My roommate

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being a roommate with a guy may not help when you hug him because your scared of thunder, or when he does CPR and takes your first kiss away trying to save you. then telling you that he'll take responsibility and make you fall for him. just what kind of relationship can this be? who is he?

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My roommate : Chapter 1

Chapter one

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I woke up with a loud roar of thunder. I looked around the room and saw that my new roommate wasn't here. Another loud thunder roared and then lightning lit up the whole room. I was now terrified the lights went out and if it was the things I hated the most thunder was second on my list. I called Angie and Sarah to come over to the room to stay with me. They said they would be there in ten minutes. After fifteen minutes of waiting, I heard the door knob move. Another thunder came when the door opened and I held onto Angie. Except it wasn't Angie or Sarah. It was my roommate. "Well hello there!" he said, "I didn't know you felt this way about me!" I immediately pushed him back and closed the door. He opened the door again and said "that wasn't a nice thing to do." I was sitting on the end of the bed staring at him do what he was doing. Right when he was taking his shirt off, came another thunder. I hugged him tightly, so tightly I thought I couldn't hug him any tighter. "Umm, everything alright?" he said. Some more thunders and lightning came and my knees went weak I almost fell, but he caught me in his arms. My tears started to come down and he seemed like he was shocked for a second. A knock came at the door. He set me down on the bed and opened the door. I looked to see who it was and saw that it was Angie and Sarah with their dresses torn, hair all messy, and their makeup all smeared. "Sorry we're late Michelle," said Angie. Sarah came over and hugged me tightly and I got off the bed and started walking towards the door. Angie went over and took my bag and held onto my left arm while Sarah was holding onto my right. "Umm, is she ok?" he said. I totally forgot that he was in the room too. "Yea, she's just scared of thunder and lightning." Sarah said. "She'll be ok!" said Angie. I turned around and started looking for paper and a pencil. I found a note pad and pen on the night table and wrote "thank you" on it and showed it to him. "Yea, thank you for the hugs!" he said trying to cheer me up. We left the room and went to Angie's and Sarah's room. It was huge. Well they at least had two beds; I lay on the bed farthest away from the window and drifted into sleep holding Sarah's hand. When I woke up it was 5 A.M. I tried to force myself back to sleep but it didn't work at all. I got ready and laid out some clothes for me to pick. Skinnies, super skinnies, jeggings, or boot cut for pants. For my shirts I had a crop, loose shirt, and a tank top that went with a sweater. I chose to wear my super skinnies together with my loose shirt and some heels. I wrote a note and left it on the makeup bag that said "went out shopping be back soon! Heart, Michelle." I brought my wallet, purse, and my phone along with my iPod. First I walked to a park in downtown while listening to my iPod. I rode on the swing for half an hour, then I went into a cafÃ© and ate cinnamon rolls and had tea. I went shopping after that and went into tons of stores. First Hollister, Aeropostale, American eagle, Pink, and ended Hot Topic. I bought dresses, shirts, skinnies, jeans, pumps, toms, converse, and accessories. I got back to the hotel, into my room and plopped onto the comfy bed. I was so tired from all the carrying and walking I fell asleep. I woke up and made sure the door was locked, and it was. I took off my clothes, took out my hair and was now wearing only my cute matching bra and undie set. I opened the bathroom door, and saw that my roommate was in there naked about to put his robe on. I stared at him for a while, then closed the door and sat on the bed again watched television and waited for him to get out. When he got out I went in and took off my bra and undie. I set the water on high and hot for a bath, when I got in it felt like all my stressed went away. I closed my eyes then opened them after a while. I got out of the bath, then all of a sudden a wave of dizziness came over me and I fell onto the floor. A few minutes later I felt a surge of a warm sensation come over me. I opened my eyes and saw my roommate on top of me, kissing me or should I say feeding me water mouth to mouth. He saw me with my eyes open after a while and leaned back. I was blushing so hard, I almost cried. He stared at me "nice body!" he said. I looked at myself and saw that I was still naked, I was so angry. "You pervert!" I shouted. "What? I just saved your life and you call me a pervert." He said angrily "If you were going to save me you could've covered me up first." I shouted. "I didn't have time, by the time I had you dressed you would've been dead already." He said. My tears started forming and by the time I knew it I started crying. "Why'd you have to kiss me?" I said while crying, "Why? I wanted to kiss someone I loved!" "Don't tell me that was your first kiss?" he said shocked "And if it was what do I now?" I said trying to stop crying. "Well it wasn't a kiss, just think of it as CPR." He said trying to console me. "Well I can't cause I've already

had CPR done to me." I said shakily. "Then I'll make you fall for me, that way the kiss would've been with somebody you love." He said. "Will you love me too?" I said "yeah, I'll take full responsibility," he said smiling.

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The next morning I woke up in the bed lying next to my roommate. I tried to remember what happened. First I got back from shopping, took a bath, fainted, woke up with a kiss, my roommate telling me that he would make me fall for him. I blushed staring at him, trying really hard to remember, after 5 minutes of trying to remember I got out of bed, brushed my teeth and washed my face. When I was done I went over to my shopping bags and looked at my clothes I just wasted my money on yesterday. I got everything out of the bags and tried to coordinate them. Most of them were in a maroon/burgundy color, which was my favorite color. Even my hair was that color, my eyes were a light brown with big pupils. I still have baby fat on my face, which made me look childish yet cold at the same time. I was easygoing and got along with everybody on the outside, but on the inside I had no one, no one to love me or care for me. I went to school, after school I went to work to support myself, after work I go home and do my studies, then go to sleep. When I got sick, no one came to visit and see me. Not even my family, what kind of family is that right, but I still love them even if they don't love me. So I figured, I'll just go live by myself and be alone. Well that was until I met Angie and Sarah at the start of school. I smiled at my clothes and went back to picking my clothes. Out of 23 things to wear I wore a burgundy loose top with a new pair of white skinnies I bought at Hollister. I put on a wing necklace that went along with my outfit, and wore a burgundy pair of boots. I shoved all of the other clothes back into their bags. I grabbed my digital camera, iPod, headphones, wallet, and my purse. I opened the door and left the hotel. I went for a walk and ended up finding a stream on my way, I stayed there for three hours. In those three hours I sat by the rocks and took off my heels. I looked at the sky and saw that it was a clear sky. I walked in the stream singing and humming with my iPod. I skipped rocks, and took pictures of the stream and woods. I took pictures of myself and other people who passed by. I saw the time and thought that I had better return if I wanted to put the pictures in the red room and paint. I left the stream and started my way back until I ran into stray dog. It was skinny and hungry. I could tell that it hadn't eaten in days. I carried it back with me to the hotel and into my room. I put my digital camera on the table along with my iPod, and coat. I brought it into the bathroom and set it down in the bathtub. I gently sprayed him with warm water and it seemed that he liked it. I washed him thoroughly and rubbed some shampoo onto him and washed every part of him till he was covered in bubbles and smelled good. After 10 minutes I rinsed the shampoo off of him and dried him. I got him out of the bathtub and into the kitchen. I fed it some dog food I bought at the store on my way back with him and poured it in a bowl. He ate all of it till there was no more in the bowl, I poured some more for him and made a collar out of ribbon for him. It was the color ivory with burgundy strips on the edges. I got my camera and took some pictures of him. Later after a couple of hours he got tired and fell asleep on my bed. I went into the red room and stayed in there for five hours. I waited till all the pictures were ready and dry then I opened the red door and saw that the dog was waiting by the door. I got out and sat the pictures on the table, I got out my canvases, paint, and paint brushes. I got half way of painting a picture of me by the stream, but a call interrupted my work.

I picked up my cell and answered the call. There was a pause from me for two minutes. I grabbed my wallet and opened the door fiercely while crying running into my roommate's chest. I pushed him and ran out of the hotel, the dog ran after me. I got a cab and got in with the dog. "Where's the nearest airport?" I asked the cab driver "in twenty minutes, if I drive fast and avoid traffic probably fifteen almost ten." He said. "Step on it!" I said.

We got to the airport in twelve minutes which was ok I thought. I bought an eight'0 clock flight to china as soon as possible. I looked at the time and it was only quarter to seven, I looked for a telephone to call back to the hotel. I found one not far away from my flight area. I dialed in a number and waited for it to dial. It connected I thought. "Angie?" I said. "Michelle, Where are you? Your roommate said you ran out in a panic with a dog." She said. "Uh, yeah, I guess I did do that. Umm, can you tell the teacher that I'm going to be

away for a while because of family issues, please!" I said starting to tear up. "Michelle" she said then she paused. "What happened?" she said quietly. "My mom is dying." I said crying. "Angie I got a favor to ask?" I said. "Sure anything!" she said trying to cheer me up. "Can you come to the airport and take the dog back with you and take care of it while I'm gone." I said pleading. "Yeah, it's the closest airport right!" she said. "Yeah, thanks." I said and ended the call. Angie, Sarah, and my roommate came after ten minutes of the call. I showed them the dog, and hugged them goodbye. It was already ten till eight. I hugged Angie first, then Sarah who was crying, and lastly handshake my roommate. I let go of his hand and started to walk to the entrance for the eight'0 clock flight. I started to tear up, but I held them back. I couldn't cry now, not when they were already crying for me. I kept walking without looking back at them, but a pull on my hand made me stop. My roommate pulled me around and hugged me. "How come they get a hug, and I only get a handshake?" he said. I couldn't hold in my tears anymore, they started to come out bit by bit. "I'm not happy one bit." He said. "Every time I see you, you're always crying. How come I never see the smiling you?" he said. I wiped away my tears and smiled at him. "That's better!" he said. He pulled me close and leaned down and kissed me on the lips, I blushed. He pulled back and my friends were oohing at us. "That's my second kiss now." I said. "I know, but we'll kiss tons after you come back so it doesn't matter right!" he said. I smiled and waved them a final good bye. I entered the entrance flight and disappeared through a flock of people.

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One day already pasted and it was six p.m. now, the plane will be landing in 30 minutes or so. I couldn't sleep a wink, not when my mother was sick and dying. I tried to think positive, but it didn't help at all. I sat by the window, all I did for twenty two hours was stare out into the sky. When I finally fell asleep, I woke up from a child crying. I looked at the time and only twenty minutes passed by. I walked over to the little girl. "What's wrong?" I said. "I can't find my mommy!" she said crying. "Well if I help you look for her will you stop crying?" I said. "Yea." She said with a smile on her face. First we started looking in the back we checked every seat and the bathroom. Then we checked the middle aisles First we started looking in the back we checked every seat and the bathroom. Then we checked the middle aisles First we started looking in the back we checked every seat and the bathroom. We went onto checked the middle aisles and then the front aisles, but we never saw her. The plane was starting to land and we had to be seated so we sat in two empty seats until we landed. We got off the air plane first and waited to see if her mom came out. We stayed there until everybody got off, just when we were turning back we heard a woman. "Wait I still have to find my daughter!" a woman said in a brown dress with blonde hair and blue eyes. "ma'am, we have to unload everybody on the plane." the flight attendant said annoyingly. "But what about my child?" the woman said. "Ma'am I'm sure she's safe." The attendant said. "MOMMY!" said the little girl as she turned around. "Erica!" oh where did you go?" the woman said worriedly. "Mommy, this girl helped me!" said the little girl. "Thank you so much! If I lost her too I don't know what I'd do without her." The woman said. I stared at the little girl and then at the mom. It reminded me of my mom when we would travel together. Then I just remembered that I had something to do. "Excuse me, but I have an urgent business, so if you would excuse me I'll have to leave." I said anxiously. "Of course I didn't mean to hold you back!" the woman said. "No it's just I want to see my mom too before she leaves me." I said trying to hold back my tears. I bent down and said goodbye to the little girl and her mom and ran towards the exit of the airport.

