Arrive before.

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- Why it is such important for you? - One more time Nick asked Amy. Taxi driver helped to put all bags from the car. Was early morning and looks like any lights were on the huge liner where they planned to celebrate New Year with few hundreds of others unknown passengers.

- What exactly, Nick? - Amy checked herself in the little mirror.

- To arrive before everyone. We could at least wait for captain or you will drive yourself? - Nick always was in bad mood, after such early woke ups.

- I checked everything. From 7 o'clock in the morning.

- Amy, but this doesn't mean that in ten minutes after 7 they close doors for passengers and be in the middle of the sea. - Nick already lost hope to find explanation why they should spend first New Year celebration as married couple on this ship. He proposed to her different options, which were more expensive and he could afford it. Amy made her mind and now they were there.

- Can I help you? - Steward from the ship almost run to them. They waited clients, but such early one were rare.

Amy put back on her face enormous sunglasses.

- Sure. - Said Amy in unrecognisable voice.

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At eleven there already were few passengers on the deck with loungers.

- How about sunbath? - Asked Amy when stood up from bed. Nick already was in better mood and agreed.

After few minutes, at the deck, with excitement he looked how literally unwrapped herself Amy. She put away hat with big borders, sunglasses and now pareo.

- Could I propose to you cocktails? - Quickly came to them steward. Smiled politely to Nick and turned to his wife. - Amy?

- Percy? Glad to see you again. - With calmness of answer, Nick understood that Amy rehearsed this lines few times. - Are you still here?

- Yes, Amy.

- Such a small world. Husband suggested that we celebrate New Year here, you know, captain's table, all this fuss. - Amy slowly put her sun glasses in the hair. - Bring us some fresh.

- Sure. - Answered Percy.

Nick saw how Percy tell news to other stewards and point on their direction.

- This was the point. You worked there? - Asked Nick wife.

- Five summers, two after college. As maid and now I celebrate here New Year. - Amy nodded.

- Good that we arrive before everyone else, till evening all ship will know.

Amy smiled instead of answer.

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