

Saving Nora Full Story Book Free by Josh Williams

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In the middle of Nora's thoughts, Henry suddenly swept the cups on the coffee table onto the ground!

The cups broke into pieces with a loud bang.

Henry, whose veins on his forehead were bulging, stood where he was and yelled, "Nora, I'm your father! This is something that'll never change! You can forget about abandoning me and getting rich on your own! You'll go to jail if you don't take care of me!"

Then, he looked back at Simon and said, "The Andersons have to give me an explanation regarding this today! Either you draft a contract for the Carefree Pills' dividends and give me the money immediately, or get my daughter's mentor change done first. Pick one!"

He sat back down on the sofa.

Simon frowned.

Henry flying into a rage all of a sudden, and his actions of slamming the coffee table and breaking the cups shocked Miranda and Rachel. However, Melissa and Mrs. Anderson remained as calm and steady as ever, seemingly used to such scenes.

Simon was about to say something when Nora's frosty voice rang out. "I'd advise you to calm down a little. Otherwise, not only will you not get any money, but you'll also have to pay for these cups!"

Henry sneered, "Why? Are you planning to become deadbeats and not give me any money? If so, I don't mind making this matter known to the public! I'll show everyone outside how the Andersons are hogging the Smiths' Carefree Pill!"

Nora asked lazily, "Who says the Carefree Pill belongs to my mother?"

As soon as she said that, everyone looked at her in shock.

Simon wanted to ask something, but Melissa held his hand and shook her head lightly.

Henry turned and glared at her menacingly. “What did you say?”

Nora looked at the cups on the floor and said, “The Carefree Pill belongs to the Andersons. What does it have to do with the Smiths?”

Henry jumped onto his feet. “How can that be? It obviously belongs to your mother—”

“If my mother was the one who developed it, then why didn’t you open a pharmaceutical factory all these years? Wouldn’t you have made a fortune a long time ago?”

Nora spoke slowly and coolly, but her argument was a convincing one.

Both Simon and Melissa also looked at Henry hesitantly.

She was right. Why did Yvette hold on to the pill formula and keep it a secret from Henry?

Henry’s expression changed a few times.

How would he know anything about Carefree Pills or whatever it was called?

The books in the study upstairs were all Yvette’s. She had a lot of writings and drawings to do with a lot of different topics in there. After she had died, he couldn’t be bothered to take care of them at all, let alone know what they were.

Besides, even though he and Yvette were husband and wife in name, nobody knew that they had never consummated their marriage before. He was more like a nominal father that Yvette had given her daughter!

He didn’t understand why Yvette had taken a fancy to him, either...

Later, Yvette died. It should already be considered a blessing that he hadn’t taken all those things as rubbish and thrown them away. How would he possibly know that they were actually so valuable...

In the middle of Henry’s thoughts, Nora said, “I obviously found the formula at the Andersons’.”

Henry understood now—Nora was planning to push him away!

He immediately shouted, “Nora! You unfilial daughter! How dare you lie!”

Nora looked as calm as ever. She said, “I’m the one who took out the formula, so naturally, I have the final say as to where I took it from. You claim that the formula belongs to the Smiths. In that case, do you have any evidence to substantiate your claim?”

Henry, “!!”

He had immediately gone upstairs and entered Yvette’s study when he learned about the Carefree Pill. It was only then that he realized that it had long been cleaned out.

All the books had been burned.

Thus, he didn’t have any evidence at all!

If he had the Carefree Pill’s formula, he would’ve sold it to the Andersons’ competitors a long time ago. Why would he still have to come all the way here to beg others for money?!

Henry said angrily, “That’s just pure sophistry!”

“Really?” Nora took out her cell phone. “In that case, we can only call the police. Also, allow me to remind you that the cups you just broke are antiques from the 1600s worth hundreds of thousands of dollars. You have to pay for them.”

What she said daunted Henry. He frowned and said viciously, “Nora! You’re blackmailing me!”

Nora raised her phone. “So, shall I call the police?”

