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#### Chapter 291 She Doesn't Trust Him, Coolest Girl in Town

"Although the song has ended, the party goes on. Thanks everyone for showing up. Let's meet again next time!" After saying that, Elise lifted her dress, made a simple bow to the crowd, and left the stage quickly. Then, she slipped into Mikayla's lounge, changed, and took off her mask—everything was done in one swift move. She had just hidden the mask when the curtain at the door was suddenly lifted by someone. Next to the door, Addison stood there with a somber expression, and it turned into surprise when she caught sight of Elise. "Elise? What are you doing here?"

As she spoke, her eyes had already scanned through the entire room. That can't be, she thought. I clearly saw H coming this way. Why isn't she here? "I'm waiting for Mikayla here. She's the host, isn't she?" Elise answered without even flinching. Sensing something amiss with Elise, Addison asked suspiciously, "Was anyone else here?" Continuing with her pretense, Elise asked, "Does Mikayla count?" Disappointed, Addison thought, Looks like I really came looking in the wrong direction. "It's alright. Wait for her, then. I'm going back now." She was about to leave when she heard Mikayla trotting happily toward the lounge while calling Elise's name excitedly, "Elise, Elise! You sang so well!" When the last word left her lips, she happened to run face-to-face into Addison.

It didn't occur to Mikayla that there would be someone else besides Elise in the room, and thinking that she might have exposed her idol's secret, she was momentarily stumped for words. Meanwhile, Elise desperately cast her looks, but to no avail. Addison was no fool, and she glanced from left to right. Finally, she fixed her eyes on Elise, confirming her as the target and pointed at her. "You are H?" While there were people who adored H in a loud and flashy manner, there were also those who liked her in a silent manner, and Addison belonged to the latter group. The lyrics written by H accompanied her though all the important stages of her life, and their existence were akin to a religion for her. Never did she mention this to anyone else, and she would just like to cherish this by herself.

The moment the woman in a mask started singing on stage, Addison already recognized the voice, and she was literally the first one who tried to rush to the backstage. However, the security guard took his job very seriously, so she had to go downstairs and up again in a detour to sneak in through the back door, all for the sake of meeting H once. Seizing the uncertainty in Addison's voice, Elise decided to play it to her advantage by 'admitting' to it. Raising her chest, she said, "Yes, I'm the H who performed earlier." As she had expected, Addison would doubt her when she answered with such confidence. Narrowing her eyes, Addison tried to make sure again, asking, "So, it wouldn't be a problem if you sing one of H's famous songs, 'Zero', to prove yourself, right?"

With a shrug, Elise opened her mouth with the music, but this time, she deliberately changed her tone. "The things on the weekend..." Sure enough, she had barely finished two sentences when Addison crossed her arms over her chest and gestured for her to stop. "Stop! That's enough." She waved her hand, lowering her head in disappointment. "You're not her." She's merely someone who sounds closest to H so far, Addison thought. I was too impatient. Just like God, H is above everyone else and wouldn't show herself easily to the commoners. Seeing this, Mikayla decided to follow up with Elise's plan. Jumping behind Addison, she then clung onto her like a hook. "You're amazing! You can recognize her voice so quickly! She really sounds like H, doesn't she? I think so too, and that was why I begged her to come here and help me out.

So many people outside thought the same as you, thinking that H really came to Tissote University!" Awkwardly, Addison smiled, but she was secretly feeling helpless. Thanks to you, so many people just had a daydream! Then, she turned to Elise and saw that she still had a nonchalant look on her face, as though everything that happened to her were like fists hitting cotton and had no effect on her at all. I should really learn to be as composed as her! Nearby, Alexander watched all of Elise's expressions carefully, and he almost crushed the cell phone he was holding in his hand. This was the same way Elise got away with things in front of him. Exactly how many identities and secrets are this woman—the only one who caught my heart—hiding from me?

Regarding Sare, he had sought to verify it many times, but he only found out the truth from someone else in the end. Indeed, there weren't so many coincidences in this world. If there were, they were merely planned by some people. In her life, am I also one of the chess pieces she could manipulate as she likes? With this question in his mind, Alexander left the spot and waited for a while behind the door. When he saw Elise coming out, he hid behind a pillar in the hallway and gave her a call. Hearing the vibration of her cell phone, Elise stopped in her tracks and placed her phone next to her ear. "Hello, Mr. Griffith. Do you miss me a ton after not seeing me for just a day?" Alexander forced out a chuckle and diverted the topic bluntly. "Elise, are there two different people in this world with the exact same voice?'

