

## Always Been Yours Chapter 851

### Chapter 851 Reborn Anew

Mona had genuinely thought of Tessa as her friend, yet the others around her thought she was just putting on an act as they echoed Cindy's statement at her.

Just as the crowd was about to get rowdy, Hathaway finally spoke up to reprimand them. "Everyone, shut up!" The group instantly fell into silence upon her words. Then, with an unfavorable gaze on Cindy, she said, "Mona is right about one thing: since you still have many shortcomings, rather than using the time to talk behind someone's back, you should be reflecting and improving yourself instead!"

At this point, Cindy's expression grew awful, but she reined back her emotions, as she didn't dare to talk back at Hathaway. "I understand." Though she had said so, her glare at Mona remained vicious as ever.

Pretending not to have noticed the glare at her, Mona continued her meal.

The others also went on with their meal without making any more remarks.

Later that evening, after Tessa was done accompanying Sofia for dinner, she asked to take an early leave with Gregory in tow. "Miss Sofia, it's getting late. Do you mind if I leave with Greg now?" While she said that, the sleepy and tired Gregory yawned several times as he leaned against Tessa in her arms. Feeling sorry for the child, Sofia gestured her acceptance in allowing the mother and son to go home.

Just when Tessa had finished putting Gregory in bed after they got back home, she received a video call from Nicholas.

"How was today?"

“It was okay.” With a smile, Tessa shared today’s events, but briefly paused when she got to the part where she had dinner with Sofia.

Noticing that something was amiss, Nicholas asked in concern, “What’s wrong? Did something upset you?”

“I wouldn’t say so. It’s just that I ran into Hathaway when I was having dinner with Miss Sofia. I... I guess I’m upset. Although she seems to be in good health, she has lost a lot of weight.” Tessa told Nicholas her thoughts.

Nicholas reassured, “Don’t think too much about it. Let bygones be bygones. You have no need to blame yourself here.”

“I know. I’m already letting it go now. You don’t have to worry. I’m just feeling a little sentimental at the moment.”

Only when Nicholas noticed that his wife didn’t seem to be sad from the video did he give a nod. As he didn’t want to continue the topic, he brought up a new topic with a smile. “I’m planning to come over and see both you and Greg at the end of the month.”

Hearing Nicholas’ news, Tessa instantly cheered up and got excited, as the end of the month just so happened to be Nicholas’ birthday as well.

Meanwhile, in a villa in the suburbs.

Kathleen, who had now changed her name to Susan, was staring gloomily at her reflection in the mirror with a wry smile. The reflection in the mirror wasn’t the appearance of the old Kathleen, but someone different entirely, as she was wearing a new ‘mask’ made according to her demands.

Right now, she had a beautiful face, long golden curly hair, and a pair of amber eyes that looked pure yet seductive, as though they were made by fusing both an angel and devil. Furthermore, she had isolated herself in the villa this entire time to

adapt to her new identity and change both her habits and hobbies that belonged to Kathleen in order to keep others from suspecting her identity.

“Tessa Reinhart, I’ll be coming after you for my revenge soon,” she said, her tone filled with malice, as she traced her fingers on her reflection in the mirror.

Just then, a knock on the door interrupted Susan’s thoughts. “Miss, Mister Rorion asked for you to come down for dinner.”

“I hear you.”

A few minutes later, Susan sat down at the table and started eating the dishes she once hated expressionlessly.

Looking at his newly transformed daughter, Rorion nodded in relief, as she no longer resembled Kathleen in the slightest now. After taking a sip of wine, he asked, “Now that you’ve thoroughly adapted to your new identity, what will your plans from now on be?”

“Plans?” Susan stopped eating and narrowed her eyes. As her eyes grew gloomy and dark, even her father could not fathom a guess at what she was thinking. After a brief moment of silence, she then asked, “What is Tessa up to these days?”

As Rorion immediately knew what his daughter was planning, he went on and told Susan about everything that had happened to Tessa recently.

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### Chapter 852 Susan's Revenge

“Tessa came back from Xerthania recently and became Sofia's mentee. I've heard that even the famous composer, Simon, is planning to teach her as well.”

Immediately after Rorion's report, an ear-piercing sound came from the cutlery in Susan's hand. “Is Sofia blind? How could she accept that woman?!” Susan roared with gritted teeth, looking sullen. That b\*tch is really lucky. Even when she had lost her status as the protégé of Hathaway, she went ahead and became a mentee of an industry titan.

She didn't have to see for herself to know that Tessa must be well regarded right now. On the other hand, she had to wear a 'mask' and hide her name from now on. She thought with her anger flared, Why?! Why is that b\*tch living better than me?!