Henry, “!!”

He felt exactly as aggrieved and frustrated in this instant as how smug he had been just now!

Simon and Melissa had also recovered and caught on. Simon stood and said, “The Carefree Pill is said to have been developed by Yvette, but we, the Andersons, actually developed it ourselves. Mr. Smith, you have to provide evidence when you come straight here to snatch things from others. Do you have any evidence? If not, what you’re doing is tantamount to slander!”

Melissa's voice was gentle but stern. She said, "If you continue to pester us, we'll call the police, Mr. Smith."

At the sight of them becoming aggressive, Henry found himself at a loss at once. He exchanged a look with Wendy.

The wealthy families in New York were ultimately still a lot classier.

Henry was scared.

He coughed and said, "No matter who the Carefree Pill belongs to, we're ultimately still family. What's wrong with helping my second daughter to change a mentor?"

He looked at Nora again and said, "You'd rather help your cousin than your younger sister? Nora, how can you be so narrow-minded?"

Nora yawned as if she didn't hear him.

She pointed at the door. "Are you going to leave by yourself? Or do you want me to send you away?"

Upon seeing that being aggressive and unreasonable wasn't going to work anymore, Wendy decided to take a soft approach. She grabbed Nora's hand and said, "Nora, I know there are issues between us, but Mom treated you very well too. You can't just ignore your sister! Blood is thicker than water, Nora. The two of you are family!"

Nora, however, didn't bother listening to what she said at all. Instead, she held her wrist with a backhand and then, with a forceful pull, threw her out the door!

Then, Nora dusted off her hands and looked at Henry. There were a few gigantic words clearly written in her cat-like eyes: 'It's your turn now.'

Henry, "..."

In order to avoid being thrown out in such an embarrassing manner, Henry snorted and walked out himself. When he was passing by Nora, he stopped and said angrily, "I have legs; I can go by myself! Don't be too smug about this though, Nora! I'm your father. Just by this relationship alone, you'll never be able to get rid of me!"

The look in Nora's eyes was icy-cold.

She didn't say anything. Instead, she popped her wrist joints loudly, causing a frightened Henry to quicken his footsteps. Before he exited, he nevertheless couldn't stop himself from saying, "I won't give up so easily!"

After the two detestable people finally left, Nora went upstairs.

As soon as she entered her bedroom, her cell phone rang.

She looked down and saw that it was Lily. When she answered, Lily said, "Anti, the DNA test results are out!"

Nora looked up. Lily laughed and asked, "Is it you who's not your father's biological daughter, or is it your younger sister who isn't?"

Nora was taken aback by Lily's words.

She was already mentally prepared prior to the DNA test that she might not be Henry's daughter, but... When the truth was truly presented to her, apart from feeling a little surprised, she was actually more relieved than anything else.

Nora cast her eyes down and looked out the window.

She suddenly felt rather relieved.

It was human nature to want to be close to your parents.

Her mother had died early, so her father was her only kin in the world. In spite of that, her father had never hugged or kissed her even once in her entire life.

There were times where she found herself very envious when she looked at Henry carrying Angela dotingly.

In fact, she would even become very depressed and shut herself off from the world for a while during that time.

The little Nora couldn't help but wonder at that time if it was because she was too unlikeable. Was that why her father disliked her?

Later, she had closed off her heart and never opened it to outsiders ever again.

Everyone who knew her said that she was callous, but that was because no one had ever taught her what love was.

In her world, she had always been alone.

But as it turned out, it had never been her fault. It wasn't because she was not likable enough that Henry didn't like her; rather, it was because he wasn't her father.

Nora raised her eyes. Suddenly, she lowered her head and looked at the strands of hair that she had tugged off Henry's head when she was kicking him and Wendy out just now. The corners of her lips suddenly curled into a smile.

"In that case, let's check them all."

Although it was already confirmed, it was still better to have her DNA compared with Henry's, just in case.

