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Chapter **291** With that confusing statement from Cindy, Samuel's gaze locked in on the photograph on the table. His pupils contracted rapidly. Seeing that Cindy was about to touch the photo, he grabbed her wrist and flung it aside,

"Get out!"

Cindy fell to the floor with an unceremonious thud. She was so shocked, she felt like her soul had left her body. She didn't expect Samuel to become so enraged, especially when she hadn't even touched that d*mned photograph yet! "Samuel, I'm sorry! I didn't mean it!" "I know you don't like other people touching your things, but I only wanted to help you clean

up..."

Samuel quickly kept the photo and shot Cindy a terrifyingly icy glare of daggers.

"Don't make me tell you twice!" Cindy was so scared that her mind went blank. She escaped the room in a pitiable state.

She was completely lost. All she had done was touch a photograph! Why had Samuel gotten so angry?

Moreover, she hadn't even had the time to get a good look at the picture. Still, she kept having the feeling that she had seen it somewhere before!

But... Where?

Cindy's head was such a mess that she unknowingly walked to a secluded place.

A group of waiters was taking a break in the hallway, busy gossiping about the banquet last night.

"As expected, all the newspapers are writing about the duke's son's birthday. It really is a big deal..."

"The duke's what? In his seventies or eighties now? He only has one son! Of course it's a big deal!"

"How do I say this... The old man's still got it!" "By the way, there's one more thing. I've got some gossip about Mr. Langford. Wanna hear about it?" "Tell us!"

Excited, the waiter started sharing his gossip with his coworkers.

"You've all heard that Mr. and Mrs. Langford have a great relationship, right? From what I've seen, it's all fake!"

"I saw it with my own eyes last night! Some other woman went into his room. She even called to ask for a set of pajamas!"

"As for that Mrs. Langford, I heard Mr. Langford sent her off early last night. If you ask me, it's hard to say who's the real lady of the house..." At that moment, a woman's furious shriek echoed down the hallway. "What did you say?! Which b*tch is it who went into Samuel's room? Tell me properly!" When Cindy heard all this, she rushed forward in a near frenzy and held up that gossiping waiter roughly by his collar. "Samuel and I are truly in love! If you keep spouting nonsense, I'll knock all your teeth out!" Cindy had lost every bit of her elegant mannerisms. As of this moment, she was nothing more than a crazy

woman. The waiter was scared out of his wits. He sputtered, "I said nothing but the truth, Mrs. Langford! If you don't believe me, you can check the camera footage! Everything I said was the truth!"

Typically when Cindy heard such things, she would dismiss it as nonsense. After all, her Samuel would never give any b*tchy temptress the time of his day. But now, finding out that there was really someone by Samuel's side nearly ruined her. All the more so since she couldn't find anything out about that woman. Without any hesitation, Cindy contacted the hotel's management to demand camera footage of what had taken place last night. "You better watch out, b*tch! I'll get my hands on you!" Cindy swore viciously In the past, she had taken out Tina Lynd with her schemes. Even that woman's child had become her stepping stone. She didn't believe she couldn't deal with an insignificant seductress. Cindy's eyes were focused determinedly on the camera footage. She was definitely going to make sure that seductress pay!

Chapter 292 The camera footage showed a drunk Samuel entering his room alone.

Not long afterward, a woman's figure exited from the opposite room and snuck over to push open Samuel's door to enter.

After that, there was no sign of the woman coming back out.

Worse, a hotel staff had dropped by to deliver a set of pajamas.

It was only at dawn that the woman, with her clothes in disarray, rushed out anxiously. In her rush, she even accidentally bumped into someone...

"Mrs. Langford, this woman is wrapped up too tightly. Half her face is covered! There's no way we can tell who she is!"

"But look here. She bumped into you! You should have seen her..." Cindy gnashed her teeth. "I know who it is!" It was her! It was that designer, Linda! She initially thought Linda was no more than an ugly sow. That b*tch even had a daughter of her own. As such, Linda wouldn't be a threat to Cindy. Who would have thought that she would be such a schemer! She actually waited for Samuel to get drunk and spend all night with him... What a f*cking b*tch! Cindy was never going to let her off the hook! Cindy immediately turned to make a phone call.

