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Chapter 23 Elliot unceremoniously slapped Avery's hand away and hissed coldly, "Letting you live is already showing you mercy, Shut your mouth and stop p*ssing me off!"

Avery looked at his heartless expression and swallowed all of her pain.

There was nothing she could say or do to make him change his mind. She pressed herself into the seat and gazed miserably out the window. When the car came to a halt in front of the hospital, Avery was forcefully yanked out of the car and dragged to the gynecology clinic.

Elliot stayed in a car and lit a cigarette.

Avery's teary eyes and the hateful expression she shot at him kept replaying in his head.

He refused to go easy on her!

Everyone who betrayed him had to pay for the consequences.

The large doors to the operating room slowly shut after Avery was pushed into surgery.

The doors reopened about half an hour later.

The doctor walked out and informed the bodyguard, "The surgery is complete, but we'll need to observe the patient for at least an hour."

The bodyguard's task was to get Avery to go through with the abortion. Now that it was done, his mission was complete.

The bodyguard left the waiting room and the doctor returned to the operating room.

When Laura arrived at the hospital after getting the call, Avery was sitting on a bench with her eyes red from tears.

"It hurts, Mom..." Laura patted her back and cooed, "Don't cry, my dear. Let's go home. He'll regret it when he finds out the truth!"

"No, he won't. He'll never regret it," Avery said as she wiped the tears from the corner of her eyes. "His heart is harder and colder than stone."

Laura held Avery as they walked out of the hospital, and they hailed a cab.

Once they were gone, Elliot's car sped off from the hospital.

Cole was told that Elliot had something to discuss with him and he was summoned to his house.

When Cole arrived in the evening, there was no sign on Elliot anywhere.

"What does my uncle want to talk to me about? Didn't he say he didn't want to see me here again?" Cole asked Mrs. Cooper after taking a sip of tea.

Mrs. Cooper's expression was anxious. She shook her head violently and said, "I don't know anything. Don't ask me."

She had hid in a corner and watched as Avery was forcefully taken away earlier. She could not say or do anything about it.

She could not believe that Avery was pregnant. What was even more unbelievable was the fact that Elliot would force her to get an abortion.

They slept together the night before after all.

Elliot's car drove into the courtyard shortly after.

Cole shot to his feet when he heard the car approaching and walked out to greet his uncle.

When Elliot emerged from the car, his dark expression was in complete contrast with the evening sun.

Cole had a bad feeling, but he smiled and said, "Uncle Elliot, why did you call."

Before he could finish his sentence, Elliot's bodyguard kicked him in the gut and sent him flying to the ground.

"You actually showed up, you little brat?! How dare you take your uncle for a fool?!" The bodyguard stepped down on Cole's neck and spat at him. "Since you're Master Elliot's nephew, I'll let you choose how you want to die. How about it?!"

Cole was racked with terror.

"What did I do, Uncle Elliot? Tell me what I did? I have no idea what I did!" Elliot looked down on his nephew from his wheelchair and said cruelly, "I killed your and Avery Tate's baby."

Cole was mortified. 1

“How is that possible? How could she have my kid? I’ve never even slept with her! How could she be pregnant with my kid?!”

Cole’s face was flushed in horror.

After a moment of stunned silence, he said, “Uncle Elliot, you said Avery’s pregnant? Wouldn’t the kid be yours, then?!”

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Elliot frowned.

If he had not seen Avery fill the list with his own eyes, he would have almost believed Cole’s words.

“Avery said that the child is yours, then it’s yours!” The bodyguard scolded. “How dare you do such a thing! It’s not enough to repay even if you have nine lives!”

Cole cried out, “Avery lied! Uncle, the reason I broke up with her was that she wouldn’t let me touch her. I dumped her, and she hated me! She deliberately said that the child in her belly was mine! She wanted revenge on me! Uncle, you must believe me! No matter who the child in her belly belongs to, it can’t be mine!”

Elliot looked at the man lying on the ground with his face filled with fear. His heart suddenly went cold.

This was the man that Avery liked.

This cowardly and spineless man could easily betray her when he encountered problems.

“Drag him out!” Elliot’s voice had no emotion at all. “But don’t kill him.”

How could he let Cole die so easily?

