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Virgil regretted what he said earlier as he looked at Kai with an apologetic expression. The latter, on the other hand, seemed unperturbed.

At that moment, the door to the private room opened. Sandy entered the room with a fancy dress, a pair of high heels, and an assortment of jewelry.

"Sandy's here! You're getting more beautiful by the day, huh?"

"That dress looks expensive, Sandy! The same goes for the necklace and earrings too!"

"She's indeed the wife of a rich dude. Look at what she's wearing. We can't even begin to compare to her!"

Upon Sandy's arrival, the others stood up and started to flatter her. It made her feel pretty good.

Actually, her dress was a cheap knockoff, and her pieces of jewelry were all fake. After Leyton kicked her out, he took everything back, including the property in Dragon Bay. If that didn't happen, she wouldn't have tried to get back with Kai on a rainy night.

She intentionally prepared a few fake jewelries for the class reunion because she knew some of her former classmates were still unaware that Leyton had abandoned her.

Kai was the only one who still sat on his spot when everyone else stood up. He casually took a sip from his cup.

"Kai?" It was then that Sandy noticed Kai was there.

She was shocked because no one told her he was going to attend the reunion.

"Leroy bumped into Kai and invited him to join. I hope you won't mind, Sandy." Seeing how she looked surprised, Juliette promptly approached her and whispered next to her ear, "It's a good thing that this guy's here. I'll make him embarrass himself in front of everyone and you'll—"

"Don't mess around, Juliette!" Sandy glared at Juliette and reminded her.

She wasn't sure what kind of person Kai had become, but she knew that he had connections with powerful people—those that even the Scott family couldn't afford to mess with.

Juliette was stunned as she stared at Sandy in disbelief. She wasn't sure what her friend meant.

Sandy walked past everyone and arrived in front of Kai. She pushed Virgil aside and said, "Shoo. I'll sit next to Kai."

"All right, all right." Virgil didn't want to offend Sandy, so he quickly stood up.

The moment that he did, Kai pulled his hand back and stared at Sandy coldly. "I hate your smell. Get as far away from me as you can."

Everyone gasped in shock when they heard what he said. Even Virgil couldn't help but look at Kai in bewilderment.

To their knowledge, Sandy was currently part of the rich Scott family. They couldn't believe he had the gall to speak to her like that.

"What the hell are you doing, Kai? How dare you speak to Sandy like that! Don't think I won't beat you to a pulp!" Seeing how it was the perfect opportunity to butter her up, Leroy roared at Kai.

However, Sandy's subsequent reaction surprised everyone.

She stared at Leroy coldly and barked, "Shut your mouth! You don't get to talk to Kai like that!"

Leroy was flabbergasted. He had no idea what was going on.

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After she scolded him, a bitter smile formed on her face before she spoke to Kai softly. "Then I'll sit as far away as I can. I'm satisfied as long as I can see you."

She then happily sat on the opposite side of Kai and smiled at him.

"Are you all right, Sandy?" Juliette whispered next to her ear while being completely befuddled.

"Shut your mouth!" Sandy glared at her again as she didn't want things to become even worse than it already was.

A few minutes later, the dishes arrived, and everyone began to eat. Everyone tried to please Sandy while they ignored Kai and Virgil.

Sandy was the only one who treated Kai nicely as she tried to put food on his plate and even suggested that he drank less so he wouldn't hurt his body like a good wife.

He ignored her because he knew what kind of person she was.

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Despite their confusion regarding Sandy's actions, they eventually chalked it up to her wish to humiliate Kai for giving up on a girlfriend as virtuous as her.

As the night went on, a few of their classmates had evidently drunk their weight in wine.

Leroy was one of them, and he approached Sandy tipsily. He raised his glass in a toast before drawling, "Sandy, you consider us old friends, don't you? Do you know I'm working with the Scott family now? Since you're the Scotts' future daughter-in-law, I'm sure you'd be kind enough to put in a good word or two for me so the Scotts will send more projects my way. Let me thank you in advance for your help!"

He then downed his glass in a gulp.

His brazenness encouraged their classmates to approach Sandy with requests of their own, ranging from job searches to housing woes. Most of her classmates had attended the reunion solely because they wanted to butter Sandy up for some perks.

Sandy found herself in an awkward situation. She could not tell them then and there that she was no longer in a relationship with Leyton. Her classmates would begin treating her scornfully instead of respectfully when they mistakenly believed her association with the Scott family.

In the end, she gave a non-committal reply. "I'll see what I can do."

Her dilemma was about to worsen as Juliette piped up, "Sandy! Why don't you invite Mr. Scott to our reunion? Some of us have never seen him in the flesh!"

Juliette's suggestion drew a chorus of agreement from their classmates.

"Yeah! I've never seen Mr. Scott in person. He must be extremely handsome!"

"Can you imagine the bragging rights I'd earn from dining with Mr. Scott?"

"Come on, Sandy. Ask Mr. Scott to join us. Dinner's on me! I'll order more food and a good bottle of wine," came Leroy's boisterous suggestion.

"He's busy!" Sandy replied hastily, forcing a bitter smile on her face.

Juliette refused to let Sandy off the hook. She whined, "Sandy, Mr. Scott worships the ground you walk on. He can't refuse you if you ask him to come. Plus, I'm sure he'll rush over once he knows that Kai is here!"

Frankly, her primary motive for pressuring Sandy was to get out of paying for such an expensive dinner, which Leroy had so enthusiastically offered to cover if Leyton showed up.

Sandy had never hated Juliette more than at that very moment.

She gritted out, "He really is busy!"

I'm not going to call him over, so just drop it already!

Sandy's insistence agitated Juliette, whose words grew harsh. "Sandy, do you think so little of your classmates? I'm sure Mr. Scott can spare a few minutes of his precious time to greet us!"

Sandy remained stubbornly silent. I'm not sure Leyton would even answer my call. If he actually answers the phone, he'll be scolding my ear off instead of listening to anything I have to say!

Just as Sandy found herself backed into a corner under her classmates' pressure, Kai said calmly, "Call Leyton and ask him to come."

He did not even gratify Sandy with a glance as he threw out his comment.

Everyone's heads swiveled around to stare at Kai in shock. A stinging reply was on the tip of Leroy's tongue when Sandy reluctantly took out her phone and called someone.

The call connected just as Sandy arrived at a secluded corner of the room.

"Didn't I tell you never to call me again? I will make good on my threat to break your legs!" Leyton bellowed as soon as the call connected.

He had been living in fear of Kai's future actions since his return. Yoel had not fared any better, spending his days brainstorming solutions to repair the Scott family's relationship with Kai. It could take years even to regain Kai's trust.

The Scott family was entirely at Kai's mercy, seeing as how bigwigs like Tommy Lewis and Walter Grange even paid their respects to Kai.

In other words, Kai could ruin the Scott family with a single word if he wished to.

Sandy stammered nervously, "Leyton, I-I'm at a student reunion now. I-I hope you can drop by for a quick visit."

"Student reunion? Please! I-"

Sandy hastily spoke over him. "Kai's here! He wanted me to invite you."