"Hey, I have a private issue I need your help with..." At that moment, Tina left the hotel to go to the design studio after escaping Samuel and Cindy.

"Miss Linda, you're finally back!"

"It feels like ages since we've seen you. We miss you so much!"

The moment Tina entered the studio, all her coworkers surrounded her and expressed their concern for her.

A little impatiently, Tina said, "Haven't we just seen each other? I called you all here to help out with the outfits for the banquet."

"That's different! That was at the Langford residence, where we had to be deferential to Everyone. We can be more open here at the studio..."

"Speaking of that, it was the first time I've been to the Langford residence. Rich people have it so nice! Their villa's so huge, I nearly got lost! The family seems really happy too..." "Come on, we're not the kind of people who even have the right to dream about living the lives of the rich! Oh, right! Where's Kara, Miss Linda? I haven't seen Kara in so long. I miss her so much!"

At the mention of Kara, Tina's expression froze.

She could only say, "She went back home with her uncle..." "Went back? Why?" Faced with the concerned looks from all these people, Tina felt a bitterness fill her heart. "I...

Just then, Tiffany spoke up. Tiffany was a huge fan of Tina. She immediately defended her idol, saying, "Hey, that's Miss Linda's privacy! What are you digging so deep into it for? If you want to ask, ask when she's getting a boyfriend!" With that, everyone focused on the new topic.

"Oh, that's right. Miss Linda, when are you getting a boyfriend? There must be men lining up from Paris all the way across the continent!"

As everyone talked and laughed, a sudden ruckus exploded from outside the studio, Black cars stopped in front of the entrance one after the other. Shocked, they all asked, "Why are there so many cars outside?" "What's going on?" Right then, someone came out of a car and asked, "Is there a designer named Linda at your studio?"

'Is this man here for me?' Tina wondered. Her eyebrows drew together and she inquired in confusion, "What seems to be the matter?"

Chapter **293** Tina was a bit wary, for she had no clue what these people were here for.

Right then, someone else came out of the car and pointed at Tina. She said, "That's her! That's the designer, Linda!" Tina was taken aback. It was only then that she noticed Cindy was there as well. "Mrs. Langford, what's...?" "You dare to still address me as Mrs. Langford? Husband—stealing b*tch! See if I don't mess you up now!"

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A vicious gleam in her eye, Cindy held up her hand and screamed, "All of you, start taking pictures! Take as many as you need! I want the whole world to know that this designer named Linda is nothing more than a shameless b*tch!". Just then, Tina realized that the cars were all filled with paparazzi. Following Cindy's words, bright white flashes started up as the paparazzi furiously clicked their cameras to record all that was going on,

Tina was completely bewildered. She was unprepared, and the paparazzi blocked her way so that she could not escape.

Thankfully, Tina hadn't removed her disguise in her rush. Her face was still made up, covered tightly by sunglasses and a face mask. Scared and nervous in her heart, she clenched her fists and said, "Mrs. Langford, have you made a mistake? You know what I look like. How could I possibly steal your husband..?"

"Don't try to talk your way out of this! You b*tch! I thought that since you were ugly and have a kid, you'll be more careful with your behavior! But I was wrong... Totally wrong!"

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"Because you're ugly and weird, you got jealous of how loving I am with my husband. That's why you got him drunk and snuck into his hotel room to seduce him! What a brilliant schemer you are!"

Cindy started cursing Tina out.

She was even more enraged when she saw that Tina was still in her sunglasses and face mask.

"Look at you! Even now, you're still in your sunglasses and face mask. You can't even bear to show anyone your face. I want the world to see just how f*cking ugly you are!" After she said that, Cindy lunged forward to pull Tina's disguise off her face. Camera lights kept flashing and the sound of loud clicks went on incessantly. Cindy had called the paparazzi using Raymond's connections.

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This b*tch hid her face because she was an ugly sow, right?

Good! Cindy would show the whole world just how ugly this b*tch was!

Tina never anticipated that things would turn out this way. Nevertheless, there was no way she would just stand idly by and let things happen. She instinctively fought back and slapped Cindy's hands away.