I got a cab as fast as I could and went to "Sir Run Run Shaw Hospital." When I got there I went to the main desk and asked for the room numbr where Jasmine Xiong was in. They told me that all visitors were prohibited unless we were related. "I'm... i'm Mei!" I said loudly. "I'm so sorry princess, I didn't realize it was you." The nurse said nervously. "Just tell me the room number!" I said angrily, "and don't call me princess." "I'm so sorry Ma'am, its room 604 on the East wing." The nurse said. I left in a hurry, didn't care to what the stupid nurse said. I ran in the halls even though we weren't supposed to, but it's not like they can tell me what to do. After all I'm one of the emperor's six children that everybody hates. When I got to the 600th floor I walked so I could calm down before I entered the room. When I found the room I stood outside the room for five minutes thinking what could go wrong. Would I break down and start to cry, get mad and run out of the room, go to where my father was and start yelling at him making a fool out of myself in front of my so-called siblings. I raised my hand and started for the door knob, my hand touched it and I opened the door. When I walked in and turned to the bed I saw no one in the room. I checked the bathroom, the bed, under the bed, but I never found her. I went to the center desk and asked. "Excuse me, but do you know where Jasmine Xiong is? She's not in her room." I said worriedly. "Jasmine Xiong, she died this morning at 7 a.m." the nurse said. No way, I thought. This can't happen to me I haven't seen her in five years, and when I come to see her I can't even see her anymore. "Your lying." I mumbled. "Pardon me?" the nurse said. "Nothing." I said loudly and ran away. I ran down the stairs instead of taking the elevator and headed for the main desk. I walked over to the nurse who gave me the room number and slapped her on the face. "Gong Ju Mei?" the nurse said almost crying. "Why did you lie to me!" I shouted in anger, "WHY?" I said again. "I'm sorry princess, the emperor told me not to tell you becau.." "DON'T CALL ME PRINCESS, DO I LOOK LIKE A PRINCESS TO YOU? DO I?" I screamed. "No Ma'am." The nurse said crying. "Where's my mother?" I said, starting to calm down. "Lee and Xue Yan came in this morning and took her to back to the main house." The nurse said. I walked toward the main doorof hospital and left.

I took a cab to the main house, when I got there I remembered memories I didn't want to remember. I went to the side of the house and entered the house where I usually entered through a side door made for my mother and me. I walked in and saw that Lee was in the room. "Gong Ju Mei, welcome home!" Lee said. "Don't call me that!" I said annoyingly. "I'm sorry Mei." Lee said. "Where's my mom?" I asked harshly. "The emperor took her from me and Xue Yan this morning." Lee said. I started to walk out of the room and stopped for a minute. "Lee, thank you for calling me and letting me know about my mom." I said calmly, and left the room. I headed for the main room where everybody usually was, or at least when I still lived here it was. I found some maids on the way there and asked if they saw the emperor. They said that he was in his study room. I made my way there by turning a left on the next corner and head straight till the end of the hall then made a right turn and on the left of the last room was his study room. I knocked on the door three times, and waited. "Come in!" he said. I opened the stained cherry door that he designed when I was still a child, and walked in. When he saw me I could tell that he was shocked. I haven't seen him in 10 years and he hasn't aged at all. "Michelle, I suppose you've heard about your mother." He said calmly. "Where is she?" I said anxiously. "In the cemetery!" he said smiling. I turned around and started to open door. "Don't you want to know her will and goodbyes?" he said. "Whatever it is, I don't want it. Your probably going to take it from me anyway, what's the point of having high hopes from you people." I said quietly, but loud enough for him to hear. I opened the door and closed it behind me. I walked back to my original room for my mother and I when I use to live here. When I came in Lee was still in there, I grabbed all of the cash in the safe and took it with me. I packed some pictures of me and my mom and Lee when we were still close. I took all of my mom's jewelry and mine and threw it in the suitcase. When I was about to leave, Lee asked where I was going. "To a place where I belong, and loved." I said.

I opened the door and dragged the suitcase with me to a pawn shop to sell all the jewelry except for my mom's necklace of a picture of me, her and my dad when we were still happy. I got out a total of $8,065 with all the necklaces, bracelets, earrings, and hair jewelry. After I collected my money I got out of the jewelry, I went to a floral shop and bought a dozen of red roses. My mom's favorite flowers I thought. I headed over to the cemetery after I bought the flowers. I found my mother's grave with a banquet of roses already. All I could think of for the only people who would come to visit my mother's grave and buy her flowers would only be Lee and me. I set down the dozen roses and prayed that she would forgive me for all I've done and watch over me in the future. I finished and headed for the airport, I bought another ticket, and this time I didn't have to wait. I got on the plane and sat down by a window again. I stared into the dark sky and fell asleep. When I woke up we were about to land, I was glad we were back in the U.S. I didn't want to remember anything, but I eventually did. I got off the plane with a bright light hitting my eyes. It was morning, with a chilly wind to it. I grabbed my suitcase with me and got out of the crowed airport. I got in a cab and headed to my house, when I got there I set the suitcase in the middle of the living room and plopped on the couch. I fell asleep again, but this time I felt like the pressure had lightened up and peacefully drifted into dream land. I dreamed of seeing my mom and my dad laughing together again smiling at me. I woke up from that dream with loud knockings on my door. I got up from the comfy couch and headed for the door. When I opened the door, I saw that it was my step-sister Chang at the door wearing black leather pants and a leather jacket with her long hair down. She took off her sunglasses, "we have to talk." She said.

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I lead her into the living room and told her to sit anywhere. "Would you like water, soda, beer, or tea?" I asked her. "Tea's fine," She said calmly, well at least she looked calm to me. I myself wasn't calm at all, it's rare that she comes over and I was freaking out. I came back from the kitchen and into the living room. I sat her green tea down and sat across from her. She looked down at the tea and then looked up at me. I finally broke the silence. "What brings you to the states?" I asked her. "I heard you went back to the main house," She said clearly. "Look if this is about the next-in-line director thingy, I don't want to be any part of it. If you want it, go ahead and take it. You or Chao can decide who can have it and leave me out of it." I said. "Mei!" she said in a hurry. "It's Michelle! Not Mei," I said calmly. "Well then Michelle, I came here to tell you about Jasmine. Look I'm sorry about your lost, but we cared for her too! It's not only you. Anyways I came to give you this." She said. Chang took out a letter in an envelope. On the outside of the envelope "Mei," was written on it. I took a closer look and saw it was my mother's handwriting. Chang motioned the envelope towards me and I took it. I stared down at it and finally opened it. I took out the letter and unfolded it. I stared down at it, and look back up at Chang. I looked back down and started reading the letter

Mei,

My dearest daughter, if you are reading this then I must be gone already. If you are wondering why I had this letter prepared, and why Chang had it. Then I must tell you the story behind it. When I was young I got into an accident. It was a terrible accident that I or nobody could ever forget. My family and everyone thought that I was dead because I was kidnapped. You must be wondering why I got kidnapped but it all started when I was born, 40 years ago. On December fifth, I was born into a rich wealthy family. I grew up with maids, love, and everything I could ever want. My father was the head of the family, and we had lots enemies trying to kill him and us. One night they sent an assassin to my father's room. The assassin entered the room and my father killed him before he could kill my father. My father realized that it was too dangerous for me and my mother to live here, so he told us to pack some clothes and go live in the east building. On the night we went to go stay at the east building I was turning 5 years old. More assassins came later that night and killed my mother, and kidnapped me. They took me to Japan where nobody would ever think of going to. My father gave my mother a proper burial and sent out every person he had to search for me. They never found me, but my father never gave up on me either. I escaped one night and ran for my life into the woods where it would be harder to track me down. I reached to the edge of the forest the next day and found a beautiful house down by a river. I started walking towards it and met a boy. I met your father there. I know you must hate your father and myself but I want you to know that your father and I love you very much. It may not seem like it from your father but he's just stubborn and shy to open up to you. The reason we sent you away and said that we didn't want you anymore was because those assassins found me again after all these years and know that I have you too. They won't give up until they kill every last one of us. I think I may know who it is, but you need to realize that by yourself. Be careful, and don't trust anyone but Chang and Chao. They will protect you. Go to this address and he will know what to do. I know that he will help you no matter what!

"Fu main house of china" (I know you will be able to find it because you have the power to!)

Love,

Mom

When I was done reading I was shocked and confused. I stared over at Chang for a long time. "Did you know about this?" I asked calmly. "Yes," she said back. "Are you really my sister?" I said. "Yes, I am your sister,

well step-sister at least. Along with Chao, but please know that we both treat and see you as a little sister and friend. I stopped staring at her and looked down at the address my mother left me. "Chang, when did my mother write this letter?" I asked curiously. "It will be exactly one week from tomorrow when she wrote this." Chang said. "I see, so she knew she was going to die, and didn't run away from it." I said. "Just like her!" I said smiling. "Chang, do you." All of a sudden I was interrupted by banging on the door. I looked out of the window and saw that it was people all dressed in black, some had short hair, long hair, and all of them had some type of tattoo on them. Chang moved to the window and saw them, her eyes opened wide like she had just seen a ghost. "Mei!" she said. "Michelle!" I said. "Mei, we have no time for that, just follow what I tell you and don't come out at all. Call Chao now. Hurry before they knock down the door." Chang said nervously yet cool at the same time. I called Chao, after one ring she picked up. "NÄ– hÄ o!" Chao said. "Chao, it's me?" I said confused. Chang took the phone away from me and started to talk to Chao in Chinese. After thirty seconds, they hung up. Chang told me to go hide in an unknown, invisible place, and I tried to find one. The banging kept going on and pretty soon, I was sure that my beautiful door that took me two weeks to find would break in half. Chang opened the door, and standing outside my house (apartment) was a group of five people. Two girls and three guys, the girls wore black tight corsets which made their breast stick out and up, with black tight super short shorts wearing black pumps. The two guys (handsome guys) wore tight black shirts which showed of their muscles. And black pants and black shoes. They had tattoos on them either on the leg, top breast, or the arm. They were detailed with a black dragon on every tattoo with other designs. They started to talk and ask questions after Chang invited them inside. "Do you live here?" one of the guys asked. "Yes, I just moved in two months ago." Chang said. "Who lived here before you? Do you know?" one of the girls said with blue hair. She had the most beautiful body, and believe me if I were a guy I would've gone for her the moment I saw her. Which was creepy I thought. That I a girl thought that another girl a hot? Chang answered all of their questions, and even though she lied on all of them she made it sound so real. They left out the door after a while and good because I thought that I was going to die of overheat under the floor boards that I built the first year I came to this house. I heard Chang whispering to me that they were gone. I opened the floorboard and got out. When I got out I was covered in dust and spider webs. I walked over to Chang quietly. "What did they want?" I whispered. "They were tracking you or should I say trying to find you!" Chang said. "Good thing that they didn't start a fight or we would've died. Chao's coming over, she should be here soon. Start packing your things, you're not coming back here anymore." Chang said. I stared at her shocked out of my wits. She was telling me that in the house I have lived in for four years and come to love I couldn't and wouldn't be able to live or see this house anymore. A knock came from the door and Chang signaled me to go hide again. She opened the door when I got under the floor board. Chang started laughing out of nowhere, when I was taking this seriously. "Mei! You can come out now. Clean up yourself or wear something nice, I don't think you would want this person to see you like this." Chang said trying not to laugh. I got out and started walking towards her. "Chang, why would I need to fix myself up just because Chao is here?" I said confused. By the time I looked up at Chang and over her I now know why she said that. In front of my roommate I looked like I just went through cleaning an abandoned house. I stared down at myself and my clothes. They were dingy and dirty. I blushed and felt like this was my worst embarrassment. "I'll be back!" I said trying not to make a fool out of myself. After I left Chang and my roommate started laughing their asses off while I felt like a fool in front of the guy I had kissed twice. I took a shower, and when I got out I picked out casual clothes, just in case I had to run away from those assassins if I ever encountered them. I wore a big sweater that could cover my head and long hair, and some loose pants and vans for my shoes. I came out and saw that Chang was talking and showing pictures of me when I was younger. "Where'd you get that?" I asked starting to get angry. "Dui bu qi! I didn't mean too Mei." Chang said. "Whatever, when is Chao coming?" I said. "Actually, Chao isn't coming anymore." Chang said warily. "WHAT! Why?" I said getting even angrier. "FÃ¹qÄ«n won't let her come tonight." Chang said sadly. "Ugh, does he even know what is going on right now. Even after mother died he still doesn't give a shit about me or her." I said. "Call Chao not to come anymore, I'll just go over there tomorrow by myself." I said trying to hold my anger in. I got my jacket, wallet, house keys, packed my clothes, and my phone and iPod. I came back into the living room and started for the door. "Where do you think you are going?" Chang said. "Away from those killers and into China," I said in a hurry. I opened the door and lifted up my purse full of 2 pairs of clothes. I wore a hat to

cover my long burgundy hair. I walked out three steps and a hand held me back. It was Chang's hand. "At least take this guy with you!" Chang said frustrated. "Gosh, you are just like FÃ¹qÄ«n, stubborn and hard to understand." Chang said quietly. I looked back to my roommate and turned around again. "Hurry up! I don't have time to dawdle when people want me dead." I said. My roommate followed me wherever I went, but we were silent the whole time. He broke the silence, which made me concentrate when I didn't want to. "Mei," he said. "It's Michelle." I said cutting through his sentence. "Well Michelle, then can I call you Mei?" he asked quietly. I thought about it for a while. "Say Michelle," I told him. "Michelle," he said obediently. "Now say Mei," I said. "Mei," he said. Somehow I liked it better when he said Mei instead of Michelle. "Do whatever you want!" I said. "Ok!" he said happily. Then he suddenly grabbed my hand and started to run. I had to run with him and look like two idiots holding hands and running in the streets. When we finally stopped we were in front of a huge mansion. "Where are we?" I asked. "At my house, I needed to grab some clothes before I left," he said. "Where are you going?" I asked. "With you idiot!" he said smiling. "What about School?" I said. "I don't go to school," he said back. Now I was confused, I thought he went to school with me because we shared one room, and on the same days and week. "Who are you?" I asked.

