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Luna stared at Nigel and let out an exhale. "If you still want to blame Joshua and me for everything that happened, then toss me into the abyss instead! My son is still young, so please don't make his life difficult! I'm willing to give you my life in exchange for his! "

Fiona could not help but snicker when she heard this. She cackled in laughter as she sliced through another one of the ropes. "You want to give me your life in exchange for Nigel's? How naive are you, Luna? Although I'm upset at what you did..."

She raised her eyebrows and sneered. "You're worth nothing to Joshua at all, but it's different for Nigel. Joshua's blood is coursing through Nigel's veins at this moment, and he's his offspring, after all. If I keep Nigel here, it's equivalent to keeping Joshua's heart here. Why would I let Nigel—such an important person—go in exchange for a worthless woman like you?"

Luna's entire body stiffened upon hearing this. After a moment, she bit down on her lip.

Fiona was right.

She was worth nothing to Joshua at all. He did not care about her.

As soon as she caught sight of the disappointed look in Luna's eyes, a glint of triumph flashed through Fiona's heart. This was what she wanted to achieve!

Fiona knew that if she did not come to Yellowstone

Village to take Nigel hostage, she would not be able to get out of this alive!

This morning, she had received a phone call from Christian, saying that he had found evidence of her murdering Violet, as well as proof of her plotting Shaun Lewis' murder alongside Dr. Robert.

Both Violet and Shaun Lewis' deaths were her ideas. Even though Violet's fall was an accident, Fiona had been behind this all along.

On the day of Violet's death, she and Violet had actually plotted to shove Christian off the rooftop together.

Fiona had hidden a camera in the corner of the rooftop. Initially, she had planned to let Violet push Christian off the roof so that she could use the footage to threaten her.

Her plan was intricate and perfectly thought-out. However, Christian was not a predictable person.

In the end, the one who fell off the roof was Violet.

Fiona was afraid that Violet would come clean to the police about their plan to murder Christian, so she brought the camera along with her to the hospital, intending to use it to threaten Violet, but to her surprise, she accidentally caught the incident of Dr. Robert choking Violet to death on video.

Dr. Robert soon discovered that she was there.

After that, Shaun Lewis found out about some secrets he should not have known, so Fiona and Dr. Robert planned his accident together.

Fiona thought that no one would find out about all this, but unbeknownst to her, Dr. Robert had kept all evidence of their wrongdoings hidden in his office at the hospital abroad.

The night before, Christian had broken into Dr. Robert's office and managed to obtain the evidence.

Fiona knew that aside from her lies to Joshua, her involvement in Violet and Shaun Lewis' murder would soon be exposed to the public. Since there was no way of getting out of prosecution, she decided that she would take things into her own hands and kill herself before the police caught her!

Of course, if she could manage to drive a wedge between Joshua and Luna before she died, that would be the cherry on top.

As soon as she thought of this, she curled her lips into a sneer. "What's wrong? Are you unwilling to face the truth?"

With that, she lowered her head to fiddle with the knife in her hand while chuckling at the same time. "Why don't you tell her yourself, Joshua? Tell her what she means to you."

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Joshua narrowed his eyes.

He knew that Fiona's question—and her fiddling with that knife—was a form of threat.

He knew what answer Fiona wanted to hear, so he let out an exhale and curled his lips into a smirk. "She means nothing to me. I've never loved her in the past, in the present, nor will I ever do in the future.

"The only reason I treated her kindly is that she bore three children for me, that's all."

Nigel, who was still tied onto the rock, clenched his fists as soon as he heard Joshua's words.

Meanwhile, the color drained from Luna's face. Even though she knew Joshua was simply telling the truth, but...

It was one thing to know this but an entirely different thing altogether to hear those cold, heartless words tumbling out of Joshua's mouth.

He had never loved her, and she had never meant anything to him at all.

Luna let out an exhale and tried to force herself not to fixate on this. All of her attention should be focused on saving Nigel instead, but no matter how hard she tried, she still could not help feeling an ache in her heart. After all...

This was the man she had loved for many years.

She loved him unconditionally for so long, but he had never taken her love and sacrifices to heart.

There was no way she could dismiss and not feel hurt by all of this.

On the other hand, Fiona could not help but let out a cackle when she heard Joshua's words. She knew better than anyone that Joshua was lying through his teeth, but she still enjoyed watching Luna's disappointment.

"Well, since you're so honest, Mr. Lynch. I want to give you a reward." With that, Fiona sliced through another piece of rope holding Nigel together.

Now there were only four ropes holding Nigel in the air.

His tiny frame dangled above the steep drop, shaking slightly in the rain and wind.

Luna was so distraught by this sight that her eyes reddened. She had no idea how to stop this crazy woman from hurting her son.

Luna did not dare lunge forward to save Nigel, lest she startled Fiona and caused her to cut through all the ropes altogether.

Yet, at the same time, she could not sit by and let time pass because Fiona had said that each rope would represent an hour of their time. With only four ropes left, this meant they had only four hours left to save Nigel!

