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Yuri Zhang nodded and addressed Chessca Tan politely, "Nice to meet you, Senior Chessca."

Chessca Tan responded similarly with a nod, "Nice to meet you too. Momo mentioned about you and praised about your singing. Glad to hear you're famous now."

Yuri Zhang replied humbly, "Thanks for the compliment, I'm just a student anyway."

Chessca Tan was certainly just being courteous and did not try to know more about Yuri Zhang. Instead, her eyes turned towards Fade Chen.

Fade Chen greeted her politely with a faint smile, "Hello, Miss Tan!"

Chessca Tan's gaze flickered the moment she saw his outfit and she frowned slightly. Almost immediately, her expression changed as she nodded politely and replied, "Hello."

Her expression changed so quickly that Momo Soo and Yuri Zhang didn't figure out. Yet, Fade Chen was sharp enough to sense it. He couldn't help but assume that this lady wasn't as pure and naive as others thought her to be!

However, he was just a guest. Although he had doubts, it wasn't appropriate for him to comment, so

he just followed Momo Soo and Yuri Zhang into the house.

Chessca Tan lived alone, but the house was quite spacious with over 100 square meters in size. Moreover, the interior design was fancy and luxurious. They were now more certain that she was raised in a wealthy family.

After politely inviting them to their seats, Chessca Tan instructed her nanny to serve them tea and they began to chat.

Momo Soo was the closest to Chessca Tan, so it was normal that she spoke the most with Momo Soo.

She grabbed Momo Soo's hand, firstly asking about her studies then offering her to join the student council. As Chessca Tan had one more semester before graduating, she could recommend Momo Soo to join the student council and assure her a decent position prior to her graduation.

However, as Momo Soo was outgoing and preferred not to be tied down to these responsibilities, she had no interest and declined the offer.

Chessca Tan did not care much about it. Soon, she moved on to their family backgrounds.

"Momo, what businesses are your friends' families engaged in?" asked Chessca Tan as she shot a glance at Yuri Zhang and Fade Chen.



Momo Soo glanced towards the two of them, seemingly asking if it was appropriate for her to reveal their personal information.

Yuri Zhang didn't think so much and confessed, "Senior, my family resides in the countryside. My father works in the city and my mother works in the farm."

Chessca Tan's expression faltered and she snorted slightly before turning to Fade Chen.

Fade Chen frowned and responded, "I'm a traditional Chinese medicine practitioner. I currently work for Fei Enterprises Holdings Inc."

"Fei Enterprises Holdings Inc? That's a large company. What a decent job!" commented Chessca Tan. Although they were compliments, she expressed them indifferently as though she was looking down on them.

After rounds of questions, Chessca Tan did not spend any more time on them. She turned to Momo Soo and asked, "Momo, do you live in South Bay City?"

"Yes!" replied Momo Soo unconsciously.

Chessca Tan's eyes glimmered as she continued to ask, "I heard that you're from a trading family. Are you part of the Su family in South Bay City?"

Momo Soo was fairly surprised that Chessca Tan mentioned her family but she didn't take it seriously.

She nodded and agreed, "Yes, I'm from the Su family."

Chessca Tan was instantly delighted as she further asked, "The Su family has a wide variety of businesses. I wonder which business belongs to your family."

Momo frowned as she began to feel uneasy but she still answered, "My dad is in charge of the real estate business."

"Real estate!" Chessca Tan became more excited. Real estate was one of the few core businesses of the Su family. Since Momo Soo's father was in charge of the real estate affairs, she should be a quite decent figure in the family.

Upon realizing it, Chessca Tan began to move closer to Momo Soo and suggested, "Momo, since your family's real estate business has developed well and my dad has some relevant business, why don't we arrange a date to discuss on further cooperation?"

The longer the conversation was, the more annoyed Momo Soo became. She put down her teacup and stated, "I don't know much about business."

"Anyway, would you recommend us some fun activities to do in Hanover City, Chessca? Since it's a holiday, we must enjoy ourselves." Momo Soo diverted the topic astutely.

Chessca Tan realized that she had been pushing



Momo Soo too far, so she tried her best to contain her excitement. She took out her laptop and asserted, "Don't worry, Momo. I've arranged your trip days ago. Look, these are the popular attractions in Hanover City. They're unique and are best to visit during winters."

"That's great, thank you so much," thanked Momo Soo.

Chessca Tan smirked, "Don't mention it. You all must be exhausted due to the journey today. Take a rest here and I'll be your tour guide tomorrow."