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"Who are you?" I said curiously. I stared at him for a long time, and didn't look away. A sound came from the gate as it started to open. Maids and butlers started walking out to the gate lined up in two lines. All the maids stood in one line, and all the butlers in the other line. "I'll explain when we are inside.

"Listen to me, don't talk unless she asks you questions, don't make her mad, and don't look at her unless she tells you to." He said quickly.

"Who are you talking about?" I whispered.

"Shush." He said in a quiet voice.

"Jun!" yelled out a woman.

"Mu qin," he said trying to sound happy.

"Where did you go in the last 3 weeks? Look how dirty you are, where are the clothes I sent you and what is this that you are wearing?" the woman said worriedly.

"Mu Qin, can my friend and I come inside, it's a little chilly out here," he said.

"Of course you can, where did my manners go!" the woman said laughing. He walked in first, then me. I looked around the mansion, and it was huge. I mean huge huge, we walked into a room with furniture around it, but it was equally balanced, and everything just fit into it. We sat down on a couch and waited for the maid to come back with our drinks. The woman and he talked for a long time. When I finally got a glimpse of her of face she looked familiar. Finally the woman left and said that we could stay as long as we liked.

"Explain!" I said quietly.

"My father works for the emperor and his family, our families have been close for a long time now." He said quietly. I was shocked at what he said. If he worked for my dad then I would've known and seen him by now. I'll just stay low for now I suppose.

"Do you know if the emperor has any children?" I asked wondering if he knew who I was.

"I know he has two daughters and two sons. The two daughters are Chang and Chao, and the two sons are Al and Heng, I haven't seen any of them yet though." He said questioning about it if he was right or wrong.

"The emperor doesn't have three daughters?" I asked feeling stabbed and hurt.

"Not that I know of, why?" He said staring at me weirdly. I felt like someone had just stabbed me and killed me. I was hurt, which made the hole in my heart even deeper than ever.

"Just wondering, Jun can you excuse me and tell me where the bathroom is?" I asked him trying not to show my sadness or anger.

"Oh yeah, just keep going straight after to go out the doors and turn to your right and down the hall." he said.

"Thanks," I said although I think he notice my emotions then. He stared at me as if he were worried. As I exited the room and walked down the hall until there was another hall on my right. I turned down the right hall and saw Jun's mother. I stopped and bowed at her.

"What is a princess doing here?" she said loudly. My eyes shot wide open and I was shocked, but I got it together and tried my best not to show that I was shocked that I couldn't even remember my own teacher.

"Hello madam," I said calmly.

"Mei, after all the years I have taught you about manners and courtesy you show up at my house with my son and bow at my presence." she said.

"This is not what I taught you Mei, is it not?" she yelled at me.

"I am afraid I don't understand Madam, I never knew you had a son. I also I do need to bow because I am no princess anymore after father threw me out of the family." I said trying not to cry. She lifted up my face from bowing.

"Just because the Emperor threw you out doesn't mean that your not his daughter or a princess anymore." she said calmly. She stood up straight with her eyes opened wide.

"Jun, what are you doing here?" madam said.

"Mu Qin, I was finding Mei because she took too long." He said Shockley. I turned around and saw his face. He was shocked, and confused. He obviously didn't know what to do anymore.

"Mei, are you really one of the Emperor's daughters?" he asked quietly.

"Not anymore," I said back.

"Mei! You know why your father threw you out, it's not because he didn't want you." Madam said.

"Yeah, that's why he didn't care when I saw him last week and didn't even go to mother's funeral." I said back at her. Madam was quiet for a while and didn't speak. I guess it was hard for her to find out that mother died.

"I'm sorry Mei," madam said.

"Its ok madam I have to go, I'm busy this weekend and I have to go back." I said. "Thank you for teaching me and having me as a discipline back then, I'm grateful to you." I said. I bowed at them and turned around to leave.

"Mei, how many times have I told you that a princess doesn't bow to anyone," Madam said.

"Tell me that again when you see me do it at the main house!" I said smiling back at them. I turned around again and headed for the exit.

"Aren't you going to wait for me?" Jun said, walking towards me as I stopped and stared at the ground.

"You don't even want to look at your future husband, what a wife!" he said loudly.

"Who said you were going to be my husband?" I said. He pulled me forward and leaned on me until his lips touched mine, and it wasn't just a peck on the lips he made it sensual and lasting. It drained everything out of me.

"I said so, since I got your first kiss and got to see you naked!" he said trying not to laugh. I had totally forgotten that and now I was blushing from remembering that moment.

"Jun, I have never heard of this?" Madam said walking in on us. At first I thought she was mad at him.

"Madam, he's just joking around!" I said trying to lighten her mood.

"Mu Qin, I'm serious about her!" Jun said. I looked at him shocked but happy about what he had said. We both looked at her until a squeal came out of her.

"I'm so happy!" Madam said. Jun and I both were staring at each other.

"Is your mother ok?" I asked Jun.

"I don't know this is my first time seeing her like this. Usually she's stubborn and strict." Jun said quietly.

"Mi Qin! You should be ready for your grandchildren soon in another year or so!" Jun shouted. Madam stopped laughing, and then started crying. She walked towards us, and hugged us together.

"Oh, I wish you guys the best luck!" she said while sniffing.

"What are you guys talking about? Me marrying Jun, and you having grandkids?" I shouted confused.

"Didn't you know?" Madam said.

"Know what?" I asked.

"Jun didn't you tell Mei?" Madam said.

"Well I was, but I never had the time." Jun said sounding guilty.

"Mei, Jun can see the future." Madam said.

"So your telling me that Jun is psychic," I said.

"Actually I'm precognition I can see the future or events before they actually happen." Jun said. "Right," I said. "I'll be going now, thank you for your hospitality."

"Mei, it's dangerous to go alone," Jun said. I ignored his warning, and continued walking away. I walked down a sidewalk where it was empty with only dead trees on both sides. I turned on a left of James Street and walked to Angie's house. It was a pale bluish color and it was a duplex. I knocked on their door. After three knocks her mother answered the door.

"Hello, is Angie home?" I asked.

"Michelle, I haven't seen you in a while, where'd you go?" said Angie's mother.

"Here and there," I said. Angie came to the door and invited me inside. We went up to her bedroom and chatted.

"You just here for fun or you need something?" Angie said.

"Actually I came for the dog," I said feeling guilty.

"Oh, your doggy is over here. It doesn't like anyone here so it hid itself in a corner. It only comes out when it's hungry." Angie said. I walked over to the corner and saw him there. Well at least he gained some weight while I was gone.

"Hey I'm back doggy!" I said. The dog lifted up its head to see who it was and when it saw me it ran towards me and jumped on top of me.

"Did you miss me?" I asked him. It woofed and licked my cheeks. After a while I and the dog left Angie's house. I decided to take a shortcut back to my house where Chang was. We went through an alley. The alley was pretty big compared to other alleys I saw it could probably fit five people if they were in a line touching shoulder to shoulder. Talking about people I noticed that there were a gang of people following me, but every time I turned to look back they weren't there. I decided to run for it since I was almost to the end of the alley and I could see Jun's big mansion from here. As soon as I started running I was stopped by the two girls I saw earlier and held by two of the three guys.

"GÄ n wÇ men jÃ¬ng jÃ¬ng de huÃ² sÇ " one of the girls said.

"I'd rather die than go with you sluts!" I shouted. I head butted of the guys chin and kicked the other guy in the stomach. They got back up by the time I turned around and punched one of them in the face while one stabbed me with a dagger. I elbowed him from the behind and pulled out the dagger in my stomach and stabbed him in the chest. He fell down dead, well almost dead as I ran towards the two girls. They took out their guns and swords.

"What an equal fight!" I said quietly. They started running towards me I stood where I was till I could get the right timing to kill them. When they got within five meters I took a step forward and by the time I got done turning around I was holding onto the gun from one of the girls. I punched one of them in the face, and pointed the gun in front of the girl holding the sword.

"ShuÃ– pÃ i nÇ lÃ¡i de?" I asked her.

"Like I'm going to tell you bitch." The girl said while holding the sword. That sentence flicked my anger to maximum and I was ready to kill that bitch.

"Sucks for you then, I was going to let you live." I said. Then I shot her in the middle of her forehead. I did the same with the other girl and two guys. When I was done I was covered in blood, I walked out of the alley with the dog and started to walk again.

"I knew I should've taken the long way instead of the shortcut. Well at least I didn't get hurt too bad." I said to the dog.

Then I heard a sigh,

"What a princess" I heard someone say that. I looked at the dog.

"I'm going crazy now, after I've just kill four people with one person on the run I'm talking with a dog." I said quietly.

"You really are crazy if you think that the dog was talking to you instead of your husband." The voice said. I turned around to see that it was Jun talking, not the dog.

"Thank god, I really thought that the dog was really talking to me." I said laughing. When I got done laughing I saw Jun with a serious face on.

"What, you're staring at me as if I'm a serial killer."I said.

"Ok, maybe I am a killer or murderer but I'm not crazy." I said trying not to freak him out.

"Mei, you're hurt," Jun said.

"I'll be fine, it's happened before!" I said trying to convince him, with his worried look on his face.

"Mei?" Jun said worriedly. All of a sudden I went weak, maybe it was blood loss but I fell to the ground and blacked out.

I woke up in a green and gold bedroom with sunlight shining in my eyes. I saw Jun sleeping by my right side, and the dog in the corner of the bed. I gently got up and got out of the room. It was a little hard for me to walk with an injury in my stomach so I leaned on the wall for support. I guess I woke up the dog and he followed me too. we walked into the room I was in before when I came with Jun. Thinking about it I just learned his name yesterday or when I went to his house since I wasn't sure of how long I slept. I sat down in a wooden chair so that my stomach wouldn't hurt more if I sat in a cushiony chair all of my weight would've gone as more pressure for my injury. I sat like any other person as if I wasn't hurt. Then I saw Madam walking in.

"Mei, you should be resting," Madam said.

"I'm fine already, no need to be so uptight." I said.

"Mei," Madam said. Then my cell phone interrupted, after the second ring I answered it.

"Hello," I said.

"Mei, its Chang are you still going to China?" Chang said.

"Yea, I just hadn't had the time to buy a ticket, why?" I asked.

"Well then you're lucky I bought one for you!" Chang said.

"When is it?" I said seriously. Madam looked at me strangely I guess it was because she has never or usually sees me serious.

"Today and it leaves at 10:45 A.M, so you have almost half an hour. Make sure you make it." Chang said.

"Thanks Chang!" I said. I hung up on the phone with her and started to get ready to leave. It was 10:05 and I had to be there before 10:45.

"Mei, where are you going?" Madam said. Damn how come I always have to explain the situation to people I thought to myself.

"It's a long story, so I'll be gone for a few weeks." I said in a rush.

"But what about Jun?" Madam said. I stopped at what I was doing, and thought about him.

"Tell him to forget about me, and find someone else." I said and closed the door behind me and the dog shut. I got in a cab that took us to the airport. We arrived at 10:35 barely making it and head on over to where I was suppose to exit for the plane. I saw Chang and walked over to her, she handed me a plane ticket, stared at the dog and hugged me goodbye.

I flinched from the pain, and then she found out about my injury. I got scolded from her about danger, and risking my life. I told her I was about to miss the flight and left. I entered in a rich plane, you could tell. It was stuffed with food and rich expensive wine. Every person had rich people manners and talked in a quiet voice. The only loud voice was a baby that never shut up which was irritating for me and the dog. Yes the dog, it apparently let pets on too! I guess it's a privilege for the rich.

