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Maya rubbed her chubby hands and confessed, "Ms. Patty's name starts with a P, so I thought about the platypus."

Evan was speechless.

"There's another teacher with dark circles under his eyes, so I called him Panda."

Evan didn't even know what to say about that. I guess Maya likes animals.

"Oh, and there's another teacher whose name is Chet, but Juan said that it'd sound cooler as Cheater."

Evan's eyes twitched, but he still didn't say anything. Just as I thought——Juan is in it!

Juan sighed while he eavesdropped behind the door. Darn it, I can't believe that Maya betrayed me!

"Oh, and there's a teacher named Ms. Fett. That made me think of Ms. Fat."

Evan was speechless.

He stroked Maya's tiny head and talked to her. "Are you happy when Nina called you Piggy back then?" asked Evan.

Maya shook her head and said, "She doesn't call me that anymore, though. I know the Maya Punch, and you gave me Maya's Hammer, so I can stop her on my own now."

Nina's face darkened the second she heard that. What? Maya's Hammer? The one she uses to kick my butt? Daddy is the one who gave Maya that? Oh, he is SOOO playing favorites! I can't let this one go. I must demand an explanation from Daddy later!

"You're not happy when Nina gave you a nickname, so do you think your teacher will be happy with the nickname you gave them?"

Maya thought about it and shook her head.

"Daddy, I gave the teachers those nicknames a long time ago. It was before we went to K Nation. I don't do that anymore."

Evan didn't know what to say.

Wow, the teachers have amazing memories. It's been so long but they still remembered to get Maya to call us in.

Juan suddenly barged in and explained, "Daddy, you have no idea how dumb Maya is. The teachers might've already forgotten all about the nicknames but she walked up to them and asked them if they still remembered the whole platypus and panda incident."

Kyle added, "Maya was just trying to ask the teacher if it is still necessary to get you and Mommy to drop by the kindergarten. Ms. Patty misunderstood her intention and thought she was being rude again."

Evan turned to Maya. I knew it. My Maya is a surprisingly honest kid. She just doesn't know how to express herself.

"Maya, let's never address your teachers by those nicknames anymore, okay?"

Maya nodded.

Meanwhile, Nina had her tiny arms crossed and was glaring at Evan.

Evan didn't know what was up with her, but he didn't want to deal with the matter just yet, either.

He was about to carry Maya down the stairs when Nina suddenly stepped forward and blocked his path.

"You're playing favorites, Daddy!"

"What's wrong?" asked Evan coolly.

Nina harrumphed and complained, "How could you give Maya her hammer? Are you trying to get her to crush me? She's your daughter, but so am I! How could you be so mean to me? I'm telling Mommy."

Evan recalled his conversation with Maya and guessed that Nina heard everything.

With tears cascading down her cheeks, Nina ran down the stairs and straight to the kitchen to complain to Nicole.

"Daddy gave Maya a huge hammer! It was the kind of hammer that could kill others, and Daddy is letting Maya hit me with it. Daddy doesn't love me and is playing favorites!"

A hammer?

Nicole frowned and wondered what Evan was thinking.

It's normal for siblings to fight. How could he let them use weapons? And a hammer at that!

"Don't cry, Nina. Mommy will go ask Daddy what's going on right now and have him apologize to you!"

After cooing Nina, Nicole angrily stomped towards the study room.

Juan and Kyle wanted to stop her, but couldn't.

When Nicole reached the stairs, she saw Evan holding Maya's chubby hand and walking down.

Nicole roared at Evan.

"Evan Seet, what are you thinking? They're both your daughters!"

I know they're both mine. Nina has always been verbally merciless and likes to tease others, so I gave Maya's Hammer to Maya for Nina's sake as well. I want to teach her restraint and get her into the habit of thinking before she speaks.

Evan knew that Nicole only acted that way because she misunderstood Nina's words.

