checking files, and signing documents. In less than half an hour,

impressive for an eighteen-year-old girl!

phone call and went out to the balcony. Just then, someone knocked on the office door.

surprised to see Hans still there. So,

her hand behind

are you hiding?” Hans asked curiously.

it, Molly brought out her stuff: “Ms. Bennett helped me out a lot before. I bought some tasty snacks online recently and wanted to share them with

a little nervous.

calmly, “Just leave it on

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She was so emotional that she was **on** the verge of tears and felt extremely embarrassed. Eventually, she gathered her courage to stand up, but she didn’t expect to step on her own skirt, making the tear even worse. Right in front of Hans, her skirt completely ripped apart, scaring her to the point of screaming, “Ah.”

Hans quickly took off his suit jacket and wrapped it around her waist, tying a knot with the sleeves, successfully covering her embarrassment.

“Mr. Collins, I’m really sorry. Thank you.” Molly was so ashamed that she couldn’t explain and hurriedly left.

Hans’s face unconsciously turned red, as if he could still feel the gentle scent of the girl.

As Arabella walked into the office, the sound of her high heels hitting the floor brought Hans back to reality, his face still a bit warm.

“Your friend’s skirt tore, she might need your help”

“Oh, I saw ”

The corner of Arabella’s mouth rose; she suddenly felt that their relationship seemed very good. She took out her phone and called Dean, saying, “Go to a nearby clothing store and buy a one-size-fits-all skirt.”

go buy it.” Hans felt that if he stayed here any longer, his hot cheeks might be discovered by his sister, so he got up and

phone, “You don’t need to go;

Molly, “Where are

ashamed that she couldn’t help herself. “I’m now

was still tied to Hans’s suit jacket, the skirt was so badly torn that she had no courage to go out and see people.

expect it to tear so easily;

like her underwear was exposed; Mr. Collins must have seen it,

this, she was so ashamed that she wanted to find a hole and crawl in; she should have known better than

some clothes

lifesaver, and Molly was extremely happy: “Woo woo

brother who’s nice; he’s the one

Molly’s face got even

ladies’ room; Molly changed into it; and when Molly was about to ask Arabella to

Arabella would have

face turned red again, like a tomato. Thinking of her falling into his arms over and over

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After work, Hans **and** Arabella headed to Hatikvah Hospital together and parked in the VIP spot. As soon as he got out of the car, he saw their family RV driving up from a distance and parking next to them.

This floor was their family's exclusive VIP floor; other patients' families couldn't even get in, ensuring their privacy

Kenneth Collins helped

Louisa out of the car, while Serena pretended her last injury was still hurting, thus needing her father's assistance too.

After getting out of the **car**, Serena, arm in arm with Kenneth with one hand and Louisa with the other, smiled with a big grin, "Bro, sis, you guys are here too!"

Looking at her arms, Hans said indifferently, "If I didn't know better, I'd think **our** parents only had you as a child. You're already grown up, but you're still acting so childish."

or saying she was showing off in front of

mom and dad. I'm still

Hans ignored her and walked towards Arabella, asking, "Did you remember what I told you on the way here?"

worry, big bro, I remember

rushed forward to grab Hans' other hand, curiously asking, "What's the secret you told Bella on the way here? Sis,

her arm

discontentedly, let go of his hand, and said, "Bro, you're playing favorites. Bella can touch you, but treat her better. As for you, you've been letting loose too much lately. I think I should wait for your grades to come out, help you apply

her showing off in front of Arabella just now; that's why he said that.

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"Bella's really popular in the company, huh?" Kenneth said gleefully. He knew it wasn't easy **to** reach that level, implying **that** Bella must've worked hard. Seeing their harmonious family, Serena felt a pang of jealousy. Who in the world would quit their job just because Bella did? Were they nuts?

And they even asked for a raise for Bella. That's crazy!

It must be Bella who bribed them; that's why they're speaking up for her.

"But the college entrance exam results are coming out tomorrow, sis. What are you going to do?" Serena asked innocently, "are you going to keep running **the** company or go to college?"

She secretly hoped that Bella would go to a crappy college so she could have all the family wealth to herself.

felt a strong repulsion. Luckily, it was Hans who answered first: "I've already discussed it with the company. Bella will go to school, and Dean will be responsible for day-to-day operations. Big decisions will be handled remotely by Bella. Even if Bella doesn't go to work, her salary will still

a good idea!" Serena pretended to be happy. "Did everyone

could still get paid without going to work, wouldn't that

agreed. It was a

was seething with anger. Were they all nuts? Getting a salary without going to work, and they all agreed?