I found my seat next to a window and sat in it, the dog sat next to me by the aisle. It was the comfiest seat I have ever sat in. Even with my injury it didn't seem to have any negative effects on it. I stared out the window thinking of what Jun's reaction would be. Would Jun really leave me, wait for me, get mad at me but still come to me, ignore me and never see me again. My chest started to hurt from thinking about these things. This was the first time in my life that my heart started hurting out of nowhere.

After sometime of trying to get some sleep and boredom, we landed in an airport in china. I got off the plane with the dog following me. I stared back at the dog, wondering if I ever named it. I stood outside of the airport waiting for Lee and Chao to come pick me and the dog up. While I was waiting I was picking out names and see which one seemed best.

"Fu, Chin, Bo, Gang, Jian, Jing, Kun, and Bai" I said repeatedly. I shouted out name by name with a pause after each one to see if he would bark.

"Jianâ ¦.Jingâ ¦.Kun" I saidâ ¦ and out came a howl from the dog. I said it again, and he howled again.

"Kun it is!" I said happily.

"Mei, we're here!" Chao said. I turned around to look at them, and saw Lee driving and Chao in the passenger seat. Lee got out of the driver seat and came on the passenger side and opened the car door for me.

"Lee, you know that I don't need this kind of treatment," I said

"Michelle I don't do this because I am ordered to, I do it because I want to!" Lee said. I stared at him for a minute or so then walked toward Lee and kissed him on the cheek.

"Thank you Lee, but please refrain from doing so else I'll get use to it again." I said laughing.

"Of course milady," Lee said.

"Lee!" I said in a serious voice.

"Of course Michelle," Lee said again.

"Thank you." I said.

"Can we get going? I hate airports, there're too much people." Chao said.

"I'm sorry milady!" I said in a low voice imitating Lee, and got in the car with the dog. On our drive to the main house Chao couldn't stop laughing at what I had said.

"Mei you sounded just like Lee when you said that!" Chao said trying to contain her laughter in. I looked at Lee who had an irritated look on his face.

"'dui bu qi Lee!" I said in a guilty voice. He stared at me and back onto the road.

"Since you said sorry in Chinese I'll forgive you this once," Lee said. When we arrived at the main house everybody was outside by the gates waiting for us. When Chao and I stepped out of the car they bowed down.

"HuÄ nyÃ–ng huÃ–lÃ¡i!" the maids and butlers said.

"Chao what's going on?" I said shocked.

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When we arrive to the main house, all the maids and butlers came out and greeted us.

"Chao what's going on?" I asked being confused.

"Lee, what is everybody doing?" I said trying to hold in my anger why nobody was talking.

"Mei, Iâ ¦." Lee said, but my phone interrupted.

"Hold on," I said and answered my phone. When I answered the phone it was Chang on the other line.

"Mei, is Chao there by you?" Chang asked questioningly.

"Yea," before I could even ask why Chang interrupted.

"Mei, listen to me very carefully. Chao is trying to kill you, if you believe it or not but you better run for it before it's too late." Chang said cautiously. "Go somewhere where we can talk freely."

I excused myself from them, and walked away to my old room with Kun following after me.

"Ok, so what's happening?" I asked Chang.

"About one hour ago I got a phone call from FÃ¹qÄ«n," Chang said calmly, but it didn't sound like good news.

"What happened to FÃ¹qÄ«n?" I asked in a rush.

"Listen Mei, whatever I tell you do not tell anyone or trust anyone anymore. I don't know what I can say for you to trust or not but absolutely do not trust Chao anymore. She's beenâ ¦I don't know brained wash, reborn as an enemy over night but be cautious of her. She will kill you or anyone now. I don't know why but escape before you get caught." Chang said. I still couldn't believe it though, why would Chao want to kill me?

"Mei, you have to go. Hang up before she comes for you. You've been on the phone for too long." Chang said in a hurry.

"Ok, but what about FÃ¹qÄ«n?" I asked.

"Good bye Mei, I don't know if I'll be able to talk to you like this after this but I want to let you know that I and FÃ¹qÄ«n both love you very much." Chang said.

"Yeah, I love you guys too! Goodbye Chang," I said sadly. Right when I was about to hang up I heard Chang's voice again. I brought the phone back up to my ear, heard her saying something about Jun but then Chao snatched the phone away from me and hung up.

"Mei, aren't you coming?" Chao asked like nothing happened.

"Yea," I said slowly, still shocked that she had hung up the phone.

She exited the room and walked back towards Lee. I guess I couldn't trust Lee anymore either, but what was Chang going to say about Jun. Kun and I walked back to where everyone was still standing. I looked in Lee's directions, he saw me look but I averted my eyes to others. I saw everybody who was suppose to be there but there was one person missing, Xue Yan. He wasn't there in the crowd of people. I entered past the gate first with Kun by my side and everybody else following behind me. It was awkward and I was nervous as hell. I had my guard up and cautious with every step. I walked into the main room and saw that there were already maids there. They motioned for me to sit on the throne, which was only meant for FÃ¹qÄ«n to sit in. I stood where I was, confused and shocked that they would want me to sit up there. I stared at Lee and everyone else, they were all staring back at me as if I was expected to go up there and sit on the throne and rule. Chao came towards me, took my hand and basically dragged me there. I pulled my hand back and away from Chao, she glared back at me as if she was going to hurt or threaten me if I backed down from the throne.

"Mei, what are you doing?" Chao asked me harshly.

"Where's FÃ¹qÄ«n?" I asked trying to mask my fear of what was going to happen next.

"He's not here at the moment," Chao said after a pause. What is that suppose to tell me I thought. That reply just made me more scared than ever.

"I see," I said trying to sound disappointed.

"Mei, come here," Chao said quietly, although I could hear her anger seeping out with her words. I stood still where I was, not moving an inch and stared at her.

"COME HERE!" Chao screamed. It shocked me and everybody who was in the room. It was like she was on fire and about to explode anytime now. I still didn't move, more like I couldn't move. I was scared as hell, fear ran through every part and corner of my body. If I moved it was like I would crumble and disappeared. I was staring at the floor now, afraid of what would happen if I looked into her dark brown pair of eyes.

"WÅ bÄ tÄ dÃ i dÃ o!" (Bring her to me!") Chao said demandingly to the maids. The maids did as they were told and grabbed both of my arms and dragged me over to Chao with Kun following me behind with his head down. I was already in front of Chao before I knew it. She was staring down at me as if she was looking into my soul and what I had done all my life.

"Why are you not listening to me?" Chao said angrily. "Is it because of Chang's words, or is it because of him?" Chang said confidently. I looked up at her and saw that she was holding a picture of Jun in her right hand. My eyes were opened wide with more fear than ever running through me from head to toe, to every tip and corner of my body. But anger was now consuming me.

"Where did you get that?" I said angrily trying not to show that she got on my nerves.

"Oh, I went here and there around the world." Chao said with a smirk on her face. Which just ticked me off more with the thought of her hurting Jun. I was near explosion and raging with anger. I could've killed her right there and then if I ran for a sword hanging on one of the walls, but I didn't, instead I walked forward and closer to Chao. I looked back at the picture of Jun in her hands. I stared into her eyes with anger and confidence now. I thought of a hilarious time I had with Jun and smirked at the thought.

"What are you laughing at?" Chao said starting to get angry that she didn't have my attention.

"Nothing much, just thinking of how to kill you," I said trying to hold my excitement in. She glared at me with a killing intention again, but I didn't let it get to me.

"You little Bitch," Chao said. But before she could finish saying her sentence I punched her in the face.

"You shouldn't call me a bitch when you're one too Chao!" I said excitedly. My blood was pumping and excited as the time of when I was fighting the assassins. I was smiling at the sight of her blood running down from her nose. I wanted more, more blood, more killing intention, and more action. Chao got back on her feet and was now standing.

"You're going to regret what you just did you little bitch," Chao said with a smile on her face.

"Try me," I said back to her with the smirk still on my face.

"ZhuÄ zhÃ¹ tÄ !" ("Capture her!") Chao said angrily. I stood there still with Kun behind me along with Lee and all the body guards around me. Lee took hold of my hands and put cuffs around my wrist. I thought that cuffs were a little too much but whatever I'll be able to get out of them anyway. Lee followed behind Chao as she led the way. Chao stopped before a dead end of a hallway. On the left of the hallway on the wall there were four light switches that looked like any other ordinary light switches. She pulled two of them up and back down to their original places. Out of nowhere a patch of the hallway opened or should I say moved backwards in. Chao stepped inside the dark pathway and disappeared. Lee followed after, still holding onto a chain that was connected to the cuffs that were on my wrist. I had to follow else Lee would've had to drag me and my body. Then Kun too I think, well I couldn't see him in the dark to know if he followed but he was next to me when we were still in the hallway. I hope he did though because the excitement and blood thirsty feeling had started to fade away and fear had started to step in again. But whatever punishment I was going to get it was probably going to be torture. We went down some stairs, it was a long flight of stairs or it was just so dark that it felt like a lifetime had passed by. When we finally came to a stop we were in a dark and dull room. It was moist and smelly, a couple of bones, some rats, and a little window at the top of the room. It was like a cell for prisoners, betrayers, or captured enemies.

"LÃ–kÄ i" ("leave") Chao said fiercely. Everyone who followed left except for Lee, me and Kun.

"Mei, do you regret what you did yet?" Chao asked me.

"Not really, I would do over again if I had the chanceâ ¦actually I would've punched you again if I had another chance." I said starting to feel excited again.

"Really, well then maybe you'll change your mind after some punishment," Chao said angrily. "Lee, tie her up with the chains," Chao said.

"Yes gÅ ngzhÅ– Chao," Lee said obediently. Lee walked towards me, unlocked the cuffs from my wrists. He brought down some chains that were hanging on the ceilings and wrapped it around my wrists. He pulled down the chains to bring my body from barely touching the cold cement ground. Right when I was tiptoeing he pulled one more time to make me not being able to touch the ground anymore. I was now dangling like a piece of dead animal being butchered. Lee came by me to check if the chains were tight enough to hold me.

"I am sorry gÅ ngzhÅ– Mei," Lee whispered to me.

"Lee, make sure that the chains are tight. We don't want her escaping now with her strength." Chao said. Just when I thought I would be able to get out of these, well she apparently knew I was strong. And that the chains were not tight enough to hold me back from getting escaping. Chao walked over to a wall hung with whips, knives, scalpels, electric batons, electric chair, and more. Chao grabbed a whip and walked toward me, she stood in front of me staring at me.

"Well Mei, it's time to punish kids who were naughty," Chao said with a smile on her face.

"Start!" I said starting to feel excited, fearless, and bloodthirsty again. I saw Lee look at me when I said start, as if he was expecting it.

"You asked for it!" Chao said laughing. She plunged the whip at my body with all the pressure she could apply for it. It slammed onto my body like I had just been bitch slapped all over in a single stroke. It stung like hell at first when the whip comes into contact with your skin. With so much pressure applied to the whip it tore my clothes apart. With more multiple hits one after another in different places sometimes at a place where I have already been hit. I never made a sound though, I think it aggravated Chao that I didn't scream or show any sign that I was in pain. Even when the whip landed on my wound I got when I was stabbed. I bled with my clothes drenched in blood. Kun was scared, I could tell because he was in a corner behind Lee. I guess I would be scared too if I was a dog and saw my friend being whipped.

After two hours of getting whipped by Chao she stopped.

"WHY DON'T YOU SCREAM, CRY MEI! SHOW ME THAT YOU'RE SORRY!" Chao screamed at me.

"Why the fuck would I cry and scream, and last of all I would never say sorry for what I did. You don't deserve my sorry." I said quietly. I blocked mostly and basically all the pain. I just couldn't block the first hit of every hit even though I didn't flinch. I was use to pain, I guess you could say that since I use to get into fights everyday when I was in secondary school. I would come home with cuts, bruises, and concussions.

"Ugh, Lee what time is it?" Chao said fiercely.

"GÅ ngzhÅ– Chao, it is seven 'thirty," Lee said obediently.

"Well I suppose I might as well take a shower and get ready for the party," Chao said happily. She threw the whip onto the floor and stared back at me, I stared back at her as if I didn't even get hit at all.

"I just don't know how you can do it Mei," Chao said loudly, and climbed back up the long flight of stairs. Kun walked over toward me and lay beneath my feet.

"Kun, don't lay there. You'll get blood on your fur." I said loudly as I gained my energy back. Kun cried and moved to lay next to me on my left. "Good boy!" I said smiling.

"GÅ ngzhÅ– Mei, are you all right?" Lee asked.

"Lee, who do you think I am? I'm used to this, its ok." I said smiling still staring at Kun.

"Even if you're used to it, it still must hurt a lot." Lee said worrying.

