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Chapter 218 She Was About to Turn Eighteen, Coolest Girl in Town

After hanging up, the men exchanged looks with each other and their gazes met for a short moment. However, they separated and left soon after that. As for Elise and Alexander, who were stuck in the burning building, they felt quite suffocated by the billowing smoke. Elise was significantly affected and she started to feel her world spinning in front of her. Though they were safe from the flames at the moment, the amount of carbon monoxide that they had taken in was significant too. "Hang in there! I'm about to break this door!"

Alexander practically used all of his might to smash the door while comforting Elise at the same time. However, in the next instance, she felt quite weak and collapsed to the ground in a heap. Just then, Alexander was so frantic that he managed to kick open the door with all of his might. Then, he rushed out of the burning building with Elise in his arms. ... Upon regaining consciousness once again, Elise found a snowy-white environment in front of her eyes.

The smell of antiseptic was a strong reminder to her that she was currently alive. She frowned slightly and moved her elbows slightly. She was just about to get up when both of her hands were suddenly held tightly in place. "Don't move. You just woke up but you need more rest." She lifted her head and suddenly became aware of Alexander's presence next to her. He looked quite haggard just then. "Are you fine? I thought we were in the fiery building earlier?" He quickly comforted her, "It's alright. Everything's fine. We're safe now." Upon hearing that, Elise heaved a sigh of relief but at the same time, she found it quite strange.

"Why did the place catch fire all of a sudden?" At her words, Elise realized that Alexander's expression had darkened significantly, which was why she pressed on, "Did someone intentionally set the place on fire? Don't keep things from me. I heard footsteps outside last night." Indeed, Alexander had intended to keep this from Elise to avoid her from fretting about it. At that point, however, he had to tell her the truth. "Yes, you're right. It was arson. This didn't happen by chance. This is attempted murder and the police are involved, so they will figure out who is the perpetrator.

'm quite sure that we will get the results soon enough, so don't worry too much about it. Your main priority right now is to rest and allow your body to recover from this ordeal." Despite his words, Elise felt that this incident was perhaps not as simple as it seemed.

Arson was a criminal offense, after all. However, Alexander seemed quite reluctant to continue this topic, so she ended up keeping her words to herself. At that moment, there was a knock at the door.

Shortly after that, Brendan walked into the room with a somber expression. He had his work cut out for him following the fiery destruction of his office. After all, all of the work designs were burned to a crisp and there were quite a few urgent contracts ongoing, so he was quite burdened at the moment. However, he couldn't seem to focus on anything else right now. "Alexander, Elise." Upon hearing that, Alexander lifted his head and shot Brendan a look. They had a strong brotherly bond, which was they mutually understood each other with just a single look.

Just then, Brendan pursed his lips and spoke up "Alexander, the men who set the fire have been identified and the police are working hard to capture them. However, the person behind all of this..." At that point, he seemed to become quite cautious. On the other hand, Alexander directly instructed, "I don't care who it is. I won't budge on this at all! Just think about it—if Elise and I hadn't been lucky enough to escape from the place, can you imagine the consequences?" Regardless, the answer was quite evident. At that point, Brendan fully understood his words.

"I understand, Alexander. I'll definitely deal with this properly; I won't let the perpetrator find a way out and get away with this." As he spoke, he looked toward Elise. "Elise, take a good rest. I'll be more at ease with Alexander here by your side. I've got something else to attend to, so I'll be on my way now." Elise, however, didn't quite understand the conversation between the two siblings but she asked anyway, "There's really no need to hide anything from me. You can be frank. After all, I'm one of the victims so I have the right to know too." Upon hearing that, Brendan couldn't quite figure out how to put it in words and he glanced at Alexander. Meanwhile, Alexander reached out and held Elise's hands tightly in his.

"It was Ashlyn. She was the one who instructed those men to set the place on fire." Elise's expression darkened instantly when she heard the name. "It's her again!" She gritted her teeth as she spit out those words and she silently clenched her fists tightly. This time, I won't give her a chance to get away with it! She must pay for this! "How do you plan to deal with this?" Elise asked in a cold voice, to which Alexander replied definitively, "Of course we'll hand it over to the police. Arson is a criminal offense, so she won't be able to get away from imprisonment."