Cindy suddenly landed to the ground and acted as if Tina had shoved her viciously, screaming loudly. "D*mned b*tch! Not only did you steal my husband, but you're also attacking me now?!" The paparazzi were roiled into an even more furious frenzy. They surged forward and shoved their microphones in Tina's face. "As a famous designer, you've never shown your face to the world. Are you really so ugly?" "You must be insanely jealous of Mrs. Langford! She's so beautiful, and has a capable husband as well as an adorable son. Are you trying to ruin her family because of your jealousy?" "No! Get out of my way!

Tina knew no one would believe her no matter how she tried to explain, so she put all her effort into pushing her way through the crowd to escape. Squeezed in the throng, she tripped over someone's foot and stumbled to the ground. Cindy lunged over, her eyes flashing with wicked success. "Let's show everyone just how ugly you are today, Linda!"

Chapter 294 Cindy's eyes shone with a delighted gleam, her pretty features twisted up in wicked glee.

As long as she could remove this ugly pig's sunglasses and face mask, she would expose this b* tch to the world through the paparazzi's camera lenses. Within a day, everyone would know just how hideous and shameless this designer was.

Cindy wasn't the only one in the throes of excitement. The surrounding paparazzi shared the same sentiment, eager to see how things would turn out. The cameras were all pointed straight at Tina's face

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There was nowhere for Tina to go.

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She sank into utter hopelessness. She could do nothing but struggle to avoid Cindy's outstretched hands, covering her face as much as she could... Just as her strength flagged, a man's voice bellowed not far away. "Stop what you're doing!"

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Cindy was so startled that she shuddered. She raised her head and looked over.

"Sa...Samuel!"

F*ck! What was Samuel doing here?! Seeing Samuel's tall figure, Cindy was briefly stunned. Then, she hurriedly climbed from the ground. "Samuel, what are you doing here..."

Samuel's expression grew even more thunderous. Without saying a word, he turned to leave. Keith's small figure appeared. He said in fear, "Mommy! I couldn't find you and got really worried, so I got Daddy to look for you! What now? Daddy's furious!"

Cindy couldn't be bothered with Keith now. She was so frightened, her legs went weak and she nearly fell to the floor.

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She was so dead. Samuel hated two—faced people. Would she be ignored now, even after spending so much effort to get on Samuel's good side? "Samuel, it's not what you think! Let me explain...!" A panicked Cindy chased after Samuel. At this point, Cindy had run off and disappeared without a trace. The paparazzi left behind couldn't help but exchange wary glances. They had been called over by Cindy. Since the situation had changed, should they keep taking pictures? At this moment, Keith waved a hand and said authoritatively, "Party's over. Go back to where you came from." With the order from the Langford's young son, the surrounding paparazzi all vanished without a trace.

Tina got up from the floor in a pitiable state. Keith went up to her and asked, "Are you okay?" "You came to help me?" Keith nodded. "Yes." As a genius hacker, Keith had received the information that Cindy was planning to attack Tina the moment she made the call.

Afraid of exposing himself, he found an excuse and got his father to come with him... In the end, he had shown up at the key moment to prevent Tina's identity from getting exposed to the public. Seeing Keith's concerned gaze, Tina couldn't help but let out a pained chuckle. She was so useless that she needed a five—year—old child to help her out! "Thank you. You saved me! I don't know how to repay you." As she said this, she stretched out her hand to pat Keith's head. Keith immediately moved away. Haughtily, he said, "You don't need to repay me! You took care of me when I was sick. Consider this as a favor returned! "Besides, you've provoked Cindy. My advice is to escape while you can..." Keith

continued solemnly. Actually, Tina hadn't only provoked Cindy, but Samuel as well. If her identity were exposed to Samuel, she would be absolutely done for. Of course, Tina was already aware of this.

But where could she go? Kara was still young, and was waiting for her to return. What would happen to Kara? She couldn't tell any of this to Keith, and could only smile bitterly. "I'll try my best to avoid her." Keith couldn't stay too long and had to leave in a rush. Tina returned to the studio. Under the bewildered gazes of her coworkers, she packed up to leave. Right then, a figure came to block her way.

"Hold on."

Chapter 295 The way Cindy had brought a bunch of paparazzi to crowd at their doorway had given Tina's coworkers a hint.

Even though Tina was alone now, none of them dared to take a step forward.

