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Chapter 76 Benjamin's Refusal

Ethen probed further after that and found out that Arissa had visited Yaleview.

Could it be that the hair samples Mr. Graham took were from Ms. York and Gavin?

Ethen's heart skipped a beat. When he thought about the test result, he sighed.

I'm overthinking.

"If you don't tell me, I'll look for Shaun. I'm sure he knows about it."

Ethen shrugged his shoulders. "Mr. Bailey doesn't know too!"

Why are they acting so mysterious?

Kingsley narrowed his eyes and flopped onto the office desk while looking at Benjamin nosily. "What's going on, Boss? Quick, out with it. Otherwise, I'm not leaving your office!"

Benjamin gave Ethen a look. The latter caught on and immediately yanked Kingsley off the table.

"Eh? Don't tug at me. I haven't gotten to the bottom of this yet."

Nevertheless, Ethen dragged Kingsley out.

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The office was peaceful once again. Benjamin pinched at the skin between his eyebrows. His good-looking face was sunken and overcast.

How do I tell Gavin about this?

Eyebrows furrowed, Benjamin dialed home from his mobile phone. Edwin picked up the call on the other end and told Benjamin that Gavin had gone to school.

Upon hearing that, Benjamin was surprised.

"Mr. Graham, Gavin went to school after you left the house. I watched him from afar and saw that he has many playmates in school. He looked very happy!"

"Good," acknowledged Benjamin.

Gavin actually went to school without telling me?

Benjamin hung up, thinking of speaking to Gavin about this at night.

Back at school, the four little fellas gathered together to keep tabs on Danna. They created anonymous accounts and supplied a steady stream of exposés of her evil deeds.

Jesse was taking her lessons seriously, having no knowledge of her older brothers' antics.

Meanwhile, Arissa returned to her office and was greeted by concerned colleagues.

"Ms. York, how did the work report for Mr. Graham go?"

"It was fine!" Arissa smiled. Everyone then gave her a thumbs-up.

"You guys are free for lunch, right? It'll be my treat. I have to be with my children at night, so I'm afraid I won't be available then."

There were also married staff in the department who appreciated their evening hours being spared. Thus, no one objected to the change.

"Anyone who knows of a good restaurant in the vicinity can help me book a reservation. It'll just be our department staff. We'll head over immediately when lunch break starts!"

"I'll do the booking!"

"Make haste with it. Any later and there won't be any seats left!"

Everyone was in high spirits about it. Arissa smiled and headed into her office to continue her work.

It was a few minutes to lunch break. With the reservations in place, everyone was waiting to head out for their meal.

Once it was time, everyone streamed down the stairs, bustling with anticipation.

Arissa was flanked by her staff as she walked out. When she saw Zayden at the reception, she was briefly puzzled.

Zayden had just arrived and demanded to see Benjamin. The receptionist informed Ethen, who was on the top floor.

Ethen asked Benjamin, "Mr. Graham, Zayden is downstairs. Do you wish to grant him an audience?"

"No!"

Benjamin knew what Zayden was up to. A chill fell over his countenance.

Ethen relayed Benjamin's decision to the receptionist, who then conveyed the same to Zayden.

"Our apologies, Mr. Adams. Mr. Graham does not have the time to see you today."

Arissa happened to hear the exchange and looked over out of curiosity. Zayden seemed to be very anxious over something.

Arissa was confused.

Benjamin actually refused to see Danna's father? Aren't the two of them in a relationship?

"This way, Ms. York."

"Okay! I'm coming!"

Arissa followed over swiftly.

Left with no choice, Zayden decided to wait for Benjamin in the lobby. He had to meet Benjamin.

Arissa boarded the car and asked for the address before giving Ethen a call.

"Mr. Frank, are you free? Our department is having a gathering. Do join us if you don't have a prior engagement!"

"Where is it at, Ms. York?"

Ethen was delighted at the prospect of a free meal.

Kingsley eyed him suspiciously and came close to eavesdrop on his conversation.

"It's just one street away from the company. The place is Drawbridge Dining."

"Great! I'll go over now!" chimed Ethen.

Kingsley looked at him. "Is that Arissa?"