Hence, he looked into Nicole's eyes and asked, "So? Has Maya abused her hammer? Has she ever really injured Nina?"

Nicole could not think of a comeback and frowned. What is he talking about?

"Evan Seet, how could you say that? It'd be too late to teach any lessons if Nina were injured!"

Juan and Kyle turned to one another. They were dumbfounded because they had actually seen Maya gobbling up Maya's Hammer.

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The hammer Daddy gave Maya was made of bread and was obviously fake; it was just to scare Nina off.

Looks like Mommy really misread the situation. Should we explain everything to her?

Maya's round eyes turned watery when she saw how angry her mother was. She tilted her head down and walked to her mother with fear pumping through her veins. Maya then promised, "Sorry, Mommy. I will never use Maya's Hammer again."

Maya knew that Maya's Hammer could never injure Nina, but she didn't want her parents to argue because of her. Hence, she decided to take a step back.

Nina rolled her eyes at Maya. The former felt that she could finally vent all her frustration with her mother backing her up, so she requested, "Mommy, my Nina Strike needs an upgrade as well. Please make me a pair of Nina's Claws. We'll see whose weapon is more powerful."

Nicole turned to Nina and replied, "Maya has already promised to never use Maya's Hammer, so let's not get Nina's claws, either. We're putting this matter to rest. This is all your stupid daddy's fault."

"Oy, Nicole Lane, who are you calling stupid?" complained Evan grouchily.

Nicole crossed her arms and scolded, "You! I'm calling you stupid. How stupid does a father need to be to teach his children to fight with weapons? You stupid oaf!"

Evan was so tired that he couldn't even be bothered to explain the situation.

He simply walked down the stairs and went to the kitchen. Nicole couldn't help complaining behind his back a little when she saw him walking away like that.

Only after she could no longer see Evan's back did she turn to coo the girls and urge them to play.

"Mommy, you haven't made Daddy apologize to me yet," reminded Nina as she stared at Nicole.

Nicole turned her gaze toward the kitchen. Getting Evan to apologize? There's a bigger chance of me sprouting wings and flying!

"Maya has already promised that she won't use the hammer anymore, so let's not keep holding the grudge, okay? Go and play now."

"Hmph, Daddy only likes Maya!" complained Nina as she pouted her tiny lips. She turned around and marched to her room in a rage.

Nicole went to the kitchen and saw that Evan was cooking.

At first, she wanted to ignore him completely, but she later thought about it and walked to him.

"Evan Seet, do you really not like Nina?"

Evan turned to Nicole and refuted, "When have you ever seen me act like I don't care about Nina?"

"If you care about her, why would you let Maya use a hammer on her? You're acting like Maya is your daughter while Nina isn't."

Am I? But I've never felt that way. They are all my children, and I love all four of them just the same.

"Be nicer to Nina; she is a stubborn kid. She once made a mistake with her make-up model and got so frustrated that she cried. Her tiny hands trembled and she teared up, but still, she refused to stop working on it. The more stubborn a girl is, the more care and love she needs. It's like steak. The thicker the steak, the longer it takes to cook. You understand that, don't you?"

Evan turned to Nicole. His eyes shone like he was deep in thought.

Not knowing what he was thinking, she let out a sigh and left the kitchen.

After being in a daze for a while, Evan took out his phone and called John. "Find out who is the best make-up artist in the world," he instructed.

"Mr. Seet, are you not happy with your mask and are thinking about using makeup?"

"No, I just want to hire that person to teach Nina."

John was dumbstruck.

Wow, Mr. Seet doesn't just spoil his wife. He goes overboard for his daughter, too. Nina is just a kid but Mr. Seet is already hiring an expert to give her pointers.

"Understood. I'll look into it right away," replied John. He was about to hang up when he suddenly thought of something that he might need to report to Evan. "Mr. Seet, your brother fired me so I won't be able to go to the office anymore. You're aware of that, right?"