Nonetheless, Elise was not content with merely such an outcome. "What if I can get hold of some more incriminating evidence on her? Does that mean we can put her behind bars for good?" Unbeknownst to Elise, her suggestion was exactly the same as Brendan and Alexander's actual intentions. In fact, they had intended to collect more evidence on Ashlyn so that she could be put behind bars longer. "Elise, you can hand me any evidence that you have. I won't let you down and I'll make sure that she rots in prison." However, she calmly responded, "I'll hand you the evidence later.

This time, I won't give her a chance to get away with this!" Elise meant what she said and this was the first time ever that she was so serious about something. As soon as Brendan and Alexander left the room, she immediately dialed Jamie's number. On the other end of the line, Jamie was hopping mad when he heard what had taken place. "What?! Boss, did that b*tch actually do that?! Are you alright? How are you feeling right now?"

"I'm fine. You just need to follow my instructions and collect incriminating evidence on her. Then, send all the information to the police." Upon hearing that, Jamie reassured her, "Don't worry, Boss! I'll definitely teach her a lesson!" As he was still quite enraged after hanging up the phone, he quickly started uncovering evidence on Ashlyn. Meanwhile, Brendan suddenly found himself exceptionally busy after his office was destroyed by the fire. He had a lot of prior contracts to handle and finish off properly, so work came to a standstill for the time being.

As for Elise, though she experienced some minor carbon monoxide poisoning, it was fortunate that she had been sent to the hospital in time. Hence, she was fit to be discharged after staying at the hospital for a couple of days, with Alexander by her side of course. The next time she heard the news of Ashlyn was from the newspapers. 'Ashlyn Lawson from the Lawson Group has been taken into custody under the suspicion of an attempted murder offense.' Meanwhile, Elise nonchalantly glanced at the heading but she didn't even bat an eyelid. After being discharged from the hospital, Alexander sent Elise back to school.

"Don't worry about handing in your draft to Brendan for the time being. He's not in a rush for it. You should pay more attention to your studies, though. It's nearly time for your final exams." Just then, Elise smiled impishly and stuck her tongue out. "Alright, alright! Why do I get the feeling that you're becoming more and more long-winded with each passing day?" She spoke while she unbuckled her seatbelt.

"You don't need to come pick me up after school. I'll go back with Danny." Alexander affirmed with a grunt and watched on as she walked off. Then, he drove off slowly. Although

they didn't get to spend too much time together lately, they were evidently closer than before. Just then, Alexander casually swept a look at the calendar in his car, and he recalled that Elise was about to turn eighteen soon.

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As soon as Elise entered the classroom, Jacinda saw her right away. Unlike before, the latter instantly took a book and covered her face in an attempt to diminish her presence, all the while hoping fervently that the other girl would not notice her. The incident with Ashlyn had been a huge lesson for Jacinda. She had also realized that she should try and avoid Elise as much as possible and not cross her path at school. Besides, Jacinda had also taken the initiative to apologize to Elise. "Elise, I made a lot of mistakes in the past. I shouldn't have spread rumors about you among our classmates and destroy your reputation.

I sincerely apologize for finding fault with you all this while. I'm sorry." Meanwhile, Elise was busy with her homework and she frowned upon hearing Jacinda's words. Then, she gradually lifted her head and glanced at Jacinda, who was standing in front of her. "Is this a trick?" Elise retorted, to which Jacinda immediately denied, "No, it's not. I truly want to apologize to you. We're classmates after all, so I really hope that we can get along peacefully." However, Elise ignored Jacinda and continued to work on her homework, which made the latter remain on tenterhooks.

"Elise, can you say something, please? I can't stand it and I'm quite frightened when you ignore me," Jacinda said with a whimper and it seemed that she was about to burst into tears the next minute. Elise, on the other hand, felt quite bothered by the commotion by her ears so she stopped writing. "If you don't have anything else to do, then you should go and do some worksheets. Stop focusing on me. I'm generally clear cut on my likes and dislikes so I'm warning you to stop bothering me!" As soon as Jacinda heard Elise's words, she finally felt at ease.