"Yes. It's her first day at work today. Make yourself at ease, Mr. Watts. I'm going off for my meal!"

Ethen set his things in order and rushed out.

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Chapter 77 The Ostracized Boss

After Ethen left, Kingsley approached Benjamin. "Let's go and get our free meal too!"

Benjamin swept a glance at him.

"Arissa's treating her department to a meal. She's even called Ethen along. Aren't you going?"

Kingsley knocked on the office desk.

Benjamin's brows furrowed. She's treating them to a meal? She called Ethen along and left me, the company owner, out of it?

Benjamin felt a hint of displeasure so ephemeral that he did not even notice it.

"Aren't you going?"

Kingsley looked at Benjamin and smiled. "If you're embarrassed to be a freeloader, why not be the one to give the treat? You're the boss. Surely you can give your staff and subordinates a treat?"

Benjamin stood up and walked out of his office. "As a boss, I should treat my staff nicely."

Kingsley grinned and looked at Benjamin with his eyes full of mirth.

"Boss, you seem to have changed!"

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Benjamin cast a stern glance at Kingsley, who quickly wised up.

When the two of them reached the first floor, Zayden caught sight of Benjamin and rushed forward.

"Benjamin!"

Even as an elder who was nearly twice Benjamin's age, Zayden was subdued by the former's aura. Despite feeling a little uncomfortable, he still called out to Benjamin amiably.

"I have a matter to discuss with you."

Benjamin looked at Zayden coldly. "If this is about Danna's treatment toward Gavin, we have nothing to talk about!"

Zayden froze momentarily.

Without sparing him a second glance, Benjamin strode out of the building with Zayden hot on his heels.

"Benjamin, I've given Danna a good scolding after I found out about it. She knows she is at fault for this matter. However, there is no mother who does not dote on her own child. She just did it in a fit of anger. Now, she is filled with remorse..."

Benjamin's face darkened.

Kingsley cast a glance at Zayden and said sarcastically, "Your family comes up tops when it comes to being shameless. After mistreating your own children, you still have the cheek to say you did it out of love. Why don't I give you a thrashing to express my love for you?"

Under Kingsley's mockery, Zayden's face betrayed some change of emotion. He suppressed the anger that raged within him.

"This matter does not concern you, so why interfere with it? Would things have gotten to such a state if not for you? Bringing this matter to light will do neither Danna nor Gavin any good. What is it that you're trying to do?"

Kingsley sneered. He stood with both hands in his pockets and stared defiantly at Zayden.

"I'm not trying to do anything. I exposed it because I can't stand by idly and watch it happen. Why don't we let others be the judge of whether your daughter did right to bully a child like that?"

"Kingsley, let's go!"

Benjamin called out to him and boarded the car.

Seeing Benjamin leave, Zayden caught up with him. "Benjamin..."

"There's no need to explain on her behalf. I have eyes to see for myself!"

Benjamin cast a dark look at Zayden.

Zayden cowered under the bloodthirst he saw in Benjamin's eyes. His body wavered as a chill ran through his body.

Has Benjamin decided to abandon Danna?

Swiftly, Kingsley boarded the car. Before he shut the door, he told Zayden, "Oh, Mr. Adams, your daughter even threatened me. The Adams family is pretty powerful. I would really like to know whether you can continue your winning streak to the very end."

As he was mocked by someone younger, Zayden looked terrible. At the same time, he was furious at Danna.

The Adams and the Watts were of almost equal standing, but the Watts enjoyed the support from the Grahams.

In Dellmoor, the various prestigious families revered the Grahams as the leader of the pack.

How did I end up bringing up such a fool? Not only did she fail to win Benjamin's heart after so many years, she even went further to offend him.

Watching their car leave the premises, Zayden boarded his own vehicle angrily to return to his company. He needed to think of a proper way to resolve the problem.

"That wily old fox is shameless indeed!" commented Kingsley angrily.

"Delete that tweet!" snapped Benjamin out of the blue.

Kingsley thought he was hearing things. He stared at Benjamin incredulously. "Are you still trying to protect that woman?"

Benjamin maintained an eerie silence.

"Confound it!"