Rorion knew that Susan must be feeling how unfair her situation was. Nevertheless, he hadn't expected that Tessa would have such fortune. In any case, even if she had Sofia as her mentor, he would make her pay for what she had done to both him and his daughter. With these thoughts in mind, he then said, “Susan, don't mind it too much. Daddy will definitely make your life much better than hers.

However, Susan couldn't be bothered with anything her father said. Shooting an intense glare at her father, she decided what her next course of action was. “Didn't you ask what my plans would be? I've decided that I'll be joining the Sofia Symphony.” Much bigger in scale compared to Hathaway's, Sofia Symphony was a famous world-class orchestra that was divided into five groups.

“Before the incident, I’d heard that Sofia Symphony had decided to form a sixth group with Sofia’s youngest student, Kellen, as their lead, as she was a famous musician herself now.

If I can get into the orchestra earlier than Tessa, become the concertmaster, and form a good relationship with the orchestra members, it will definitely benefit me whether it’s my future or my revenge on Tessa.” As she gave her analysis of her decision, she exuded an imposing aura that demonstrated her unwavering determination.

Slightly taken aback at Susan’s decision, Rorion came back to his senses before he said in astonishment, “You’re not going back to Hathaway Philharmonic?”

“Why should I?” Susan asked, a cold look in her eyes.

With a slight frown, Rorion replied, “But that’s your mother’s...”

“I don’t have a mother!” Susan immediately interrupted Rorion before the latter could finish his sentence. Then, she sneered, “From the moment I changed my identity, Hathaway has lost her identity as a mother.”

Looking at how resolute his daughter was, Rorion knew that she now hated Hathaway with every fiber of her being. Naturally, he understood how Susan felt, as he thought that Hathaway was in the wrong in handling the situation as well.

However, he knew that Hathaway had understood where she had done wrong and had even gone as far as expelling Tessa from her orchestra, so he couldn’t help but defend Hathaway here. “Don’t say that. Your mother still loves you.”

“Hah, she does love me. She loves to help others pick on me, then claims that it is all for my own good,” Susan said sarcastically, her eyes resentful, her expression grim. “Daddy, you should never say something like that to me ever again. All I hear from you is mockery.”

Seeing this, Rorion let the conversation pass, as he knew that Susan would not listen to him no matter what he said. He might even cause his daughter to be upset with him. “Alright, let’s stop talking about these unpleasant things. What are your plans for getting into Sofia Symphony?”

Susan’s expression then softened slightly before she said, “I’m planning to audition with Sofia Symphony. Naturally, it would be best if I could personally meet Sofia. I believe I’ll be able to get her attention with my ability. From there, I’ll strive to become her mentee as well.” In a nutshell, she wanted to ruin everything Tessa had.

Understanding his daughter’s intentions, Rorion nodded. “Since you have a plan for it, just do it without any worries. Whatever you’re planning, I’ll be right behind you every step of the way.”

The next day, Susan went for the audition at Sofia Symphony with her audition materials in tow. Located next to the Danube River in Vienna, the building that housed Sofia Symphony was a vintage one with a Viennese artistic flair to it.

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### Chapter 853 Sofia's Fan

The building had a total of five floors and covered a large area. The surrounding greenery was beautiful and well-maintained as well, and there was a musical fountain in front of the door, making for a magnificent sight.

After Susan went inside, the receptionist asked politely, "Good afternoon, what can I do for you?"

"I have an interview for the position of Group Six's concertmaster. My name is Susan. It should be in your records."

As Susan introduced herself, the smile on her face looked harmless. Coupled with her exquisite appearance, the receptionist became very fond of her. "Please wait a minute. I need to check."

Susan nodded.

It didn't take long for the receptionist to find Susan's appointment, and she said with a smile, "The interview is in the office on the fourth floor. You can come with me."

As Susan followed the receptionist down the hallway, she spoke off-handedly as if chatting with her. "I wonder if Miss Sofia is here today. I'm a fan of hers, so it would be great if I could see her."

As a matter of fact, the receptionist had heard these words countless times. After all, Sofia had fans from all over the world, and musicians would often come here, hoping to see her in person.

However, she had a good impression of Susan, so she replied proactively, “Miss Sofia has now retired backstage. Unless it’s a large-scale event, she usually rarely appears in the orchestra.”

Hearing this, Susan felt disappointed, realizing that she had to give up on attracting Sofia’s attention for the time being.