Perhaps because she knew that she was eager to know the result, Lily replied, "Okay. I'll arrange for someone to pick it up right away."

Even the fastest express courier wouldn't be as fast as someone actually doing it themselves.

She had always had all her DNA tests done outside of the States.

Ten minutes later, someone came and collected the hair samples. They took the earliest flight overnight and went straight to where Lily was. Ten hours later, the samples reached Lily.

She forwent sleep to do the DNA test. Another four hours later, she had gotten the DNA test results!

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Henry and Wendy stood outside the Andersons' villa after they were kicked out. They glared furiously at the villa and stamped their feet.

Wendy couldn't stop herself from provoking Henry. She said, "Honestly, Nora is so... How can she do such an about-face the moment she made it big?"

Henry, who was red in the face with anger, gnashed his teeth in fury. The veins on his forehead were bulging as he said, "That unfilial daughter! I... I'm going to sue her!"

Wendy frowned. “Will the authorities really do anything about it, though? Also, do we still have the money to hire the best lawyer?”

Henry was irritated by her questions.

At this point, Miranda and Rachel also left the Andersons. The Woods’ car was parked outside the villa, but Miranda and Rachel didn’t get in the car after they exited the villa. Instead, they went over to Henry and Wendy.

Miranda sighed and said, “That younger sister of mine is just so cruel! The Andersons are indeed too unkind about this!”

Rachel pursed her lips and said, “Exactly. Does Nora really think she’s a daughter of the Andersons? A woman who has no shame and became pregnant before marriage is even abandoning her father now? That’s unforgivable!”

Henry and Wendy, who weren’t expecting them to say that, were momentarily dumbfounded.

Wendy was the first to recover. She stepped forward, took Miranda’s arm, and said, “The two of us are really pitiful. Not only did we painstakingly raise her into an adult, but Nora was in poor health when she was a child, so we even frequently sent her to the hospital... I didn’t expect her to be so rebellious. We only reprimanded her a little after she made us sad, but she’s become so distant and alienated! Sigh!”

Miranda immediately replied, “That won’t do.”

Next to her, Rachel also chimed in. “Look at how pitiful the two of them are, Mom. Why don’t you help them out?”

Miranda hesitated when she heard her suggestion. She said, “But that’s your aunt, after all...”

Rachel straightened her back and said, “It’s only right to be on the side of justice rather than one’s family, Mom. You know that, right? C’mon, help them out!”

Miranda sighed. “Oh, alright. I happen to have a friend here...”

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The night passed peacefully for everyone.

Melissa was still worried before she went to bed. She said, "Your father seems like a real piece of work to me, Nora. Will they kick up another fuss?"

Nora, however, replied openly, "There's always a solution to a problem, Aunt Melissa. Don't worry."

Melissa nodded and went downstairs. She complained to Mrs. Anderson, "Yvette was such a proud woman back then. Why did she have to pick such a shameless scoundrel like him?"

Mrs. Anderson heaved a huge sigh. "Everything is predestined in one's life!"

Simon also heaved a deep sigh. The three of them looked at each other and then, they raised their heads and looked at Nora's bedroom upstairs in the end.

Melissa sighed. "Not only did her mother die when she was young, but her father doesn't love her, either. The most pitiful one here is actually Nora. Her father embarrassed her so badly today and even ranted at others. Nora must be very sad!"

Simon nodded. "Yeah. How was she when you talked to her just now?"

Melissa replied, "Nora is a sensible girl. She has always been one who's afraid to report anything but good news. Even when you ask her how she's doing at home, all she says is that everything is fine. How would she possibly show us her pain? She's probably crying upstairs now."

Simon and Mrs. Anderson's hearts ached for her at once.

However, Nora, whom the trio had mistaken to be secretly crying, had already taken a shower and was asleep in the bed with her son in her arms.

The night passed peacefully.

It was the weekend the next day, so Pete didn't have to go to school.

Nora was also finally able to sleep in. However, she was awakened by the noise downstairs.

