

"kuamka mtoto wangu" (wake up my child)

"Nyota kuamka" (Nyota wake up) my grandmother shook me roughly, even if I wanted to ignore her I couldn't. there was so much noise outside, people singing.

Me : bibi (grandmother) whats going on

"sisi kwenda, now Nyota" (we have to go now Nyota) my brother said throwing a backpack at me.

I woke up all puzzled and got dressed, bibi gave me an envelope and I shoved it on my back.

"kuua mchawi"(kill the witch) kuua mchawi people were busy singing. we were staying in a small isolated mud hut from the community, I could see through the cracks on the wall that some had fire lamps with them while some had sticks and stones.

Didi : you have to go through the window, Nathan take care of your sister

I was so terrified but I had no words, I could see that everyone was trying to be strong and that what I needed to, to be strong. we went out through the window, with Didi promising to follow up shortly. Nathan had his own back pack with him and a blanket. he took my hand and we kept on running.

Me: we have to wait for Didi

Nathan: Nyota, lets just run and don't look back Didi is old and clever she will find us. I looked up on the sky and the weather was so bad, there were no stars. where are the damn stars when you need them.

Me: I call upon the stars, you said you never sleep please here my voice

Nathan : Nyota please we don't have time for that, lets keep going

my name is Nyota Johnson (meaning the star), I'm 15. I have a brother who is 21. we were born in South Africa but moved to Tanzania when our grandfather died because my grandmother wanted to come back to her homeland. I never knew my parents, I only see them on pictures and on my dreams. I have a gift, I can communicate with the stars hence my name is Nyota.

please accept my invitation as I go through this journey I would like you to be part of it.

\*\*\*\*\*Excuse my swahili guys [#hides](#).\*\*\*\*\*

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"Luu you better open this door before I break it down ok, this nikka thinks I'm trippin'.....Nikka you better open up.....amma count to three and if you don't open up you will know me today"

I look at the door so irritated, these b\*\*\* thinks she can come anytime on my crib.

"Luu, you bagged me to come here for this" Anitta pushes me aside and starts dressing, damn I was just about to get it on.

Me: Anittababe come on you know how Stacy is she....

Anitta : no Luu I don't know how Stacy is because I'm not the one sleeping with her, you the one cheating on me with her or is the other way around, Luu tell me do I look stupid to you?

Me: babe come on, I'm sorry look let me make it up to you

"I'm coming in Luu, don't say I didn't warn you, I'm breaking this door" i groan in frustration

"young girl, whose door are you gonna break, f\*\*\* off man go change your bedding man, I can tell you still pee on your sleep"

I had never been this happy to hear that Nikka's voice in my life.

I looked at the irritated Anitta and I'm out of words.

Me: ok I'll take you home.

her : good

when I hear the key turning I rush to my room to hide my weed, Dad 2 would flush my staff if he were to see it.

"and than?" i hear him ask, again I rush to the lounge

Me: hi Dad 2, bye Dad 2

I take Anitta's hand and attempt to go but he gives me a warning look and pints at the couch.

Dad 2: you having problems staying on your own?

Me : no I'm ....

Dad 2: good, because i was gonna take you back home, your father told me that you were suspended, i come here to solve that, talked to the Dean but I'm greeted by some tramp tempting to break my door down and you are having a party for two here, the house stinks tell me so do you know where your life is going?

Me: yes I ....

him : good because I would hate to give you directions, trust me you would hate me. now take the lady home she looks like she's looking for a whole to hide or some shit. he walks takes my booze and walks to the kitchen with it and I'm sure he's gonna pure it on the drainer.

Me: shit, come lets go

I'm Lucan Laurie, my Nikkas and B\*\*\*\*\*s call me Luu. I got so many siblings I ain't got time to name them but you'll probably meet em. I'm 18 doing my first year in Varsity in I-T. I'm just an outgoing person, a go getter.

Lets just have some fun and see where this journey takes us.

