

HBH 796

## Chapter 796 An Apology Gift

“Oh, so that’s what happened.” The truth was finally revealed to Shirley, but just as she was about to accept Garrick’s apology, Sofia came to her mind.

The next second, Garrick’s voice traveled to her ears. “After you left last night, Pia told me about what’s going on between you and Skyler. I’m not going to get involved in whatever it is between you guys, but of course, I still have to apologize to you on behalf of Pia for that slap. I reprimanded her last night, but given how spoiled she is, it’s hard to make her listen to me.”

He shook his head, and his smile was laced with helplessness. “I think you’ve gotten the wrong picture. There’s nothing between him and me.” Shirley clarified at once. “Skyler and I—”

“As I said, I won’t get myself involved in whatever’s between you guys,” Garrick reiterated without letting her finish her explanation. He then handed her a gift. “A token of my apology. Please accept it.”

“It’s cool. I didn’t take it to heart.” Her instincts told her what was inside the blue, rectangular velvet box likely cost a fortune. Thus, she returned the gift. “What matters is that the misunderstanding is cleared. I’m willing to give you the benefit of the doubt, Mr. Brennan.”

Brennan to Mr. Brennan was

inside?” he asked amiably while pointing at the box, to which

Garrick chuckled, his laughter exceptionally comforting. “I’ve had the pleasure of meeting many women in my

up the box and opened it

necklace,” he said while pointing at the price tag. “I know you won’t accept

a thousand battles, a thousand

learned that Shirley was simple, honest, self-reliant, and not materialistic. Giving a girl like her something expensive would only make her question his motives and even

to Shirley that Garrick would be so

necklace, which looked off-the-shelf. It was apparent that he

CEO to even want to buy an affordable necklace. It would indeed be rude of her to turn him down, but... she’d feel

to turn you down. Why don’t you buy me

sure. If that’s what you

It was still rather early. There was still about an hour to lunchtime, and Shirley found the hour rather agonizing.

Feeling helpless, she could only make idle talk.

All of a sudden, Garrick's phone rang. "Sorry, I have to take this," he apologized to Shirley as he picked the device up.

"Go ahead." She nodded, then turned to her phone.

"Yeah, I'm with a friend at a cafe... North Primrose Avenue... I won't be back for lunch. See you." Garrick ended the call fairly quickly.

Shortly after, Garrick and Shirley had a pretty pleasant conversation about Shirley's company when suddenly, a chirpy voice interrupted them. "Hey, Gary!"

The pair looked in the direction the voice came from and found Sofia approaching them in a sexy, fashionable crop top.

Meanwhile, next to her was... Skyler.