"I don't know." Feeling rather lighthearted, Elise continued walking as she spoke. "But I think that's possible; otherwise, how can you explain the existence of twins?" Almost immediately, he replied, "So, are you and Sare the same person?" The expression on her face froze, and she stood frozen on the spot as her mind went blank. "What made you say that?" Furrowing his brows deeply, he gritted his teeth tightly and said slowly after controlling his emotions, "I compared your voice prints to that of Sare's, and it's almost a perfect match." Stepping out from behind the pillar, he slowly paced toward her. His eyes, which were fixed on her back, didn't blink or relax for even a second, and the unease in his heart was like a big, black patch of dark clouds hovering over the skies.

Even he didn't know what he was worried about, but he felt that Elise was so near and yet so far from himself at the same time, as though they couldn't face each other honestly, and he could never walk into her heart. Reaching out his hand, he was about to pat her shoulder and call out her name when he heard her voice from the call, saying casually, "It's only almost a perfect match." He hung his hand mid-air and froze there, unsure whether to move

forward or keep away. Relieved that he had used the word 'almost', Elise continued, "Since it's not a perfect match, that shows that it's only similar. Voice prints and IDs are the same. Everyone has their own unique voice prints and IDs. That can't be wrong."

The more she spoke, the softer her voice became, and when she sensed that he didn't want to continue the topic, she decided not to go on. "Are you really suspicious that I'm Sare?" she asked tentatively. But there was no reply from him, and she urged, "Alex, are you listening?" Behind her, Alexander turned off his phone slowly and stuck his hands into his pockets. Letting out a long sigh, he said with an exasperated look in his eyes, "I'm not suspicious. I know for sure that you're her."

For a moment, Elise was confused before she finally realized that the voice came from behind herself. Turning around, she then saw the hurt look on his face, and she asked in puzzlement, "What happened to you?" Alexander couldn't be sure whether he should laugh or cry; until now, Elise still didn't think that it was a big deal to hide her identity from him. However, when he gazed at her composed face, it suddenly struck him—she didn't trust him

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Is this the result of comparing the pros and cons after being together? Unwittingly, Alexander wondered just what kind of place he had in Elise's heart. Very quickly, Elise reacted to the situation. From the last thing he said on the phone, he sounded a little fluky. "What do you mean by what you just said?" She doesn't look like she wants to come clean at all, he thought speechlessly and opened the window containing information about Sare. Pacing to her, he then grabbed her hand and placed the phone on it. After making sure that she was holding the phone, he spun around and left without turning back.

Elise opened her mouth and wanted to stop him, but no words came out. Lifting the phone, she glanced at it and suddenly understood what was going on. From afar, she watched his back disappear into the endless night, and she sighed deeply. She didn't realize when it had started, but she was actually connected to and able to feel the pain of this man. Just like now, even though there wasn't any interaction, her spirit gradually fell glum as he walked further and further away. Previously, Alexander did mention that he hated being deceived the most, and she had stepped on his bottom line. Despite that, Elise didn't think that it was such an unforgivable act that she tried to hide her identity in order to protect herself.

Furthermore, her identity as the interpreter happened after they met, but there was simply no suitable opportunity for her to come clean. After all, she couldn't grab him suddenly and start pouring out to him all the skills she had learned since young. That would be similar to blowing her own trumpet; she couldn't do it, and neither would she do such a thing. All of a sudden, she felt a vibration on her hand, and it was a notification from Alexander's text messaging service. As he didn't set up a lockscreen, she could see the list of messages by just lifting her hand. There were some from the company and also from the Griffith brothers. Staring at the screen of the phone, she burst into a giggle out of the blue and muttered to herself, "Looks like he trusts me a lot."

A few seconds later, she gathered her emotions and kept the phone away in her backpack. As if nothing had happened, she paced toward the dorms. She had to admit that everything was very comfortable when both of them were together by themselves, and if she had to choose one person to spend the rest of her life with, that person would definitely be Alexander. But a relationship wasn't something that would work purely by logical analysis. With different values and life experiences, there would be disagreements about the same topic. In the end, couples still split up because they had different views in life. Both Elise and Alexander weren't ordinary people, and a relationship was just an extra accessory in their lives.

While they might have it, it was not a necessity to them. All she could guarantee was that he was a different existence to her compared to everyone else. As for being unreserved, nobody could really open up another's heart to look into it. There was no need to sugarcoat something uncertain as the problem would always be there and wouldn't disappear by pretending to be big-hearted. ... The next day early morning, Elise was still nestled in her bedsheets when she was awakened by her monitor, who had woken up before her. "Elise, Professor Merlin from the Math Faculty is waiting for you downstairs." "Oh, I got it. Thanks." In a daze, Elise climbed out of bed and put on a jacket before trotting off downstairs.