"Sorry for the troubles, Chessca," apologized Momo Soo.

In the evening, they had dinner at a decent hotel outside the area. After dinner, they hung out for two hours before heading home.

At night, Chessca Tan began to allocate bedrooms for the visitors. There were plenty of rooms in her house and she occupied the master bedroom alone. She chose a spacious guest room for Momo Soo, and then left a smaller bedroom for Yuri Zhang.

As for Fade Chen, Chessca Tan cheekily apologized, "Mr Chen, I'm sorry. The remaining bedrooms are quite dusty because I haven't had time to clean them. You'll have to put up with sleeping on the sofa in the living room tonight."

Before Fade Chen could speak, Momo Soo

suggested, "Let's do it this way. I'll share a room with Yuri. Brother Fade, you can have a room for yourself."

Yuri Zhang nodded instantly and agreed, "The bed in my room is large. I'll sleep with Momo, it won't be crowded."

Fade Chen took a glance at Chessca Tan and answered plainly, "It's okay. I'm a grown man, I can sleep anywhere. It's fine."

Chessca Tan wanted to comment but Momo Soo was faster. Momo Soo insisted, "It's winter now. You'll catch a cold easily if you sleep on the sofa. Besides, I slept with Yuri several times, and it's much warmer if you have someone to sleep with."

As Momo Soo was firm with her decision, Chessca Tan decided not to speak any further. She just simply reminded, "In that case, Mr Chen you can sleep there. The bedding is already made so please help yourself."

The next morning, Chessca Tan drove a BMW to take the trio for a trip after they had had breakfast.

Since the route was planned and Chessca Tan was the tour guide, the journey was rather smooth and everyone enjoyed the tour.

However, even Momo Soo and Yuri Zhang who were slow-witted began to discover the difference in Chessca Tan's attitude along the way.

She accompanied Momo Soo almost all the time, enthusiastically explaining and introducing everything to her. On the contrary, Yuri Zhang and Fade Chen were treated indifferently as she barely spoke to them.



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Momo Soo seemed to have realized this as well, and she tried to pass the topic over to Yuri Zhang and Fade Chen. But Chessca Tan was obviously not interested in the two, so it didn't take more than 5 minutes before she was talking to Momo Soo once again.

Moreover, she's repeatedly mentioned the Soo Family's business, promising that she'll go visit the them in South Bay City whenever she had the chance, and how their two families should collaborate with each other. What was meant to be a leisurely activity had turned into a business conference.

Momo Soo really didn't want to talk about it, so she answered everything hastily, hoping to just let it pass. Little did she know, Chessca Tan's face had turned into a darker shade of grey.

They were out for the entire day, and Chessca Tan had originally planned to bring them home to rest overnight while they'd continue with the trip the next day. But just as they were about to arrive home, Momo Soo received a phone call and said apologetically to Chessca Tan, "Senior, I'm sorry. My friend posted on social media, saying that a friend of mine from South Bay City came to Hanover City.



They have invited me to dinner, so I won't be staying at your place today."

"A friend from South Bay City!" Chessca Tan exclaimed as she asked, "Are they business partners of the Soo Family?"

Momo Soo shook her head and said, "Just a high school classmate of mine, she came to Hanover City for a trip."

Chessca Tan hummed in reply, then said, "Wait! How about I fetch you there?"

"That won't be necessary. My friend is staying nearby at a place called the Rujia Hotel, which is just within walking distance." Momo Soo answered, smiling.

Chessca Tan's haughty expression froze when she heard the name Rujia Hotel, instantly acknowledging that her friend was not someone of high social class. She was immediately thrown off and said, "In that case, I'll drop you guys off here. Momo, please give me a call if you would like to make plans for tomorrow."

"Okay, thank you very much, Senior," Momo Soo replied.

Chessca Tan opened the car door for the three of them to get down. They parted ways after waving their goodbyes as Chessca Tan drove away.

Both Momo Soo and Yuri Zhang felt at ease as they

watched Chessca Tan leave. They let out a sigh of relief, a smile finally reappearing on their faces.

Fade Chen smirked as he looked at the girls and said to Momo Soo, "Momo, since when have you learned how to lie? Let me guess, you don't really have a friend at the Rujia Hotel, do you?"

Momo Soo threw a glare in Fade Chen's direction, waving her small, clenched fist at him and said, "You're such a know-it-all, brother-in-law, and yet you pretend like you don't know anything."

