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Chapter 66 Their Daddy Is A Rich Man

Gavin looked at them, and Jasper threw his bag at him.

Catching the bag, Gavin responded, "Yup, I'm living with Daddy."

"How does Daddy look like then? Is he handsome?"

Not replying a word, Jasper merely shook his head and locked his arm around Jesse's shoulder, dragging her to the classroom.

"Time for class!"

"Jasper, stop pretending! Don't you want to know what Daddy looks like?"

Jesse shoved his hand away and slipped hers into Gavin's arm like a fangirl.

"Tell me! Is Daddy handsome?"

Gavin nodded with a smile as he noticed the eagerness on Jesse's face.

"Yes, he's—"

"So what if he's handsome? He's mean!"

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Jasper couldn't help but complain when he thought about how Benjamin shouted at him the last time.

Zachary looked at Jasper, thinking that the latter had been whining about their father ever since he met the man.

"How do you know?" Jesse turned to Jasper, confused.

The boy raised his brows as he tried to come up with something. Just then, Jesse's eyes lit up all of a sudden.

"I knew it! Gavin must've shown you Daddy's photo just now!"

"I didn't, but I did tell him that Daddy is mean," Gavin said calmly.

"Is he? Will he hit us, then?" Jesse continued to question.

"No, he won't." Gavin gave her an assuring look as Benjamin had never laid a finger on him.

"Do you have Daddy's photo, then?"

Without taking out the photo as requested by Jesse, Gavin merely glanced at them and said, "Daddy looks very much like us."

"Wow! He must be very handsome!" Jesse smiled, crinkling her eyes.

"Let's go back to the class now!"

With that, Gavin held Jesse's hand and headed toward the classroom while beckoning the rest to catch up.

Oliver leaned toward Jasper, trying to sniff around for information. "So, how do you feel after meeting Daddy?"

"He's mean!" Jasper replied curtly.

Oliver twitched his lips upon hearing that. "Was it because you did something wrong?"

"I didn't!" Jasper huffed.

"Is Daddy super rich?"

Jasper inched closer and whispered next to his ear, "What do you think?"

Unable to contain his excitement, Oliver covered his mouth, grinning cheerfully.

"Wow! So our daddy is rich!"

Indeed, their father was the richest man in the country.

Seeing what a money-face his brother was, Zachary rolled his eyes. "Behave yourself, or you'll look like an idiot!"

Oliver snorted. "Why were you guys hiding there a moment ago?"

"To exposed Danna," Zachary answered softly.

Oliver took his phone out immediately. He couldn't help smiling when he saw the internet flooded with criticisms against that woman.

"Evil woman! It serves you just right!"

"Who is this Kingsley Watts?"

"He's Daddy's friend." Jasper swept a glance at him.

When they stepped foot into the classroom, everyone gasped in astonishment.

"Woah! Why do they look exactly the same?"

"There're five of them!"

"Yeah! All five look the same, and they're handsome!"

Meanwhile, Danna was abruptly woken up by her manager's call.

"Danna, something bad has happened!"

Frowning, Danna asked impatiently, "What's going on?"

“Take a look at Twitter now! I’ve gotten some ghostwriters to save your reputation. You’d better talk to Kingsley first before anything.” The manager appeared anxious.

Nonetheless, Danna wasn’t any bit worried. She assumed that it was something between her and Benjamin on the trending.

“Is it about my marriage with Benjamin?”

“It’s not! Why would I be so worried if that’s the case? It’s about you mistreating a child, and it’s a severe allegation! You’d better have a look yourself now!”

Upon hearing from her manager, Danna’s heart skipped a beat. She quickly logged into her Twitter account as soon as the call ended.

Then, she found a few trending topics about her, including some criticisms from the authority.

Her face turned green after going through the content.

Kingsley Watts must be out of his mind!

She called up the man without any hesitation.

At the moment, Kingsley was about to meet Benjamin when he received the call from Danna in the car.

He disconnected the call without answering since he had always disliked her.

Nonetheless, Danna called again.

Turning his Bluetooth speaker on, Kingsley finally answered as he drove.

“Kingsley Watts! What have you done? How could you post those things out?”

Danna’s ear-piercing voice sounded from the other side of the line. She was different from her usual ladylike demeanor.

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Chapter 67 Has She Come To Work

Raising his brows, Kingsley smirked and turned on the recording mode.