"Why don't you leave and get ready for the party," I said quietly. After a minute or so Lee left for the party.

I waited for an hour to make sure that no one was going to come back. After I was certain, with the chains that were tight from the beginning were now loose. I used all my strength and force and pulled myself upward and untangled the chains. I was now free, but I needed to escape soon before anybody came back. The window I thought but I couldn't just leave Kun. So I ran up the stairs with Kun lightly and carefully. I carefully did the light switch like Chao had done. The door opened wide but thank goodness it wasn't loud. I stuck out my head to see if there were any guards around. I only saw two, what a dumbass Chao is if she thought that I was that weak from a beating. I quietly tiptoed behind a guard while the other guard wasn't looking and knocked him

out. I forgot to catch him and he made a loud thud, the other guard heard it but by the time he turned around I was already behind him and hit his pressure point behind his neck. He fell to the ground, but I was able to catch him so he wouldn't make a loud noise like the other guard. I ran down the hall quietly with Kun, thankfully there weren't any maids or guards around. They must have all gone to the party Chao was talking about. I headed for my old bedroom to exit because even if there was a party there would've been guards outside and inside by the gates. I entered my room carefully and checked if there were any people inside. I didn't care at all if I exited out the house all bloody or not. I just wanted to get out of this torture hole so I grabbed some socks and shoes for the journey ahead of me. When I was done I opened the door to the outside world cautiously in case there were people. No one was there I was relieved but I scouted to see if there were any other guards or people around the area. As I expected there were guards all over the main gate and main door. My only chance of getting out was to climb over the wall. Good thing it was as tall as me, I lifted Kun up and placed him on top of the wall. I backed up and ran forward then jumped. I lifted up my sore body onto the wall and jumped off to be on the other side, it felt good to be out of that torture hole. I lifted Kun off the wall and placed him back down on the ground. I was tired as hell, but if I didn't move I would get caught again and who knows what Chao would use on me next. I walked down the road before I crossed the road in case the guards saw me. When I was about to cross the road, I saw a moving object coming towards me at a fast rate. I was scared as hell hoping that it wasn't anyone from the main house. I stopped in shock and stood still, cars came by before I could see who it was. When the all the cars past by I saw that the person standing across from me on the other side of the road was Jun.

Chapter 8: Chapter eight

Chapter Eight

Why was Jun here? How'd he get here, how'd he know I was here? Now I was confused but relieved at the same time that he hadn't given up on me, or was it that he came and rescued me like a knight in shining armor.

"Mei!" Jun yelled across the road. I kept staring at him to see if it was a dream, I hope it was or I would be screwed if it wasn't him. He started to run towards me while calling my name, by the time he crossed the road and was in front of me he stared at me and my scarred, bloody, body with a torn shirt that had barely cover both of my breasts, and my ripped/torn bloody skinnies. He took off his shirt and showed off his masculine chest.

"Here, wear this" Jun said looking away.

"Thanks, sorry you had to see me like this." I said quietly. "I must be embarrassing you looking like this you should stay away from me."

"Mei," Jun said worriedly. I bent down and looked at Kun.

"Kun, you be a good boy and stay with Jun." I said sadly. "Ok!"

Kun started to whine, but then stopped after a while. I stood back up and faced Jun.

"Sorry I would give you a goodbye hug, but I don't think Madam would like blood on your clothes." I said smiling to him. When I tried to move my body, I realized that the pain came back and now my body was all sore. I noticed that Jun was still holding his shirt out to me to wear. I moved one of my arms forward to accept it, but something interfered.

"There she is!" a bodyguard said. "Don't let her get away!"

All the bodyguards started to run towards us, and I couldn't let Jun or Kun get hurt all just because of me. Since we were still a far distance away from them, I dragged Jun over to the other side of the road with Kun following.

"What are you doing?" Jun said loudly. I stopped at the edge of the woods, stared at him for some time.

"Jun, if you dare come back I will never forgive you!" I said loudly. I pushed him hard for him to go into the woods. "Kun, watch over him ok!" I told Kun smiling, and ran out onto the road and up the hill to where the bodyguards were so they wouldn't know that Jun was here.

They circled around me, staring at me and my body. I was trapped, with nowhere to go. I guess I would have to attack from the inside out.

"Ah," I said pointing to the road. They all turned and looked at what I was pointing at, but by the time they turned back with their attention on me I was already attacking them. I punched one in the stomach and pulled his sword away from him. I now had a weapon, which was easier than fighting against swords and guns with my bare hands.

I slashed the sword at another bodyguard and took his gun. I dropped the sword, and cocked the gun. I shot all the other bodyguards except for one, he dodge the bullet. I then just had to run out of bullets. I threw the gun to the ground, it was a one-on-one fight. I ran for the last bodyguard, but he caught me off guard with him pulling out his hidden gun. He shot me by the chest, barely missed my heart just another couple inches diagonally downward and I would've died. Instead I got hit by the shoulder area, it was painful but I was still able to move. I tried to finish him with the last move. I ran for a sword as he tried to shoot me again, thankfully he missed. He walked over by me while I was still trying to hold up the sword with one arm.

"Say goodbye gÅ ngzhÅ– Mei," said the last bodyguard. Right when he was about to shoot me for the third time, I swung my leg to hit his leg. He couldn't counter attack it and missed the shot again. As he fell I threw the sword at him, when he landed and hit the cement ground the sword pierced through his heart.

"Ugh, when does this end?" I said talking to myself. The bullet wound started to kick in, and realized that my shirt was drenched in my blood again. I had a hard time to get back up on my feet but I was able to do it. I leaned on the wall for support, and walked down the road again. I didn't think I was going to last another second, with so much blood loss. My knees could barely hold me up, my shoulder was aching of pain and gushing blood out. I started to lose conscious, but for a moment I heard someone call my name. I couldn't clearly hear it but it sounded like mother's voice.

I woke up in a warm room, when I say warm I mean that it was cozy, and comfortable like I've been here dozens of time, even though there was no one in the room besides myself. I pushed the blanket off my sore body, and forced myself to stand up. I slid open the door and stepped out of the room. When I stepped out, it was bright with the sun shining and glaring into my eyes. There was a warm breeze coming from the south. I wandered around the house I was at. I surely didn't know who lived here because I was sure that I didn't know anybody who lived in a house as old as this. I heard some loud voices coming from a room not too far away from the one I was sleeping in. I tried to walk faster to see who they were but I couldn't, my body was too sore and my shoulder felt like it was paralyzed because whoever bandaged it wrapped it too tightly.

By the time I got to the door I heard Kun barking. I guess he smell me, and was excited to see me because he ran right through the sliding door and left a hole in it. Kun ran toward me and circled around me, his tail wagged around with his tongue hanging out of his mouth. I tried to bend down to touch him, my body ached more with pain every time I bended lower. I forced myself to get down lower but someone pulled me back up.

When I turned around to look, hoping that it was Jun it wasn't. Instead it was an old man.

"XiÃ wÅ– hÄ o," (good afternoon,) said the old man. I tried to bow at him to show him my manners and gratefulness.

"Ah, you shouldn't do that Mei," said the old man. "You'll just reopen your wound." I stood back up.

"Thank you for saving me and Kun!" I said gratefully looking down.

"I didn't save you, Jun did!" said the old man. I looked back up at the old man who was smiling. Jun was here, so I wasn't imagining.

"May I see him?" I asked the old man. He stared at me right into my eyes.

"Tell me Mei, do you love him?" the old man asked me. I didn't know if I loved him, I have never felt love or experience love.

"What does love feel like?" I asked him quietly. He looked at me surprised, and then went back to having a clam facial expression.

"Well Mei, I think you have to ask yourself that question. After all there are different kinds of love." The old man said. "But if you still want to see him, he'll be in that room that Kun and I were in. He was very worried about you, stayed with you every day and all night. He didn't even eat or sleep. When I was finally able to persuade him, he acted like nothing was wrong. He had changed overnight." The old man said quietly.

I thanked the old man again, and went to the room. When I entered Jun was sitting by the other door staring outside. Something did change about him, he was quiet and had this aura that if you approached him you wouldn't live. I stopped walking towards him and thought to myself what love was. I thought love was when you were living happily with the one you loved, but that still didn't explain what love was. I was nervous, my heart was beating fast. I started to walk again towards Jun. When I got by him I carefully tried to sit down, to show him that I was alright. Although it hurt every time I tried, I finally sat down.

We sat in silence for a while, staring outside. I was scared of what was going to happen next.

"Jun," I said quietly breaking the silence. He never answered back, if he was mad then why was he mad? He should be happy that I'm alive, after a while of not answering me back he was starting to get on my nerves. I was starting to get mad now too.

"Jun," I said again but this time louder. I sighed and then got back up carefully so my body wouldn't ache as much.

"What do you want me to say Jun?" I said hysterically. "Shouldn't you be happy or excited that I'm alive?" I started to move around quickly, and I noticed that the pain disappeared. All the pain was gone. My shoulder wound reopened though, and started to bleed again. I stared at him for a long time, but he never answered or looked back at me. I opened the door again and stepped out of the room.

"Mei, your shoulder!" the old man said loudly, looking worriedly. After that sentence Jun ran out of the room like a maniac.

"BÃ ichÃ−!" Jun shouted who was now standing next the old man.

"I'll rewrap it, when I get in my room." I said calmly. I walked back to my room slowly with Kun following behind me as if I was going to go someplace far. When I got to my room, I slipped off the upper part of the loose robe off. It hung down by my waist, with the string holding it up so it wouldn't go any lower then I needed to. I started to take the tight bandages off my shoulder. I started to feel the pain the closer I got to the wound. When there was only one layer of bandage left, it felt like someone was ripping off my skin. I didn't want anybody to hear my cries of pain so I put one of my socks in my mouth to bite down on it. I bit down on the sock as hard as I could, then I pulled the last layer of bandage off quickly. I didn't think that it would hurt as much but it did, way more than I thought. I took out the sock in my mouth, and threw it onto the floor. I stood topless in the room looking around for bandages. I couldn't wear the top to the robe because I didn't want to stain it with blood. I kept looking but I couldn't find anything. I came to my last resort of how to get bandages.

"Kun, go get Jun and bring him here so I can tell him to get some bandages." I said calmly. Kun left to go find Jun, as I continued to look for it in the room. After ten minutes of searching, I found a first aid kit in the closet that was covered by a piece of cloth. I tried to grab it, but I was apparently too short. I couldn't jump, that would just make my wound bleed more. I dragged a mini table across the room and set it in front of the closet. I climbed on top of it, and grabbed it. I opened the box and searched through it, I finally found some in there. I

closed the box, tried to get back down. My knees went weak for a second, and I dropped the box onto the ground. It made a loud thud, but good thing that I didn't fall else I would've been more hurt than I already was.

"Mei! Are you alright?" Jun shouted running down the hall. He slammed open the door while I was trying to get down from the table, and I was still topless.

"Sorry, I didn't mean to." Jun said in a rush being embarrassed as he closed the door with him standing in the hallway.

"What was that loud noise?" Jun said quietly.

"Ah, that was the first aid kit. My knees went a little weak and lost my balance and dropped it." I said calmly.

"What did you need me for?" said Jun.

"I needed you to get me some bandages, but I found some already." I said quietly.

"Did you need some help with bandaging?" Jun asked me quietly. I hesitated at what he just asked. For sure I wouldn't have been able to wrap it myself with one arm only.

"Sure, thanks just give me a minute to get down" I said nervously. I tried to get down but my legs wouldn't move. They kinda gave out on me I guess.

"Hey Jun," I said quietly.

"Yea" he said back.

"Can you help me down, I can't get down." I said anxiously. He didn't answer for a minute or so.

"Sure, if I can help" Jun said back.

"But when you come in, close your eyes so you don't see" I said quickly. He said okay and slid the door. He entered the room slowly, with his eyes closed as I told him which way to turn and where to go. When he got right in front of me, I felt weird like embarrassed, or shy. I grabbed onto his shoulders for support as I tried to get down. He backed up so it wasn't so cramped. He tripped over the first aid kit and I fell over on top of him.

"Sorry, are you hurt?" Jun asked me, about to look at me.

"Don't look," I said loudly covering his eyes with both arms. I yanked my arm which caused my shoulder to hurt and bleed more. "Ow," I said quietly.

"What's wrong?" Jun asked loudly.

"Ah, it's nothing" I said trying to persuade him.

"It's not nothing, if it hurts, let me see." Jun said calmly.

"NO!" I said loudly tightening my hands on his eyes.