Chapter 2

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7:45 classes are never my thing, I hate them actually I hate attending period, but with Dad 2 on my ass I have no choice.

after 15 minutes drive I park and walk to my friends who are already heading to class. I got 3 nikkas by my side (Sihle,Zayne and Dwayne)

Me: sup homies

Sihle : Dwang

Zayne : and the prodigal son return (singing)

Me: tell me about it bra, so what did I miss

Dwayne : nothing, you already don't know nikka I don't get it you are the smartest guy I know yet you here with us playing dumb

Me: I have no choice nikka

Sihle : I got practicals will meet ya'll at the studio

Dwayne : do your thing my nikka's I ain't gonna pose naked in front of the camera

Me: it pays dwang, money, booze and honeys

we all laugh as we go our separate ways. like seriously I don't get why I had to attend I know everything that was done today mncm.

after our last lecture we go to the studio, we are part time models so ya'll ladies know what that means yep, we keep fit bra and make sure our packs are on point. we try to eat healthy but eish booze and weed, its the it bra.

"hmm my favorite man are here" says our manager approaching us

Sihle : really nikka we ain't gay

manager : yeah but I am and I can't help it but .....

"Tay leave my babies alone"

we all turn

Me : mom, what are you....

mom : really Lucan, is that how you gonna great me after what three months of not seeing you besides, you work for me I don't get why you surprised

Sihle : let me go before I get cheek kisses (he whispers)

Zayne : I ain't going any where that's the only chance I get to be close to Mrs L (whispers back)

Me : nikka just get lost

Momo : where to, come to mama kids

Sihle : what....did someone call my name....I'm sorry Mrs L I got to go with that he runs away. mom gives me a tight hug and kisses my cheek, I wipe it when shes not looking, this creep Zayne is all smiley nx.

Mom : we got a long day today boys so lets get to get I have new stuff coming up and we have to talk about your next trip

Zayne : trip to?

Mom : I got a gig from a friend of mine in Tanzania, I will be showing my clothes there on his fashion show this weekend since it was a last minute thing I couldn't get any models that side so I'm gonna have to fly you guys there.

Me: sounds nice

Zayne : damn right it is

"as long as I'm getting paid"

Me : Sihle I thought you had an emergency

Sihle : turns out it wasn't  
Mom : ohh really?  
we look at him and laugh.

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Me : I don't get why we have to run and be on our own, we could go to Aunt Gloria's house mos

Nathan : and be their slaves, besides they might be the ones who send that mod to our house, Nyota we don't have anyone we are on our own and you have to accept that, you need to be strong little sis ok

I nod

him : good, now we have to make it to the city find a place to stay and a job

me : how long till we get there I'm really tired Nath

him : just hold on baby sis we almost there.

"you need to be strong Nyota, you are a strong girl hang in there" I ignore her, where was she when I needed her

"Nyota you mad"

Me : no I'm not mad I'm happy. how could you do this to us Nyota you promised to always be there for me, you told me that stars never sleep but when I called out for you, for the first time in my life you were not there"

Nathan : Nyota please not now please tell the stars to come back later, i don't want people to think you are mad.

star : I'm sorry Nyota but I had to give you a chance to be your own person, let you and your brother find the way on your own, work together.

I ignore here again.

she sighs

star : I'm not going anywhere, be safe.

Nathan : hi .....sir ....hi....

I see Nathan running to some car as soon as we avail ourselves to the most packed place ever, I have never seen so many people in one place. others are talking on their phones, other's are holding hands, other's are laughing and running all over the place I stop on my tracks.

star: Nyota you need to be careful here, trust no one

I nod because I can't talk on my own since Nathan just desapeared following that man.

Star : I will show you the way, tell you brother not to trust that man.

I look for him and find him looking through a window of a very fancy and shinny black car.

Nathan : yes sir its just me and my sister, I would do any job

Me: Nathan

Nathan : wait baby sis

the man looks at me and smiled revealing shinny teeth.

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I looked at my brother who was not paying attention at me or on how the man was looking at me, I might have been kept indoor my whole life but I sure know when one's look is not a proper one and the way this man was looking at me was creepy.

Me: Nathan we have to go

man : so you say you can do anything?

Nathan : yes sir anything as long as me and my sister will b taken care of

Man : ok come get in the car I will make a plan

star : don't get in that car Nyota, stop him

I had to think of something, what to do..... what to do?

Me : Nathan I found us a job

he stopped when he was about to open the door. I grabbed his hand and pulled him towards the direction of some market where a lot of people were going up and down, the man yelled at us but I just kept going.