She frowned and got up. As soon as she stepped out of her room, she heard Simon's angry shout from downstairs.

"We're not accepting any interviews!"

Melissa was reprimanding the other party. She threatened, "I'm calling the security guards if all of you don't leave!"

A female stranger was talking to them. "Hello, good day. An attitude like that won't solve anything at all. I'm Roxanne, a reporter. Ms. Smith's father called me and told me that she's refusing to acknowledge them as family after a wealthy family took her in. We're here to mediate!"

Simon shouted, "Turn off the camera first!"

Roxanne said, "Don't be so agitated, sir. This is a live broadcast; the more agitated you are, the more people will feel that you're in the wrong! Let's calm down. Why don't you tell me what has really happened first? All of you are family. There's no grudge or feud among family that cannot be mediated."

Melissa frowned. "We don't need mediation."

Roxanne spoke calmly and unhurriedly. "You're not Ms. Smith, so you cannot represent her. May I know where Ms. Smith is?"

Henry's voice came over at this point. He said, "She must be still sleeping! That daughter of mine has been fat and lazy since she was a child. She never gets out of bed until the sun is shining brightly in the sky!"

Roxanne asked, "What's going on, Mr. Smith? Doesn't she have to work?"

Henry stood in front of the camera to the live-stream. With a frown and a plaintive look on his face, he replied, "No, she's unemployed. When she was with us, she mooched off her aunt and me. I heard that she also hasn't been working ever since the Andersons took her back with them. It's already ten in the morning, yet she's still asleep. Neither does she take care of her child, but leaves them to survive on their own instead. Sigh!"

Melissa said, "Nora sleeps in because she's in poor health! She lost a lot of blood during labor back then, so she doesn't have much energy and has to sleep more than what ordinary people do! Also, ever since she moved to the

Andersons, Nora has never asked us for living expenses! She has a source of income!”

Wendy sighed. “That’s because you don’t know that her income comes from the small company that her mother owned before she died, Melissa. There are thousands of dollars in dividends every month from the company...”

Melissa was about to speak when Henry held his hands behind his back and said fiercely, “I’m just here for my child today. I’m not trying to take her from you! It’s just that I’m ultimately still her father. How can the Andersons just take her here after they found her, and forbid her from contacting me? We’re family! Blood is thicker than water!”

His eyes reddened as he spoke.

Henry was actually decent-looking. He had a squarish face, thick eyebrows, and big eyes, making him look like an upright man. His behavior instantly sparked intense discussion among netizens.

People were leaving comments at high speed in Roxanne’s live-stream:

‘She’s refusing to acknowledge her father? What kind of reasoning is that?’

‘That Cinderella must find her father too tacky after she became a princess!’

‘The Andersons are too much. They look like decent human beings, but how can they stop them from acknowledging each other?! They’re father and daughter, after all!’

‘Ms. Smith is still asleep even at this time? She sounds like such an unreliable person... What’s the point of bringing such a woman back home?’

‘Wow, is this what the wealthy look like? That house looks so high-end!’

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All sorts of discussions filled the live-stream.

No one knew who it was, but someone had put money into the live-stream and increased the traffic, causing Roxanne’s live-stream to instantly have more than a million viewers.

Everyone loved gossip. Moreover, this was about the secrets of the rich. Once one entered the live-stream, they would want to know what exactly was going on.

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In the university.

Tina, who was surfing the Internet on her cell phone, accidentally saw a post on Angela's social media. She immediately broke into a smile and entered the live-stream

Tina raised her eyebrows when she saw the exciting content inside.

Tsk.

How lively.

She had originally kept Angela with her just to give Nora trouble, but she didn't expect to receive such a surprise!

Abandoning one's father—now, that was an awful offense to be known for among the wealthy.

After all, one was indebted to their parents for raising them, no matter what.

Besides, most of the general public sympathized with the underdog, causing the comments to be filled with condemning voices directed at Ms. Smith!