Meanwhile, the woman Susan thought about day and night, Sofia, now had her mind set on teaching Tessa and Gregory. The two did their best in their studies as well, and they were always able to surprise Sofia. Hence, though the teaching time had already been extended, it was extended again. After Nicholas knew about this situation, he was happy for the mother and son, but also felt distressed that the two of them had to work hard in their studies.

Knowing that he was worried about her, Tessa comforted him, “Don’t worry, I know my limits. Besides, even if our studies are difficult, Miss Sofia still takes care of us.”

“Don’t worry, Daddy. I’ll take care of Mommy,” Gregory piped up helpfully from the side.

For some time after that, Tessa and Gregory’s talents made Sofia yearn to teach them everything she knew immediately. Although she couldn’t wait to see them inherit her legacy, she was also aware that Rome was not built in a day. Because of that, she became even more demanding, to the point where it was heinous.

Even though Tessa had experienced such high-intensity training and could get used to it, it was difficult for Gregory, and he even cried several times. Even so, he still hung on and bore with it, shocking Sofia with his perseverance.

During their break, she shared her praises about him with Tessa. “Greg is strong, just like you. As long as he persists, his achievements in the future will definitely be extraordinary.”



Hearing that, Tessa was even happier than when she herself was being complimented. After all, every parent wished to hear compliments about their child.

Just like that, the days went by, and Tessa and Gregory made full use of their time. In addition to teaching the mother and son daily, Sofia invited her friends out for a chat and to the mall. During this period, Tessa never mentioned that she wanted to go to the orchestra for a look and only focused on learning. In the blink of an eye, two more days passed.

On this day, during one of their breaks, Sofia suddenly beckoned at Tessa. “Let’s have a chat.”

“What do you want to talk about, Miss Sofia?” Although Tessa felt dubious, she still walked obediently to Sofia’s side.

Sofia asked tentatively, “During the time you’ve been learning from me recently, have you ever thought about performing on stage? Or even joining the orchestra?”

Tessa blinked, roughly guessing what Sofia wanted to say. She smiled and replied, “It would be a lie to say that I don’t miss performing onstage, but I’m not in a hurry. I just want to hone my abilities now, because I believe that as long as I have good skills, I’ll shine no matter where I go.”

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### Chapter 854 Meeting Their Seniors

“You have a good way of thinking.” Sofia looked at Tessa with satisfaction. “Though I don’t have any plans to put you in the orchestra for the time being, since it’s been so long, I think that I should take you to see your senior apprentices.”

Tessa was surprised at first before she quickly became excited. After all, her teacher’s students were now the leaders of the orchestra team and were all well-known musicians in the industry, and if some of them held a concert, it would definitely be sold out. The more she thought about it, the more excited she became. She couldn’t wait any longer to meet them.

“Miss Sofia, do I have to prepare anything? What do my seniors like?”

She wanted to get along with her seniors and leave a good impression.

Knowing what she was thinking, Sofia smiled and said, “You don’t have to prepare anything. Besides, if anyone needs to prepare a welcome gift, it would be their job to prepare it as your seniors.”

Tessa smiled and nodded.

That afternoon, Sofia took Tessa and Gregory to the orchestra. After getting out of the car, the mother and son were attracted by the magnificent and exquisite scenery in front of them.

“Granny Sofia, it’s so pretty here,” Gregory praised in an adorable voice.

Sofia replied dotingly, “If you like it, I can take you here more often in the future.”

“Granny Sofia, you’re the best!” Gregory cheered sweetly, causing Sofia to let out a huge laugh.

While talking and laughing, the three of them had already entered the orchestra building. Upon seeing Sofia's arrival, the staff greeted her respectfully. However, when they saw Tessa and Gregory standing next to Sofia, they all showed a look of surprise, but they still nodded as a greeting.

"Continue what you're doing. No need to mind me." Sofia waved off the crowd and took Tessa and Gregory to the office on the fifth floor. She came today just for them to get to know their senior apprentices, so she didn't go to great lengths to call everyone over.

Not long after, three attractive individuals entered the office. All of them were Sofia's students. In truth, Sofia had six students, but the other three were currently not in Vienna as they were on a tour with the orchestra.

"Tessa, Greg, these are your senior apprentices, Jenny and Daniela," Sofia introduced while pointing at the two elegant ladies.

Tessa greeted them sweetly, "Nice to meet you."

Though she looked calm on the surface, she was extremely emotional as these three were the musicians she used to admire greatly in the past.

Next to her, Gregory followed her example and greeted them as well, "Nice to meet you."