Nathan : Nyota what's up with you do you know what you just did?

Me : yes

probably saved our lives look that man is not to be trusted.

him : says who?

Me : says the stars

Him : ahh...I should have known, do you know that we are in this shit because of your damn stars, do you know that Nyota, I'm here trying by all means that we get a shelter and food and at least get a place to bath but here you are with your stars "again" ruining the only chance we had, you know what I hate this, I hate this life, I hate what you and your stars have put me through

Me : you don't mean that brother ( I was now crying)

him : get lost Nyota, leave me alone

Me : Nathan I..

Him : Nyota F\*\*\*\* off

I got staltled and looked at him with my eyes full of tears, he left me standing there in the middle of the market and I couldn't see where he desapeared to, I looked around around and no one cared everyone was busy minding their own business. mind you it was still early in the morning because we have been in the road the whole night.

I walked around asking for jobs from the woman who were selling fruits and veggies but no luck, I went to some shops but nothing. even if I find a job I have no idea how I would start working I'm still young for this and not to mention that it is my first time in the city. yes I don't look my age because I'm a bit tall with a thick body you could mistaken me for a 18 year old. I'm a bit light in complexion with huge Afro which I

had tired in a bun.

I saw a man who was selling news papers, and leaded to him well i like reading that's how I knew of most of the things in the outside world, my class teacher would always bring me books and newspapers because she knew I like reading.

an article that I couldn't ignore even if I wanted to was written.

"A WOMAN WITH HER TWO GRANDCHILDREN BURNED TO DEATH FOR WITCH CRAFT IN IZAZI"

I didn't have to read the whole article to know who they were talking about, the picture was there, our mud hut burned to ashes. wait....so they thought that we were still there, does that mean Didi might be still out there looking for us.

man : young lady are you buying or what, if now move you chasing my customers away, hay these children

star: I'm sorry Nyota

I moved from the man and looked around before I could talk to star.

Me : I think Didi is still out there looking for us star

star : I'm sorry

me: why?

her : she...she

me : she what

a woman passing by looked at me up and down, I'm used to this only my brother gets worked up by it.

star : I will tell you later, go to the place where they playing loud music

I've been hearing that banging sound but paid no attention to it, I went there and there was a long que. mostly young people were there.

"That's it for today everyone, come back tomorrow morning I promise you there are still job posts available, we will continue hiring tomorrow now we have to get to work" said a voice over this huge black box, I looked at it for while wondering how a person got in there because even though its big its not that big.

"you should go before they chase you out" I turn only to be met by a woman in fancy clothes with a nice smile and she smells lovely I tell you, her perfume screams money.

Me : but I'm not bothering anyone

she looked at me and smiled

her : I know but the boss doesn't like it when people stand around when its time for work

Me: than he should give me work so I won't stand around

Her : you look young

Me : because I am

I don't know why but I felt comfortable talking to this woman

her : and you have a big mouth, are you here alone?

I look at her for a while

Me: I'm with my brother

her : he got the job

Me: no, what job is that that people do here

her ; they are renovating most of the buildings in town so they hire people to do the heavy job

me ; sounds hectic, I wouldn't mind being a manager and boss people around

she laughs

"Boss, please take a look at this" a man comes and gives the woman some paper.

Ohhhh so she is the BOSS, I feel so embarrassed by the way I talked to her. I attempt to walk when she is busy with the man

her: hey where do you think you going I was still enjoying the talk

me : I'm sorry I heard the Boss doesn't like people to stand around when its time to work.

she laughs. takes a pen writes something on the paper and gives it to the man.

her : I'm sure the boss can make an exception. what's your name

me : I'm Nyota

Her : with no surname

Me : Nyota Johnson

Her : nice, I'm Cindy .... Cindy Mbaio

I nod

Cindy : so Nyota, what are you doing here, shouldn't you be at school

me: actually I think I should look for my brother he must be worried. bye Cindy

I walk away ignoring her worried look.

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"I'm tired star I've been looking for Nathan everywhere"

star : that's because you don't tell me what you doing I thought you were just enjoying the place, look for boys playing cards in a corner.