Right after that, Momo Soo's expression darkened as she said in a low tone, "Senior Tan had invited me here several times before, and I thought that she'd be enthusiastic and welcoming to see us here. I never expected for her to have only been interested in my family's business. Starting from yesterday, she couldn't stop mentioning about having both our families engage in business collaboration."

Yuri Zhang fell silent a moment before she spoke up, her voice as light as a feather, "Momo, don't feel too disappointed. Senior was quite welcoming, she's already brought us to so many places." Kindness came naturally for Yuri Zhang as she always searched for the best in people.

Momo Soo curled her lips and said, "I wasn't criticizing her. It's just, just..."

She ran out of words to describe what she was feeling.



Fade Chen had noticed this, as he smiled faintly and said, "It's just that you wanted a pure friendship, but you didn't know that the other party is merely taking advantage of you."

Momo Soo nodded when he heard his explanation and said, "Yes, that's precisely what I meant."

Fade Chen said, "Momo, I understand where you're coming from, but there's no such thing as a pure friendship. The entire society's made up of people taking advantage of each other. Your senior may be a little flawed with her ways, but it's perfectly normal. Because, this is... society."

"Society!" The two innocent girls were processing what Fade Chen had said with their heads lowered, digesting their first lesson of entering society.

After a while, Momo Soo lifted her chin and flashed a smile at Fade Chen, "Brother-in-law, I understand now. I'll be more considerate in the future."

Yuri Zhang nodded solemnly as well.

Seeing that the two women have figured it out, Fade Chen changed the topic with a hearty laugh and said, "It's getting late. Also, it's been a whole day. I'm famished."

"Me too!" Yuri Zhang nodded with a smile.

Momo Soo pointed generously at a five-star hotel not far away and said, "Let's go have ourselves a lavish meal."

With their salary, a five- star hotel was considered nothing, so they headed there for a good meal and stayed overnight in three separate suites, finally getting a good night's rest.

The next morning, Momo Soo contacted Chessca Tan, inviting her over to join and hang out with her classmates.

Surely enough, Chessca Tan found an excuse for herself and refused.

In the end, Momo Soo and the others set out on their own. Without Chessca Tan with them, things were a little complicated, but they were truly having the time of their lives. Besides, what's not to like about going on a trip without someone who couldn't stop yapping in your ears about a corporate collaboration?

Just like that, another day was gone. The gang went around to all the famous scenic spots in Hanover City and didn't return to the hotel to rest until around four in the evening.

Who could've expected, Momo Soo received a phone call from Chessca Tan in the evening. She invited her to a gala that was going to take place later at night, with all the attendees well- known socialites of Hanover City.

Momo Soo knew, right off the bat, that the gala was nothing more than a guise for a wealthy socialites' party to expand their contacts. Tactfully, she refused



right away, because she wasn't at all interested in the event.

However, Chessca Tan persevered and she was persistent to the extent that Momo Soo felt sorry for rejecting her any further. Finally, she accepted her invitation., but with the condition that Fade Chen and Yuri Zhang tagged along as well.

Chessca Tan wasn't planning to invite them in the first place, but since Momo Soo had insisted for them to come, she had no choice but to agree to her request.

So, the three of them took a shower, got changed into their casual attire, and took a cab to the venue of where the party was being held. None of them were fancily dressed, since none of them were particularly interested in the event.

The party was held in a luxurious villa by the riverside. The host was a wealthy local businessman, and his invitees were the other rich socialites of Hanover City.

Chessca Tan was waiting for Momo Soo at the villa entrance. Her expression soured when saw that the gang had arrived in a cab in clothes that made them look nothing but cheap.

Momo Soo's attire was considered decent, to say the least. Her clothes were merely ordinary, but since she was wealthy, her ordinary clothes were all branded and not too shabby to wear to a party like

this. The same couldn't be said for Yuri Zhang and Fade Chen though, as Chessca Tan could barely hide the glare in her eyes.

She could tell that the clothes they were wearing didn't cost more than two hundred yuan per piece, and at most five hundred yuan in total. They looked as if two beggars were entering the Imperial Palace.

Chessca Tan wanted to pretend that she didn't know the two, but after all, they came with Momo Soo. She had no choice to put on a smile as she went to welcome them.

However, after saying their pleasantries, Chessca Tan quickened her pace and immediately pulled Momo Soo away to chat. She deliberately left Yuri Zhang and Fade Chen behind.