Although Tina was a well–known designer and the backbone of the studio, Cindy was someone from the Langford Group as well as Samuel Langford's wife. Unexpectedly, someone stepped before her and looked at her with concern. "Tiffany?" Perplexed, Tina looked over at the young woman and asked, "What is it?"

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Tiffany was young and bold, daring to say whatever she thought. Tina was reassured by Tiffany's gaze. Yet, she said, "Thank you, but I have to leave." Tiffany grew anxious.

"Miss Linda... Do you mean you're leaving the studio?"

"What else?" Tina gave a pained smile. "I'm sure I won't be able to work in this industry anymore. I'll only be dragging all of you down with me if I stay." "But..." Tiffany wanted to say something more. Tina patted the woman's shoulder and said, "It's alright. I'm leaving now. I wish you all the best!" After leaving the studio, Tina returned home dejectedly. She felt as if all her strength had been sapped as she sat in a dark corner. Suddenly, the phone in her pocket rang. With a glance, she discovered that Kara was calling. Right then, Tina didn't dare to hesitate. She collected herself and washed her face before answering the call, ready to greet her daughter with her best self. "Mommy, I called you the moment I got home from school. Why did you take so long to answer my call? You're so mean, Mommy!" Kara said huffily. Tina laughed and replied, "I'm sorry, I didn't notice your call! What did you learn today, Kara?"

At this point, Kara immediately got excited. "We were drawing today. Look! I drew our family, Mommy!" The way Kara showed off her drawing to the screen was like someone presenting a priceless gift. "Mommy, look! There's a big person and a small person. It's you and me!"

Tina looked at the big and small stick figures that were holding hands and wearing skirts. They looked close. Only, there was a scribble of black to the side.

Curious, she asked, "What's this black thing over there?"

"Oh, that's Daddy!" Stunned, Tina asked, "What...?" "I only drew you and me, but the teacher said to draw a father. Since Daddy died ages ago, I drew a huge coffin!" "Aren't I smart, Mommy?" Kara said, pleased. "Those other kids said I drew differently from them, but they're the ones without any artistic taste! Right?" Tina's heart clenched in pain. "They didn't bully you, did they?" "I don't get bullied anymore! Keith taught me to fight back if anyone insults me. They don't dare bully me anymore!" Although Tina felt sad, she smiled and said, "Good job, Kara!"

Just as Tina was about to say more, the phone screen flashed with an unknown number.

Chapter **296** Tina was momentarily stunned. She then said to Kara, "Kara, let me answer this call first." "Okay. Is it related to work? I won't disturb you anymore, Mommy. Bye!" Kara said obediently. Tina answered the call. "Hello...?" "It's me." Cindy's voice came from the other end of the line.

Tina's expression changed. Why was Cindy calling her now? However, the unexpected thing was how gentle Cindy sounded. It was completely different compared to her previous arrogance. "About today... It was all a misunderstanding. I was too upset," Cindy said. "Please come over, Linda. I'll apologize to you in person." Tina became a bit nervous. Why was Cindy being so uncharacteristically nice?

She didn't believe it at all!

"There's no need, Mrs. Langford. Since it was just a misunderstanding, let's just leave it at that," Tina said.

Cindy's kind tone changed at that very instant. She shot out angrily, screeching at the top of her lungs, "You're so uppity! I'm already saying I'll apologize! Do you think I'd trick you? I can't let Samuel think I'm an unreasonable woman!"

"Besides, I still have lots of your things with me. You better come here quick and pack all your things up and go!".

After saying that, Cindy hung up the phone immediately. Tina gnashed her teeth. She had already offended Cindy. Who knew what kind of trick Cindy would come up with if she refused to go now.

Besides, Cindy didn't know Tina's true identity. The only reason she wanted Tina to be there was to maintain her pure image before Samuel.

After all, what Samuel liked most was the soft and sweet Cindy...

After checking her disguise, Tina rushed to the entrance of the villa.

As expected, Cindy had been waiting for a while at the door. Behind her, several servants had various bags in their grasp. They were all things Tina had left at the villa. "Here, this is all your stuff! I got the staff to pack them all up. Take them all away and stop taking up my space!" Cindy screamed. Tina lowered her head and said meekly, "Okay. Thank you, Mrs. Langford." She got her things and was ready to go when Cindy called out again. "I'm not done! It's not polite for you to just leave before I finish speaking."