Me: there are so many corners here

I walk around for almost two hours and my feet are killing me now not to mention hunger and dehydration.

"(whistles) hey what do we have here, look at this, fresh meat special delivery for me"

"nah but this one says my name bro you don't even have to ask"

one of them touches me from the back while the other tried to take my back pack.

Me: guys please

"ncoah did you hear that voice"

"angelic broe"

"leave my little sister alone razor, whats up with you" Nathan says standing up from the crown.

Razor: ohh this is her she's a 10 bro. gens don't touch

I was crying a river by now, I had no idea what these guys were on about but than God Nathan was here.

Nathan : how did you find me?

Me: I just did

him : ohh, look I'm trying to make money here so that ...

Me: you left me Nathan, in the middle of no where, you left me and didn't bother to look back

he comes to me and gives me a warm tight hug and keep saying "I'm sorry" over and over and I just cry on his shoulder, I just realized now that I was actually hurt by all the things he said to me.

### Chapter 3

#### #LUCAN

I haven't got time to breathe these few days, Dad 2 is all up on my face I got assignments which I really don't spent much time on, I'm genius everything comes easy on me. when am not at school I have to be at the studio, mom is working us like slaves, if you thing standing in front of the camera and pose half naked is easy I'll send Ibongwe Laurie to come show you the real work.

we were just leaving the studio when I got a text from Stacy, the girl still wants me after I've showed her so many times that I'm cool now I got what I wanted. but anyway a nikka can never say no to free meat ayt. I text her back and promise to come pick her up.

Me: Zayne I'm gonna need your keys for few hours

him : for what?

Sihle : dude, do you really have to ask, we only use your crib for one thing and one thing only

Zayne : yeah yeah say no more

he throw me the his keys and I get on my car and drive off. you might be wondering where I live well, I live in the US, Dad 2 gave me his house to live in and I go to one of the colleges here nothing hectic I just wanted to be away from home, but it seems like I can never be that far.



text message

to Stacy "I'm by your gate"

"give me 5"

its like she was waiting for the text

"hey babe"

she says as soon as she gets in, I smile revealing my dimple, I hate to say this but my dimple is a "panty dropper" I don't have to say much.

I perk her cheek

Me: so how have you been

her : I've been ok like you know I'm a big girl and can take care of myself

Me: you do know that you very cute when you not chewing gum babe right?

I really can't handle it, she's murdering it

her : really (she says as she giggles)

me : yes really?

after about 20 minutes we drive in Zayne's crib and I must say the drive was more like years, I really can't make a meaningful conversation with Stacy she's just Stacy. let me tell you a bit about her, Stacy is white a bit tall, my height to be exact, she has blond hair, blue eyes big boobs and some ass not that big though she's cute a hottie if I may say.

her ; why are we not at your house Luu?

Me: because I want us to have some fun, now I don't want my father disturbing us am sure you'll agree

she giggles as I smile and spank her ass.

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my brother managed to make a little money yesterday in playing cards, we got something to eat and soap to wash up. I told him about the job hiring and well he was game. his new friends offered a place to sleep for the night, of cos it wasn't free we had to share our food with them and I'm not complaining. Nathan woke me up as soon as the church clock made a sound at 4am, we went to look for toilets and washed up than changed to the clothes on our bags.

"here eat before we go" Nathan says handing me a fat-cook

Me: and than?

him : from yesterday, I had to think of tomorrow

Me: clever big bro, clever. lets save it for later though

I put it in my bag and we head to that big venue.

Nathan : are you sure this is it?

Me: yes I'm sure, its still early lets just wait.

we didn't spent 10 minutes and people started showing up and mind you it was still a bit cold and we were shivering with cold since its still early hours of the day. when the sun sarterd to shine and get warm the line was very long and people were starting to

push each other, we were first to get here but we were pushed back for about 20 people it was stumbpid I tell you.

the church clock hit 8 and I was tired of standing now I sat down because it seemed like today they were not hiring.

Nathan : look I have to go pee, don't move ok

I nodded.

Nathan was gone for way too long and I was starting to worry now, I stood up and tried to tiptoe looking for him in the crowd thinking that maybe he is lost but nothing.