Jenny and Daniela surveyed the two in front of them without betraying anything on their faces before they nodded inwardly, as if they had a good impression of them.

"Nice to meet you too," they replied with a smile.

Just then, Sofia pointed to the handsome and bright young man next to her and introduced with a smile, "This is Kellen. Before you and Greg came, he was the youngest."

“Miss Sofia, I’m not the youngest anymore,” Kellen said as he blinked at Tessa. With his handsome and tall appearance, his expression was extremely lethal.

Tessa was a little taken aback by the sight. When she saw Kellen in the past, he was always firm and grounded on the stage. She hadn’t expected him to be so lively in private.

Even though she was surprised, she still had a good impression of him. “Nice to meet you, Kellen.”

Similarly, Gregory greeted him in his youthful voice.

After exchanging pleasantries, the group slowly got closer to one another, and Gregory’s honey tongue made the atmosphere in the office lively in an instant. As the senior apprentices became more and more fond of Tessa, they offered their words of advice one after another.

“Miss Sofia no longer accepts apprentices easily. If she acknowledges you and Greg, it must be because you are extremely skilled. Remember, never become arrogant. As long as you study hard under Miss Sofia, your achievements will not be lower than ours in the future.”

“If you need any help, you can ask us any time.”

“Let’s exchange our phone numbers.”

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### Chapter 855 Concertmaster

Upon seeing that her students were getting along well, Sofia smiled with relief. After a while, she began to ask about the orchestra's situation. Jenny and Daniela reported on the status of their groups separately, and there were basically no problems.

Sofia nodded in satisfaction before her eyes fell on Kellen. "How's Group Six's progress coming along?"

"I was just about to tell you that I've just recruited a new concertmaster. I think she's pretty good, so I want you to have a look."

Sofia agreed.

Soon, Kellen called over the concertmaster candidate that he favored, who turned out to be Susan. As soon as she entered and saw Tessa standing next to Sofia, her gaze darkened, while she boiled with anger on the inside.

However, she still looked calm on the surface as she wore a harmless smile. After all, she had been through so much, and on top of her rebirth at the villa, she was no longer the Kathleen she used to be. She had learned to hide her true emotions in front of outsiders.

"Miss Sofia, this is Susan. She's extremely skilled in the violin," Kellen introduced, not noticing Susan's strange behavior.

Thinking about her plan to attract Sofia's attention, Susan pretended to greet them graciously, "Nice to meet you all."

She hoped to leave a good impression on Sofia so that she could continue her plans in the future. Meanwhile, Sofia looked at Susan in astonishment. She hadn't expected the concertmaster candidate to be so outstanding.

Tessa and Gregory looked at the beautiful girl in front of them curiously as well. The girl looked like she was in her early twenties, and she was wearing a long-sleeved dress. Her facial features were as delicate as an angel's but gave off the seductive allure of an elf, creating a contradictory yet exceptionally attractive clash.

Susan also noticed everyone's eyes on her, especially Tessa's, which made her burn with anger as she was filled with the urge to rush up and strangle her. However, she held herself back.

She heard Sofia asking her, "Where did you graduate from? Did you have any teachers? Do you have any experience in being in an orchestra?"

"I graduated from the Gloria Music Academy just recently."

Susan calmed down and summarized her information for them. Of course, everything had been made up by her father for her, and even her current age was a few years younger.

"I trained in an orchestra when I was in school. As for a teacher, I still don't have one."

Hearing that, Sofia nodded slightly before asking again, "Since you've trained in an orchestra while you were in school, why didn't you stay behind after graduating?"

Having expected that Sofia would ask this, Susan said with a look of admiration, "I heard that you were forming a sixth orchestra, so I want to come and test my luck. I grew up listening to your music, and you've always been my idol."

Sofia was not surprised by her words at all. After all, she had seen a lot of fans who had come to visit her over the years. Then again, she was now choosing the concertmaster of Group Six, not hosting a fan meeting.

“I see. How about you play a piece you’re good at for us?”

“All right.” Susan nodded in agreement and picked up her violin before she started performing.

In order to attract Sofia’s attention, she specially chose an extremely difficult and challenging violin piece—’Introduction and Variations on Nel Cor Piu Non Mi Sento.’

This piece was adapted by Paganini for a solo violin from Nel Cor Piu Non Mi Sento, an aria of Paisiello’s opera, La Molinara. The piece was also a work that combined the various techniques from the 24 Caprices for Solo Violin into one, making it one of the most difficult works Paganini had left for future generations to play.

At the end of the piece, Susan lowered her violin and looked at Sofia expectantly. “Miss Sofia, I’m done performing.”