Tina's heart was beating like a drum. Who knew what. Cindy was up to now? "What else would you like to say, Mrs. Langford?" Cindy sounded overjoyed as she spoke.

"Samuel's annoyed to find out that I went to make trouble for you today. He said that, as Mrs. Langford, I shouldn't be bothered with insignificant people like you." "Besides, men like him prioritize their image to the world. I was too impulsive. I shouldn't have called the paparazzi to cover the incident...?

"By the way! To reassure me, Samuel got me a diamond ring. Do you think it's pretty?" As Cindy said this, she raised her hand and played with the ring on her finger. At that, Tina raised her head for a quick look. "That's..."

Tina was astonished.

"It's a pigeon egg diamond ring! I'm sure you don't know about it. In the past, only royalty could wear them! Even at an auction, it's worth millions!" Cindy bragged. The diamond ring Cindy wore was familiar to Tina. It seemed the reason Samuel had expended so much effort to locate her, the thief, wasn't to find her. Instead, it was to find that ring.

Chapter **297** Thinking about it again, it made sense to Tina. Since Samuel loved Cindy so much, then he would want to give her the world. Her own life was worthless. The ring was much more valuable!

Cindy was purposely showing off to Tina.

Seeing that Tina wasn't going to respond, she studied Tina's dull look and got even more pleased.

"Why are you staying so quiet? Are you stunned into silence because you haven't seen such an expensive ring before?"

"That's right. Mr. Langford simply spoils you, Mrs. Langford. I'm really envious." Tina simply went along with Cindy. "Is there anything else, Mrs. Langford?". "Yes, there is!" Cindy threw a check disdainfully at Tina's feet.

"This is your compensation. Hold onto it well! There's no need to thank me. I know someone like you will never be able to make this kind of money, even if you work half your life!"

Tina glanced at the check by her foot and saw that it was worth 750,000 dollars. It was indeed a lot of money. In fact, the amount was many times over what she had managed to save in the past five years! "What, is it not enough?" Cindy spat arrogantly.

"That's not it. It's just so much money, I was taken aback. Thank you, Mrs. Langford."

Tina knew that Cindy was intentionally degrading her.

Yet, she did not have the ability to go against Cindy. Therefore, Tina only lowered her head and reached for the check on the floor.

"If there's nothing else, Mrs. Langford, I'll be leaving now." Tina kept the check, secured her bags, and turned to go. "Hold on! Don't leave from the front door. I don't want your hideous appearance to bother Samuel. I'll have a servant show you out. Just follow her!"

The villa Cindy lived in was enormous. Without someone to lead the way, it was easy for one to get lost.

Even if Tina had lived here for some time, she was still unfamiliar with the surroundings of the villa.

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Following behind the servant with all her bags, she started sweating in no time. "Excuse me, but could you please slow down? I can't keep up," Tina begged.

The servant spat back insultingly, "Can't you walk any faster? I'm already going really slowly.

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If I get back late, Mrs. Landford will reprimand me!" Tina expended a lot of effort to follow the servant. But the further she went, the more she sensed that something was off. "Have we been going in circles?" Not far away was a man—made lake. She had seen the same lake quite a few times already! Just as Tina looked around in curiosity, she suddenly realized that the servant showing the way had disappeared. Scared, Tina looked around her. Somehow, she had lost her way! What now?

Tina grew anxious. It seemed she had gotten lost within the villa, and there were no servants nearby. Would she be stuck here for the night?

Tina put down the bags in her hands and took out her phone for a quick look. The villa was so enormous that she didn't even have any signal!

Just as Tina was despairing about what to do, someone shoved her hard from behind. with a splash, Tina ended up in the manmade lake. For a second, she was frightened beyond words.

Right at that moment, she finally caught sight of the vanished servant. The servant stood on the bank, looking pleased. "Mrs. Langford said that those who offend her must die!"

Chapter **298** After shoving Tina into the man–made lake, the servant stood on the bank and watched silently as Tina struggled in the water.

After making sure that Tina didn't know how to swim and watching her struggle, the servant said gleefully, "This is what happens to those who offend Mrs. Langford. I don't think you'll get to spend all that money anymore, you unlucky wretch!"

