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Joshua's deep voice carried a twinge of arrogance. It made Adrian and Michael both shudder. Everything went silent for a moment inside the room.
Adrian was the first to finally regain his composure. He forced out a smile and said, "You're kidding, right, Joshua? No matter what, Celia is your aunt, my wife, and Michael's mother She didn't do anything harmful, so why did you send her to the police station?"
Joshua crossed his arms around his chest and swept his cold glance over Adrian's wet

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clothes. "Where have you been?"

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Adrian let out an awkward smile. "II didn't go anywhere."
Joshua did not reply and, instead, just stared at him coldly.
Joshua's aura was so strong and domineering that it seemed to suffocate the people around him.
Adrian was so nervous that he started shaking. He followed Joshua's gaze, which was locked on his clothes, and immediately replied, "Just now, I Just now, I accidentally fell into a man-made lake."
Joshua curled his lips into a smirk and fixated his penetrating stare on Adrian. "I mean before that. Where were you when Celia held a knife to Neil's neck and threatened Granny Lynch to give her the antidote to save your useless son?"
Adrian was stunned by Joshua's words.

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"This" Adrian furrowed his brows and glanced at Joshua, then turned to look at Michael. "Michael, what happened?"
Michael lowered his head and did not dare look at either of them. "It'sjust like what he said. This morning, I heard that Granny Lynch was about to get the antidote today, so I told Mother I told her I was poisoned too and that it'd be great if I could get the antidote After all, I'm still young, and Granny Lynch is old, so it can only prolong her life by a few more days. As soon as Mother heard what I said, she told me she'd find a way."
With that, Michael bit on his lip and lowered his head like a guilty child. "I thought Mother would succeed because that old hag cares about nothing else apart from the three young ones, but who would've thought She didn't return with the antidote, and instead, I received news from the nurse thatthe police had taken her away."
As he talked, he started sobbing, "This was the thing I wanted to tell you: that Joshua had sent Mother to the police station Father, what now? If something happened to Mother I don't want to live anymore!"
The room was filled with Michael's on and off crying.

Joshua stood by the door, and the look in his eyes turned colder than before. He could not believe this weak and useless Michael was Granny Lynch's grandson and his brother.
Adrian felt annoyed by how ugly Michael looked when he cried and shot him a glare. "Shut up! You're a man; why are you crying? Your mother has been arrested, but what she did wasn't that bad. Do you think she won't be released?"
As he spoke, he peeked at Joshua out of the corner of his eye. "Also, Joshua is your brother. He's family! We're a family under the same roof. Is there anything that can't be sorted out between us? Your mother will be fine, so stop crying! "
With that, Adrian turned around and looked at Joshua expectantly. "Aren't I right, Joshua?"
Joshua could not help but smirk at Adrian's words. The situation was already bad, yet Adrian was still using 'family' as an excuse in hopes that Joshua would let Celia go.
Joshua shifted into a more comfortable position and leaned against the door. He glanced at Adrian impassively and said, "The punishment that Celia will receive isn't my call, and instead, up to the law, but"

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Joshua shot Adrian a cold glare and said, "You have to come with me right now."

Adrian furrowed his brows upon hearing this. "

Where to?"

"Where else?" Joshua curled his lips into a sneer. "Granny has refused to take the antidote, and her condition is deteriorating. Your sister died many years ago, and you're her only son now. Do you need me to teach you what you should be doing?"

Adrian froze for a moment, then suddenly realized that Joshua wanted him to pay his respects to Granny Lynch before she passed. He narrowed his eyes and said, "Joshua, I understand what you're trying to say, and it's not like I'm refusing to pay my respects to Mother."

With that, he turned, plopped down on the sofa next to him, and gazed at Joshua with a triumphant look. "But you must have something to offer me in return for helping you, don't you?"

Joshua stared at him. "Are you asking something in return for paying respects to your own mother?"

"Of course." Adrian crossed his legs and said gleefully, "After all, it's bad luck to stay by a dying person's bedside. Am I asking too much to get something in return for this?"

Joshua continued to stare at him coldly but did not say a word.

"Actually, my requests are simple." Adrian let out a yawn. "The first is to release Celia immediately and let her take care of Michael. You know how Michael is doing now—he can't survive without her.