Luna bit down on her lip and pleaded, her voice shaking, "Fiona, if you want to kill someone, then kill me, please? Please don't hurt Nigel... He's only six! The one who searched for evidence to expose you was me, not him! "

With that, she let out an exhale and extended her left hand with a look of determination. "If I remember correctly, you were the one who ordered the bodyguard to crush my finger, right? He even told me that for every day I continued to remain in the mental asylum, he'd crush one of my fingers."

Luna lifted her head to fixate her unfaltering gaze on Fiona. "I've been your target since the start, so if I'm willing to self-mutilate my remaining nine fingers in front of you, will you let Nigel go?"

Not only Fiona, but even Joshua and Nigel's eyes widened in shock upon hearing this. Nigel, who had been silent all this while, immediately started screaming, "Mommy! What nonsense are you talking about?! Your hand... You're a designer! "

The fear, terror, and concern over Luna's safety finally made him crack. He stared at Luna with tears streaming down his face. "Mommy, I'm not scared of dying. I'm not scared at all."

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"When I was diagnosed with a terminal illness, I was mentally prepared to die. Having the opportunity to have a bone marrow transplant and prolong my life to spend time with my Mommy and Nellie, I'm already satisfied."

Nigel's tears were mixed with the rainwater. His voice was so hoarse that he did not sound like a child anymore. "Maybe Neil just misses me too much, Mommy. You don't need to hurt yourself nor sacrifice your life for me... Honestly, I don't care about that much! "

Luna felt her heart ache upon hearing these words and could not hold back her tears any longer.

She bit down on her lip and picked up the nearest rock she could grab, wanting to smash her own fingers. "Fiona, if I really break all remaining nine fingers of mine, will you promise to let Nigel go and take me instead?"

Seeing how desperate Luna and Nigel were, Fiona let out a vicious laugh. "Alright ! If you really crush all nine of your remaining fingers, then I'll let Nigel go and let you take his place! "

She stared at Luna's hand, her face etched with a despicable grin. "Come on! You know, I have never seen anyone smashing their own fingers with a rock before. You can be the first! But remember, it must be completely crushed. I do have medical knowledge, so don't you dare try to lie to me."

Luna closed her eyes, and suddenly, even though her fingers were still intact, she could already feel the sharp pain spreading through her hands. The pain reminded her of her

experience in the mental asylum, the pain she felt when her little finger was smashed, the kind of pain that tore you apart as if every single cell in your body were resisting it.

However, she knew the only way to save her child was to satisfy Fiona.

Nothing was more important than her child's life, not even her own fingers.

The man she loved dearly never loved her back, but these children brought nothing but love and kindness into her life. Whether it was Nigel, Neil, or Nellie, all of them were her precious children.

She could not lose any of them...not even a single one!

As soon as she thought of this, Luna gritted her teeth, summoning every ounce of strength and courage in her body, and swung the rock down toward her hand—

“Luna! Are you out of your mind?”

Right before the rock hit her fingers, Joshua lunged forward, grabbed hold of her hand, and tossed the rock away.

As soon as the rock landed on the ground with a thud, Fiona cut another one of the ropes with her knife.

With that, only three ropes held Nigel up, dangling him over the cliff.

Nigel's body dipped downward without warning, but he managed to grab the remaining ropes to stop himself from falling off the cliff.

Luna felt as though her heart would plunge down the cliff at any moment with Nigel. She bit down on her lip, pushed Joshua away, and lunged toward Fiona.

Just after a few steps, however, Fiona put her knife on the three remaining pieces of rope and threatened, “Stop! Don't you dare come any closer! ”

Luna froze. She was so nervous that her legs gave out, and she kneeled on the ground, begging, “Fiona

Please tell me what you want... I'll give you anything that I can...”

Fiona narrowed her eyes. "What I want, you can never give."

"Then how about me?" Joshua let out an exhale and asked, "Am I able to give you what she can't?"

Fiona slowly narrowed her eyes slightly but did not reply.

Joshua continued, still staring at her, "The reason you're doing all this is that we found out about your fake disease. On the other hand... Christian called the cops on you abroad, didn't he?"

Fiona's entire body lurched when she heard this.

"What if I can protect you and save you from going to jail? What if I'm willing to marry you? Do you still want to do all this?"

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As soon as Joshua finished his sentence, it was so silent that only the sound of the wind could be heard.

Fiona narrowed her eyes and first glanced coldly at Joshua, then at Luna. Then, all of a sudden, she sneered. "You're lying to me."

She turned to look at Nigel who, at this moment, had only three pieces of rope holding him onto the giant rock, and curled her lips into a bitter smile. "There's no going back anymore, now that I've done something like this! "

"How do you know that? " Joshua let out an exhale and continued, "Fiona, you know better than anyone that if there's someone out there who can help you get out of this and guarantee you an entire lifetime of safety, that person is me."

With that, he took a step forward and said, staring at Fiona with a gentle expression. "Fiona, I know that you're trying to get your revenge by taking Nigel's life alongside yours, but at the same time, you'll be dying, too. I don't believe you when you say you don't have anything left

to look forward to in this world. If you release Nigel right now and let Luna take him away from Banyan City... I promise I'll treat you well in the future."

Fiona bit down on her lip upon hearing this.