"You don't want me to see that badly," Jun said disappointed.

"No, it's not like I don't want you to see. It's just that I'm ugly right now." I said quietly. Jun took my hands off of his eyes gently, held my hands and looked at me straight in the eyes.

"You're not ugly Mei, you look beautiful to me" said Jun, kissing my hands. "Now, sit up straight so I can bandage your shoulder." Jun said smiling. I sat up straight staring right at Jun with Jun staring at my body focused on looking at my wound.

"Jun," I said.

"Hmm," Jun said back.

"How did you know that I was there at the main house?" I asked quietly.

"I just knew Mei, I guess that just proves that you're special to me" Jun said back. What did he mean by special, I was so nervous that I didn't know where to look, so I decided to just look back at Jun. Jun stood up after looking at my shoulder for five minutes.

"I'll be right back I need a wet cloth so I can clean your shoulder is too bloody." Jun said as he stepped out of the room.

Chapter 9: chapter nine

Chapter Nine

(Special chapter- Jun's perspective point of view)

I got out of the room and walked down to the kitchen to grab a washcloth. I grabbed two just in case, and brought a bowl of warm water with me. I stopped in front of Mei's room, took in a deep breath and slid the door open and entered. I sat back down in front of Mei, I felt so embarrassed but I couldn't let her know because she must feel more embarrassed from being topless in front of me. I took one of the washcloths and dipped it in the warm water and squeezed the excess water from it. I leaned in close to Mei to clean her shoulder. I was almost touching one of her breast, a little more down and my elbow would've. But I am a gentleman, and I should respect the woman I love. I let gently let the washcloth tap over her dry and fresh blood. I brought it back to the bowl and washed out the blood. And rung out the water again and tried to do my best so I wasn't so self conscious.

"Done!" I shouted out loud. Mei stared at me as if I was crazy; I thought I was going to die of embarrassment.

"Wiping it," I said after a brief pause. I turned around to search where I had left the bandages. I caught a glimpse of it behind Mei I got up and walked over to grab it. As I turned around I saw Mei's back, it was a beautiful pale color along with red and purple whip marks. I turned my head away quickly and walked back to my seat in front of Mei. I unwrapped the beginning of the bandage and leaned in close to make it go around her shoulder down around her side and up around her breasts to secure it. When I was done I sat back and tried to relax, it wasn't happening though so I got up and left the room.

I roamed around the old mansion, into the hallways and gazing at the scenery. I passed by a well, the big pond that had at least six koi fish in them, a stream that flowed down and went out of the house. Passed by the kitchen and workers, all at the same time I was thinking about Mei. Mei, Mei was beautiful in every way. I just wished she knew that and how much I love her, but I can understand her. Meeting at a hotel, then seeing her teacher who was my mom, finding assassins after her, and me. It all happened in one month, so I guess she couldn'tâ ¦I don't know! I can't say reply 'cause' I haven't asked her to go steady with me. I mean we've kissed a couple times, seen her naked about three times, but it was me who made the move not her.

"Ughh, ahhhhhh" I shouted out of frustration. The workers stopped what they were doing and stared at me. I turned around and walked away with embarrassment, I continued to walk around the mansion. I passed by Mei's room for the second time and heard a loud thump.

"Mei!" I shouted as I slam open the door but I saw no one, but an open window with a cool breeze coming in. "Where did she go?" I murmured quietly.

"Jun," said the old man. I turned around to face him and in front of my face was an envelope. "She left this for you," said the old man. I grabbed a hold of the envelope and held it tightly.

"Do you know where she went?" I asked in a rush hoping to catch up with her.

"I think you should read the letter first, when your done come find me in my room and I will explain it further." The old man said quietly as he walked down the hall. I walked into Mei's room and sat by the small table. I opened the envelope and slid out the letter.

Jun,

I guess I don't really have the right to say this but don't worry about me. Kun is with me also, don't ask where I am, but I'm going to get stronger and better. I'm staying at a hotel to train. I know I'm running away right now, but I want to clear some things up. When I come back everything will make sense, and hopefully I find out what you mean to me. Whether its love or not of what I feel for you. I also need you to go return to America, even if you don't want to Madam must be very worried. I also need you to tell Chang what's happening over here. Please Jun, go back for a while.

Mei,

After I finished reading it I was confused but more hurt. I slid the letter back into the envelope and walked out of the room and headed for the old man's room. I stood outside in the hall when I reached his room. I hesitated to open the door but as I reached for the door, the door slammed open.

"If you're going to come in, come in don't stand out there like an idiot you idiot." The old man said as he was sitting back down. I entered the room and sat across the old man.

"Where should I start?" said the old man. "I suppose I'll start from the very beginning,"

"It all started 40 years ago, my daughter was born. It was the happiest moment in my entire life. I was blessed with a beautiful daughter, married to a beautiful and wonderful wife. When my daughter was turning five, she had been kidnapped my enemies. In the time back then I held the most power, had lots of enemies. But I would've never thought that they would go to extremes of killing my wife and kidnapping my daughter. I have a lead on who that person is but I move until I have evidence. I know that my daughter had escape, and had met her special person and started a family. She gave birth to a beautiful girl who I saw for the first time today, how did I know that she was my granddaughter? That toughness of hers, the way she talks, the stubbornness, and the way she would try to hide her emotions when she was hurt. Although I was shocked when she said didn't know what love was, I would've thought that my daughter and son-in-law taught and gave her love. I guess I was wrong. When I found out about my daughters' death, I was devastated, broken and thought that I had lost my only kin. Then a letter arrived the next day. It was from my daughter, she knew she was going to die and accepted her fate, but she wouldn't let the same thing go to Mei," said the old man.

"But anyways Mei told me that she will be traveling around and train some more. She will be starting in New York," said the old man after a brief pause. "At the City View Plaza, New York" said the old man.

"Ok, so I need to go to City View Plaza, New York" I said

"No, first you need to go back to America and let Chang know what's going on." The old man said loudly.

"Right, Mei wants me to go back and let Chang know, and then I'll go to New York," I said quietly. "Thank you," I said loudly as I exited the room and walked back to my room and checked if I left or brought anything to the mansion. As I was by the outside gate, a maid came out and handed me a letter.

"He told me to give you this," said the maid. I stared at the letter she was holding in front of me, I accepted it and headed toward the airport.

When I reached the airport I found my flight and was now returning to the United States. I returned to the U.S. in the morning, the first thing I did was to see my mother, then I dropped by Chang in the afternoon and told her everything I saw and knew. After explaining and dropping by my mother I packed some clothes, money and headed for New York.

I know it's going to be quick but I really don't want to explain the time I was in the airplane so I'm going to skip it. But while I was on the airplane I wondered why the old man never told me why the assassins were after Mei.

When I arrived in New York it looked similar but had its differences though of course, I'm comparing Washington with New York. I had some trouble finding the hotel but I managed. As I entered the hotel, it was classy and you could definitely tell that it was for high class people. I asked the desk manager to tell me where I should go but she just looked at me and continued what she was doing.

"Excuse me, can you please help me. I need to go to Underground City View Plaza," I said

"I'm sorry, but no such place exists" the desk manager said loudly.

"What?" I said loudly. "I was pretty sure it was this place," then a phone call interrupted. The desk manager answered the phone on the second ring. She walked away far enough for me not able to hear. After five minutes of waiting she came back to the desk and ended the call.

"Do you have permission," said the desk manager

"Permission?" I said not knowing what she was talking about. "Ahh, wait is this it?" I took out the letter the old man gave to the maid to give to me. I handed the letter to her, she opened the envelope, read the letter and cleared her throat after.

"Follow me," the desk manager said clearly. I followed her into an employee elevator where after the door closed she pressed the "FA" button. We went downward for at least five minutes straight. When we finally stopped with a loud thud with the doors opening, everywhere there were people in shorts, men topless, women boxing, sweat, and open areas. We exited the elevator and walked over to a crowd of people who were cheering. When I got a closer look of what was happening I saw two people fighting. Not just any two people, they were good. Good at fighting well at least that's what I saw with people moving all the time. But as I moved up close to the front I noticed that there was a girl fighting a man. Not just any girl, it was Mei fighting with a buff man.

"Mei," I whispered to myself.

Chapter 10: chapter ten

Chapter ten

"Ah uh ah uh," I panted heavily. And shit was I sweating like crazy, I was winning though, at least I think I was. Plus I haven't done this in a while, but I was enjoying myself. Haven't had street fights like this in a while.

"Hey Mei," said the opponent, "When'd you get back?"

I took in a deep breath and wiped my sweat, "Two days ago," I said while smiling.

"What's with the shirt?" the opponent asked.

"Oh, gotta cover my wounds you know!" I said sarcastically, as my opponent swung his fist by me and tried to knock me down.

"Got in a fight," the opponent said heavily as he was catching his breath as I threw back some moves.

"Yea a nasty one, but I gotta do what I need to do if I want something." I said back as I jumped as he kicked below me. "Right?" I said after I landed back onto the ground.

"Found something special or what?" the opponent said laughing.

"I don't know," I said back to him as I kicked at him.

"Hey guys!" the opponent shouted. "Looks like Mei's in love!"

The crowd laughed and started some jokes but I never took my eyes off of my opponent. I either attacked or dodged his blows he was throwing at me. I panted heavily and grasped for air, I stopped for a while to catch my breath and fought again.

"Good thing my opponent was Shui, it would make me stronger if I trained with him everyday" I thought to myself.

Shui was/has been like family to me. He treated me like a regular person no matter who I am, he also taught me street fighting. Shui who lived in the arena, who is 25 years old, was an orphan. So he knew what it was like to live in poverty. He found me when I was in secondary school. I was full of cuts, and bruises. Shui took me in and trained me, he let me stayed with him, provided me with food, shelter, and tuition fees. He was like a brother I never had.

I accidently let my guard down and "BOOM" as I fell onto the hard cement ground.

"Ugh, I surrender Shui." I said quietly as I raised both of my arms up.

"Good, because I think you were too side tracked to defeat me! But it's not like you could've anyway!" Shui said jokingly as everyone laughed along with him.

"Yea, that's so true." I muttered quietly. (Although I think Shui heard that comment)

I got up from the cold, hard cement ground and hugged Shui.

"Shui, fight me again next time!" I said proudly to him. Shui pulled me up from the ground.

"Xiao mei mei," Shui said calmly. Shui only called me this when he was serious, which meant little sister. I back at him with serious eyes. "I'm here you know, so if you have troubles you can come talk to me." He said quietly.

I nodded my head and left the underground city. I rode the elevator and arrived on the main floor.

"Hello Tai, how was your day?" I said to the desk manager.

"You certainly know what my answer is," Tai said in arrogant way.

"I lost to Shui again," I said trying to change the topic. Tai stiffened as I mentioned Shui and regained her composure.

"What do you expect," Tai said as we entered the elevator with a pack of guests. We stood in silence in the elevator all the way up to the top floor. Tai got off on the seventeenth floor, while I got off on the twenty-third. It took a while to reach there, but that was where champs. In the underground city stayed. Not Shui though, he lived in the arena. I walked down a long hallway till the end and stood in front of a door. It had my name on it, but I didn't put it on. Tai or Shui either stuck it on.

I entered the room and as usual everything was where it was before I left. The walls were still a dark blue, almost black. My pictures were still hanging on all of the walls. There were pictures of Shui, and me, Tai in some of them when we first came here. And finally opponents who I have fought whether I won the fight or lost. There were also writings on the wall, along with drawings of when I got bored, along with measurements of When Shui marked my height down. I plopped down on my bed, fresh scent of laundry. After a few minutes of thinking things through, as I got up from my bed a knock came through the door. Not just any ordinary knock but the knock Shui and I used. We were always on the run, so we had secret knockings, hand motions we created, and secret codes to talk to each other. For one example "I love you," stood for "Danger, run!" but anyways I went to open the door. Shui was standing on the other side of the door waiting.

"Shui," I said quietly.

"Xiao mei mei," Shui said quietly, with a worried look on his face.

"What's wrong?" I said with anxiety. I now felt like I just got punched in the stomach a million times, with that nausea feeling.

"Can I come in?" Shui said quietly.

"Yea sure," I said cautiously. He walked in and plopped dead onto my bed.

"Shui," I said alarmingly. Surprised that he would ever do that to my bed!

"Just let me rest for a bit," Shui said quietly. Rest, Rest! He called it, instead he dozed off in less than five minutes. I was so mad at him, he came to my room looking like he had just seen a ghost, and then he falls asleep on my bed.