Sofia nodded slightly, thinking that Susan had done pretty well. However, she did not plan to make an evaluation for the time being.

Instead, she turned and asked, “Jenny, Daniela, what do you think?”

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### Chapter 856 Still Not Enough

Hearing this, Jenny and Daniela voiced their thoughts separately.

“It’s clear that Susan is skilled if she is able to successfully play Introduction and Variations on Nel Cor Piu Non Mi Sento. Secondly, she has a very good control of rhythm. At her current age, it’s quite impressive for her to have such capabilities.”

“Jenny said what I was thinking as well. She is highly accomplished in music. If she is taught properly, I’m sure that she’ll have a bright future.”

Upon hearing the praise from the two, Susan was extremely proud, but she didn’t show it on her face and replied modestly, “Thank you for your praise. However, I think I still need to work harder.”

As she spoke, she secretly looked at Tessa, wanting to see what her expression would look like.

Unexpectedly, she saw that Tessa was frowning. Did this woman have any opinion on her performance?

As a matter of fact, that was not the case. Tessa only frowned because Susan’s style of playing reminded her of Kathleen, and she realized that the two played very similarly.

Just then, Sofia noticed Tessa’s strange expression and asked with a smile, “You’re frowning, Tessa. Did you notice any problems?”

Tessa jolted in surprise as she realized that everyone was looking at her. Hurriedly, she shook her head and replied, “I didn’t find any problems.”



Her words confused Sofia, and she looked at Tessa curiously. “If there weren’t any problems, why were you frowning?”

Susan stared intently at Tessa as well with a dark gaze, wanting to hear what she would say.

Naturally, Tessa couldn’t tell the truth, so she found an excuse instead. “I frowned because I saw that Miss Susan was already such an accomplished musician even though she had just graduated and had no formal performance experience or professional guidance. I felt that I should work harder or I would be left behind by the younger generation in the future.”

Sofia nodded in approval, her impression of Tessa improving even more.

“Not bad. That’s what you should be thinking. All of you should learn from your junior as well. You should keep your guard up at all times.” She took the opportunity to lecture her other three students. “Although you’ve established a reputation in the industry, there is never a shortage of outstanding talents. Jenny, I haven’t seen you make progress for a long time. I know you’re busy, but you have to take some time for yourself.”

Jenny humbly accepted the criticism, while the others agreed with Sofia’s words. If they didn’t constantly improve themselves, they would eventually be left behind.

Seeing that the air was getting somber, Tessa hurriedly drew the conversation back to its original topic. “It’s quite impressive that Miss Susan is already this skilled even though she’s just graduated.”

Although Susan felt that Tessa was putting on airs, she smiled sweetly on the surface. “Thank you for your praise, Miss Tessa.”

Tessa returned her smile without answering.

Just then, Sofia turned her gaze back to Susan and nodded. “Since you’re quite skilled, you should train her well, Kellen.”

Although she didn't mention anything about being a concertmaster, Kellen still understood that Susan's current abilities weren't enough to satisfy Sofia.

"I understand. I'll do my best to train her," he replied before leaving with Susan.

Susan was also aware that she had failed to satisfy Sofia, and she was furious. Of course, she was not angry with herself; she was furious at Sofia. She thought that Sofia was not only blind, but also deaf. So many people had praised her for being skilled and talented, but this old woman still wanted her to train even more!

Sofia didn't know this, and soon left with Tessa. On the way back, Tessa was still struggling with the feeling she had gotten from Susan. Was she just overthinking it? However, something felt off about Susan. But all things considered, it was her first time meeting Susan that day, and it wasn't too good to speculate about her like this.

After returning home, Tessa personally cooked some dishes that Gregory liked to eat as it was still early. Once they finished their meal and washed up, they gave Nicholas a video call.

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### Chapter 857 Wanda's Plans

In the video call, Nicholas was already sitting in the office. His white shirt was buttoned meticulously, and his features were cold yet seductive. However, when he saw the two on the screen, his indifferent expression instantly softened.

“Have you eaten?”

“I have. Are you busy?” Though Tessa looked at Nicholas with a smile, she was filled with longing on the inside.

Naturally, Nicholas didn't miss the affection in his wife's eyes. His thin lips curled into a smile as he replied softly, “I'm not busy.”

After the two exchanged a few words of concern, Tessa told Nicholas that she had gone to meet her senior apprentices that day. From beginning to end, Nicholas looked at her affectionately and listened quietly.

Once she was done, he asked worriedly, “Were they easy to talk to?”