“Didn’t you do all those things, Danna Adams? Do you think Benjamin would allow you to mistreat Gavin just because you think you’re going to be his wife? He can still divorce you at any time after getting married.”

What kind of woman is this? She doesn’t deserve to be a mother at all!

“You can’t accuse me of things that I never did.” Danna decided not to admit it.

“Hah! How can you be so shameless? Are you saying that Gavin was the one who lied and accused his own mother?”

Danna’s face contorted with anger as she could not refute any words. She had already been exposed in front of Benjamin anyway.

“You have no right to reprimand me here. Even Benjamin never says a word, who are you to speak to me like this!” she snapped.

“How arrogant you are, Ms. Adams! I’ll play along with you, then!”

The Watts family was no fool, either.

“Delete the postings and make a public apology!” Danna yelled frantically.

“Sorry. I won’t do it. See you! Actually, I’d better not see you anymore! I might vomit my meal out seeing your face. Take my advice—stop embarrassing yourself!” Kingsley retorted and hung up the call immediately. He headed off to Graham Group as planned.

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Arissa was busy getting herself familiarized with the businesses upon entering Graham Group. She was unaware of what was going viral online at that moment.

Ethen quickly came forward to report the news as soon as Benjamin arrived at the company.

“Mr. Graham, Ms. Adams has become the trending topic on the internet.”

Ethen looked at Benjamin cautiously as he was speaking. The latter headed straight to his office without any changes in his emotion.

“It was Mr. Watts who exposed the news that Ms. Adams mistreated Gavin.”

Benjamin’s eyes flickered upon hearing that. Kingsley did that?

“Give me your phone!”

Ethen handed his phone over to Benjamin immediately. The latter flipped through the news and tossed the phone back to him.

“Mr. Graham, should we suppress the news?”

Even Ethen was unsure of Benjamin’s attitude toward Danna.

It was hard to tell if the latter was still in love with that woman. After all, she was the only woman who could approach Benjamin during these few years.

“Get Kingsley here now!” Benjamin ordered without answering the question.

As he walked toward his desk, he paused in his tracks suddenly and turned around to face Ethen.

“What’s the progress on the thing I asked you to do last night?”

Ethen gulped and felt his skin crawl at that moment. "I've called Mr. Bailey earlier. It will take another two more hours."

Hearing that, Benjamin scoffed, "When has Shaun become so inefficient?"

Unable to reply, Ethen could only lower his head. He had already urged Shaun a few times, yet the man seemed to be taking his sweet time on this matter.

Taking his seat behind the desk, Benjamin asked casually, "Has she come to work?"

Ethen was taken aback upon hearing that.

Meeting his gaze with Benjamin's, he nodded immediately.

"Yes, she's here. I've already let her familiarize herself with the work."

Benjamin's eyes flickered. Then, he said, "Let's have a meeting after ten minutes. Get her to join in!"

Ten minutes later?

Ethen looked at Benjamin and asked for further instruction, "What's the meeting agenda?"

There was no regular meeting on that day, after all.

Without answering, Benjamin shot him a glare with a domineering aura.

Ethen dared not ask further and quickly passed the message down to notify every department of the upcoming meeting.

Arissa packed up the meeting material and headed to the meeting venue as soon as she received the notice.

She was the first one in the meeting room before anyone else.

After looking around the meeting room with seating cards on the table, she found her name and went straight to her seat.

Within a few minutes, the rest of the managers came in gradually. Everyone was surprised when they noticed a beautiful woman in the meeting room.

“Hmm? Why is there a beauty here?”

“Who is she?”

“Since when did such a beautiful woman join our company?”

Everyone who attended the meeting was long-time colleagues. They introduced themselves to Arissa one after another when they saw the new face.

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Chapter 68 Reprimanded On First Day Of Work

Arissa rose to her feet and greeted everyone with a smile.

“Hi, everyone, I’m Arissa from the IT department. It’s my first day at work today. Pleasure meeting you guys!”

“From the IT department?”

“What a waste for such a beautiful woman to work in the IT department!”

“I’ll give you better treatment if you join my department! How about it? It’s an easy job in my department. We are only busy at the end of every month to get payment received on time. Other than that period, we are pretty relaxed.”

Arissa was amused looking at the enthusiasm displayed by her new colleagues.

She politely rejected the offer. "I don't know anything other than IT-related matters."