He wanted to destroy Cole little by little in front of Avery.

Laura took Avery back to her rented house.

After entering the room, Laura helped her to lie down on the bed.

"Avery, don't cry. You can't cry now... You need to rest after having an abortion..."

Avery looked at the ceiling and said, "Mom, my child is still here. It hasn't left me."

Laura was stunned, "Avery, what's going on? Didn't you say that Elliot forced you to abort the child?"

"I told the doctor if she dared to touch me, I would never walk out the operating room alive. I wouldn't let her out of the operating room alive either."

Avery's voice was unusually cold.

Although the child was safe, her heart had already turned into ashes, as if she had died once.

'I got away with it this time, but what about next time? She thought to herself.

As long as she stayed by Elliot's side, the child's safety would always be at stake.

The phone rang, breaking the heavy air hanging in the room.

She picked up the phone and saw that it was the vice president calling.

After picking up the phone, the voice of the vice president could be heard. "Avery, I was drunk last night and just woke up! Did Mr. Z contact you today?"

Avery was stunned, "No. Who did you drink with last night?"

"Mr. Z! His name is Jun Hertz. I haven't found any information about him on the internet. He is a very young man. His family background should be quite wealthy. He said he has been looking for suitable investment projects. I talked a lot to him last night, and I don't know what decision he will make after considering it."

"Is he an acquaintance of Elliot?" Avery asked cautiously.

"Uhh. I don't know! But he knows Ben. He said that Ben is his senior, and Ben is the financial president of Sterling Group and the right-hand man of Elliot." The vice president quickly cleared up the relationship between those people. "So, Jun should have known Elliot."

"Avery, why did you suddenly mention Elliot? Do you know him?" The vice president asked curiously.

"No, I don't." Avery's tone was icy cold.

Her heart ached at the mention of his name. After talking on the phone, she put the phone down.

Laura walked to the bed and sat down.

"Avery, I found a job," Laura said. "I didn't tell you before because I didn't know if I could do it well." "What kind of work?" Avery asked, suppressing her sadness.

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"There's a close friend that I used to know. She needs a nanny to take care of her grandchildren, and the pay is very high. I thought about it. A job is just a job anyway, so I went to try it out. Today is the third day of work, and everything is fine so far. I can earn a thousand and five hundred a month!"

"Your father is already gone, and he didn't leave you with any property. I can't hold you back," Laura added.

Avery's tears fell uncontrollably once she heard it.

"A close friend of yours is quite rich, isn't she?" Her voice was a little hoarse, but now that she started crying, her voice became even hoarser.

"Being a nanny for a friend... it must be tough!"

"It's not tough! Now as long as I can make money, I'm satisfied. My pride isn't worth as much! Moreover, the rich will not necessarily stay rich their whole lives. Maybe I'm not as rich as my friend now, but maybe my daughter will make a lot of money in the future."

Laura took a few tissues and wiped Avery's tears.

"Mom... you don't have to go to work. I can do a part-time job. I can work next year..." Avery burst into tears.

"You're pregnant now, how are you going to work? Avery, if you really want to keep the child, we can't keep on like this." Laura frowned and was very puzzled. "Why does Elliot not want this child? It's his own flesh and blood!"

"He likes another woman."

"Really? Then why didn't he marry that woman?". Laura's face was ashen, and she felt sorry for her daughter.

"I have no idea."

"It's alright. Don't be afraid. If it really doesn't work, let's hide and give birth to this baby. We keep it from him."

Laura took Avery into her arms and patted her shoulder lightly.

Three days later.

Avery received a call from Cole.

He asked her to meet him. 1

After thinking for a few seconds, she agreed.

His purpose for a meetup, must be because of the child.

Cafe.

Avery stared at Cole's face several times.

He had several band-aids on his face, and even with the band-aids on, the large bruises were still visible.

"Stop looking at me. My uncle did this. If you hadn't said that the child you were carrying was mine, my uncle wouldn't have beaten me." Cole said in a dull tone. Resigned, he continued, "Just treat it as my repayment for you! But when you asked me to elope with you, I really didn't have the courage."

"Cole Foster, your problem is not that you didn't elope with me. If I don't bring up the matter between you and Cassandra now, are you going to hide it from me forever?" Avery picked up the glass of water and

took a sip.