Kingsley was infuriated. What's this blockhead thinking? Instead of protecting his own son, he's going easy on her?

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Chapter 78 The Culprit Behind The Tweet

Benjamin turned around.

"After all, Danna is still Gavin's mother. Don't embarrass him like that!"

Kingsley almost swore at Benjamin, but he stopped himself.

"Boss, do you know who sent that tweet?"

In response, Benjamin shot him a look like he was some idiot.

Kingsley cleared his throat as he rubbed his nose and said, "It wasn't me!"

It came across his mind that Gavin must have been utterly disappointed at Danna for him to expose his mother that way. He probably hated her deep down.

Even though he did not like his mean mother, he still longed for her affection.

Thinking of that, Kingsley could not help but feel sorry for the boy.

Benjamin frowned. "Who was it then?"

Kingsley snapped, "It's your son! Gavin did it himself. He must have been so disappointed at her that he's taking revenge on her like this. Don't you think he needs some help?"

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Kingsley's voice gradually weakened as he said that. Though it was merely his presumption, he was worried that Gavin might have mental issues.

Benjamin narrowed his eyes as he recalled Edwin's words. Edwin had told him Gavin looked happy at school earlier that day.

Did he expose Danna while he's at school? Is that why he looked happy? Something's off for sure.

"Head to the school!" Benjamin said to the driver at the front.

Kingsley glanced at him and asked, "Aren't we going for lunch?"

"Get out of the car if you want lunch!" Benjamin's face looked indifferent. At that moment, he eagerly wanted to see Gavin.

Now that I think about it, that child has been acting strange lately.

Kingsley pouted. "Fine. I haven't seen Gavin in a while. I'll come with you!"

After all, he was worried about Gavin as well.

It was only then that Kingsley processed Benjamin's words. He exclaimed, "He went to school today? Didn't he hate going to school?"

Benjamin pursed his thin lips and remained silent.

It was nap time when the two headed toward the kindergarten.

The principal had arranged for the five kids to sleep in the same room.

Jesse was soundly asleep, while Gavin, Zachary, Oliver, and Jasper sat together as they continued to snitch on Danna.

They wanted to keep Danna's name trending on Twitter, so everyone could find out about her evil deeds.

"Huh? She's not trending anymore."

Suddenly, Jasper noticed that Danna was no longer trending on Twitter.

Hearing that, Gavin checked the app. Indeed, what Jasper said was true.

He swiftly scrolled down the trending page. "Did it drop down the ranks?"

His brows were tightly furrowed together.

Did Daddy pay someone to bring the keyword down the trending topics?

Gavin frowned further when the thought came to his mind.

Zachary and Oliver exchanged glances and asked, "Did Daddy tell someone to get rid of it?"

The four looked at each other in blank dismay.

At that moment, a teacher walked in and saw them still wide awake. "Why are you all still awake? Hurry and take a nap!" she urged with a smile as she admired the good-looking quintuplets.

"Okay. We'll take a nap now!" said Jasper, and the four quickly lay down on the bed one after another.

Yet, as soon as the teacher walked out, they all got up and opened Twitter again.

To their surprise, Danna had shot up to the top of the trending topics. There were at least a hundred million tweets talking about her mistreating her child.

"How did it happen so fast?"

Oliver was surprised. The topic was still ranked at the bottom just a moment ago, but now, engagements about it suddenly soared by tens of millions.

Meanwhile, Kingsley quietly put down his phone after he sent out an order to boost the topic on Twitter so that he would not have to delete the tweet later.

He wanted to do everything he could to help Gavin.

Right after the car stopped at the school gate, Benjamin called his son.

Still deep in his thought, the sudden ringtone surprised Gavin so much that he jumped up from his bed.

He immediately picked up and said, "Daddy!"

Zachary, Oliver, and Jasper listened to him quietly at the side.

"Come out! I'm waiting outside!"

By the school entrance, the security guard recognized Benjamin's car and immediately opened the gate to let them in.

Gavin felt guilty after hearing that Benjamin had come to school.

"Daddy, why are you here?"

"Come out, and we'll talk!" Benjamin ordered and hung up right away.

Gavin looked at the other three and muttered, "Daddy's here."