"I know. Report to Lane Corporation tomorrow."

John was taken by surprise.

I heard that both Mr. Seet and his wife were present when Mr. Davin decided to fire me.

Mr. Seet never spoke up even when Mr. Davin fired me? Is Mr. Seet secretly upset with me and wants me gone, too?

"Is there anything else?"

"No, not at all."

John sighed after hanging up the phone. He had been working as the assistant to the Seet Group's president for years. How will my colleagues see me when they learn about me getting laid off just like that?

I thought Mr. Seet's return meant that I would get some support, but...

John sighed in disappointment before grumbling to express his frustration. No wonder they say blood is thicker than water. Mr. Seet and Mr. Davin are brothers; naturally, he won't help me!

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By the time Evan finished making dinner, the four kids were already sitting obediently around the table. Nicole sighed when she saw the dishes he prepared. "You wouldn't need to cook if the maids were still around," she commented.

Nicole listened to Evan's instructions and reassigned Blake and the maids to the Hillside Villa. Hence, only their family of six remained in the sprawling Imperial Garden.

Evan turned to Nicole and pointed out, "I'd have to keep my mask on if they are around. That would make things very inconvenient."

Nicole didn't refute.

Yeah, that makes sense.

The kids were eating happily when the doorbell suddenly rang.

"Who's visiting this late at night?"

Evan rushed to the bedroom to get the Yoda mask and put it on.

Juan, on the other hand, went to open the door. When he saw Davin there, the child rolled his eyes.

Juan was hostile; he crossed his tiny arms and demanded rudely, "What are you doing here?"

"Juan, how can you talk to your uncle in that tone?"

"You're driving Grandpa and Grandma insane, and you also called off the engagement to Ms. Sheila! You're lucky that I'm even talking to you now. I honestly don't know what you see in that escort. Do you really think she'd give birth to your cuddly and chubby babies? You're so delusional and stupid," insulted Juan while glaring at his uncle.

Davin couldn't speak for a moment there.

He stared at Juan in astonishment. It took a moment before Davin sighed and replied, "Even a kid as young as you can scold me with the perfect justification. Looks like I have really fallen so much that I'm worth even less than a scoundrel."

"You had it coming. Haven't you ever heard of karma?"

"Y-yes, I've heard of it before," answered Davin nonchalantly, his face turning dark and grim.

"Then you should turn this ship around while you still can. Stop sailing deeper into your mistakes."

Davin frowned and looked grouchy as he glared at his nephew who was teaching him life lessons like a mentor. Davin complained, "Oy, Juan, aren't you getting a little too much? Did K Nation turn you into a little nagging machine?"

"Well, I went abroad, saw the world, and learned the meaning of life. That's why I can give you brilliant advice now. See how mature I am?"

"Mature my a*s! Don't grow up so quickly, you chubby kid. Alright, move aside and let me in," said Davin as he gently pinched Juan's face. He then walked around Juan and headed into the house.

Kyle, who had never liked Davin, saw the latter walking in. Kyle's tiny and cool figure emitted a frigid vibe as he rolled his eyes and returned to his own room. The kid didn't even want to see his uncle.

Davin chuckled. As Kyle had always treated Davin that way, the latter was used to it and was not affected at all.

"Is there a reason for your visit?" asked Nicole. Her sharp eyes scanned the man and she looked upset as well.

Davin nodded and replied, "Yeah."

Nicole turned to Yoda. Yoda was standing there looking troubled as he cast a suspicious glance at Davin.

Nicole made Maya and Nina return to their rooms before she turned to Davin and instructed, "Speak."

"I called John earlier, Nicole. He said that you've asked him to work at Lane Corporation?"

"Yes. You fired him, so he had to find a new job," replied Nicole. The mere mention of that got Nicole fuming. She was tempted to kick Davin's butt at the moment.

"Nicole, I have some important assignments for John, so let's not ask him to go to Lane Corporation."

