

Chapter 196

Claptrap

Unlike the others, Jared snorted in response. Zayne was furious at his reaction.

“What’s with you, Jared?” Zayne asked with an irritated tone.

“Oh, nothing. I’m just amazed at how a person with your puny departmental managerial post would dare to form cliques in the company.” Contempt was written all over Jared’s face.

“Okay, you’re right. I’m only a departmental manager. But too bad for you, I’m still your superior. Now, I’d like to announce that you’re fired!” Zayne let out a cold smile. Xavier was the one who wanted to keep you here only to humiliate you. But now that he’s gone, I have no reason to keep you around anymore.

“You have no rights to fire me,” Jared answered flatly.

“I have the absolute right! I’m your superior! Whatever I say in the sales department is final. No one can stop me from firing you. Don’t you have a mansion already? What are you still doing here? Experiencing life? Leave now!” Zayne thundered. I must get rid of you. You’re like a ticking time bomb! All you do is disrupt my department.

Upon hearing that, Maria jumped to Jared’s defense. “Zayne, Jared has just secured a contract with Cosmic Chemical. Must you...”

“Shut up!” Zayne immediately cut Maria off. “Are you into him? Why are you defending him? Because of him, you bailed on the dinner I’d organized with all my heart. We didn’t even get to discuss our marriage! You’re into him, aren’t you?”

Zayne’s words had put Maria on the spot, and awkwardness overwhelmed her.

“W-What nonsense are you on about? That day, Jared was in trouble. All I did was inform his parents about it. Why would you think otherwise?” Maria explained hastily.

“Cut the crap! No one can stop me from firing him today!” Zayne’s eyes widened as he glared fiercely at Jared.

Jared then came to a realization. Oh? So the reason you’re in such a terrible mood today is that Maria bailed on the dinner for me?

Everyone in the sales department stood quietly. No one was willing to defend Jared, not even Troy.

Lydia was gloating within. Not because Jared was getting fired, but she was glad to see Zayne and Maria getting into a fight. If they break up, I can finally get together with Zayne!

Indeed, Zayne had cheated on Maria with Lydia multiple times. Throughout the affair, Lydia was always the initiator. She had even become Maria’s best friend just so that she could spend more time with Zayne.

Ultimately, Lydia was over the moon about the damaged relationship between Zayne and Maria.

“Mr. Carlson, why would you...” Hilda tried to defend Jared.

“Shut your mouth! If you wish to quit, then get lost as well!” Zayne cut Hilda off in anger.

With an emotionless gaze, Jared said, “You have no right to fire me. If someone were to get fired today, I have a feeling that person is you!”

“What are you talking about?” Zayne burst into laughter. “Jared, stop being so full of yourself! I’m the head of the department. Unfortunately for you, that means I’m your superior. I can fire whoever I wish! Who’s going to fire me? You? Come on, know your place!”

“I do know my place. It’s you who can’t seem to figure out where you stand. Soon you’ll find out which one of us is getting the boot.” Jared then went back and sat down at his desk.