"Ugh, arghhhâ ¦" I shouted. I jumped into the shower and cooled off with a cold shower. When I got out of the shower, I wrapped myself into a towel and opened the door.

"ahh, the cool breeze," I said to myself. As I turned to my dresser I realized that I didn't have any clothes. Well I did but that was when I was in secondary school, and I am now a senior.

"I need to go shopping," I said loudly thinking to myself.

"Should I take you?" Shui said loudly.

"aghh, shit Shui don't scare the shit out of me," I said loudly.

"Ah ha ha ha ha, Mei, you should've seen your face!" Shui said loudly while laughing.

"No, I'll go later, but give me one of your nice shirts!" I said hesitantly.

"Why," Shui said disappointed. "Why a good one,"

"Well I don't want a smelly one," I said irritated.

"Fine, I'll get you one," Shui said calmly as he got off the bed.

"Oh, what was up with earlier?" I said worriedly.

"Ah, that. I just felt like shit after coming up so high, nothing important at all why?" Shui said jokingly.

"No, nothing I was just wondering." I said in a rush. "Oh, and as you go down can you ask Tai to lend me one of her leggings! Oh and don't forget an undie, Please!" I said with a puppy face.

"Fine, fine" Shui said after a brief pause. "Geez, asking me to ask Tai for a pair of pants and an undie. That's something you ask for yourself," Shui said as he was exiting the room.

"Thanks Shui!" I shouted through the room.

Chapter 11: chapter 11

Chapter Eleven

Man, was Shui sure taking his time. It's already been half an hour and I'm standing in my room wrapped in nothing but a towel. I grabbed my old shirt which lay on the ground that was soaked with the smell of sweat and some blood, and wrapped it around my breast. Of course there was no way, I was going to be topless, and be in my room when someone (Shui) could come in anytime while I'm pacing through the room waiting for someone to be my knight in shining armor and bring me my lingerie and shirt.. I rummaged through my old clothes in my small dresser. All of them were basically too small. There was no way I could fit into a pair of pants or a shirt that I wore four or five years ago. I finally found a piece of cloth big enough to use as a temporary bottom piece.

I managed somehow to make it cover everything that was exposing my personal areas. I, at some point when I was trying to cover my areas thought I was going crazy. Feeling like a caveman/woman didn't make me feel any better along with the things I am also going through. Even though, you could say that I am a murderer/killerâ ¦ kinda, well at least I didn't hurt innocent people. Well anyway I somehow managed to cover my areas, and was ready to head out of my room, and find that stupid idiot to where he had gone with my shirt and lingerie he was suppose to bring me.

I opened the door slowly, to make sure that nobody was in the hallway when I exited. I slowly exited my room, and proceeded down the long hallway and into the elevator. Something was wrong though, either I had just forgotten that I pressed the elevator button to open or it was just always open and I had entered it.

"Dude! Move out of my way," a man shouted throughout the corridor.

"WATCH IT MAN," argued back another man.

"Let's just hurry up and finish what we have to do," said the first man.

"Yea, lets' finish this little whore and get back to watching T.V." said the second man

"Is T.V all you care about?" the first man asked.

"If it counts as being the most important thing to me, then yes." The second man answered.

"Shit!" I thought to myself, now I was screwed. How did they find me here? Did Chao send them?

I pressed the elevator button the close the door, but it didn't. Good thing it didn't make the "DING!" sound, else I would've been fucked up big time. After worrying about myself and the elevator, I noticed that the two men were gone. Then I heard some faint talking coming from my room. I couldn't hear it, but they were both mumbling about something. I thought of escaping, and taking the stairway they had come. Before they found me in here, and kill me. I waited to make sure that they weren't going to exit my room when I was about to make a run for it. I waited and waited for the perfect timing. Then it had come, I got a feeling like now was the time to make a run for it. I sprinted as fast as I could, although I had to hold on to my bottom clothing. It was getting loose, as I kept running. I made it past my room and to the front of the stairway door. As I opened the door, in a loudly way I tripped over something as I was running. I fell to the ground face flat with my ass sticking out. I got up trying to quickly continue my sprinting, but someone grasped hold of me before I could start. I turned around to see who it was. It was Shui.

"Shui!" I shouted loudly, but he covered my mouth before I could continue.

"Shhh," Shui said quietly. I nodded my head at him, and he released his hand from my mouth.

"What took you so long?" I whispered.

"Ran into trouble," Shui said quietly.

"Who are they?" I asked Shui quietly.

"I don't know, they came asking for you." Shui said suspiciously. My eyes widened as I heard that they asked for me.

"Did they say where they were from?" I said feeling guilty.

"No, after I told them I didn't know they just left." Shui said looking confused. I sighed after hearing that, but it still worried me.

"Did anybody get hurt?" I asked quietly.

"No? Why would people get hurt?" Shui asked looking at me weirdly, and then realized that I was wearing my old soaked shirt and some jeans that covered my bottoms. "Here, your clothes you asked for," he said calmly as he handed it to me.

"Thanks, I waited a life time for these." I said to him. "How long have you been here?" I asked Shui.

"I don't know about ten minutes," Shui said. "When I got up here they were already here."

"What were they doing?" I asked Shui as I dressed myself in proper clothing.

"Before I reached the top I heard them talking about bounties, and living in luxury," Shui said quietly as he was facing the other way, as I undid my bottom. "When they saw me, they got quiet then came and questioned me about you." I paused at changing, and continued.

"Shit, I have to get out of here." I said quietly. Shui looked at me weirdly, and then went back to having a calm expression.

"Xiao mei mei, are you sure your ok?" Shui said worriedly. "Nobody's chasing or hunting you down."

"And if I told you yes," I said with a serious face. Shui looked shocked, his face went pale. It almost hurt to tell him the truth. "I'm just joking!" I said loudly, as I smiled and laughed at him. His face returned to a normal color, but still had the worried look on his face.

"Relax bro," I said quietly as I smiled at him, trying to convince him.

"As long as you say so," Shui said quietly. I heard some laughing and talking getting closer to us, as if they were right on the other side of the wall. I had to leave, and fast.

"Listen Shui, I have to go." I said quietly. He gave me a weird face, in return but I was pretty sure that I was running away from them. But he was kind enough to not butt in. He nodded his head and waved bye to me. I waved back to him as he was motioning to sit down on the stairs.

As the door clicked open, I sprinted as fast and as quietly as I could. Trying to avoid noise and getting out of here as fast as possible. I was screwed, big time. As I reached the last case of stairs I ran as fast as I could, not caring if I made noises anymore. I opened the door with all my might, slamming the door against the paved wall and running out as the door closed with a loud bang.

I bumped into Tai, as I ran out. Making her spill her paper work all over the floor, I stopped and helped pick up the papers in a rush, hoping that they haven't figured out that I was here. I handed the papers to Tai quickly as I stood up.

"Mei, are you alright?" Tai asked me.

"Umm, yea," I said hesitating. "Perfect! Listen I'll be leaving for a while. Oh and please tell the workers to not enter my room or clean it up, please and bye!" I said quickly. I started to run out again when I got caught between buff arms on each side of me. I looked up, and saw that it was the two men who were rummaging through my room.

"FUCK!" I shouted loudly, and everyone in the large room turned to stare.

"Time to go little girl," said one of the men with a grin on their face.

"I don't think so," I said loudly as I twisted and freed myself. I roundhouse kicked one of them, and used the spinning back kick on the other. I backed away from them, trying to catch my breath. When they were getting back up, I decided to run for it. I ran out of the hotel, and sprinted to a cab. When I got in, I realized that I didn't have my bags and I needed them. In there were addresses, phone numbers and my wallet.

"Where to?" the cab driver asked.

Chapter 12: chapter 12

(chapters from now on, may get more intimacy and sexual.)

Chapter 12

"Where to?" the cab driver said to me.

"Ugh," I stuttered, as I noticed how handsome he was. probably in his late twenties.

"If you're here to goof around, then get out I'm trying to do business here," said the cab driver.

"Go around this building please, and I'll pay you $40," I said quickly.

"That's not how I do business, but I'll take your offer," said the cab driver.

The cab pulled out of the curb, just as the two men came running out of the hotel.

"Step on it," I said loudly.

"Ok, ok I'm going"

We blended in with the other taxi cabs and circled the building. We stopped on a corner, before the turn by the entrance. I opened the cab door slowly and cautiously.

"Hey! Where's my money?" the cab driver shouted.

"Stay here, I'm coming back," I said back to him. I peeked out my head to see if they were still by the entrance. They weren't, but I hoped they weren't inside. I walked casually in the hotel and walking across the large room, which felt like forever just to get to the elevator that would take me down to the fighting arenas.

As I entered the elevator and pressed the button "FA" I nervously waited for the end of the elevator ride. I just wanted to grab my crap and go. When the button dinged, with the elevator doors sliding open and I stepped out. There was chaos everywhere, fighting, blood, and a certain person that I saw. Shui and Tai were fighting against the two men that rummaged through my room, and everybody else was fighting against the others (which the two men must've brought with them) and lastly I saw Jun. Jun was in a room, fighting against three people. As my sense came back on finding my belongings, I realized that my belongings were in the room where Jun was.

As I made my way to the room, I grasped a glimpse of another man going toward Jun with a gun. I started to run towards the man with the gun even though I knew I wouldn't have made it in time. I ran as fast as my legs could go, as I saw the man aiming for Jun I ran trying to push him so the bullet would at the most only graze Jun. Just as the man was pulling the trigger and trying to aim, I ran into him trying to make the bullet evade Jun. I landed on top of the man, with the gun in my grasp I cocked it and shot him in the forehead. I stood up just barely dodging a sword leaving a graze on the side of my neck. I cocked the gun again and shot him in the heart. Ok, so I was getting side tracked and I had an objective to come here. I was to get my belongings and get out (I also owed that cab driver $40 bucks). I walked in the room, finding it empty with dead men and blood. In a corner I saw my bag I grabbed a hold of it and took a glance in there. Assuming that the things in there weren't torn, stolen, lost, or burnt I would live. I closed the bag and carried it in a way as if I had just stolen something and was trying to not make it look so obvious but I probably did. I pressed the arrow buttons

for the elevator door to open, I entered rapidly. Pressing the up arrow to main floor, as the doors were closing a hand came in between the two doors having the elevator door open again. I was hoping it was someone I knew, just someone other thanâ ¦Jun.

"Mei," Jun said calmly. I couldn't answer him, I was shocked and even though I already knew he was here I thought he would've left already, or was busy somewhere else. I didn't know what to say, what to ask but when I was, I realized that I couldn't speak. My voice was muted, like it had been trapped in a box. I just kept staring down at the floor, ashamed that he'd seen me like this embarrassed that every time we meet something just goes wrong.

"Mei," he said again as the elevator door closed in front of us, he walked closer to me. I backed away but ended up on hitting the back wall. I was trapped, trapped in an elevator with the man who I have come to realize that I loved and desired. Another word and I would burst into tears, trying to hold it in my need of him and the wanting to touch and hold him. But now wasn't the time to do that, I had to go. Even if that meant that I had to drag him with me. I finally looked him in the eyes, as tears were forming trying to make them go away. He took a step forward, with another step after until he was only a few inches in front of me. He leaned in reaching for me and pulling me in, trapping me in between his masculine arms.

"Jun," I said slowly as my voice cracked.

"I missed you," he said softly into my ear. My tears came bursting out, one tear after another. Jun wiped my tears away and planted a soft kiss on my forehead.

As we reached the main floor holding hand in hand we exited the building and entered the cab.

"What took you so long?" the cab driver said.

"Sorry, had business to take care of" I said seriously to him.

"Well, where to?" the cab driver asked. I opened my bag, searching for forty dollars and my address book. I handed him the forty dollars and searched up an address.

"Do you have a family?" I asked.

"No, but why do you ask?" said the cab driver.

"Just wondering," I said after a pause. "We'll be going to Broadway, do you know where that is?'

"Everyone knows where it is," the cab driver chuckled. "To Broadway it is," the cab driver said while smiling.