"Who knows how many pretty girls have died in this lake. They all tried and failed to get close to Mr. Langford. You'll be the first ugly one. You should feel proud!" "No... Save me...!" "There's no one here to save you. You can scream all you want, but it's pointless. Someone will fish your body out tomorrow!" Seeing that Tina's struggling was weaker now, the servant left. She was pleased, certain that Tina would drown in a moment.

After being thrown into the sea with her daughter under Samuel's orders five years ago, Tina had developed a fear of water. It was because of this that she could never learn to swim. Who would have thought that her life would be at risk again? And she was drowning, too!

Tina didn't want to die. She wanted to live.

However, the villa's manmade lake was so deep that it might as well be bottomless. She felt as though her body was made of lead as she kept sinking. Her strength was quickly fading away... Just then, a sturdy figure leapt into the water with a splash and retrieved Tina from the watery depths. The second

she got ashore, Tina slumped and started coughing desperately. She spat out all the water that she had inadvertently drunk. She was now in an utter mess, her disguise lost to the water. Her baggy clothes stuck close to her figure from the water, her slim waist making her fragile and pitiful. As Tina coughed, her mind fell into a blur. Exhaustion settled as her strength failed her. Laying on the ground, she could just barely see a pair of men's shoes in front of her. She raised her head weakly and said, "Thank...you..." Yet at that moment, Tina's words of gratitude suddenly cut off. This was because she finally noticed who was standing before her. It was Samuel Langford. Even worse was the sharpness in Samuel's eyes as they regarded her loftily from above.

Tina could see the way she looked through his eyes.

Her disguise was completely gone.

Samuel wasn't angry. Instead, he was calm in a way he had never been before as he regarded the haggard woman before her.

Laughing coldly, he hissed, "You dare show up before me, Tina Lynd?" At that moment, all the blood in Tina froze. A buzzing noise filled her mind. Between certain death in the water and life in Samuel's hands, Tina knew she was in trouble either way! Thoroughly soaked, Tina shivered. Whether it was from the cold or the fear was unknown. Samuel shifted his gaze away from the accursed woman and looked at the bags scattered around. "So you're that designer, Linda?"

No wonder he couldn't find that d*mned woman! Apparently, she had changed her name and transformed from Tina Lynd into this designer, Linda.

No wonder he couldn't locate Tina after the incident in the slums. It seemed she had made preparations to hide by his side early on. "Good job, Tina. You've still got it," Samuel spat. "Every time you put on an act, it's always so unexpected and so entertaining."

Chapter 299 Tina turned to run away, but Samuel caught her by the neck and gripped it tight.

"You should've just drowned, Tina!"

Samuel's grip grew tighter, strangling her. After all her struggling in the water, Tina was too weak to fight back. Coupled with Samuel clenching her neck with a vice grip, her sight started to go dark.

Before long, she lost consciousness completely. After who knows how long, Tina was awoken by a pain at her neck.

The moment she opened her eyes, she saw someone in a white coat approaching her slowly. He seemed to be saying something...

"Who knows when she'll wake up." "She's very weak. I'm afraid she won't be waking up soon. We better set up an IV drip..."

Tina's hearing was unclear. It was as if she was still at the bottom of the lake, while the speakers were on the shore.

When she noticed the cold glint of a needle closing in on her, she blanched and instinctively pushed out a hand to shove it aside. "W–What are you doing?!"

Because she had nearly drowned, Tina's voice was hoarse. Terror filled her gaze as she looked at the people standing around her.

The surrounding medical staff were shocked by her sudden outburst. "We're here to treat you, You fell into the water, and you need an IV..."

Memories of the recent happenings past flashed through Tina's mind at that instant.

She touched her neck and asked in shock, "Am I still alive?"

Her entire body ached, her head pounded, and her neck stung. She felt as though she had been throttled to death then brought back to life...

However, the pain was proof that she wasn't dead. Had Samuel showing up been just an illusion? "Of course you're still alive. When you were comatose, Mr. Langford sent you here."

As the medical staff explained everything, they regarded Tina with curiosity.

After all, everyone knew Samuel Langford was already married. The Langford couple frequently attended events together. Mrs. Langford was always the center of attention when standing by Mr. Langford's side. Everyone thought they were the ideal couple...