"you looking for your boyfriend" says the man who had been standing next to us, he was a bit creepy and his breath didn't smell good at all.

"brother" I said

man : ohh, I think he is lost, he passed just a few minutes ago

Me: ohh I'll wait, he will come back

"Morning ladies and gentleman, we all know the drill, we stand in a straight line once you reach the stairs you give your CV to the person in charge, he/she will look at it and will tell you which department to go since there are many vacancies, now be warned this is not an easy job it requires strength and determination at the end of the day we will all be happy" that was the same voice I heard yesterday from the black box.

"where is he" I say under my breath

man : you better go look for him because he might come back late

he is right. I move from the line and go look around, the moment I move away the crowd start going up the stairs, now we gonna be at the back of the line.

"and than why did you move"

Me: I was looking for you, where have you been

Nathan : I told I wanted to use the loo, come

as if people would let us pass, no one cared the kept pushing us back saying that we lying we were not there at all, I was so mad at Nathan now I fely like crying. I sat down and just let him kep trying.

"you enjoy coming here don't you" I look up to be met by Cindi, this woman has a smile of an angel.

Me: not really

Cindy : than why did you come back because I don't see you trying to get a job

Me: trust me I tried and I moved from the line when I came back, no one wanted me to pass, can you believe it I was here first

Cindy : really, you an early bird ain't you.

I nodded

her : so where is your brother today?

'whose asking" Nathan says giving Cindy a nasty look, I just fell so embarassed by that look but Cindy is not bothered instead I see her smile widens ay I wonder

Cindy : hi I'm Cindy, Nyota'a friend

I look at her and smile.

Nathan : well nice to meet you Cindy, Nyota we have to go and try somewhere else I sigh and stand up.

Me: bye Cindy

Cindy : are you gonna give up, just like that?

Nathan : give up what?

Cindy : the job

Nathan : no I'm not giving up

I never give up I'm just gonna go and look for other options and if I don't succeed I'll come back tomorrow and tomorrow, I'm sure this place needs me anyway so they have no choice but to hire me

Cindy : so much confidence, I don't see your CV though

Nathan : well I don't have it besides its not like I'll be working with it its just a formality and to know that I'm not a fraud or a refugee

Cindy : you seem to know so much, I guess your sister took after you, you guys can talk

Me: you say it like its a bad thing Cindy

Cindy : no its not, its actually a good thing because it just landed your brother a job us :what?

Cindy : yeah, now come lets go time is money.

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Cindy was a heavenly sent, she had not only given my brother a job when she found out that we were living on the streets she took us in and said we will be living at her house she has an outside building even if it was a shark it really wouldn't matter as long as we will have a roof above our heads. Nathan was a bit stubborn, pride I guess but hey he had no choice he ended up agreeing.

we were now on our way to her house and they have knocked off from work. we were in her car and I must say it was stunning, one of those big cars used my ministers and those big man in high places. the drive was rather a bit long. I was looking outside all along like a child on her first time going out of the house what am I saying this was basically my first time too all my life I was indoors except when I had to go to school and I only went to town maybe twice or 3 times a year. and no I was not treated badly, my grandmother had to protect me because when people learned about my gift they started treating me bad, saying bad things and sometimes they would threaten to kill me and say that I was a witch. which is sad because that was the same way I lost didi 🗿, yeah Star told me that she got burnt with the hurt, I have no word for how I feel, I cant believe that another human being could do such to another.

"we are here" Cindy said bringing back to earth

I looked around as we were driving in some huge mansion, so she stays in a hotel. I head that those huge houses as big as hers are usually hotels. we opened our doors and

stepped out.

Cindy : I so wish you guys could stay inside the house not in the back yard.

Nathan : we don't want to trouble you Cindy, what you doing for us is enough.

Cindly : its ok because I can see that I will not succeed in changing your mind, you will be joining me for dinner than later, let me show you your new home

Me; careful, if you say home we might never leave

she laughs

Cindly : that would be a dream come true, me and my small family.

Me: so you only leave by yourself here?