Right after she reached downstairs, she saw from afar that Professor Merlin was standing at the entrance of the dorms with his back facing her. Quickening her steps, she jogged over. "Professor Merlin, why are you looking for me so early in the morning?" The cold wind wheezed past her neck, sending a shiver through her body, and she quickly tightened the jacket around herself. Autumns in Tissote were always like this—cold in the morning and evening, which would cause one to have a cold and fever if they were not careful. The delight on Professor Merlin's face was beyond words. "Elise, I guess you already know that you've passed the pre-trial stage, right?" Elise pressed her lips together and said, "I know a little about it. It's all thanks to your guidance."

"Hey, the most important thing in mathematics research is to seek truth from the facts, and you should graciously acknowledge the honor which belongs to you. There's no need to be so humble about it," he said, adjusting the glasses on the bridge of his nose. Despite what he said, he felt a trace of comfort at Elise's humility. Flattery was not a thing Elise was accustomed to, and she smiled along awkwardly, not knowing what to say. Fortunately, Professor Merlin had a straightforward personality, and he immediately told her the purpose of his visit. "I wanted to tell you that there will be a mathematics field award ceremony tonight. Get ready and come with me to expand your network."

After years of focusing on mathematics, Professor Merlin knew the various benefits of socializing. Despite his interest, there was only so much to his talent. However, it was different with Elise because he could see the endless possibilities of the country's mathematics field in her. For the passion in his heart, he would spare no effort to overcome all difficulties and open up the path for Elise. "I don't think that's such a good idea." Elise, who had little interest in parties and socializing, quickly found an excuse to turn it down. "Those who could attend the ceremony are scholars like you, who have made great contributions to mathematics research. An unknown student like me is not qualified to sit at the same table with the other professors."

On the other hand, Professor Merlin merely thought that she was being polite and waved his hand, gesturing to her that he would take care of everything. "You don't have to worry about this and just come along. I assure you that no one would dare to stop you." Pausing, he raised two fingers and swayed it in front of Elise. "Now, your name is more famous than mine in the mathematics field," he said with a hint of pride. Since he had said that, Elise couldn't turn him down anymore and accepted it sullenly. In the evening, she picked out and changed into a relatively simple white dress, getting ready for the ceremony. Before she left her place, the phone in her backpack kept ringing. Following the sound of the ringing, she fished out the phone and saw that the screen of Alexander's phone was turned on.

It was then she remembered that he didn't even tell her when he would come and pick it up. As it was Danny who was calling, Elise thought there might be something important and picked up the call. "Hello?" Just from one word, Danny was able to recognize her voice. "Boss? Isn't this Alexander's phone? Why are you the one who's picking it up? Are you guys together?" After letting out a knowing 'oh', he turned gossipy. "Could it be that... both of you spent the night together last night and went all the way? Did you? Am I going to have a nephew soon? Goodness! No, I would like it if it's a niece as well..." Dumbfounded, Elise was speechless as well as helpless. This guy has such a rich imagination. Without even

flinching, she shattered his dreams indifferently. "You're overthinking. The truth is, Alex left his phone with me.

If you're so free, then come over and pick it up for him." In an instant, Danny was disheartened. Damn, there goes my baby niece. Lifelessly, he groaned, "You have no idea what it's like to be single now that you're in a relationship. I'm still single while both of you are already a pair. If I don't race against time, how will I find the one for me? Moreover, I'm not a messenger, and both of you are meeting everyday since you're still in the heat of a relationship. Just pass it to Alex when he comes to visit you on campus." As Elise had no idea how to explain the problem between herself and Alexander to him, she suddenly slipped into silence.

It was fine if he didn't bring it up, but now that he did, she suddenly felt that there was a hole in her heart, as though she was missing a piece. Both of them had indeed spent too much time together recently, and that was why she couldn't really get used to it when they didn't contact or see each other after such a long time. Am I getting used to the feeling of having him by my side? she wondered. Since she wasn't sure and neither was she in a rush to find out, she said something perfunctory and hung up quickly. "Okay, then. I'll do it myself. Alright, I'm hanging up now."

Then, she quickly ended the call. On the other end, Danny glanced at his phone and saw that it had already returned to his contact list page. Recalling Elise's resolute attitude when she hung up earlier, he somehow felt that there was something odd about it. I didn't even tell her why I called, and she hung up just like that, as though she didn't want to speak about Alex, he thought. One is missing in action—not picking up his calls or answering to his messages—while the other is acting dodgy and hiding herself. Is this couple dancing to the same tune?

