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"I'll meet you back in our room later. You can head out without me." I told Monica as people swarmed past us after the game.

Monica frowned, confused. "Wait. Where are you going?"

I hesitated, "I'm goingdtoiam. I need to talk to him."

"Are you serious? Are you going to ask him out or something?" Monica asked, her eyes going wide with delight.

clear some things up with him."

I shook my head. She was always jumping to conclusions, "No! I'm just going to go

"But what about—" Monica continued but I cut her o. I didn't want Liam to leave without me seeing him.

"Just go! I'll meet you back at the dorms." I turned and headed for the locker room.

He'd been actinglike some bodywho cared Liamhad been sweet he'd been

What I didn't want to tell Monica just yet was that I had to see Liam because I had to

get answers from him. Liam I know, was a playboy. Everybody new this about him. But the way he'd been acting with me since yesterday was...confusing.

protective, he'd gone out of his way to show care. I knew that anybody else would

take this as a sign of something signicant. But I couldn't get the feeling out of my head that he was toying with me. It felt like he was a sly cate who was toying with his latest favorite mouse, just before

That would be insane and delusional of me. But, I just had to get some sort of clarity about what was going on between us. My anxiety would remain crazy if I didn't.

he gobbled it whole. I hand tout what he and I were. It wasn't like I thought that all

of a sudden just because he'd slept with me, we were boyfriend and girlfriend.

As I was heading toward the locker rooms, Ava, the she-wolf that Noah had cheated on me with, stepped directly in my path.

smack it right o. I refused to respond, trying to step around Ava. But she wouldn't let me. She just kept

"You're looking for Noah, aren't you?" Ava said, a smug look on her face. I wanted to

"Ava, get out of my way," I said, my voice low and steady.

blocking my way. I couldn't move forward at all.

Ava rolled her eyes as if the seriousness in my voice was nothing but a game. "Noah and I just had a one-night-stand. That's it. I'm not trying to steal him away from you."

My head reared back in shock. I couldn't believe what I was hearing. Ava was talking about sleeping with my boyfriend, like it was no big deal. Like I should just get over it and move on. It felt like I was in a completely dierent dimension.

"Get over yourself, Ella. You should be glad Noah isn't the Gravens brother that I'm

"Are you kidding me right now?" I said, just looking.

even interested in," Ava said.

anyway."

Wow. Just wow. "So, it's Liam that you're after."

Ava shrugged, a small grin on her face. She looked like she was oh so proud of herself: Who wouldn't want the Alpha? Just look at me. That's who I deserve

she-wolf in the room. She could practically get whoever, or whatever she wanted. But apparently, that didn't include Liam. "You're a pathetic attention seeker, you know that? So what? Liam wasn't interested

Ava had always know she was hot and everyone treated her like she was the sexiest

in you so you settle for Noah?" "Shut up, bitch," Ava growled. Her eyes turned furious and her body took on a subtly

crouch like she was getting ready to pounce on me. I took a stepmack but stood

or anybody else, anymore."

"I don't care what you think of me. And I certainly don't care what Noah does with you,

I swung the door open with all the strength I had in me. And came face to face with a room full of werewolves.

I turned and continued toward the locker rooms which were right ahead.

The entire hockey team was in the middle of undressing. They were slipping their

jersey's and padding o . Half the team was completely bare chested. I froze. What in

the world had I been thinking! Of course they'd all still be here. I was expecting that Liam would be here by himself, waiting for me. But that was just plain stupid. My face began to turn bright red. My entire body felt like it was going to

combust. "What is she doing here?" one of the players said.

"I, I'm looking for..." I couldn't get the words out of my mouth. Why couldn't I just get

the words out like a normal person?

"Uh, duh, duh," the player said, imitating my stutter. The entire room of male wolves started to laugh at me.

Just then, Noah came from around the corner, his eyes widening in surprise. Then he

put on a smug smile. "Oh, sapalby decided to come looking for me?"

"I wasn't...? tried,but again,the wordswouldn'tomeout. All of thesehuge muscular bodies in one room, just staring at me was too much. I knew they were

this. "What, you want me to date you publicly, that's why you're here isn't it?" Noah said. His teammates laughed even harder. He looked around the room loving that he was a

loving how a silly human girl like me thought she could just barge into their space like

throw you a bone. Sure, I'll agree to date you publicly. Even though your just a human girl and nothing more," Noah said with a snare.

we're all too happy to share," Noah said.

"No-" I said, slowding my voice again.

part of giving them a show. Even if it was my expense.

"Noah—"I couldn'tbelievethe disgustingvayhe wastreatingne in frontof everybody. I thought he would at least treat me better. "But you're going to have to share me with someone else, of course. You know that

werewolves don't stick to one human girlfriend. Everybody wants a piece of us, and

"I don't know why you keep begging me to be your boyfriend. But you know what, I'll

The room erupted in laughter and one of his teammates walked up and clapped him on the back encouragingly. It was then I found my voice. There was no way in hell I was going to let him walk all over me. Not again.

earlier. The person I spent all last night with." That wiped the smug look right o Noah's face.

room frame, the doors swung wide open. Liam stood there, glaring at Noah. "And just

"I'm not here for you Noah. You're nothing to me," I said loudly. "I'm actually here

"You want to know who gave me more pleasure last night than you ever did. It was

looking for the person that gave me those hickeys you were so concerned about

Noah growled. "You're lying." He said, his voice low and menacing. "Actually, no she's not." I turned adoluiamtoleaning up against the locker

so we're clear, Noah, from now on, Ella is mine."

Liam, your brother. That's who I came looking for."

"Excuse me?" Noah said.