"What assignments would they be?" asked Nicole curiously.

Davin's expression turned serious. He hesitated and thought for a moment before looking into Nicole's eyes and giving her a firm answer. "I need him to investigate a murder."

"Murder? What are you talking about?"

After an initial pause, Davin ultimately spilled all the beans.

Two weeks ago, Davin drank until he blacked out at the bar. When he woke up he saw the escort, Maisie, lying dead by his side while the murder weapon was placed in his hand. Lily somehow stumbled upon that scene and took a photo.

Lily claimed that the victim was her friend and that she would call the police to seek justice. She even threatened to share the picture online.

"Nicole, you understand the power of public opinion. My reputation will be destroyed before the cops could investigate the matter, and that will have a profound impact on Seet Group."

Nicole analyzed the situation and shared, "There are too many coincidences. It's probably a set-up to frame you."

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"They must have had this plan in the works for a long time. The moment the news of me being the murder suspect gets out, my beastly uncles are going to pounce. I definitely won't be able to keep my position as president and they'll grab that opportunity to swallow the Seet Group."

Nicole thought for a second. "Isn't the person behind all this aiming to expose everything? If it doesn't get revealed to the public, then they'd have failed, right?"

Davin sighed. "Failed? They're already using Lily to control me and slowly taking over the Seet Group."

"Are you saying that Adam is behind all this?"

"It has to be him. He hasn't revealed everything yet because he doesn't have enough confidence that he can beat Uncle Ryan yet. He'd rather control the Seet Group through a puppet like me. Then, when the time is ripe, he'll get rid of Uncle Ryan and then release the news. At that point, both Uncle Ryan and I will be done for, and the Seet Group will be his."

Nicole fell into deep thought again. When she went to the Seet Group today, she did overhear Adam and Lisa trying to persuade John to transfer some projects under Adam's name, but John refused and was scolded because of it.

She never expected the two would take over the company through such shady means.

"Nicole, I didn't have a choice. If I didn't let him use me as a puppet, Uncle Adam would have leaked the murder case to the public and kicked me out. Now, the Seet Group is a battlefield between him and Uncle Ryan. He might not be confident in winning, but they're at the very least on par with each other. The moment they truly start brawling, the company will suffer a lot, and Evan's years of hard work will go to waste. That's why I decided to play the fool and let him think he has control over me while I try to think of how to get myself out of this alive and well. Only when that happens can I really get even with him."

Nicole thought about it before asking, "Was it also his idea for you to break off the engagement?"

"He wants to get rid of my allies so that he can control me. He aimed straight for the Muir Group, who was my source of support."

That was unexpected. No wonder Evan said Davin might have his own problems.

He really did understand Davin more than anyone.

"Isn't it a pity that the engagement is called off? Sheila must be really sad."

"To her, this is a blessing in disguise. She can only chase after her dreams after she lets go of me."

"Do you not love her?"

Davin stayed silent with a smile on his face that was tinted with bitterness.

Is that a yes or no?

"Did you tell your parents?"

"You know my mom's temper. She's her own force of nature. If she knew the truth, she'd definitely do some investigating of her own. The moment she takes action, Uncle Adam will hear about it. Since he's more afraid of the truth being discovered, he'd rather expose me to the public to get rid of me as soon as possible. That would be bad both for me and the Seet Group."

Davin's not wrong in his deductions.

I didn't realize he is this thoughtful.

Nicole had really misunderstood him for having been bewitched by that escort.

"Once John is back from K Nation with the four little ones, I'll ask him to investigate. He's the only one I can trust now. Uncle Adam chasing him out of the Seet Group was a good opportunity for me, so I went with the flow. I wouldn't have done that otherwise."

Yoda scoffed at the sound of that. "How are you going to properly watch over the Seet Group if you're this easily swayed?"

Davin looked at Yoda in shock. "Y-you can talk?"