"When did you find out?" Cole looked at her in surprise.

"No wonder you never replied to my messages or answered my calls."

Avery took a deep breath and asked, "Do you know where Cassandra is now? Her uncle took the money from my dad's company. I won't let it go easily."

"She's traveling around the world... It's useless to find her for what her uncle did."

"Isn't she traveling around the world with the money of my dad's company?!"

"That's her dad too. Avery, I know you're angry, but please calm down. Don't worry about the mess that your dad left behind." Cole stretched out a big palm, trying to hold her hand, but she quickly avoided it.

“Avery, I’m sorry. Cassandra and I are not like what you think. I have never loved her. The reason that I’m with her... is because she seduced me. Men can’t control their lust and instinct most of the time... The woman I love the most in my heart has always been you.”

Avery got goosebumps in disgust.

“You may not know it, but my injuries are more serious than they seem, but I don’t blame you.” Cole said miserably. “I was in the hospital for a few days, and I haven’t been discharged yet. I came to you in such a hurry because I wanted to ask you, just whose child is it that you’re carrying in your belly?” (1)

“The child is gone. What’s the point of asking this again?” Avery replied.

“Oh... Avery, let’s work together!” Cole said his true purpose. “You still have a chance to approach him now. You find a way to kill him, and when he dies, no one can bully us again.”

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Kill him?

Avery frowned. Although she hated Elliot, she never thought of killing him.

Even if the child in her belly was now gone, it was impossible for her to have this thought.

Besides, could she really kill him?

Seeing that Avery was hesitating, Cole said, “My uncle is on a business trip now. You go back and think about it. Avery, as long as you can kill Elliot, I can marry you right away. I will give you whatever you want. I have told my parents about us and they are very supportive.”

Cole’s attitude was sincere and his eyes were earnest.

When she was in love with him previously, she had always wanted to be recognized by his parents.

However, he had been reluctant to disclose their relationship.

Now, she no longer needed the approval of others.

“What if I fail?” Avery asked him. “If he finds out that I want to kill him, do you think he will keep me alive? Cole, you were a coward before, and now you’re just the same. If you want to kill him, you do it yourself. If you can’t bear the consequences of the failure, then don’t do such illegal things!”

Cole’s expression instantly froze. He did not expect that Avery would refuse.

“It won’t fail. We’ll poison him. You only need to poison him, and there won’t be any trouble in the future. My grandma will definitely collapse, and my dad will handle the rest...”

“Since it’s so safe, why don’t you do it yourself?! He will return to the old house once a week.

You can poison him while he’s back in the old house.” Avery suggested.

Cole was stunned.

“Cole, I don’t think you’ve been beaten enough.” Avery looked at him and said bluntly, “Elliot is your uncle. How could you attack your own blood-related kin?”

“Oh, Avery. I treat him as an uncle, but he doesn’t treat me as a nephew.”

“Isn’t it because you bribed his lawyer when he was sick and he found out later that he punished you?” Avery said, “Although I hate him for being heartless, I haven’t lost my mind.”

After speaking, Avery got up and decided to leave.

“Avery! Don’t go first! Let’s have a meal together! It doesn’t matter if you don’t stand by my side,” Cole pleaded. “Now our family relationship with my uncle is irreconcilable, even if I don’t make a move on him, he will still definitely suppress me.”

Avery could sense the hint of conspiracy from his words.

“You really plan to poison your uncle?” Avery sat down again.

Cole continued, “If you don’t help me, then I won’t necessarily poison him. I may think of other methods that are less likely to be discovered.”

Avery asked, “When are you going to do it?”

Cate saw that she asked for the details, and asked her in return, “Avery, you won’t tell this plan to my uncle, will you? Do you want me to die?”

“You’re flattering me. Do you think Elliot will still care about me?”

"Oh... I haven't decided when to start. After all, he hasn't come back yet. We'll see about it after he comes back," Cole said.

After lunch, Cold was picked up by the driver.

Avery went to the hospital where she had made documentation before.

The hospital had an inescapable responsibility for the disclosure of her personal information.

Besides, she wanted to know who went to the hospital to check her information..