Yet, Mr. Langford had been the one who sent Tina here, severely hurt. This sent everyone into a flurry of conjecture.

| Intrigued gazes settled on her, but Tina ignored them all.

Upon hearing that Samuel had sent her here, Tina's mind imploded. She slumped into the sickbed, feeble and in despair... "Don't worry. Since Mr. Langford was the one who sent you here, we'll definitely make sure that you'll be fine." "That's right. Please cooperate with us. Let's hurry up with the IV..."

Once again, the medical staff tried to approach Tina.

However, adrenaline took hold of Tina and she exploded in a burst of energy. She renewed her struggle and screamed, "Don't come any closer!" Noticing that the door of the ward was wide open, she shoved past everyone and rushed out as fast as her legs could carry her. "Hey! Hey! Why are you running away? Stand still!". "Help! The patient in the VIP ward...!"

Back in the ward, the medical staff hit the alarm button.

Sprinting through the hallways of the hospital, Tina grabbed a passing staff member and demanded in a frenzied tone, "I want to get out! Which way is the exit?!"

Frightened, the staff member pointed. Without hesitating, Tina ran in that direction. Not far away was the main entrance of the hospital... Tina's eyes lit up as her heart burned with hope. Just as she stumbled over to the exit, a tall figure came into view after she turned into a corner. His arms were powerful as he effortlessly stopped Tina in her tracks.

Chapter 300 The way out was just right there. The moment Tina's path was blocked, her heart froze,

Just then, the medical staff rushed from behind.

"You're still unwell, so don't run about..."

Now that they had caught up to Tina, they were about to take her away when they noticed the man standing there. They received such a great shock that they began to tremble. "Mr. Langford!" They hurriedly bowed their heads and carefully avoided Samuel's gaze as they greeted him respectfully. The person blocking Tina's way was none other than Samuel Langford. Before, Tina had been on her last leg. Now, she was thoroughly out of energy. She slumped limply into Samuel's embrace. Samuel, unaffected, scooped her up roughly and said, "Lead the way." The medical staff were all stunned by Samuel's behavior. What was going on? Who was this woman that made Mr. Langford come here personally? He was carrying her too!

It seemed not even Mrs. Langford received this kind of treatment.

Only, none of them dared to ask or say anything. They only lowered their heads and led the way back in silence.

In no time at all, Tina was returned to her ward.

Samuel dumped her into the bed without a care and retrieved a handkerchief to wipe his hands clean.

His gaze tainted with disgust, he glared at her and growled haughtily, "You can't escape. You'd better just stay put."

Tina had been trembling all over ever since she caught sight of Samuel. "Please, Samuel, I'm begging you. Please let me go..." "Let you go?" Samuel continued arrogantly. When he smiled, it accentuated his well—defined features and chiseled jaw. He looked as if someone had just told him a hilarious joke. "How many times have you tricked me? Do you think I'd let you off the hook so easily?" As expected... Tina's entire body went cold as her fear intensified. This man was practically a demon!

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He kept holding a grudge against her. Even though he had already given the order to kill her once, he still wouldn't let her go! Right then, there were knocks from the door. Startled, Tina curled into a terrified ball and shivered in fright. "Mr. Langford!" A subordinate came in and handed over a dossier. He swept his gaze over Tina before saying deferentially, "We've found her daughter's location. She's in Freesia..."

Her daughter? In an instant, Tina felt like she was being throttled. She raised her head in disbelief. "Samuel Langford, what are you going to do?!" Samuel accepted the dossier from his subordinate. This time, the information he had about her was true. It detailed all that had happened to Tina in the past five years.

"No wonder you managed to escape. It seems Frederick's put a lot of effort into this." It was hard to tell how Samuel actually felt about this from his tone. "Five years ago, no one knew if you were dead or alive, and Frederick Jackson left without any notice. Now, he brings a little girl back to Freesia. Everyone's saying he's eloped with some woman..."

"Seems you have a pretty good relationship with each other. Back then, both of you were already tightly entwined. Now, you have a five—year—old b*stard child with him too?" Hearing Samuel mention Frederick and Kara, Tina could no longer breathe. In desperation he forced herself forward and knelt

before Samuel. "Please, Samuel, I'm begging you! This has nothing to do with them. It's all my fault. It's just me. Frederick only saved me once, and Kara is just a child. Please let them go!"