How come his voice is so similar to my brother's?

Davin walked toward Yoda and started scrutinizing him closely. "You were the one who spoke up just now, aren't you?"

Yoda looked at him coldly. Davin couldn't wrap his head around how exactly that gaze made him feel.

That cold arrow of a gaze that seemed to pierce through him like he was made of paper was so similar to Evan's.

"You can't be so easily swayed. Don't you know how to fight fire with fire?"

At the sound of Yoda's voice, Davin stumbled back a couple of steps.

"W-why does he sound exactly like Evan? Oh my, did Evan possess him?"

At the sight of Davin's stuttering shock, Nicole replied, "Yeah, he did."

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For real?
Davin stared at Yoda with wide eyes.
"Evan? Is there something you want to say to me? You can tell me! I'll hear you out!"
Yoda stared at him. "Aren't you going to seek revenge on them for getting you into this mess How could you let them push you around to this extent?"
Revenge?
Fighting fire with fire to cause more problems for those uncles?
That's right.
Why didn't I think of that?
Davin's face glowed with excitement and he looked at Yoda, bowing to him. "Thank you for possessing Yoda so you could talk to me! I know what to do now. You can go back and rest well."
"Go back where?" Nicole asked Davin sincerely.
"Heaven, of course. The afterworld," Davin said matter-of-factly.
The underworld, your *ss.

Did Evan do such a good job at creating this Yoda character? How could Davin not recognize his own brother?

Wasn't he suspicious of Yoda before?

Could all this company stuff have messed with his brain?

Yoda glanced at Nicole and she caught on immediately. "Okay, your brother's gone. You can go, too."

Davin walked out of Imperial Garden and started to think about what just happened. That was way too weird of a "possession".

The most logical explanation he could come up with was that Yoda was purposely imitating his brother.

Who cares? If he could help to take care of the kids and also relieve some of the burden on my shoulders, that's all good with me. Davin was too exhausted to think too much about it.

After Davin left, Nicole looked at Evan anxiously. "What are you planning to do next?"

Evan took off his human skin mask and smirked. "I'm planning to enjoy the show."

Nicole couldn't say no to that.

Looking at Evan's chilly expression, Nicole knew someone was about to be in deep trouble.

Two days later, Lisa accidentally overheard that Adam's mistress was pregnant and that Adam had agreed to divorce Lisa and marry his mistress if the woman could bear a son.

Lisa knew all along that Adam had another woman in his life, but in order to keep the peace, she had closed an eye to this matter. However, at this point, she had to interfere.

She managed to get her hands on Adam's mistress' pregnancy report and started arguing with Adam.

"You have yet to take over the Seet Group, yet you're already planning to divorce me and raise a kid with another woman? Keep dreaming!"

Adam didn't know how Lisa got her hands on that information. Which loose-lipped degenerate told her?

In response to Lisa's noisy questioning, he started to explain nervously, "I-I was just being nice so she would have my kid! I only want the baby, alright? I will never divorce you!"

"B*llshit! Before we got married, that's what you told your ex-wife as well, isn't it? Old habits die hard!"

Adam knew he had no chance of winning over Lisa when she brought up history.

He scoffed coldly. "You're right. I can't believe I actually divorced my ex to marry a piece of crap like you."

"You-"

Lisa hadn't expected that dig from Adam and blew up in anger. "Do you have any idea how much I've done for you? How can you turn your back on me like this? Don't blame me for returning you the favor!"

"What exactly do you want?"

"Make that b*tch abort the baby and tell her to forget about ever marrying into the Seet family! Otherwise, I'm going to expose everything you've ever done and truly ruin your reputation——"

Smack!

Lisa hadn't even finished threatening when Adam slapped her across the face.

That slap left her stunned.

"H-how dare you slap me?"

"Why wouldn't I? You're planning to kill my child and ruin my future! If you dare breathe a word about anything to anyone, I won't stop at just a slap."