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Chapter 79 She Is Not Your Mommy

"Is he coming after you?" Jasper exclaimed.

"I'll have to find out!" With that said, Gavin got out of the bed and put on his shoes.

Zachary decided to tag along. "I'll come with you!"

Oliver and Jasper looked at each other and quickly followed behind.

"Are you all going to meet Daddy?"

Zachary shook his head. "No, we're just coming with you. We'll help you if he bullies you!"

He knew it was not yet the right time to meet their dad.

Hearing that, Gavin felt relieved.

After they informed the teacher that their dad was waiting outside, they ran downstairs as quickly as possible. Feeling concerned, the teacher followed them.

When they got to the entrance, Gavin ran out alone, while Zachary, Oliver, and Jasper hid in a corner and peeked outside.

The teacher found their behavior odd and asked, "Aren't you meeting your daddy? Why are you all hiding?"

She glanced at the car outside.

"We're playing hide and seek with Daddy," Jasper replied and smiled cheekily at the teacher.

The teacher believed his words without a doubt and gently stroked his head.

Upon seeing that, Oliver snickered. Meanwhile, Zachary kept his eyes glued to Gavin.

Outside, the driver opened the door, and Gavin swiftly hopped into the car.

He saw Kingsley in the car as soon as he got in. "Daddy. Mr. Watts."

Benjamin eyed Gavin up and down. Something about Gavin felt oddly different to him, but he could not pinpoint it exactly.

"Hi, Gavin. Come here and give me a hug!"

Kingsley reached out his hands, waiting for the hug, but Gavin merely stared at him in silence before scooting over to sit next to Benjamin.

Like his dad, Gavin wore an indifferent look on his face and asked, "Daddy, why are you here?"

Still studying Gavin, Benjamin wondered why the kid was so calm and quiet when Edwin said he looked happy at school in the morning.

After a short moment of silence, Benjamin stroked his head dotingly and asked, "Have you eaten?"

Gavin nodded and replied, "Yes, I have."

He felt somewhat uneasy when his eyes met with Benjamin's.

"Are you satisfied with your meal?"

"Yes. I had a hearty meal!" Gavin nodded and continued, "Daddy, just get to the point!"

A few more seconds passed as Benjamin silently stared at his son. Finally, he said, "She's not your mommy."

Gavin blinked a few times, and he sat there puzzled for a moment.

Confused by his son's reaction, Benjamin added, "I got the results of the test. You're not related."

Only then did Gavin remember Jasper saying that Benjamin had taken his hair to do a DNA test with Arissa.

However, the result was not what he had expected.

Did he say they're not related? How is that possible? I might believe it if he had taken my hair instead for the DNA test, but Daddy took Jasper and Mommy's hair! It doesn't make sense that the paternity test came out negative.

Gavin frowned as he fell deep into his thoughts.

The result of the DNA test was undeniably wrong.

Benjamin found it weird that Gavin neither looked disappointed nor sad.

"If you like her, you can talk to her sometimes, but don't disturb her," Benjamin said in an attempt to comfort his son.

Gavin looked at him, pursing his lips.

"Daddy, where did you have the DNA test done? I don't think it's valid."

Kingsley chortled at Gavin's words. He was sure that Shaun would be infuriated if he had heard those words.

"Mr. Bailey did it!"

Though Kingsley did not know whose hair Benjamin had brought in for the DNA test, he was certain that Shaun was trustworthy.

"Boss, did you do the DNA test on Gavin and Danna? Wait, no..."

Just some time ago, Boss said that she is Gavin's biological mom, so it must be someone else.

"Who is it? Are you suspecting that Danna is not Gavin's biological mom?"

That was major news for Kingsley.

He could not help but wonder what had led the two to come to this suspicion in the first place.

"It's not a suspicion. I know she's not my mommy!" Gavin said firmly.

Seeing his son's reaction, Benjamin felt heartbroken and concerned for him.

He trusted Shaun would not make a mistake with the DNA test.

"Daddy, it's true. I'm not her child. If you don't believe me, you can secretly do another paternity test using our hair. Then, we'll find out the truth!"

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Chapter 80 The DNA Test Is Incorrect

Kingsley looked at Gavin with widened eyes.