“I haven't met the other three seniors, so I'm not sure about them, but Jenny and the others were quite easy to get along with, and we also exchanged our numbers,” Tessa answered with a smile, but did not mention anything about Susan.

Nicholas nodded slightly, feeling happy that his wife was able to make friends.

Then, he turned the topic to Gregory. “The home tutor is basically ready now. How is Greg's studies? Has he been obedient?”

Upon hearing his father asking about him, Gregory pouted in dissatisfaction before Tessa could speak. “Daddy, your last question is wrong. Of course I’d listen to Mommy obediently. I like Mommy the most, you know.”

Tessa smiled happily at his words, her heart feeling indescribably warm.

Nicholas grinned before he continued, “How is your homework coming along?”

“Don’t worry, I’ve been doing all of them. My teacher even praised me.” Gregory jutted his chin out proudly.

Falling in love with the adorable sight, Tessa cuddled him in her arms for a moment. And just like that, the family laughed and chatted with one another.

Later in the evening, Nicholas saw that it was late and urged them to rest. After hanging up, he immediately resumed his work. Although he told Tessa before that he was not very busy, he actually had much to deal with.

Not long after he began going through his documents, he found a huge problem with the project that Wanda had submitted and couldn’t help but frown. Because the two companies were going to work together on a large project, they had been discussing this matter for a few days and even revised many areas, but the proposal that was now in his hands still had many loopholes, which made him doubt Muller Group’s working capabilities. At that thought, he dialed the internal line to ask Edward to come over.

Soon, Edward knocked on the door before entering. “President Sawyer, do you need anything?”

“Send this document back to Muller Group. Ask them to take care of the loopholes in it and send it back after they’ve looked through it.”

Edward nodded and brought the document to Muller Group.

Meanwhile, after learning that Edward had arrived, Wanda went to greet him in person. “Why are you here, Mr. Jackson? Does Nicholas perhaps have any plans?”

Edward nodded as he handed the document over, saying professionally, “There’s a huge problem with this document. President Sawyer hopes that your company will revise it carefully and make another copy.”

As Wanda looked at the document that was handed over by Edward, her eyes flickered. In fact, the error in this document was deliberately made by her to increase her chances of speaking to Nicholas.

“I see. I’ll have someone amend it immediately.” She took the document with a smile, but she had other plans in her heart.

However, Edward was not aware of her thoughts and left after he had finished what he came for.

That afternoon, Wanda deliberately dressed up and went to Sawyer Group with the document.

In the office, Edward knocked on the door and entered. “President Sawyer, Miss Wanda is here.”

Nicholas frowned, but he still asked Edward to let her in. A few minutes later, Wanda followed Edward into the office in high heels.

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### Chapter 858 Progress

“Hey, Nicholas.” Wanda greeted him with a smile.

Nicholas nodded before asking her with an indifferent expression, “Do you need anything?”

“My employees aren’t sure of how to complete the document that you asked Mr. Jackson to send over this morning, and neither do I have enough experience in this area, so I can only ask you. I hope you can help me with it.”

At her words, although Nicholas thought that Wanda’s staff was inefficient, he did not refuse as it was a business matter. Hence, the two sat on the couch and began discussing.

“Over here, the framework clearly isn’t realistic...” Nicholas neatly pointed out the loopholes in the document in professional terms.

Wanda quickly made the corrections with a humble expression, then deliberately used the problems to extend the topic. In short, she had done this in order to spend some time alone with Nicholas.

However, Nicholas didn’t notice and patiently answered her questions. Of course, he did this because he didn’t want Wanda to look for him routinely in the future.

Unaware of his thoughts, Wanda looked at the man who was patiently answering her with eyes full of joy, and she couldn’t be happier. This counts as progress, right? Although they were just talking about business, Nicholas seemed to be more patient with her than before.

Later, at the end of the discussion, Wanda pretended to apologize and said, “I’m sorry for bothering you today. In the future, I’ll urge my employees to try not to have such problems at work again.”

She paused for a moment before continuing a little bashfully, “Although I’ll push my staff more, I still hope you’ll take care of me in the future. I’ve just started my company, so my staff aren’t skilled enough yet, and I’m also lacking in experience. I may have to trouble you for a little longer. I hope you won’t be too bothered by it.”

After hearing that Wanda was going to trouble him even more, Nicholas frowned greatly. He could understand that a novice like Wanda would have many questions, but if she looked for him every time she faced any problems, it would greatly impact his work efficiency. Moreover, he wanted to take advantage of this time to finish his work in advance and go to Vienna to meet Tessa and Gregory.