"That's not an issue! I'll teach you!"

"Hey! How can you shamelessly poach her in broad daylight?"

Everyone was teasing each other and getting to know their new colleague before Benjamin's arrival.

Meanwhile, Ethen followed closely behind Benjamin as they strode toward the meeting room while reporting to the latter his agenda.

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As they neared the meeting room, Benjamin frowned upon hearing the unusual merriness coming from inside.

Stepping in, he glanced across the room and saw everyone surrounding Arissa. A flash of coldness flickered in his eyes instantly.

"Ahem!"

Having worked for Benjamin for many years, Ethen could sense something was amiss with his boss and quickly signaled the rest.

Everyone took their seats accordingly as soon as they realized Benjamin's arrival.

"It seems like Ms. York is quite popular here!"

Arissa was left standing by herself and meeting Benjamin's gaze as everyone took their seats.

She was stunned at the man's sarcastic remark.

Nevertheless, she replied with a smile, "I'm flattered, Mr. Graham."

Giving him a hard stare, she did not budge an inch.

Benjamin looked intently at her for a brief moment before averting his gaze and taking his seat.

Seeing that, Arissa heaved a sigh of relief.

“Take a seat, Arissa!”

Her colleague sitting next to her signaled her to take a seat softly.

Arissa responded with a polite smile and sat down.

Benjamin shot a glare at her colleague. Noticing the man’s gaze, no one dared to speak a word.

“Report to me your progression of work now,” Benjamin ordered grimly.

With that, Ethen gestured to start with the finance department.

Despite the satisfactory progress of the finance department, Benjamin did not let the manager pass easily.

“I’ll get someone to replace you if you can’t get the bad debts settled soon!”

Arissa glanced at the man at the head of the table.

He was a stern man who exuded a natural domineering aura like a leader’s.

One could easily be intimidated by him when he wasn’t smiling.

At that moment, the entire meeting room went silent as everyone became stiffened, noticing that their boss didn’t seem to be in a good mood that day.

Sure enough, all the department managers had gotten reprimanded.

Watching the miserable looks on the faces of the meeting attendees, Ethen secretly sneaked a peek at the grim-faced man.

Is Mr. Graham angry because of Ms. York or Ms. Adams?

When it came to Arissa's turn to speak, Ethen gestured that she remain seated after rising to her feet.

"I've just taken over the IT department today and am still in the process of figuring everything out. Therefore, I'm unsure of the current progress. Apologies, Mr. Graham. Please give me another day."

With his gaze lowered, Benjamin seemed to be in deep thoughts. No one could tell if he was listening or not.

Without an order from him, nobody dared to speak further.

Arissa felt unnerved seeing no response from Benjamin, too.

"Mr. Graham!" Ethen reminded Benjamin politely.

Hearing that, Benjamin looked up and swept a glance at Arissa.

The neckline of her dress was slightly low, revealing a morsel of her cleavage. She still looked inexplicably sexy.

Benjamin's face darkened upon noticing that.

"Report to me before the lunch break today!"

Arissa was rendered speechless.

Everyone widened their eyes in shock, too. It was clear that Benjamin was challenging Arissa.

How could Mr. Graham give only half a day to Arissa when she just joined the company today?

It wasn't a small company, after all. No one could finish reading all the reports in half a day.

Even Ethen felt Benjamin was being too harsh and wanted to plead on behalf of Arissa. "Mr. Graham..."

Nonetheless, he gulped and swallowed the words as soon as he met Benjamin's cold gaze.

"Why? You can't do it?" Benjamin provoked while fixing his gaze on Arissa.

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Chapter 69 Inexplicable Anger

A fit of inexplicable anger surged when Benjamin swept his gaze over Arissa's fair neck.

How dare she wear that to work!

His face turned even more grim as he remembered how those people surrounded her earlier.

Arissa felt that Benjamin was intentionally picking on her.

However, she did not flinch. Instead, she took on the challenge.

"Sure. I'll resign if I fail to deliver."

Instantly, everyone gave her a look of admiration for her courage to retort Benjamin on the first day of work.

Having heard that, Benjamin raised his brows at her audacity.

Ethen looked at his boss, who remained silent, and cleared his throat before shouting, "Next!"

Arisa let out a sigh of relief when the next person in line started reporting.

It was only her first day of work, and her boss was already finding fault with her.