Cindy : yes dear

Me : for a minute there I thought this was a hotel

she laughs again

Cindy : lets just say I had gone through a lot growing up and my dream was to own a dream like this and now I have it

Nathan : your husband is blessed to have a hard woman like you

she looks the other way and avoid eye contacts, I try to read her but nothing.

she lead us another nice and cosy house right in her back yard, its like there are two houses in here competing against each other because this one is a bit small but my ohhh my its out of this word, she opens and lead us in.

her : you have to forgive me, I don't use this house so there is nothing to eat in here which is you will have to eat at the house and I asked the help to clean and change the bedding I hope you will be fine.

I could fell tears threatening my eyes, no one who is not family has even done such a thing for me I stood there trying to compose my self and trying to figure out why this woman is doing this for us.

her : are you guys ok?

Nathan cleared his throat I guess he also zoned out like me

him : Cindly this is too much, I don't know how we will repay you

Cindy : just make sure that you take that young lady to school and you finish your diploma

yes my brother was studying and got kicked out on her final year because he could not pay his fees.

Me : may God bless you Cindy

we thank her like a thousand times and she eventually leaves us to bath and join her in the house.

Me : Cindly is a good woman

Nathan : she is, and beautiful too 🙏

Me: yeah she is.

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"I think my dad forgot something"

I say checking my phone for the hundredth time

Dad 2: my brother doesn't forget trust me, he still knows the exact color of your mom's underwear on their first night and how....

Me: that's too much information

ay the man in my family just talk like they are talking to their peers, my grandfather is worse though ay that man

Dad 2 : you such a bore, this is why I'm leaving your ass here, my wife misses me and I just can't wait to tap ....

Me: please don't say it please don't 😞

Dad 2 : what? I miss my freak man, your mom 2 once you find a woman like that son you will never let go she's a freak

Me: ohh God he just said it 😞

I stood up and left him there yelling after me, what surprises me is that he says these things with a straight face like seriously doesn't he have a friend or something like that. when I get to my room I find 3 missed calls from my sister, that one never calls I wonder whats up, i ring her back

"I thought you were ignoring me" she says as soon as she picks up

Me: I'm not your friend I don;t have time to play dolls what happened to greetings?

her : (sigh) hi Lucan

Me : hi, how are you?

her : I'm ok, just missing you

Me: what do you want

her : nothing was just checking up on you

Me : I know you, out with it

her : ok ok, can I come live with you please, I'm tired of studying by post, I really need to catch up on my studies.

Me: Hell no....no ....stay away

her : ohhh come on Lucan I really need this I'm tired of being here at home like seriously I need a break

Me: go to one of the schools there mos

her : you know there aren't good schools here in the Island so I had to study via post in one of those there, and now its getting hard come on Lu

Me: ay uzong' crowded nje (you will invade my space)

her : what?

Me: never-mind

Her : I'll talk to dad 2 than, its his house anyway

Me: Ivy don't you dare

Her : bye Lucan Laurie, see you soon

she hung up nx, I love my sister but she should play far.

my phone rang again when I was just putting it down.

"Ivy come on, you really couldn't wait to gloat" I say without checking the caller ID  
mom: I don't even want to know what's going on with the two of you

Me: ohh hi mom 😊

her : hi. I got some news

Me: good I hope

Her : lets not rate them, so I called the friend of mine in Tanzania and the show has been postponed apparently there are some renovations on the venue and she thought it was going to be done by the weekend but its dragging

Me: ohh ayink inkinga (no problem) as long as there will still be a show I need cash 😞, I think your husband forgot my allowance.

mom: ohh honey you know your father, he never forgets I'm sure he is punishing you for being expelled.

Me: but I'm back at school now

her: yeah because Leroy had to pull some strings, besides you have a job that pays you will be fine for a week I think

me: I really need that gig moms, ohh maybe you could trans....

she laughs

her : I love you baby bye 😞

we hung up. I have no choice but to call my mom now (real mom Fantasia)

## Chapter 4

### [#NYOTA](#)

I woke up today very emotional, it's like someone had turned on a tap of my worries sufferings and all the cruelty that I have went through in my life. I might seem like a strong young girl but truth be told I'm weak, vulnerable and lost. my life was a struggle since I was born, my parents dying before I could even talk, walk or even see what was going on in this cruel world. I grew up in a warm home though, my grandparents were the best, my brother being there for me every step of the way, just when I thought life couldn't be worse, we lost my grandpa and we had to come back home, my grandma had issues with the family she got married to and well she couldn't take it anymore. We moved here in Tanzania, where we had no relatives no one but just the three of us, as if that was not enough people started treating us like animals, aliens as if we came here to take over the land of their fore father's.