“In that case, I’ll send someone to Muller Group to assist you.”

After speaking, Nicholas decisively called Edward over and ordered, “Later, go to the secretary’s office and send a skilled person to follow Miss Muller and let them assist her in Muller Group for the time being.”

Glancing sideways at Wanda, Edward could guess what Nicholas was thinking. Instantly, he took his orders with a nod and went out to make the necessary arrangements.

However, Wanda looked at Edward’s back as he left, and asked after a moment of hesitation, “Isn’t this too much trouble?”

Although she said that, she was secretly rejoicing on the inside, thinking that Nicholas had already begun to pay attention to her, and that if she worked harder, she might be able to snatch him back from Tessa. However, she wasn’t aware that the reason why he arranged things this way was that he didn’t want her to bother him with these trivial things too often.

Not long after, Edward returned and reported, “President Sawyer, the staff has been arranged. They will report to Muller Group tomorrow.”

“Good. If you face any more troubles, just ask the secretary to handle it.”

The latter words were obviously directed at Wanda.

Feeling grateful, Wanda smiled and changed the topic. “By the way, Old Master Sawyer invited me over for dinner in the evening. Do you want to come with me? Old Master Sawyer would be very happy to see you.”

“I’m going to meet with a client tonight, so I don’t have time to go back.” Without even considering it, Nicholas refused indifferently.

He couldn’t be clearer about Remus’ intention behind inviting Wanda for dinner, and he naturally wouldn’t give him the opportunity.

On the contrary, although Wanda had expected this answer a long time ago, she still felt a little downcast. Still, her expression remained the same, and she pretended to be understanding as she replied, “Business is more important. We can just have dinner next time.”

Nicholas pretended not to hear and asked coldly. “Is there anything else?”

His words implied that she could go if she didn’t need anything else, and Wanda naturally understood what he meant. In an instant, her excited heart turned cold again.



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### Chapter 859 Play the Long Game

Wanda had thought Nicholas' feelings toward her were gradually changing, but it seemed that she had just been imagining things. Because she had no reason to stay any longer, she simply left lest Nicholas got upset.

That night, she went to Sawyer Residence with a gift in hand. "Old Master Sawyer, I'm here to visit you. How has your health been in the past two days?"

Feeling pleased by her thoughtfulness, Remus replied kindly, "I'm doing great. How about you? Has the company been progressing well? Did anyone cause any trouble for you?"

"It's going quite smoothly. Besides, with Nicholas' and Master Kieran's help, nobody would dare to cause any trouble for me."

Wanda knew what Remus wanted to hear and tactfully praised the two young masters of the Sawyer Family.

After she finished speaking, she added bashfully, "Speaking of which, I feel embarrassed for troubling Nicholas so often these days."

"Why should you feel embarrassed? If you need anything in the future, just go to Nicholas. After all, he promised your grandfather to take good care of you."

Remus hoped that the two of them would spend more time together as he hoped that the woman who would stand next to Nicholas would be someone who could assist him in his business compared to Tessa who usually dabbled in music.

Hearing this, Wanda thought that Remus was supporting herself as always, and her smile turned even sweeter. “Since you’ve said that, Old Master Sawyer, I won’t hold back with Nicholas in the future.”

However, despite her words, she was well aware that Remus’ support wasn’t enough for her to get together with Nicholas; she needed Nicholas’ feelings for her to change. At that thought, she suddenly pretended to look downcast and hesitated to continue speaking to Remus.

When he sensed her abnormal behavior, a glint flashed past Remus’ eyes, and he asked worriedly, “What’s wrong? Why are you unhappy all of a sudden?”

“It’s nothing much, actually. I just feel that whenever I look for Nicholas, he seems to have his guard up against me. I was wondering if he has misunderstood me emotionally.”

After Wanda finished speaking, she looked at Remus expectantly, hoping that he would help her. At the same time, she also wanted to take this opportunity to make things clear. Unexpectedly, he said nothing in reply.

Of course, it was because he had seen through Wanda’s thoughts at a glance. Although he wanted her to approach Nicholas, the current situation was no longer suitable for him to interfere any further. Besides, ever since Gregory was taken away, along with their previous quarrel, Nicholas hadn’t come to apologize to him yet.

Upon seeing that Remus had fallen silent and didn’t seem to plan to stand up for her, Wanda felt her heart drop all of a sudden. Could it be that he had already begun to accept Tessa’s existence? She frowned slightly, thinking to herself that this was not a good sign. However, as Tessa was training abroad, there weren’t many opportunities for her to pounce on her mistakes. At that thought, Wanda gritted her teeth secretly, feeling deeply displeased.