"Miss Tate, I didn't leak your information. No one came to me to check your information. Would you like to ask someone else?" The doctor who helped to make Avery's documentation previously brushed away his responsibility immediately. Avery said, "If you don't help me to find out who did it, then I'll take you and this hospital to court. Now is a society ruled by law, and I believe that the law will restore justice for me. If the law fails to do so, I'll expose everything to the media..." "Hey! Don't be so impulsive!"

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"It's not your baby being aborted, of course you're not impulsive!"

The doctor, seeing that Avery Tate was very emotional and that the matter was indeed somewhat serious, had to change his tone, "Miss Tate, I am so sorry. Just now, I used the wrong words. Please have a seat and drink some water first, I'll go and have a look."

The doctor poured her a glass of water and then immediately went to his seniors.

About half an hour later, the doctor was back.

"Miss Tate, do you know Chelsea Tierney? She's the one who came to check your file."

Getting the answer, Avery Tate left the hospital.

Never thought Chelsea Tierney regarded her as a pest and a thorn in the flesh!

However, there was no way she was going to be beaten passively.

She would definitely find a way to make Chelsea Tierney pay the price!

Tate Industries.

Avery Tate entered her father's president's office.

The vice president had been waiting inside for a long time.

"Tate, I want you to come here today because of two things," Shaun Locklyn poured her a cup of warm water, "Jun Hertz's side has changed his mind, originally he wanted to invest in us, but today he wants to buy our company for one billion directly."

Avery Tate saw that the vice president did not look so pleasant and guessed, "Is this price too low?"

"If the company was in its normal days, at a price of one billion, an acquisition wouldn't even be thought of. But now the company is not what it used to be, and the price given by Jun Hertz is just a little higher." The vice president said, "In fact, being acquired at a low price is not the hardest part, what is hard is that after the acquisition by Jun Hertz, the core business will change. To put it simply, he doesn't see driverless cars and won't do this..."

"Then why does he want to do the acquisition?" Avery Tate wondered.

This system, in general terms, is artificial intelligence, and with it, there is no longer any need for a driver. Also, this system can be applied to other fields, such as, robots, drones and others."

Avery Tate: "Is this system so valuable?"

The vice president laughed bitterly: "Do you know how much your father spent on developing it? Well over a billion. How could your father have left the company to you because he wanted you to take on his debts? He was hoping that the company would come to life with you and take Tate Industries to a more glorious future."

Avery Tate's eyes dimmed a few moments.

she feared she was not capable of doing so now.

"One more thing, I don't know if your father told you." The vice president said, "The development of the new system was in its final stages, but it was stopped when your dad fell ill. Because your dad has the stuff in his hands. He doesn't open access and no one else can touch the core at all."

The vice president walked over to the wall of bookshelves and pressed a button.

In a flash, the wall of bookshelves moved away, and an entrance appeared.

"We have looked for many master locksmiths to open your dad's safe, but we have not been successful. Tate, do you know the password to your dad's safe? He must have said something to you before he died, right?"

Avery Tate's heart was greatly shaken.

She entered the hidden door and saw a large safe.

In this modest space she saw a family portrait hanging on the wall.

It was Dad, Mum, and her.

Her eyes reddened instantly.

She thought Dad had long forgotten that the three of them were the only family.

"Tate, since we can't afford to keep the Tate Industries alive, then let it go bankrupt! We'll sell this system secretly and split the money. That way we're all rich." The vice president pushed the glasses on his nose, his ambition clear as day, "If the Tate Industries doesn't go bankrupt, the money paid by Jun Hertz won't fall into our pockets." Avery Tate looked at his greedy face and she was suddenly alerted inwardly.

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"...I don't know the password. My dad didn't tell me the password before he passed." Avery Tate frowned and shook her head.

She hadn't lied.

It was true that Jack Tate hadn't told her about the company before his death, let alone his last words related to the password.

There were so many people in the room at that time, if Jack Tate had said it, she couldn't have been the only one who knew.

"Uncle Locklyn, why don't I go back and ask my mom!" Avery Tate discussed with the vice president, "When I saw my dad for the last time, he left after saying a couple of words to me. My mom might know a bit more."

The vice president didn't doubt it: "Okay. Don't tell anyone about this. This is a top secret of our company. I'm only telling you because you're the heir appointed by President Tate."