"My second request is this." He curled his lips into a sneer and continued, "I remember that when you were seventeen, my mother left the Lynch family's assets to you, but she still kept something to herself; the factories located in the south of the city. Even though they bring in only a few million dollars of revenue, it's more than enough for me and Michael to live off of."

Adrian narrowed his eyes. "I want ownership of these factories to be transferred to my name after she dies."

Joshua's expression darkened when he heard this.

Joshua had been a businessman for many years, so he had encountered all sorts of people with strange and outrageous requests. However, this was the first time he had ever come across someone as shameless and selfish as Adrian, a man who would use paying his own mother respects as leverage for monetary gain.

The most ironic part was that this man was his father.

Joshua curled his lips into a small smile and turned to glance at Adrian. "I 've already told you this: I 'm not the one who gets to dictate whether or not Celia will be released from prison. I 'm also not the one in charge of Granny's inheritance, so I can't satisfy either of your requests."

Adrian sneered. "Since you can't satisfy my requests, how dare you even ask me to pay my respects to her?"

"You must do it." "In your dreams! "

As soon as he heard this, Joshua took out his phone and recited the information that Lucas had sent him, "Three years ago, Michael harassed a girl in Sea City, who retaliated against him. In response to this, he severely injured the girl but managed to escape jurisdiction for this.

"Five years ago in Merchant City, Michael harassed a girl who had a boyfriend and hit the boyfriend with his car, severely injuring him, and causing him to end up in a vegetative state...

"Six years ago..."

Joshua's voice was cold and hard, and the atmosphere in the ward immediately turned as cold as ice.

Michael listened to all this dazedly, and the fear on his face grew more and more amplified with each word.

"Stop, stop! "He clutched his head. "I don't want to go to jail. I don't want to! "

With that, he lifted his head to glare at Adrian. "He wants you to visit that old hag, so do it! If he calls the police and exposes all my crimes..."

Michael started crying and whimpered, "I don't want to go to jail! "

Adrian narrowed his eyes, but before he could say anything, Joshua flipped a page in the PDF that Lucas had sent him and continued, "Twenty years ago, on the day that my mother died during labor in Central Hospital, Mr. Adrian Lynch met with the chief obstetrician in charge of her surgery, bringing three hundred thousand dollars along with him."

With that, he lifted his head to stare at Adrian. "Since you don't want to pay your respects to Granny, Master Lynch, do you want me to track the doctor down and find out what you said to him the day you gave him the money?"

The color drained from Adrian's face as soon as he heard this.

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Adrian never thought that Joshua would be able to uncover secrets that happened more than zo years ago, even before he was born!

Adrian immediately broke out in cold sweats. He stood up and said in a shaky voice, "Does this... Does this mean that if I visit Mother now, you won't... track down the doctor who tried to save your mother?"

Joshua glanced at him. "What do you think?"

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"I..." Adrian let out an exhale. "I think that as long as I visit Mother now, you'll let all of this go!"

With that, he circled past Joshua, hurried down the hallway, and disappeared from view.

Joshua narrowed his eyes as he watched Adrian leave. He curled his lips into a smirk and tucked his phone away.

Of course he would not let Adrian off the hook so quickly.

No one —apart from Rianna herself—could forgive Adrian for what he had done. Alas, she had been dead for more than 20 years.

The only reason Joshua did this was to soothe Granny's worries about the rivalry between him and Adrian as much as possible before she passed.

Joshua knew that if Rianna was alive, she would approve of this decision.

"Hey, Joshua." Michael gulped as he leaned against the headboard, staring at the tall, slender man standing at the door. "If you don't want to let my mother out... Can you at least get me a few more nurses to look after me?"

Joshua raised his eyebrows and glanced at Michael. "How many nurses do you have now?"

Michael bit down on his lip. "I have...four."

Joshua shot Michael a cold glare and replied curtly, "Well, then, you'll only have one starting tomorrow."

With that, he turned and strode out of the room.

Michael's bandaged hands clenched into fists as he watched Joshua leave.

Joshua's mention of Rianna's death had truly shocked Adrian to the core. The next few days, Adrian spent most of his time at the hospital. If he was not visiting Michael, he sat next to Granny Lynch's bedside.

