A Cue for Love Chapter 979

Chapter 979 I Cannot Tolerate Any Longer

The expressions on the five children's faces stiffened.

Clayton was sitting the closest to Jerome, and the latter reached out to gently pat his head. "Didn't you say that you were all interested in escape rooms? Now that we've said we'll take you to one, why does it seem like you're not too happy about it?"

Although Jerome's comment dove into the heart of the matter, the children could not express their true thoughts and only plastered a smile on their faces.

"What? No way! We're ecstatic!"

"Yeah! We're super excited!"

"Mr. Sutton, can't you see that we're smiling?"

Once they finished their breakfast, Jerome and Natalie left the table first while Emma bustled off to wash the dishes in the kitchen.

All five adorable kids held their heads in their hands, fraught with worry.

Yumi frowned as she asked, "What's up with Mommy today? Why did she agree so readily?"

Franklin nodded in agreement. "I was wondering the same thing. It stands to reason that Mommy must have plenty to attend to after resolving the crisis involving Dream. However, she went and agreed to go to an escape room with Mr. Sutton! That's so strange!"

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"Daddy hasn't spent time with Mommy in a long time. Recently, Mr. Sutton's the one who has been by Mommy's side. He's also very nice to us."

It was Sophie who made that remark. After saying that, she proceeded to make a bold assumption.

"Do you think... Mommy has had a change of heart?"

As soon as she posed that question, they immediately became despondent.

It's over. Mommy has had a change of heart. Even if Daddy comes to his senses and returns, what's the point?

As they fretted over their parents' relationship, their faces became etched with sadness and anguish that did not befit their age.

When Emma returned to continue clearing the dining table, she saw the glum expressions on their faces.

"Mr. Sutton has already started the car and is waiting for you outside. Why are all of you still sitting here? Didn't you want to play that escape room or something?" she asked, interrupting their thoughts.

Unable to explain to Emma the reason for their low spirits, they could only force themselves to perk up.

"We were sitting here to let our stomachs digest our breakfast. We'll be off now."

"Ah, I see."

Emma nodded, not fully understanding.

Franklin and the others left the dining room and walked to the courtyard.

Since they were taking the kids, Jerome and Natalie were each going to drive one car and split the five children between the two vehicles.

The boys would go with Natalie while the girls would go in Jerome's car.

Once they had settled into their seats, Jerome and Natalie headed to Yaleview's most famous themed escape room.

Meanwhile, Samuel looked grim as he listened to Jesper's report.

"Mr. Bowers, after Jerome entered the mansion last night, he didn't leave until nine this morning. Even then, he didn't leave at once either. Instead, he and Ms. Nichols drove separately to a themed escape room with the five children."

"What's an escape room?" Samuel interrupted, his gaze turning stormy.

After a brief pause, Jesper explained, "Escape rooms are where the younger generation gather and hang out nowadays. The rooms are designed according to various themes. However, the basic premise is that the participants get locked in a room where they have to find clues and solve puzzles to unlock the door and escape... To make it out, they have to rely on things like their mental and physical skills as well as teamwork. There are also many different themes available."

"A man and a woman locked up in a room alone?" Samuel asked with a piercing gaze.

Jesper dared not respond to that question.

"And they have to be in constant physical contact in that room?" Samuel continued.

Jesper gulped.

I don't think I used those terms while talking about the escape room.

Samuel had already struggled to suppress his anger after hearing that Jerome had stayed the night at the mansion. Now that he had learned that Jerome was going to get locked up in a room with only Natalie, he felt as if he was about to lose his mind.

"Mr. Bowers... Actually, the five children will also be there..." Jesper reminded Samuel softly.

However, Samuel did not hear a word he said. Grabbing the coat next to him, Samuel strode out.

In such situations, tolerance is key. However, I really can't tolerate it any longer!

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Chapter 980 Cutting Queues

After Jerome and Natalie parked the car, they led the five children to the escape room.

The two adults and the five children caught the attention of many passersby.