Even so, she did not show it on her face, and she accompanied Remus for dinner. At the table, she no longer mentioned Nicholas, but talked about things he liked to make him happy.

Noticing Wanda's tactfulness, Remus felt satisfied.

Once she had finished her meal, Wanda saw that it was getting late, so she offered to leave. As soon as she left the mansion, her face instantly darkened. In the beginning, she thought Remus was supporting her, but from the current look of things, she had to play the long game instead.

Meanwhile, Tessa was unaware of this situation. After meeting her senior apprentices, she resumed her daily training life. Similarly, Gregory took violin classes in the morning and received lessons from his home tutor in the afternoon, making his workload extremely heavy.

Tessa felt distressed that Gregory had to learn so many things every day, and she came back as early as possible in the evening to take care of him herself.

Because he had her company, Gregory was very well-behaved every day and studied hard.

"Mommy, I got full marks in my quiz today." When Tessa returned home today, Gregory looked at her expectantly, waiting for her praise.

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### Chapter 860 Warm Weekend

Naturally, Tessa didn't hold back on the praise and replied, "Greg, you're so amazing. I can't believe you got a full score in your quiz again. As a reward, Mommy will make your favorite sweet pork ribs later, okay?"

"Okay! I love the food that Mommy makes!" Gregory cheered happily before obediently following her into the kitchen. "Mommy, I'll help you clean the vegetables."

Tessa did not refuse, and she took out the vegetables she planned on using from the refrigerator and handed them to Gregory. After he happily took the vegetables from her, he moved a small stool at the side and stood on top of it to wash the vegetables by the sink with a serious expression, as if he was doing something important. Beside him, Tessa prepared the other ingredients, glancing sideways at him from time to time.

Each day, this warm scene would occur as Gregory liked the food that Tessa made, so she cooked for him every day. Just like that, their days went by happily and peacefully.

On the weekend, as they didn't have classes and Tessa had made plans to rearrange their garden, she took Gregory to the garden to plant some flowers.

"Look, Mommy, did I do a good job?" Gregory pointed at the four small flower seedlings he had just planted, and said in an adorable tone, "The one on the left is Daddy, the right one is Mommy, and the two little ones in the middle are my little sister and me."

Seeing that, Tessa smiled gently at him.

Just then, her phone rang with a video call from Stefania. Taken aback, she quickly answered the call. “Mom... Do you need anything?”

“Are you not at home?”

Upon seeing that Tessa seemed to be outside, Stefania frowned. As a matter of fact, she had called because she missed Gregory.

Tessa could guess the purpose of her mother-in-law’s phone call, and said with a smile, “I’m at home. I’m planting flowers in the garden with Greg.”

As she spoke, she handed the phone to Gregory. “Greg, say hello to Grandma.”

“Good evening, Grandma,” he greeted sweetly.

Stefania’s heart softened at his voice, and her face turned wrinkled with a smile. At the same time, she also realized that he seemed to have grown plumper than before. At first, she was worried that Gregory would not get used to living abroad before, but she could now rest assured. Although she had let go of her worries, she still asked about Gregory’s life abroad with concern.

“In the morning, I take violin lessons with Mommy at Miss Sofia’s house, and I come back for my private tuitions in the afternoon. Also, two days ago, my teacher gave me a quiz, and I got full marks,” Gregory reported with an expectant look at Stefania.

His eyes that were as bright as stars made Stefania’s heart melt, and she praised, “You’re so amazing, Greg.”

Feeling pleased, Gregory excitedly told her more about his daily life, and Stefania noticed that he was now a lot more cheerful than before. Clearly, Tessa was taking good care of him. As the thought occurred to Stefania, her impression of Tessa changed for the better.

Unusually, she began to worry for Tessa and advised her, “You’re pregnant, so you shouldn’t tire yourself too much. You have to prioritize your health and the child in your stomach at all times.”

As Tessa noticed the change in Stefania’s attitude, her smile grew even wider and she nodded obediently. “Don’t worry. I’ll definitely take good care of the baby and myself.”

Stefania nodded, and after talking to Gregory for a while, she became tired and went to rest due to the time difference between the two countries. Just like that, their pleasant and warm weekend went by quickly.

On Monday, Tessa took Gregory to Sofia’s manor. Upon seeing them, Sofia was in no hurry to start the class, but beckoned them to sit on the sofa instead.

Tessa felt a little puzzled when she saw this, but before she could speak, Sofia slowly explained her plans for the day. “Starting from today, you and Greg will train in the orchestra.”