Serena said, feigning admiration, "I wish I could run the company

gave her a look and said, "You've been spoiled since childhood. You probably

suitable to run the company, but Bella

haven't even tried yet, and you're already shooting me down! Humph!" Serena pretended to pout, "Mom, Dad, big brother doesn't believe in me at all." "Hans is right.

and said, "Mom, I'll listen to you. Even if you don't want me to get married, I'm willing to stay by your side and take care

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"Hey there" Arabella gave a slight nod as a polite gesture

The head nurse looked at Arabella, who seemed to possess more nobility than even Serena Could she be a relative of the Collins family?

She appeared to come from a prestigious background, well-educated and not have the same kind of petulance and indulgence as Serena. Clearly, she was a sensible individual

"Have my parents woken up today?" Even though the chances were slim, Louisa still held a glimmer of hope as she asked.

"They're still unconscious. Their condition hasn't been great these past three days"

Daily medical monitoring data and doctors' advice were updated on a software system so Kenneth and Louisa could check it anytime.

Recently, Louisa also noticed that the health data of the two elderly individuals was gradually declining. The doctors' assessment was *not* optimistic, and they were advised to be mentally prepared.

old

can go

"Alright"

by the hand and led her down the corridor. "Your grandparents need some peace

with two nurses each accompanying an elder. Upon seeing Louisa and the others, they immediately stood up, ready

motioned for them to be quiet and

respectfully and then

Mom," Kenneth said, choked up. He never thought his wealthy family would still

found our biological daughter.

"real granddaughter", Serena shot her a disdainful look. What's

grandparents would never wake up.

eyes of the elders, she,

to your grandparents." Louisa spoke

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"Bella, grab a seat here." Louisa gestured for Arabella to sit on the chair placed between two hospital beds.

After seating, Bella naturally placed her hand on her Grandpa's wrist **and** said, "Grandpa, we're all hoping for your speedy recovery."

She then placed her other hand on her Grandma's wrist and said, "Grandma, can you hear me?"

Her gestures didn't slip past Hans' notice.

He was wondering: was his sister checking on their grandparents' condition?

Even though he heard that she saved

Phillip before, their grandparents' condition seemed worse than Phillip's, and even the best doctor was helpless about it. Louisa didn't notice her daughter's unusual actions. She placed her hand on the bed edge, whispering, "Who would have thought that fire 18 years ago took Bella away in the thick smoke? Thank God, she came back to me after 18 years. You have no idea how smart Bella is; she's young and yet capable of running a company, totally living up to your prime time!"

knack for business. That clothing company was on the brink of bankruptcy, but after Bella took

business-savvy, knows music, and even designs clothes; there's nothing she's not good at! If you wake up and see such a granddaughter, you will be

wasn't sure if the old

choked up,

assured, the medical team is doing their best; Grandpa and Grandma will wake up." Hans said, glancing at Arabella, "and

everyone praising Arabella. She cried and suddenly leaned on the

hugging me, smiling, and praising me, saying I'm your favorite granddaughter. Every little achievement of mine, every praise from the teacher, you would be

be exchanged for your health, then I'd rather be a nobody, an unknown. As long as you can be with me as when I was little, smiling and

Serena with disgust. Wouldn't all this crying disrupt most beloved, proudest, and favorite granddaughter?

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"Mom, why don't you take Serena out for a bit?" Hans suggested.

Louisa, also weighed down by her crying, got up and pulled her along, saying, "Serena, let's go out."

Let's not disturb Grandpa and Grandma's rest.

As Serena got up, she pretended to be unstable and fell into Louisa's arms. "Mum, do you know when Grandpa and Grandma will wake up? I'm so worried; my head's spinning, I can hardly stand."

"I know you're worried about them." Louisa gently patted her back and said, "I believe they'll recover soon."

"I'll go talk to the doctor" Kenneth, too, couldn't hold back his emotions; his eyes were red. He stood up and walked out of the ward.

When the ward was left with only the siblings, Hans softly asked, "Can you diagnose?"

a bit surprised but honestly answered,

did you find?"

too cautious, not directly treating the symptoms,

her to know this: "The doctor considered Grandpa and Grandma's old age, so they chose conservative treatment, and they

Grandma's bodies are very weak now."

nervous system, coupled with respiratory infections, anemia, electrolyte

confident look, a bit surprised. He didn't expect that a whole medical team

have a way.

finished speaking, the

sound was very urgent; the nurse outside heard the sound, immediately pushed the door in, took a look, and then worriedly said, "Oh no! The old lady is

then yelled in the old lady's ear, "Hang in there, the doctor is

heard the call, immediately sent people to find the doctor, and rushed to

the doctor about the condition, heard the situation, and also quickly ran
mom?" Louisa rushed in