Avery Tate glanced at the safe, a very sober voice in her mind reminding her.

They had to tell her about this secret because they couldn't find someone to open the safe. 1

If they had opened this safe secretly, they would have simply taken the stuff in the safe privately and would never have let her know about it.

"Well, I definitely won't tell anyone about this thing. Uncle Locklyn, apart from you, who else knows about this?" Avery Tate chatted with the vice president as her feet headed towards the door.

The vice president followed along towards the door.

"Two other technicians. They are both your father's particularly trusted people and have been following him for many years. When the time comes to sell and get the money, we'll split it equally, what do you think?" The vice president said.

Avery Tate nodded, "Then I'll go back and get the password first."

"Alright. Tate, it's not that I don't persist, it's that no one sees your father's company and us as a team. They only want this system we've developed, and we'll definitely be kicked out when the time comes. It's also very hard for me to make this decision."

"Yes, I understand. Uncle Locklyn, what if I can't think of the right password?" Avery Tate's eyes lifted up to look at the Vice President.

She was really a bit worried.

She had absolutely no clue now.

The vice president frowned, "Your father must have left you some signals when he gave you the company. You go back and think about it carefully."

"OK"

After leaving the company, Avery Tate took a taxi back to her mother's home.

Laura Jensen was washing vegetables. "Tate, why did Cole Foster look for you? Didn't you two break up?"

Avery Tate picked up her glass of water, took a sip and said, "He was beaten up by Elliot Foster and

wanted to fight back. He tried to use my hand to kill Elliot Foster."

Laura Jensen's face changed dramatically, "Tate, you wouldn't agree to that, would you?!"

“How is that possible? Killing someone, I definitely won’t do it. Mom, what kind of person am I in your

mind?”

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Laura Jensen sighed in relief: “You’ve grown up and don’t share a lot of things with me. For example, the matter of your pregnancy...If Elliot Foster hadn’t forced you to have an abortion, how long would you have planned to hide it from me?”

Avery Tate walked up to her mom and hugged her: “Mom, I didn’t know about the pregnancy until very late, too. By the way, do you know where Dad’s relics are?”

The expression on Laura Jensen’s face froze and she said awkwardly, “Tate, your father and I divorced a long time ago and when he died, his relics were not mine to handle. What do you need his relics for?”

She told her mother what had just happened.

“It’s a six-digit code. What would Dad have set? Did he ever tell you about it?” She pondered hard.

Laura Jensen shook her head, “He didn’t say anything to me about the password. He kept telling me he was sorry then and kept shedding tears... Honestly, I hated him, but every time I think of the image of him on his deathbed, I get soft...Sigh, what’s the use of hating again when people have gone.”

“Mom, the Vice President told me that Dad didn’t give me the company to carry on the debt. He said that the system Dad developed could be sold for a lot of money.” Avery Tate’s nose twitched, and she felt very complicated.

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Laura placed her hand on Avery’s shoulder and said, “You are his daughter, so he won’t hurt you. I was with him when he first started his company. When we were married, I didn’t ask for anything. I also invested a lot of money for his business. If he dares hurt you, I will never forgive him, even if I’m dead.”

Monday.

Avery took a cab to Sterling Group.

That was the first time she went to Elliot's company.

The Sterling Group building towered high and was majestic. She stepped out from the cab and headed towards the ground floor lobby.

"Miss, do you have an appointment?" asked the receptionist.

Avery replied, "No. Please contact Chelsea Tierney for me. Say that Avery Tate wants to meet her. She will see me when she hears my name."

The receptionist stared at Avery for a while. She noticed that she dressed well, so she called the PR Department for her.

Soon, Chelsea came down.

She came out from an elevator and walked towards Avery. She glanced at her with a fierce gaze.

"Didn't you just have an abortion? Don't you need to lie in bed and rest?" mocked Chelsea.

Avery had a natural makeup look that day, so she looked alright. She said, "Chelsea, you go to great lengths for this, but does Elliot agree to marry you?"

Chelsea was not angry, instead, she smiled like a victor. She said, "He won't stay with you even if he won't marry me. Avery, he just allowed you to have an abortion. That's merciful enough for you. If I were him, I'm afraid I would kill you."

