

Forthcoming party.

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- What if no one will come? - Leila asked when suddenly stopped in the middle of heavy decorated dining room.

- Did someone refused invitation? - Asked Judy and put plates on the table's corner.

- No. They all agreed. - Answered Leila.

- What to worry about? - Put hands on sister's shoulders Judy.

- What if in last minute they will remember that should be at other place?

- And why you think they refuse your party and arrive to other? You are older sister, don't forget this, Leila.

- Yes, Judy. But usually everyone invited Davy. And he sells car, they can't refuse. - Leila took deep breath. It was her first party after divorce.

- And to you they all say no? - Asked one more time Judy.

- No. I don't know that was good idea to return here. - Leila started to cry. - You remember how I leave town, on tennis coach's red car. I remember Davy's eyes. Davy usually solve everything. You know.

- Yes. But you was out of your mind, fine it was passion. - Added Judy. - And here you have everything. Home, work.

- I know. - Almost smiled Leila. - Davy didn't sell house and I have where to live. You took me back on work in our postcards business.

- You are co-owner, I had no choice. - Smiled Judy.

- Yes. You all stopped me and now you accept my returning. I don't know if I deserve it. I was thinking only about myself. - Leila sit on the corner of the sofa.

- We all made mistakes. We all are not perfect. - Reminded Judy.

Doorbell interrupted them.

- Mrs Albany, with fresh baking. - Loudly said Judy, inviting at home widow.

- Leila, I'm glad that you are back. - Said Stephanie Albany when entered dining room. - And I will come later, to the party, party after Christmas and before New Year. Your famous party.

- Mrs Albany, I will show where to put it on kitchen. - Suggested Judy.

- Judy, please stop this. - Said Leila.

- What dear? - Nervously asked Judy.

- I saw, on your birthday, like you kissed with Stephanie. Don't lie at least to me. Or to all town. From school we waited when you two run away together. But Stef married that drunkard, it's miracle that she survived in that car accident. And now you call her Mrs Albany.

- Leila, did you finished? - Asked Judy.

- Yes, I am. - Answered Leila.

- Good, please finish preparations to forthcoming party. And town already know, but you was such busy with rebuilding your life that I had no idea how to tell you, my sister, about that.

- Stephanie quietly hold Judy's hand.

- Judy, Stef. I am so sorry. I am afraid that no one came. - Leila hugged her sister.

- Leila, it's not the end of the world, if someone missed party. - Said Stephanie.

- It is. - Answered Judy. - She invited Davy. And this is her third hysterics for today. And now Mrs Albany, I will show you were to put bakery.

Doorbell again interrupted them.

- Judy, please open the door. - Asked Leila.

- It's your party, I am busy. - Judy walked to kitchen with Stephanie.

Leila quickly looked at herself in mirror and opened door.

- Davy! - Screamed Leila.

- Glad to see you. - Said Davy.

- Come in.

- I just for a moment. Don't make such face. I will come in the evening.

- Thank you. - Smiled Leila.

- I just came to tell that I phoned everyone and they will come to the party. I want that you know about that. I remember how important for you this party is. - Davy looked around to decorated in style house, it was their home after wedding. - Stephanie.

- Davy. By the way, I don't say that you both stood under mistletoe, but you stood under mistletoe. Just someone should inform you about that. - Said Stephanie and returned to the kitchen.

- She is right. - Davy looked up.

- And what you will do with that? - Quietly asked Leila.

- What I do with that? - Repeated Davy.

- Yes. - Nodded Leila.

- What you will do with that? - Quietly asked Davy.

- I missed you so much. - Leila hugged Davy and started to cry.

- Such way it is also possible. - Said Judy when looked at that scene from dining room. - Or since now it could be possible?

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