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Despite Benjamin's strict requirements, she was no fool either.

Sensing an intent gaze on her, Arissa looked over but saw no one looking at her.

She was slightly stunned. Am I imagining things?

Without thinking further, she averted her gaze and focused on the progress reported by other departments, trying to catch up with the pace of the existing business.

Suddenly, a phone vibrated loudly. Benjamin's face darkened as his gaze swept across the table.

Everyone looked at each other as it was a known fact that Benjamin disliked getting disrupted during meetings.

As such, they had turned their phones off before coming into the meeting room.

"Sorry about that!"

Arisa was shocked when her phone vibrated and turned it off hastily.

She felt awkward to be watched by everyone at that moment.

"Switch it off for meetings next time!" Benjamin stated as he shot daggers at her.

"Understood!" Arissa nodded anxiously.

How could I forget to switch off the phone earlier!

After a while, she was shocked when a phone rang out again.

Quickly, she checked her phone to double confirm that it wasn't hers.

Everyone's gaze landed on the phone before Benjamin.

Arissa followed the direction where everyone was looking. She froze when her gaze met Benjamin's.

"Mr. Graham, it's your phone," Ethen whispered to the man.

Benjamin looked down calmly at the phone. His eyes turned grim upon seeing the caller's name on the screen and disconnected it directly.

Nevertheless, it seemed like the caller was being stubborn as the phone rang the second time.

Sitting next to Benjamin, Ethen was well aware of who was calling.

Then, Benjamin set his phone on silent mode and flipped the phone facing down on the table before gesturing for the meeting to be carried on.

About half an hour later, the meeting finally came to an end.

"Arissa York!" Benjamin called out all of a sudden.

"Yes, Mr. Graham." Arissa looked up at the man upon hearing her name.

Benjamin gestured her to stand up. She did it obediently, though she had no idea of his intention.

"Let's give Ms. York a warm welcome to our company!"

With that, Benjamin clapped, and the rest of the managers did the same.

"Welcome aboard, Ms. York!"

Arissa was shocked. Then, she replied smilingly, "It's a pleasure to work with you guys."

Then, Benjamin grabbed his phone from the table and left the meeting room after shooting another glance at her.

As soon as he left, everyone started surrounding Arissa. "Ms. York, Mr. Graham is a nice person despite his strict requirements. Regardless, it was bold of you to speak to him that way just now! We respect you for that!"

Arissa was amused. "I was only trying to be honest!"

Yet, everyone still looked at her with admiration.

"Ms. York, I'm impressed too! All the best!" Even Ethen gave her a thumbs-up.

Just then, Benjamin's voice sounded. Ethen then quickly grabbed his stuff and ran out of the room.

He felt his skin crawl when Benjamin shot him a sharp glance.

"What is it, Mr. Graham?"

"They are too noisy!" Benjamin said without any expression on his face. He glanced at the meeting room one last time before walking away.

Is there too much noise? Ethen scratched his head perplexedly.

Indeed, the meeting room was pretty lively with the sound of laughter. He then knocked on the door.

"All right, everyone! Let's get back to work now before we get reprimanded again!"

Everyone turned to look at him and asked softly, "Did Mr. Graham say that?"

Ethen merely responded with a look. Seeing that, no one dared to stay any longer.

"Ms. York, just let us know if you need any help."

Arissa picked up her notebook and replied politely, "No worries! I can manage."

With that, she strode toward her office to get back to work.

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Chapter 70 Another Illegitimate Child

Benjamin chucked his phone into his pocket after the meeting. He made his way back to his office, where Kingsley had already been waiting for him inside.

With a grim look on his face, an unmistakable aura of tension emanated bleakly off Benjamin. When Kingsley noticed that, he tensed up with anxiety.

“Listen to me, Boss. Let me explain!” uttered Kingsley.

With his dark, brooding gaze, Benjamin cast a piercing side-eye at him that shot shivers right down Kingsley’s spine.

Without haste, Kingsley cleared his throat and explained, “Boss, how can you still take it lying down after your precious Sweetheart was mistreated? Even if you can take it under your stride, I can’t hold back any longer!” Even though he was agitated, Kingsley did not expose Gavin and the reason he was here, which was to see if Benjamin’s paternal love would surmount feelings over an old flame.

"Who gave you the picture?" asked Benjamin, glaring from the corners of his eyes. The answer to that was obvious, but he wanted to hear it from Kingsley.