During the ride to Broadway, (which was at least twenty to thirty minutes away.) the car ride was dead silent except for our erratic breathing and the cab driver's favorite song "Take me to your heart." It was a sweet and calming song. I stared out the window, looking at the view with old memories clashing and replaying in my head. At one point during the ride, Jun took a hold of my hand. I don't know when, but I tightened my grip on his hand as I was facing away from him. As the song switched to the next I realized that they were all love songs. As the view became closer, brighter, with more people and traffic I became more nervous, with butterflies fluttering and pounding inside me. I turned to look at Jun's side and found that he was staring with me. I stared back into his intense eyes as he smiled softly, ruffling his hair adding more messiness into the mess it already was. He loosened his grip on my hand and let go, I felt hurt, and rejected. I pulled my hand back to my side and looked out to the view again, with tears building up in my eyes I felt a warm touch come over me. Jun clicked in his seatbelt as he positioned himself next to me. He grabbed a hold of my hand again,

and pulled me in closer to him. I rested my head against his broad firm chest. He kissed the top of my forehead, and hugged me. I could hear his rapid heartbeat, going ba-thump, ba-thump, and ba-thump. I closed my eyes gently, as I heard the soft whisper that came out of his mouth.

"I love you," Jun said quietly. My tears formed and fell, and spread across his dingy t-shirt. I sat there not knowing what to say or to tell him.

He pulled me back, with his hands on my shoulders and kissed me on the lips. I responded to his kiss, as he inserted his tongue into my mouth. His hands fell down to my chest, then my stomach, slid his hands under my torn shirt and reached up under my bra and groped my left breast, as his right hand slid behind to my back and pulled me in closer to him.

"Ahem," the cab driver said.

I pulled away from Jun, as his hands slid of my shirt and his mouth away from mine. I straightened my shirt out, and found that the cab driver was staring at us I blushed, to also see that Jun was smiling.

"No need to be embarrass, I still remember when I was a teen, kissing, banging, drugging every now and then. Now look where I am, I have a great life as a cab driver. No wife, no kids I can come and go all I want. Have multiple girlfriends, cheat, have affairs with married women, but what I don't do is impregnate them, and get all that nasty STD'S stuff." The cab driver said laughingly.

I stared at him, for a while.

"Thank god, he didn't do what he just said he wouldn't do, because that just wouldn't be right." I thought to myself.

"Thank you, umm?" I said, as I noticed that I didn't even know his name.

"It's Ace, Ace Shield," said the cab driver as he smiled as us.

"Thank you, Ace," I said again as I grabbed my bag and Jun's hand and got out of the cab.

We began to walk towards Broadway, until I noticed that Jun wasn't by my side. I looked back and Ace was out of the cab talking to Jun. Ace wrote something down on a piece of paper, and gave it to Jun. They shook each other's hand and Jun turned to face me and began walking to me.

"What were you guys talking about?" I said as Jun was standing in front of me.

"Well, he said that I shouldn't let you go, and that you need me." Jun said as I cut him off.

"He also said that I look sexy in this shirt, and that we really need to get going or we'll be screwed." I said smiling to Jun.

"Ace didn't say that first part though, because that's what I'm going to say." Jun said smiling, as he pulled me towards him. "You look sexy and beautiful in that shirt and undie. Although I would like to know whose shirt it is, so I know that you're not cheating on me are you?" Jun whispered in my ear.

"It wouldn't be considered cheating if we're not dating," I said jokingly, as I pulled him down and kissed him hard on his soft lips. I pulled away and dragged him by the hand.

"We really got to get going or she's going to kill me." I said smiling.

Chapter 13: chapter 13

Chapter 13

(Mei's POV)

We went down an alley to get to the back of Broadway Theater. There we climbed up a few flights of stairs, and stopped at a metal door. A man slid opens a slot, and stares at me.

"A couple of fishes come to town, to escape some birds who want them down," I said seriously to him, I turned to the side lifted up my hair to expose a white crane that hid behind my ear.

He nodded, and slid the slot closed and opened the metal door. We entered a room that was black and dark everywhere, I could sense the presences of others in the room beside Jun and me.

"3, 2, 1, START!" A voice echoed from the back of the room.

Before I could get close to Jun, to tell him to go to a safer spot, I had then noticed that they had already gotten him. As I heard a sword slicing through the air, I ducked it hoping that I would miss me and it did. I jumped and attacked back hitting the nerves behind his neck, knocking him out. I barely dodged a hit from another, as I swung my leg to trip him, and knocked him out also but I wasn't able to dodge the other attack, this I received a stab to the stomach. I pulled the sword out of my stomach and knocked him out with the hilt. I took another blow, falling to the cement ground. I stood back up, and got in stance. Guessing that they're at least only five more at the max, which were still conscious and standing. I breathed heavily, with all the blood loss but I couldn't and would not lose conscious because I haven't won yet.

I felt a sword or weapon against my foot. I bent down to grab it. It was a sword, and I wasn't about to give up. I slid my hand against the edges, to see which side was the dull side. I flipped the sword to have the mune as my edge, as my opponents came at me, I knocked out each and every one of them out with the mune. When they had all fallen, I gasped for air as I ripped the bottom of my shirt long enough to make it out of a bandage and wrap it around my new wound and old wounds that were starting to open up again. I tied it tight trying to stop the bleeding, but the cloth was already soaked in blood. After standing for a while, my knees went weak and I collapsed onto the cold cement floor. I could start to feel my blood on the cement. My vision went blurry, I saw the lights flicker back on and I saw Jun running towards me as guards were holding him back. Standing by me was Alex she was staring down at me with a timer in her hands.

"Four minutes and two seconds, for knocking out ten assassins. Not bad Mei, although you should stop slacking and start training. That's how you die, when you become lazy or maybe you were more worried about someone else than your own life?" Alex said loudly, as my vision became darker, and darker onto nothing.

(Jun's POV)

As we entered the dark room, I felt a grasp on me. The next thing I know is that I'm in a different room, with a light on. Then a sharp stabbing pain kicked in, I thought my head was going to explode for the next minute or so. I saw a vision of a woman together with Mei. They were laughing and drinking beer in a room full of men in suits. When I finally came back to reality I knew that it was a vision of sometime in the near future. I saw Mei on the other side of the glass she dodged, and all of a sudden she was stabbed in the stomach with a sword. Mei pulled out the sword and hit her opponent with the hilt of the sword. He collapsed, as she ripped her shirt up to her breasts and bandaged her new wounds, as her old wounds were starting to reopen. Knowing Mei though, she wouldn't have made that kind of mistake, she must've been distracted by something. I searched frantically around the room, there I saw the women that was in the vision. Staring at every move Mei made. I gazed the room again, and saw that there were guards all around in watching every move Mei made. I gazed the room again, and saw that there were guards all around in the room. I turn my head to Mei again, and see that she fell to the cement ground. I was starting to panic now, I moved to the door calmly but the guards stepped in front of me.

"I would watch her if I were you," Alex said.

"Who are you?" I asked calmly.

"Name's Alexria, but everyone calls me Alex. It's nice to finally be able to meet you Jun, I've been waiting for your arrival."

"How do you know Mei?" I asked Alex.

"It's a long story, so I'll make it short. Mei, she used to work for me but we got into a stupid fight and she ran away. Now that she's back I'll make her work for me again. She has gotten soft though, what I want is to create that cold hearted and unemotional killer once again. She was the most elite assassin there ever was, all because I trained her. Now look at her, she almost lost to the lowest rank of assassins there could be."

I looked at Alex, and then back to Mei. Worried to death about her stab and old wounds, she stood there in the middle of the room, breathing heavily with the sword as her supporter. I made a move to the doors; the guards came back and blocked it again. I took out my brass knuckles and punched one of them in the stomach. As the other guard was going to attack, I ducked his attack and pushed him into the wall. I opened the door, and ran out to get to Mei. As I was about to get to her, she collapsed onto the ground. Her blood was streaming out into a giant pool. Alex walked past me, as guards held me back. I struggled, trying to free myself to be my Mei. Alex took her hand out of her pocket, and in her hand was a timer.

"Four minutes and two seconds, for knocking out ten assassins. Not bad Mei, although you should stop slacking and start training. That's how you die, when you become lazy or maybe you were more worried about someone else than your own life?" Alex said loudly.

Then at that moment Mei lost conscious, I felt the guards release their grasp on me and I ran towards her. I took off my shirt and slipped it over her torn ragged shirt.

"Ping, show Jun the way to her room." Alex said through a wire.

And with that a man around the age of mid early twenties entered the room. I lifted up Mei, and stood as I waited for him to show me the way. He ended his conversation with Alex and bowed. I walked pass Alex through the door and followed Ping down hallways, upstairs, and finally reached her room. I noticed that her room was separated from all the others. Her room was in a tower, her own tower. Ping opened the door for us I thanked him and set Mei onto the bed gently. Ping exited the room for a while, returning back with a bowl of warm water, a washcloth, and bandages. He handed to me, and just as he was about to leave the room.

"Thank you, for the hospitality." I said.

"The words thank you should not yet be said." Ping said quietly and left swiftly.

I closed the door to Mei's room, and walked back to her, I sat on the edge of the bed and lifted up the shirt I gave her. I unraveled the torn bloody bandages, and took the wet washcloth and squeezed the excess water from it. I wiped the blood surrounding her new wound; after I cleaned it I washed her older wounds from a week ago. When I finished wiping away the blood, I took the bandages Ping gave me and started to re-bandage Mei's upper body. I lifted up her arm to get under to Mei's back and over to her chest again. I finished in the next five minutes, as I moved to sit on the ground I finally glanced around Mei's room. It wasn't decorated and filled with pictures and drawings like her other room at the hotel. It was painted a dark red color, with simple designs that appear on her ceiling. I grew tired, and fell asleep sometime soon after glancing at her room.

I had a dream, a dream that Mei was crying to herself outside of a white hospital room. Alex came and stood in front of her, talking to Mei while holding out a piece of white thick paper with a pen. Mei signed the paper and stood up, she wiped her tears away, and I saw her eyes. They were a stone black, filled with nothing but emptiness and hatred. Alex smiled and patted her on the back, and led her out of the hospital. Next thing I know I was outside at night, I turn around with a greeting of blood flying towards my face. The blood splattered over my clothes and face, I wipe it away from my eyes and see that Mei was in front of me. Her side facing me as she is facing Chao, Mei was dressed all in black except for a red velvet ribbon tied in her hair. I continued to stare, as I find Mei getting surround by more assassins. They held her captive, as Chao was walking towards Mei and stabbed her in the chest with her katana.

"MEII!" I shouted, but nothing came out.

"MEII!" I shouted again, but I couldn't speak.

I stare at her fall down to the ground, I try to start running but every time I did Mei only got farther and farther away from me. I woke up sweating and panting, I turn around to look at Mei but she was gone.

"Mei," I said loudly.

"Mei," I said louder.

I stood up, with a rush of dizziness coming at me. I stood for a minute in the room, frozen still trying to get away from the rush. I slowly started to walk to the wall, grabbing for support until I was ok. After another minute or so, I was completely fine. I walked down the stairs holding the rail just in case I lost my footing. Walked down the long hallway, and stopped midway from the noises I heard. I peeked to look who it was inside, the room was filled with people dressed in athletic clothings mostly shorts, sport bras, and shirtless guys. everyone had their own sparring arena.

"Just who are you Mei?" I unconsciously said.

"Ahem," Ping cleared his throat.

"Alex would like to see you at this moment," Ping said clearly.

I nodded and followed Ping, continuing down the long hallway I noticed that all the open rooms were training rooms filled with equipment, weapons, technology, etc. I stopped to give give at least a foot of space between Ping and I once he stood in front of a double doors made out of steel. Ping knocked three times before we

heard a response.

"Come in," Alex said clearly.

Ping opened the door quietly, and held it open for my entrance. I walked in the room, and stood three feet away from the door.

"Come, sit down you wouldn't want to stand for another half an hour would you?" Alex said quietly.

I walked over to Alex cautiously, and sat down across from her on a couch.

"Why am I here?" I asked quietly.

"Why? shouldn't you already know why you are here?" Alex said smirking.

"Is this about Mei, 'cause if it is I don't plan on knowing her past until she is ready to tell me." I said calmly.

"Just sit back, relax, and enjoy the show!" Alex said calmly as she gently lowered her red wine onto the cherry table.

Alex motioned towards the 30" flat screen t.v. I sat there staring until I heard sounds coming out of the speakers. I turned my head towards the flat screen to watch, my eyes widen due to shock.

"Do you like it? it's a biography of the time when Mei was working for me here." Alex said with a smirk on her face.

I continued to watch the biography, the Mei in the video was the complete opposite of the Mei now. In the video Mei was smiling and laughing, but she had the eyes of a killer. Eyes filled with enjoyment of seeing blood, seeing people in pain, making people miserable by torturing them slowly, killing families, but the worst of all was that i could see the pain in her eyes when she did it. even though it was only a video , i could see that Mei didn't want to kill them, or torture them because she didn't have a reason too, she forced herself to smile, and laugh. I can see why she ran away from Alex, but why she decide to come back here then?

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