"Oh, it appears that you're familiar with illegal deeds."

"Do you think you can ruffle my feathers with that? You're such a clown right now." Chelsea smirked with her red lips, and insulted her. "Freaking loser!"

Avery was unbothered. She asked, "Chelsea, have you ever worn a puffy dress in front of Elliot?"

Chelsea arched her eyebrow and said, "So immature! I never wear puffy dresses! Why do you ask?"

"I finally figured out why Elliot doesn't like you." Avery smirked and got close to her ear. "Elliot likes the cute type. He likes women in puffy dresses."

Chelsea laughed like she heard the funniest joke ever.

"I already slept with Elliot. You haven't, right? He likes women in puffy dresses, and he also likes women in a hime haircut. Oh yeah, the dresses better be pink. If you dress that way, he's bound to like you more," said Avery.

Chelsea froze up.

She knew Elliot for more than ten years, but Elliot was never physically affectionate with her.

However, Avery knew him for less than three months. She could not believe that they slept together.

Chelsea had to believe what Avery was talking about.

“Why are you telling me this? Why would you help me?!” questioned Chelsea.

Because I want a divorce with Elliot. He’s dead to me. I just want my freedom back. Is that a good enough reason?”

Avery had a cold gleam in her eyes. Pink puffy dresses and a hime haircut, those were the distinct features of that woman in Elliot’s laptop. If Chelsea dressed like that in front of Elliot, she knew that he would go mad. Perhaps, he would choke Chelsea to death.

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Friday, afternoon.

“Madam, Master Elliot will be back tonight. You should come back too!”

Avery had been living at her mom’s place ever since Elliot forced her to have an abortion.

“Alright. It’s time that I end things between me and him.” Avery hung up and went to Elliot’s mansion.

It was seven in the evening.

Elliot’s plane landed at the airport.

He hopped into a black Rolls-Roice with the escort of his bodyguards.

Once he was seated, he realized that Chelsea was in there.

“Elliot, how’s my new hairstyle?” Chelsea wore a pink puffy dress. She tucked her hair behind her ear and seductively smiled at him.

Chelsea wanted to surprise him in the car.

Elliot quickly glanced at Chelsea and was no longer calm.

He was tensed and his face was as cold as ice. Tension arose in the car.

Chelsea noticed that. She felt anxious.

“What’s wrong, Elliot? Don’t you like my hairstyle? Or is it because this dress is ugly...?” Chelsea was nervous. Her voice was slightly trembling.

Elliot slapped her harshly!

Her body flung towards the car door.

“Scissors!” Elliot clenched his fist and spat that word out.

The bodyguards outside the car received the order and immediately ran to buy scissors.

Chelsea shivered in the car. She held her stinging cheek as she tasted blood from the corner of her mouth.

She was confused.

Utterly confused.

She had been with Elliot for ten years. Elliot was never that angry with her during those ten years.

Avery Tate!

That was her idea!

“Elliot! Let me explain! Avery told me to dress like this, and to have a hime haircut! Avery wants to piss you off. It’s not my fault!” Chelsea cried and grabbed onto Elliot’s arm. She tried to explain with tears in her eyes.

The bodyguards returned with scissors.

Elliot ordered, “Cut off her hair! And that dress!”

Chelsea jolted. The light in her eyes slowly faded away...

Why was he offended by the hairstyle and the puffy dress?

She could not figure it out.

However, how did Avery know that?

The bodyguards dragged Chelsea out of the car. Then, they closed the door.

Elliot softly ordered, "Drive."

Avery had been waiting in the living room after she ate dinner.

She already packed her things.

She was waiting for Elliot to come back, so that she could discuss the divorce with him.

Around eight, a Rolls-Roice slowly drove into the front yard.

Mrs. Cooper quickly walked out to welcome him.

Avery anxiously looked outside.

The autumn night was cold. The view was glazed in a hazy chill.

Elliot sat in a wheelchair. The bodyguard pushed him into the living room.

He was still wearing a black blouse and black sweatpants. He had an intimidating and unfriendly look.

"Elliot Foster, when are we getting divorced?" asked Avery with the courage she mustered. Elliot looked up at her and asked, "Divorce?"