It's great that Elise hasn't taken everything to heart. From now on, I must stay away from her and not bother her. With that in mind, Jacinda went back to her seat mindfully and started to work on her worksheet. Elise noticed Jacinda walk off but she decided to ignore it. After completing her worksheet, she instinctively turned her head and murmured, "Mikayla, let's..." Before Elise could finish her sentence, she suddenly caught herself. Coming back to her

senses, she stared at Mikayla's empty seat and heaved a sigh. *Mikayla has been gone for quite some time now, but I'm still not used to things without her.*

I wonder how she's doing overseas. Just then, she felt slightly dejected as she pondered over the situation. Mikayla's the first friend I made in school but right now, I don't even know what's going on in her life. Resigned, Elise heaved a sigh. Subsequently, she shifted her gaze and continued to work on her worksheet, but she seemed to have lost all of her motivation. In the afternoon after school had ended, Elise walked out of school by herself along the walkway. As soon as she reached the entrance, she heard a loud honk and soon after that, her cell phone, which was in her pocket, rang. "Elise, it's me, Jack! I'm here and I'm slightly to the left in front of you. Get in the car." Elise turned to look in that direction as soon as she heard his words and indeed, she saw Jack's car.

Slightly perplexed, she made her way toward him anyway and knocked on his window. "What's up?" Meanwhile, Jack scanned his surroundings before turning to her. "What are you waiting for? Get inside! We won't be able to leave this place if my fans realize and swarm us!" And so, Elise had no choice but to enter the backseat of the car before shutting the door. Instantly after that, he started the ignition and drove off.

"So, what's going on exactly?" she asked. However, Jack maintained a secretive look. "I can't tell you anything yet, but I'll tell you when we get there." Meanwhile, Elise was totally in the dark regarding his intentions so she gave up and stopped asking. She took out a worksheet from her bag and started on it with a focused look in her eyes. As for Jack, he noticed that she didn't even give a response after such a prolonged period, so he took a look at her through the rearview mirror. He was caught by surprise upon glancing at her and he couldn't help mentioning, "I finally realize why you're so good in your studies.

I guess even the top students need to put in effort." Elise retorted without even lifting her head, "Don't tell me that you no longer have to put in any effort just because you're now a superstar?" There are always going to be talented people in this world. Without putting in any effort, the only end result would be being replaced by the up-and-coming new talents. "We're not exactly making an effort in the same direction." "That's true. After all, it's quite easy to be an idol but it's tough to maintain the popularity and exalted status of one." Jack did agree with what she said but today, he wasn't here to talk about this.

In fact, he was on a mission to complete a task on behalf of someone else. "Elise, aren't you curious about where we're headed?" Upon hearing that, she pursed her lips and replied, "I am curious, but will you tell me?" Meanwhile, Jack shook his head in response. He had

promised not to reveal a single thing until they arrived at the destination. "See—even if I'm curious, you wouldn't reveal anything anyway. Why would I let you have the pleasure of goading me, then? I might as well take the time to complete a couple of worksheets." Her logical thinking managed to render Jack speechless for the time being.

Nonetheless, it was quite lucky that they were about to arrive at their destination, so their topic came to a halt. Jack brought Elise to a familiar spot and after parking the car, she finally came to her senses and stopped writing immediately. "Why did you bring me here?" Jack shrugged in response. "What else could it be? She wants to see you." As soon as Elise heard him mention a girl, she was quite excited. "Do you mean Mikayla?! Is she back?" Jack responded with a grunt. "She's inside and she has been pestering me to see you, so I brought you to her."

Just then, Elise couldn't contain herself and as soon as the car came to a halt, she immediately opened the door to get out. "Has she recalled something? Does she remember me?" The glimmer in his eyes dimmed slightly as soon as the words left her mouth. Meanwhile, Jack opened the car door and got out. Then, he looked at Elise's silhouette and said, "She hasn't recalled anything, but she remembers you." He said this while he walked over to stand in front of Elise. "That's why when you see her later on, I hope that you can help me trigger her memory."

Jack had an earnest expression as he said this and Elise could somehow sense a slightly different emotion coming from him. However, that emotion seemed to dissipate very quickly as Jack managed to mask his feelings before she could even clearly identify anything. In the end, the two of them made their way toward Mikayla's house. At that moment, Mikayla was already waiting for them on the balcony upstairs and she beamed widely as soon as she saw them walk in.

Mikayla then called out, "Elise!" Meanwhile, Elise felt surreal upon hearing the familiar voice and she lifted her head to look at Mikayla. As soon as she saw the other girl, she smiled prettily. "Mikayla!" At that moment, Mikayla ran down the stairs in a hurry and rushed in front of Elise. Somehow, Mikayla had Elise on her mind the whole time the former was overseas.

Truth was, Mikayla had an unshakeable feeling that she must be very closely linked to Elise and that their friendship must have been like an unbreakable bond, which was why she had disregarded her family members' objections and returned to the country to seek Elise out. Mikayla intended to get Elise to help her with recovering her lost memories.