"Is she really not your mommy?" asked Kingsley, but he was quickly met with a glare from Benjamin.

Benjamin said solemnly to his son, "Gavin, you have to learn to accept the truth!"

Gavin glimpsed at Benjamin and questioned back, "Daddy, do you seriously think that she is my mommy? The result of the DNA test is incorrect for sure. Just do another test at a different hospital."

Benjamin sighed helplessly.

He could not understand why Gavin was suddenly so sure that Arissa was his biological mom.

Kingsley's eyes went back and forth between them. "Now, can one of you tell me, please? Who do you suspect to be your real mom?"

He was dying out of curiosity.

To be honest, he had always felt that Danna was not Gavin's real mom. She never played her role, nor did she show affection to him.

No mother in this world would treat her child like how Danna treated Gavin.

Moreover, Danna had made it clear that she wanted to marry Benjamin while taking Gavin with her.

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If that was true, Danna should love and care for Gavin in every possible way instead of mistreating him like that. Her behavior did not match her words.

At some point, Kingsley even thought that the woman had a split personality. It was either that, or she and Gavin were not biologically related at all.

However, Danna did not look like she had a split personality. She seemed more like a scheming woman to Kingsley.

Gavin looked at the two men and exclaimed, "My mommy is Arissa York!"

Upon hearing that, Kingsley was shocked to the core.

"She's your mom?"

Gavin nodded, his eyes gleaming. "Mr. Watts, do you know my mommy too?"

Kingsley smiled and said, "I met her at your daddy's office just now."

Then, he started examining Gavin's face and his side profile.

"You do look alike. That must be the reason why I thought she looked familiar."

Gavin giggled in response.

Kingsley turned his gaze on Benjamin and pondered to himself. Boss and Arissa?

"Boss, I do think that Arissa and Gavin resemble each other. Could it be that Shaun made a mistake?"

Benjamin stared at his son.

He could tell that Gavin was bursting with joy at the mention of Arissa.

He took Gavin into his arms and said, "Mr. Bailey was the one who did the DNA test. There's no way it could go wrong!"

"Why not? Maybe he wasn't paying attention, or the machine was faulty. There are many possibilities that could cause the DNA test to go wrong. No matter what, she is my mommy!"

Gavin's face quickly turned gloomy. He could not figure out why the result turned out like that.

He thought hard, wondering what had gone wrong.

Benjamin frowned further. He was determined to make his stubborn son give up and face the truth. Hence, he decided to call Shaun, even turning on the loudspeaker so Gavin could hear.

As soon as Shaun picked up the call, Benjamin asked, "Did you keep an eye on the paternity test I told you to do last night?"

A sense of guilt immediately crept in as Shaun laughed awkwardly and said, "I did!"

"Are you sure?" Benjamin's voice turned menacing.

"Tell me whose DNA samples those are, and I'll tell you the truth!"

Benjamin narrowed his eyes upon hearing Shaun's reply. He lied to me?

Kingsley could feel the atmosphere in the car tense up, but he had zero sympathies for Shaun.

"Mr. Bailey, tell us now!" Gavin said impatiently.

"Gavin! You're there, too? Do you know whose DNA samples those are?"

Shaun was eager to find out the truth, but no one was willing to tell him.

"Speak up now, or I'll destroy your career and close down your hospital!" Benjamin warned.

"Hey, don't do that!"

Benjamin's warning got through to Shaun, and he immediately spilled everything, not daring to provoke Benjamin any further.

"There is nothing wrong with the results. I... I fell asleep last night, and when I woke up, I discovered that the machine had broken down. However, I did another test afterward, and there is definitely nothing wrong with the result!"

Benjamin's face darkened in an instant. I can't believe he fell asleep when I specifically told him to keep an eye on it.

"Mr. Bailey, are you sure nobody went in your room last night?

Gavin pursed his lips.

"No one came in. I was alone!" Shaun replied. However, he felt that something was off.

It was odd how he had slept through the night like a log. That was unusual for him, especially when he knew he had work to do.

"Your machine was broken. How can you be so sure that the result is correct?" Gavin refuted.

There has to be something wrong.