It was not that she wanted to die. After all, she was only 20, so she still had a long way to go in life.

However, she could not stand living her life in poverty anymore. This was why as soon as she found out her bone marrow was compatible with Nigel's, she enlisted Dr. Robert's help to forge a diagnosis of terminal illness so that she could stay by Joshua's side for the rest of her life.

She did not want to die either, but...

Fiona lifted her head and stared at Joshua with red-rimmed eyes. "You're lying to me; you can't possibly protect me. If you wanted to, you wouldn't have

tried to expose me, and I wouldn't even be in this situation in the first place!"

Joshua's expression darkened when he saw Fiona's response. He knew that his guesses were correct.

Fiona was doing this simply because she thought she had no other choice. In reality, she did not want to die at all.

She was a greedy woman.

How could a greedy person possibly give up living, knowing that there was wealth and prosperity still left in this world?

Joshua let out an exhale and tried to steady his voice. "Fiona, if you still want to live, believe me when I say I'm your only choice."

With that, he took out a contract from his pocket and proffered it to Fiona. "If you don't believe my words, then we can sign a contract. If after you let go of Nigel and returned home with me, and I failed to protect and marry you, then all of the assets belonging to Lynch Group will be transferred to your name."

Fiona widened her eyes in shock upon hearing this.

Luna, too, furrowed her brows. When did Joshua even have time to draw up this contract?

She had been with him the entire day, but how did she not notice him doing this?

Besides...

To transfer all of Lynch Group's assets to Fiona's name if he failed to protect her...was a heavy bet to place.

"Come nearer. I can't see clearly!" Fiona squinted to read the contract in Joshua's hand, but because the words were too small, she could not make out anything at all.

Joshua took one, then two steps forward, his calm gaze still fixated on Fiona.

On his third step, however, Fiona suddenly brought the knife up and warned, as though she recalled something, "Stop!"

She could not let Joshua come any closer.

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Joshua was a strong man. Fiona knew that if he came up to her, there was a very high chance she would not be able to win in a physical fight against him.

Therefore, she narrowed her eyes, put the knife closer to the rope tied on Nigel, and threatened, "Wrap the contract around a rock and toss it over!"

Joshua froze in his step, and his expression darkened as soon as he heard this.

However, he still followed suit. He crouched down to pick up a rock and chuckled. "What are you worried about? I've promised to marry you and vowed to protect you. Do you really think I'll break that promise?"

"If you act so defensively against me, what will our future be like?"

There was a hint of kindness in his harsh, emotionless words.

Joshua had never talked to Luna like this before, so she was puzzled for a moment, trying to figure out if Joshua meant it or if he was simply trying to trick Fiona.

However, one thing was clear: Joshua had never displayed this warmth and kindness toward her at all.

Joshua put both the contract and the rock into a plastic bag and tossed it over to Fiona as instructed. The rock landed at her feet with a thud.

Just as Fiona bent down to pick up the bag, Joshua turned to shoot Luna a meaningful look.

When Fiona stood up again, he turned his head back to face her and smiled at her.

Fiona opened the contract, and there it was, clearly written, (Joshua Lynch will protect Fiona Blake against any foreign police that wanted to prosecute her from the crime she committed and will marry her and take care of her until the end of her days.

[If he fails to achieve any of the clauses, all assets down to every single penny of Lynch Group will be hereby transferred to her name.]

Seeing the contract in her hand, Fiona suddenly felt like changing her mind.

She did not want to die at all. What if...

What if Joshua could truly help her avoid

prosecution for the murder of Violet and Shaun Lewis and take care of her for the rest of her life?

If he kept to his promise, why would she choose to die?

However...

She lifted her head and stared at Joshua with a cold expression. Although she was faltering, she knew she could not show her true emotions. "Why did you draw up this contract?"

Joshua replied without any hesitation, "You know what I care about.

"When we first met you, you already knew what I cared about most in this world. None of that has changed."

Fiona's hands started shaking.

When she and Joshua first met, he was trying to save Nigel's life by getting a suitable bone marrow donor for his transplant. During that time, Joshua thought Fiona was dying from her disease, so when she asked him to be with her, he agreed without a second thought.

All this while, Joshua treated her like a princess, giving her nothing but the best.

Although he could not give her his love or physical intimacy, he had already provided the best for her. Therefore...

If she let go of Nigel, would she and Joshua be able to return to what they used to be?

As soon as she thought of this, Fiona bit down on her lip.

Although she knew that Joshua was a man of his word, she still did not think she could release Nigel just like that.

"If you think I'm lying and won't be able to protect or take care of you, then you can sign this contract

and take away all of my assets." Joshua could tell that Fiona was hesitating, so he added, "There's nothing for you to lose on signing this contract."

Fiona fell into silence for a moment. Then, finally, she gave in to his words.

She put down the knife, lowered her head to grab the pen inside the plastic bag, and wanted to sign the contract. However, there seemed to be something

wrong with the pen, and its ink came out a little choppy.

Fiona furrowed her brows and struggled to put her name on the contract, looking a little frustrated. As soon as she lowered her head to sign the contract, Joshua narrowed his eyes and lunged toward her –