Granny Lynch's health deteriorated day by day.

Joshua had rejected all the projects that required his supervision and spent all his waking hours in Granny Lynch's ward, staying by her side.

Granny had taken care of him for more than 20 years. Because of this, Joshua did not want to miss out on even a minute spent with her as her end approached.

Luna, too, spent most of her time in her studio along with the children, making a piece of personalized jewelry for Granny.

Three days later, Nellie arrived at Granny's ward, prancing in joy and clutching a jewelry box in her hands.

"Great-Granny, let me put this one for you, " she chirruped, smiling as she removed the finished jewelry from the jewelry box and carefully put it on for Granny.

It had only been a few days since they last saw Granny, but she had lost so much weight that she was practically unrecognizable. She laid against the bed feebly, looking as though she was barely breathing.

However, despite feeling so weak, Granny was still delighted to receive this handmade jewelry from Nellie. She smiled and held Nellie's hands in hers. "I can rest in peace...having this handmade jewelry that you designed and made especially for me."

Nellie clutched Granny's hand in reassurance. "Great-Granny, Daddy told me that if you wear the jewelry that I made for you, you'll be able to get reborn as my elder again."

"Of course I will. I want nothing more than to be your elder again. " Granny Lynch lifted her head to glance at Luna.

Luna looked exhausted, and her dark circles were glaringly obvious. Granny Lynch sighed when she noticed this and asked, "You must be exhausted, aren't you?"

Granny knew better than anyone that even though the three children had participated in the jewelry making as well, Luna was still the one who had taken up the brunt of the work.

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"Don't worry about it." Luna tucked a few stray hairs behind her ear and continued, "As long as you're happy."

Granny Lynch closed her eyes and was about to say something when all of sudden, she coughed out a mouthful of blood and passed out.

This had happened a few times prior, so Joshua immediately brought Luna and the children out of the ward and summoned some doctors for help.

The five of them stood outside the glass window of the ICU and watched as the doctors desperately tried to save Granny Lynch.

All of them were saddened at this sight. Nellie was sobbing while Nigel wiped away his tears in silence.

Even Neil, who was usually the strong one, teared up at this sight.

Luna walked over to Joshua's side and gently grabbed hold of his hand.

"Get out of the way! " All of a sudden, Dr. Janet emerged from the elevator and stormed into Granny's room.

She injected a white liquid into Granny Lynch's veins, and after a while, Granny Lynch woke up.

When the door was pushed open, Nellie was the first one to rush into the room. Nigel, too, wheeled Neil into the room behind her.

Granny Lynch, who had been so weak that she could barely talk, looked a little more alive at that point.

The doctors marveled at this sudden change. After all, they had done so many resuscitations on Granny Lynch to know that it usually took an hour for Granny to regain consciousness.

Therefore, it was a miracle that Granny Lynch suddenly regained her strength.

Seeing that Granny's condition had improved, Dr. Janet let out a sigh of relief and left the room.

Joshua, however, stopped her. "What was the liquid that you injected into my Granny's veins?"

Dr. Janet glanced at him and replied, "Well, what else would it be, apart from the antidote that the Landry family formulated?"

Joshua furrowed his brows upon hearing this. "Didn't the Landry family stop making the antidote, and wasn't there only one bottle left in the entire world?"

Dr. Janet nodded. "Don't you remember the medicine

—the one that contained low concentrations of antidote—that Aura gave you earlier to help relieve some of the symptoms Granny was having?"

Joshua narrowed his eyes. "Was that the one you used just now?"

The antidote that Aura had given took three days to arrive in Banyan City from overseas. While they were waiting for the full vial of antidote to arrive, Aura had used low concentrations of antidote to sustain Granny Lynch's life.

They had already used up all of it, did they not?

Dr. Janet could tell that Joshua was puzzled by this, so she curled her lips into a smile and explained, "Aura had given me three bottles that contained trace amounts of antidote to help Granny, and those three bottles were labeled with numbers.

"However, those numbers weren't in sequence at all, so I guessed that Aura had probably hidden the rest somewhere. I rummaged through the suitcase that she stowed away in the hospital and found another bottle.

"To my surprise, even after I found the additional bottle, the numbers still didn't line up, so I'm guessing that she probably has a lot more stashed away somewhere."

