

## Part Three

Serena's POV

I glanced and Jade and she was blushing and looked down, I looked up to see Ivan staring at her with an intense look.

Aisha wasn't paying much attention while she was looking through which pizza rolls to get.

Karina walked up to her brother and hugged him. He tensed but later patted her back.

Karina and Roman have always been close, she was the one to show it publicly that she loved her brother but Roman was very private.

My heart warmed at their short moment. But then I remembered that it was Roman. I walked to Aisha and saw that she was still looking for which pizza rolls to get, so I convinced her to get both.

"Do you mind getting the ice cream?" Aisha asked

"Sure."

But I was looking at the signs and noticed that the ice cream was near Roman and his group of friends.

I looked at Jade to see if she wanted to go with me but she was still in her own little world looking around the store.

I just started walking towards him, and he looked down at me and just stared. There were no emotions, he just looked at me while I walked past him. I looked down at the ground and blushed, hoping he couldn't see it through my brown skin.

I quickly found the ice cream and I was smiling, looking through the flavors, getting excited because I love ice cream.

"You're so damn cute." I heard a deep voice say.

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I jumped up and turned to see it was Roman.

He was right behind me, so close to me. I looked up at him and looked into his eyes. There was no glare, there were a few different emotions I didn't recognize.

"Oh um... thanks?" Were the only words that came out of my mouth. I don't know how else to respond to his words.

He brushed a few curls out of my face and caressed the back of my head.

I shivered, but in a good way weirdly, and looked back up at him. He looked so pretty.

I always thought Roman was handsome and I even had a little crush on him when I was a freshman and he was a sophomore.

### Flashback

It was Friday night, and I was in bed trying to go to sleep.

But, I keep thinking of Karina's brother, Roman. I shouldn't be thinking about my best friend's brother like this, but I couldn't help it.

Earlier at school he was the only one around, so I asked him to help me find my next class. He looked at my schedule, he grabbed my hand, and he led me to my class.

When I looked up to say thank you, he caressed my cheek and gave me a kiss on my forehead.

I was thinking about that moment the whole day, and even now. He's just so pretty, but he would never go for me though. There are so many pretty girls for him to date.

### Flashback over

But then he started being mean to me, and that kind of broke my freshman heart.

Then he pulled away from me and headed back towards his friends, who were getting scolded by Karina for not answering her calls when she was asking where her brother was. But Ivan was talking to Jade, and that was surprising to see. I never knew they talked before.

I quickly chose the two ice creams that we all wanted and headed back over to Aisha.

We were on the way to Karina's house and I was trying to analyze what Roman's actions today. Why did I let him do that to me? There's no way I still have a crush on him, right?

Ugh! It was just frustrating to think about.

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It was 1:30 a.m. and all of the girls were asleep but me. Farrah FaceTimed me a while ago because she couldn't sleep and she didn't want to wake up mama. I told her a made up romance story because she always fell asleep to those, and put her to bed. She's just like me.

But I was thirsty and hot, so I took off the shirt I stole from Karina and went downstairs in the kitchen for some water.

I was trying to reach for a glass without trying to be loud, but it was difficult because the cabinets were so high up.

Then I felt a strong back pressing against me and a large hand grabbed a glass in front of me.

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I gasped and turned to see it was Roman.

"You have to stop scaring me like that." I said.

He didn't reply, he just handed me the glass.

Then he leaned against the island behind him and looked me up and down.

I remembered I only had on shorts and a very cropped tank top.

I ended up taking off the big shirt I stole from Karina, cause sometimes I get hot in my sleep.

I covered myself up and looked away from him, walking to the refrigerator to get some water.

But he stopped me.

He didn't say anything, one hand grabbed me by the waist and the other put the glass down and lifted my chin, so I was looking at him.

He just kept looking at me with this look in his eyes that made me nervous but his grip on my chin made it hard to look away.

"Why were you mean to me in high school?" I finally asked.

He briefly looked away and said, "You were so pretty, so innocent."

He rubbed stroked my torso with his large hands.

I didn't like to admit it, but I loved the feeling of his large hands on my body. It made me feel safe, even though he was mean to me.

"I knew I couldn't have you because of that, so I denied everything I felt for you." He explained.

That was the most I have ever heard him speak and I enjoyed listening to the deep rumble that was his voice.

He leaned down and gave my neck a kiss and whispered, "I know you had a crush on me, too, little girl."

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**I enjoyed writing this one, let me know what you guys think.**

**Do you guys like Roman?**

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