"Well, I saw it on Gavin's phone!" replied Kingsley.

As Benjamin's somber face remained emotionless, Kingsley could not fathom what was on his mind.

Meanwhile, Danna was still trying to get Benjamin on the phone. With his gaze darkened, Benjamin felt the wrath of fury rage through him as he retrieved his phone.

Kingsley sensed that and extended his head out with a glance. "Hah! To think she has the cheek to call you up now. I'm sure she is going to plead for her innocence. Don't forget how she threatened me earlier on."

"She threatened you?" Benjamin rolled his eyes up in a curious gaze at Kingsley.

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Kingsley handed over a recording and said, "I think you already know about it. Danna is still adamant that she didn't do it. She sure is cruel. How can she bear to do that to her own child, especially when Gavin is so adorable?"

Continuing on, Kingsley said, "She thought you would marry her because of Gavin. When you refused, she vented her anger on the poor kid. How inhumane! Are you aware that Danna had mistreated Gavin in the past?"

Benjamin's dashing face turned sullenly grim after he heard that.

In a split second, Kingsley shot a forceful glance at him. "You are his father. I'm asking you if you are aware!"

"If I had known this earlier, I wouldn't have let her mistreat my son," fumed Benjamin as he glared back at Kingsley vehemently.

Kingsley pursed his lips in reaction to Benjamin's response. In fact, it relieved him to know that Benjamin was livid, as this meant Gavin mattered to him after all.

"Stay far away from a vicious woman like that. Nothing good can come out of a woman who mistreats her own child," advised Kingsley.

With a glint in his eyes, Benjamin wondered if Shaun had the DNA test results ready over at the hospital. Without further ado, he called Shaun personally. "Hey, are the test results out yet?"

"Not yet. It's going to take a while," replied Shaun as he nuzzled his nose. As it turned out, the test machine stalled after he dozed off the night before. He fixed the test machine in a frenzy after he woke up from his slumber. Hence, that inevitably resulted in a delay with the test results.

"You are waning in inefficiency these days, Shaun. It's getting from bad to worse!" grumbled Benjamin.

Faced with Benjamin's criticism, Shaun tried to laugh it off awkwardly. "Well, you can't blame me for the broken machine. What's the hurry, anyway? By the way, whose DNA test is this? Please don't tell me you have another illegitimate child somewhere out there again?"

With a dour look written all over his face, Benjamin hung up the phone without another word.

Kingsley, who listened on to the conversation, peered momentarily at Benjamin. Treading on thin ice, he asked Benjamin cautiously, "Is it true that you have an illegitimate child?" Good gracious, this guy is something indeed. He looks like he's disinterested in women, yet he has an illegitimate child on the side. I can't even catch up with his moves at the rate he's going. Since he already has Gavin, I really wonder whose child it is.

Benjamin caught sight of Kingsley's inquisitive face. Even though he knew what went on in the latter's mind, he couldn't be bothered to explain himself.

Notwithstanding his curiosity, Kingsley pressed on, "So, whose child is it?"

Benjamin glowered at him without answering his question. "Next time, give me a heads up before releasing any news publicly!"

With his eyebrows raised, Kingsley was miffed. Hey, it wasn't me.

"Are you feeling sorry for that woman? My heart aches for Gavin the Sweetheart. What tough luck for him to be borne to a callous pair of parents. No one loves him in this world!" Kingsley lamented sarcastically.

With his upturned eyes narrowed, cold-blooded hostility crept up all over Benjamin when he heard that.

Kingsley quivered slightly and stopped short, biting his tongue in apprehension when he noticed that. With an awkward chuckle, he muttered, "Tell me the truth. Doesn't it break your heart to see Gavin like this? What are you going to do about it?"

"Since you unearthed the news, handle the aftermath yourself! Just stop the excessive exposure of Gavin from now," warned Benjamin coldly. He did not want the current events to do more harm than good to Gavin in his formative years.

"Then, let me get the internet ghostwriters to divert public attention by changing the tides," cajoled Kingsley carefully.

The netizens were torn between two opposing camps for now. While one camp gravitated toward sympathy for Gavin, the other camp were mainly internet ghostwriters hired by Danna to back her up. Hence, it was necessary to shift the focus away from Gavin in order for the public to redirect their attention to Danna.