

Chapter 12

A few days passed, and it was already the day for Aubree to start her school.

In the meantime, aside from keeping Aubree company, Malachi had also gone to Chalkfog Mountain and concocted another two mini elixirs.

Early that morning, Malachi had breakfast with Aubree. While Aunt Layla was doing the dishes, he sat on the couch with Aubree.

"Aubree, I'll take you to school, okay?"

Malachi asked softly.

"No!"

Aubree refused without hesitation.

Malachi was stunned. "Aubree, other kids have already attended school. You'll get laughed at for being the only one that's not attending school," Malachi explained with a smile.

"Besides, you can meet new friends at

school. They'll play with you," he added.

"No!" Aubree yelled.

"I don't want to go to school. I want you."

Aubree pouted her mouth, refusing to give in.

"Aubree, you are being naughty," Malachi said with a slightly serious tone.

He did not dare to put on a straight face, or else Aubree would burst into tears again.

Just as expected, Aubree looked down with her tiny hands clasped together. No one knew what was going on inside her head.

"Aubree, how are you going to answer Mommy if she asks whether you know how to write?"

At that moment, Aunt Layla, who had just finished washing the dishes, came out from the kitchen and asked.

"Daddy, please take me to school."

Aubree seemed to be in a mental struggle for a long time before she gave in reluctantly.

"Okay. From now on, I'll send you to school

every day."

Malachi smiled and nodded, giving Aunt Layla a thumbs up.

However, through Aubree's words and reactions, he noticed that she missed Penelope dearly. He, too, felt the same.

Yet, he had no idea where on earth Penelope was.

Looking for Penelope cluelessly was like looking for a needle in a haystack.

"I'll ask Elder Ching to check for Penelope's whereabouts the next time I meet him."

Malachi muttered inwardly.

Aunt Layla helped Aubree to put on a school bag. Only then, Malachi took Aubree to school.

"Where are you going, Aubree?"

A middle-aged woman sat in the doorway asked with a smile.

"I'm going to kindergarten."

Aubree answered in a serious tone.

The crowds were amused. They watched Aubree grow up, and they knew her parents had left soon after she was born.

Now that Malachi had returned, they were truly happy for her.

"Say goodbye to them, Aubree."

Malachi nudged Aubree lightly.

The crowds praised Aubree after she waved them goodbye. Aubree then buried her face in Malachi's arms, feeling shy.

Since the kindergarten was quite a distance from Dawnrise Garden, Malachi had to take a taxi.

The kindergarten was already packed with parents and their children the moment they arrived. Everyone lined up to register their children. Malachi had no other choice but to stand behind at the end of the queue with Aubree in his arms.

A few minutes had passed.

"Malachi!" A voice rang out from behind him.

Malachi looked at the person in surprise. He

saw a woman who was wearing a tunic walking towards him. Her beige-colored high heels made a striking contrast with her fair skin.

Her long, wavy hair draped over her shoulders. Malachi could not see her entire face as she had put on a pair of sunglasses, but he could tell that she was a gorgeous woman.

"And you are...?"

Malachi did not recognize her.

"How can you forget about me, Malachi?"

Naomi Loo took off her sunglasses and glanced at Malachi, disgruntled.

Malachi chuckled when he saw her face.

Naomi was his college friend. They knew each other from a school event. She used to have a crush on him and had confessed to him multiple times.

However, she was rejected by Malachi as he already had Penelope as his girlfriend.

Naomi had been fighting against Penelope

for Malachi. Yet, she lost in the end.

Although there was no love between them, Naomi, Malachi, and Penelope had become close friends since then.

After they graduated, the three of them had chosen different paths. Hence, they rarely contacted each other.

"Well, hi there, Ms. Loo. I haven't seen you in ages. You've become more charming and attractive than ever."

Malachi joked while chuckling.

Naomi was a dazzling woman. Given the way she dressed herself up, she looked more charming than ever. Many men nearby were attracted to her.

"Of course," Naomi replied, tittering.

She then looked at Aubree in Malachi's arms and pinched her little face. Aubree was so adorable while she looked at Naomi, blinking her big eyes.

"This must be your daughter. She looks just like Penelope."

Naomi reached out to pick up from Malachi. "Say hi to Aunt Loo, Aubree. She's Mommy's best friend," Malachi introduced with a faint smile.

Aubree darted a glance at Naomi again before she greeted Naomi.

"What a good girl," Naomi praised.

She then took Aubree in her arms and teased her. It wasn't long before Aubree started giggling.

"Malachi, where have you and Penelope been all these years? You guys didn't attend the school reunion the year before, and you guys never pick up our phone calls too."

Naomi at this moment had already put Aubree on the ground.

Malachi showed her a bitter smile.

Too many things had happened in the past five years. First, he was swept into the Immortal Realm where he spent 500 years there. Second, when he finally returned to Earth, besides discovering the fact that he

had a daughter, he found that Penelope had gone missing.

He couldn't tell Naomi the truth.

"I just came back from my hometown recently."

Malachi tried to make it sound as vaguely as possible.

Naomi was a smart woman. How could she believe him so easily? However, she knew she should not poke her nose in their business. "Malachi, let me know if both of you are facing any troubles. I'll help."

"Thank you."

Malachi was slightly stunned. He then grinned and thanked her. Naomi, on the other hand, glared at him. "Don't mention it. Come on, let's go. Let's register her for school. The dean of this kindergarten is an old classmate of my father's."

Regardless of Malachi's response, Naomi had already carried Aubree inside. Malachi shook her head as he followed Naomi.

The registration went well as they would only have to check Malachi's household register. Meanwhile, the other children would have to pass their records on vaccinations, heights, weight, and so on.

"Let's go. It's been so many years since we last met. I'll treat you to a meal," Naomi suggested after leaving the kindergarten.

Before she received a response from Malachi, she then turned to Aubree and asked, "Aubree, let's eat something good, okay?"


"Okay... Daddy..."

Aubree nodded excitedly. She then turned to look at Malachi, her eyes sparkling with expectation.

Malachi smiled and nodded.

Naomi's car was parked not far away. She drove to them before Malachi took Aubree into the car.

Malachi could tell that it was an imported sports car, Mercedes SL. The car had the

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speed of a cheetah as it had an extremely powerful engine. It cost about a million yuan.

"What are you waiting for? Get in."

Naomi smiled as she put on her sunglasses.

Malachi opened the door and got into the car.

Under the envious gaze of the crowd, the car zoomed off.



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