Tina smiled. Suddenly, she picked up her cell phone and paid to promote the live-stream on social media so that it would trend. At the same time, she also got a group of trolls to leave comments in the live-stream.

'The Andersons? Aren't they the family behind Harmonia Pharmacy?'

'Harmonia Pharmacy? The one selling traditional medicine? Their medicines are pretty good. I've always thought that people in the field of medicine are kind-hearted, but unexpectedly, they're actually involved in gossip like this?'

'Ms. Smith's aunt, too. She speaks in a nice way, but why does she feel so annoying? Why does she keep stopping them from getting Ms. Smith to come downstairs? It's as if she's deliberately stopping the father and daughter from being reunited.'

'That's why I say that the richer one is, the stingier they are!'

'Boycott Harmonia Pharmacy! I'm never buying medicines from them ever again!'

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The comments were full of condemnation.

In the live-stream, Henry was still accusing Nora of various unfilial behaviors. His words made most of the parents watching the live-stream tear up.

"I just want to acknowledge my daughter again and ensure that she's doing well. You can't just spoil her like that and let her stay at home all day! She needs to be self-reliant! I didn't painstakingly raise her to let her sink into such depravity..."

Melissa found Henry shameless to the extreme. She yelled angrily, "Nora has been locked up at home by you ever since she was a child, and has never been out of the house. Which part of that was painstaking for you?!"

Henry sighed. "Yes, that's right. She's not in good health, so schools didn't want to accept her. On top of that, she has low self-esteem because she's so fat, so she also refuses to go to school. I was the one who taught her and raised her into an adult at home."

Melissa retorted, "You raised her into an adult? It's a blessing that you didn't starve her to death!"

Henry's eyes flickered the moment she said that.

Wendy, however, started to cry. She said, "That's too much, Melissa! Nora has been fat ever since she was a child. We fed her as much as she wanted, so why would she go hungry? If she had gone hungry, would she have become that fat?"

Melissa, "!!"

Her obesity was because of hormonal injections, of course!

After being injected with hormones, even plain water would make one gain weight.

How could these two people distort the truth like that?!

Wendy lowered her head again and held her hand over her mouth as she sobbed.

“The only time I didn’t keep an eye on Nora was when she went out and fooled around, causing her to become pregnant before marriage. She even insisted on giving birth to the child after that. Her father and I didn’t want her to, so she fell out with us...”

Roxanne asked, “Why didn’t the two of you want her to?”

A fake Wendy replied, “The child’s father is a ruffian. He didn’t even dare to come to us to ask for her hand in marriage. Moreover, Nora was only 19 years old at that time, so of course, we did everything with her interests in mind! It’s also because of this that she distanced herself from us. She insisted on giving birth and moving abroad. We continued to support her financially. It’s because we know that she doesn’t like living with us that we even sent her money for her living expenses every month. But Mrs. Anderson, anyone who has family, and anyone who has a daughter, would know that we made the right decision! How can you use that to sow discord between the father and daughter?”

Another intense discussion broke out in the comments:

‘What the f*ck! So, it’s because of this that they fell out!’

‘A ruffian? Getting pregnant when you aren’t even married yet? Seems that Ms. Smith is a real piece of work. She hasn’t even appeared yet, but I already dislike her!’

‘If I were her parents, I would definitely want to beat her to death! Her father and stepmother have done well enough. Not only did they send her abroad, but they even raised her child for her!’

‘Gosh, how can such an insensible daughter exist?’

Melissa held her chest in fury. The elderly Mrs. Anderson, who was sitting on the sofa in the room, was livid when she heard the arguing outside.

Wealthy families were very particular about handling matters in a low-key manner.

Yet, Henry had actually brought such a huge crowd with him and set up a live-stream?

He was trying to thoroughly embarrass the Andersons!

How was this a reconciliatory live-stream? They were obviously trying to force them to give in again!

Mrs. Anderson slammed her walking stick against the floor a few times in anger. It was at this point that Nora came downstairs from the upper floor. She yawned and said lazily, "Don't be angry, Grandma."