Joshua and Luna's faces lit up as soon as they heard this.

This meant that if they managed to find the bottles of antidote that Aura had hidden, they would be able to sustain Granny Lynch for a while longer!

However...

Luna pursed her lips. "It...will be difficult to find where Aura hid the antidote, right?"

On top of that, Aura was dead, but she was nonetheless a very secretive person when she was alive. Previously, Joshua and Bonnie had sent many men to track down her whereabouts, but even then, they could not find where she lived.

To find Aura's hideout in such a short span of time... would be equivalent to finding a needle in a haystack.

Just as Joshua and Luna lamented this, the door to Granny's ward was pushed open.

Neil wheeled himself out of the room and said, "I know where she would've hidden the antidote."

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Neil's appearance made Luna and Joshua pause.

After a moment, Luna walked over to Neil's side and squatted in front of him. She stared at the boy in the wheelchair, whose legs were still not fully recovered yet, and said, "Are you sure you want to help us find the antidote?"

Luna knew that after all the time Neil spent with Aura, he would definitely know where Aura's hideouts were, but according to the psychiatrist that counseled Neil previously, he had suffered too much psychological trauma from Aura.

If Neil wanted to heal from the trauma, he would have to stay away from Aura, including anything to do with her. The only way for him to leave all those traumatic memories behind would be to withdraw himself from anything related to Aura.

Only after leaving all those memories behind would Neil be able to maintain a healthy headspace and find the lost memories of his past.

Because of this, Luna had tried to steer him away during this time and not let him get involved with anything to do with Aura.

However, at a critical moment like this, he decided to step up and take this responsibility.

"Yes, I'm sure." Neil nodded as he stared earnestly at Luna. "Even though I've lost the memories of my past, Nigel and Nellie both told me that Great- Granny treated me well in the past. Besides, they're both so fond of Great-Granny; I wouldn't want them to be sad over her passing."

With that, he summoned all the strength in his body and forced out a grin on his pale face. "I've been helping Aura cause trouble to this family for such a long time now, and it's about time I step up and do something to help. Please let me do this, Mommy."

A surge of warmth spread through Luna's heart when she heard this. She let out a sigh, stood up, and told Joshua to take Neil away.

To track down Aura's hideout would not be an easy task, so neither Luna nor Joshua was willing to let Neil follow the bodyguards on his own.

Luna was a woman and therefore did not have much physical stamina for this exhausting task. On top of that, she had recently suffered an injury, so she could not go along with Neil.

Therefore, after some discussion with Joshua, they both decided that Joshua would bring Neil with him to search for the antidote while Luna remained at the hospital with Nigel and Nellie, staying with Granny Lynch.

After arriving at this conclusion, Joshua left with Neil and Lucas.

The only people who remained in the ward were Granny Lynch, Luna, Nigel, and Nellie.

Zach and Yuri were stationed outside the room to keep an eye out on things.

"Why are you going to all this trouble for me, now that I 'm already mentally prepared to die?" Granny Lynch let out a sigh after listening to Luna's explanation of what Joshua and the rest

had gone to do. She did not seem to be looking at Luna at all and instead seemed to be looking at something more distant.

"To me, there's no point living a few extra days anymore. I've already lived so many years now...and it's about time I go on and see them."

She was talking about her husband, daughter, and her beloved daughter-in-law, Rianna.

"But I want you to stay by my side for a few more days, Great-Granny."

Granny Lynch lifted her hand to stroke Nellie's hair. "My dear, why don't you ask Zach and Yuri to take you and your brother out for some ice cream? I'd like some ice cream too. How does that sound?"

Nellie froze. "Why do you feel like having ice cream all of a sudden, Great-Granny?"

It was already autumn, and the weather was starting to turn cold, so why was Granny Lynch craving ice cream?

"That's because when Great-Granny was dating your Great-Grandpa, he used to buy me ice cream all the time."

Nellie contemplated this for a moment, then nodded earnestly. "Alright, then! Nigel and I will buy you the best ice cream we can find! "

With that, she sprinted out of the room, clutching the hem of her skirt to avoid tripping.

The door swung shut behind her, and Luna and Granny Lynch were the only two who remained in the room.