Jerome and Natalie were dressed in casual clothes, but the two of them were too good-looking for passersby to ignore. In fact, their looks were comparable to that of famous celebrities, and the sight of them walking down the street seemed as if they were posing for a poster.

The five children were dressed in a similarly casual style as Natalie, wearing white shirts. However, the cartoon ducks in the middle of the shirts did not have the same expressions. To sum it up, all five children were downright adorable.

The passersby could not help but take out their phones and begin taking photos of them.

"Are they a family? Wow! They're so good-looking!"

"The guy's so handsome, and the woman's so pretty. Even their children are so cute! I'm jealous!"

"This is unbelievable! How could they be so gorgeous even in unedited photos?"

Naturally, Natalie did not dwell on their words, but Jerome could not stop the smile from forming on his face.

As Jerome imagined spending the rest of his life with Natalie and the kids, not only did he not dislike it, but he even looked forward to it. He did not mind that Natalie had children with Marcus. In fact, he felt bad for her and cherished her more because of that experience she had.

Meanwhile, the five children's hearts were sinking.

Even though it seemed great to ship Natalie and Jerome together, they did not forget the fact that they had a father.

Not long after, the seven of them walked into the themed escape room.

The one who welcomed them was a female university student. When she saw the two adults and five children, she knitted her brows and told them, "Sorry, but the escape rooms other than 'Elk Grove Girls' School' have been all reserved. Moreover, 'Elk Grove Girls' School' has a horror theme, and it's restricted to people above the age of eighteen. The children are too young, so we can't let them play it."

Natalie furrowed her brows a little. "Is there no way around this?"

"There are already four people who have registered for 'Elk Grove Girls' School,' so two more adults can join, and the two of you would be perfect," the university student continued. "As for the children, you could let us take care of them. We

have a board game room. There are many young parents who come here to play, so after they've entered the escape room, we'll take care of the children and play board games with them."

Natalie then crouched down and asked the children about it.

"What do you think?"

The five children exchanged glances with each other. Although they were there to third-wheel Natalie and Jerome, they did not intend to stop their mother from enjoying herself.

Since the shop assistant had said that there were another four people in the escape room, that meant Natalie and Jerome would not be spending time alone with each other.

Thus, there was no need for them to follow Natalie everywhere anymore.

Franklin took in a deep breath and said, "Mommy, since you're already here, you might as well go in with Mr. Sutton. The few of us will go and play board games."

Xavian chimed in, "Mommy, you don't need to worry about us. You can go ahead and enjoy the escape room. We'll enjoy our game too."

The other three nodded in agreement.

At that, Natalie smiled. "That'll be it, then. Stay here and play board games with this young lady. Mommy and Mr. Sutton will be going in for the game."

"Okay!" the children chorused sweetly.

The five children were then brought into the board game room while Natalie and Jerome were each given a set of school uniforms by the staff.

Only the black eye masks they received were identical. Natalie's school uniform was a white shirt paired with a blue pleated skirt and a matching blue tie. On the other hand, Jerome had black school pants, a white shirt, and a blue tie.

"What is this?" Jerome turned to the side and asked the staff member.

"This is what the players wear before entering the escape room," the young woman explained patiently. "Elk Grove Girls' School' is a school-themed room, so putting on the school uniforms helps with the immersion. Also, this eye mask is to be put on before entering. This escape room is the scariest one we have so far, and we have staff members as characters inside. If you encounter unfamiliar people inside, you'll need to complete the sub-quest given by them. If you complete it, you'll get a surprise!"

It was Natalie and Jerome's first time playing in an escape room, so they heeded her words solemnly.

After hearing the details of the story setting, Natalie and Jerome went into the dressing room to change.

Right then, Samuel walked in with a darkened expression.

"Mister, sorry, but all of the escape rooms are booked for the day. If you'd like to—"

Samuel did not know when Natalie was coming back out of the dressing room, so he coldly said, "A hundred thousand. Is that enough for me to cut the queue?"