Even though life was not easy, having to stay indoors in hurt that is separate from the community because we were witches, we killed the man and children that's what the woman accused us of when their man come from the city and the mines with deadly deceases, we were the cause. Didi tried by all means to protect us, make sure that we enjoy life even though it doesn't love us back, we went to school, I studied, and my

brother also studied. When I look back today and look at the place we at, I can't help it but wonder ....

“Do you thing that this is the beginning of it allour happiness?”

Nathan : I don't want to lie to you Nyota, this might be our stepping stone but it definitely not gonna be easy, you need to be strong, “we” need to be strong, be there for each other.

I look at him with and thank God for giving me a brother like him.

Him : look I have to go to work ok, be strong. We might go look for a school tomorrow hopefully they will still take you.

We hug as he goes out and leave me to think about my life.

“you know it's an insult to God to always complain even when things are going well, you have to learn to appreciate the smaller things in your life Nyota, otherwise you won't even see when the big things h....”

Star decides to interrupt my chain of thoughts.

Me: I get it Star but you can't blame me for going back, I can't pretend as if I'm happy all the time, I'm human I feel I have to share what I feel and if not with my brother than who?

Star : cry, be weak if you have to but never in your life question life and what throws at you, never doubt God's actions, he knows that you are strong, you might not see that now but you are. Nyota you need to know that with your gift, things are going to get tougher, you need to be prepared, be a child and enjoy but remember Nyota you are a star you destiny requires you to make bring light and that is never easy.

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During the day I was just eating, watching tv and dancing, yeah dancing. I discovered something. I use to like drawing and painting it made me feel relaxed and now I'm adding dancing to the list, I have been watching music videos on Channel O and Trace ding moves that I had never heard of or seen.

“My money my body na your own”

\*\*\*\*\* Ahhh Davido – If went on and I lost it.....\*\*\*\*\*

“I didn't know we had a Shakira in the house” Cindy said coming in and smiling from ear to ear

Me: and she doesn't like dancing alone come join Beyonce

Cindy : I'm not Beyonce

Me: chicken

Her: hell no I will show you fames I'm queen of twerk

I stop and look at her confised

She laughes

Her: you have no idea what twerking is do you?

I shook my head no

Cindy : come let me show you

She turns the volume up and OMW what followed next I have no words, she was shaking her ass like craze but guess what I joined her

Cindy : shake what your mama gave you babe!!!!

She says throwing her hands in the air

“jgsdt6767w2148i ..... party!!!!!!”

We turn and look at the door, where the voice is coming from

Me: what?

“hudhuo h7y3 not hguew780u32w party!!!!!!”

Cindy: what?

He comes and turns the volume down a bit

Nathan : why am I not invited to join the part

We laugh at him and turn the volume up again while taking his hands to join us.

## Chapter 5

### #NYOTA

It has been two weeks since we moved in here and I must say, I'm enjoying each and every moment. I have found a school but because school holidays start in few days, I was given work to do and few notes to catch up until we open. Cindy had also introduced me to an art school, she saw my paintings and also thinks that my dancing is good, I started 2 days back and well I must say it's hard work. What I do is I go with her in the morning, hit the library than a bit later I go to art school because it's an afternoon thing.

Today is Friday and we have no classes, so I was just relaxing the whole day than after I had prepared dinner for me and my brother I started playing a few songs and trying to rehearse the routine that we have been doing it's a bit hard I must say, well we kinda do all genres and for now we are doing hip hop so I was playing Nicki Minaj of full blast.

Nathan bought groceries for us so we no longer bother Cindy for such.

After I was done rehearsing I went for a shower than just changed with my simple summer dress, I don't have much for now I just make sure that my clothes are always washed and my brother's too.

When I got out of my room, Nathan was already seated at the dinner table eating.

“it's nice to be you neh”

Nathan : hello to you too lil sis

Me: hi, so why didn't you dish up for me?

Him: yoh I was gonna drop dead by the time I pick up your plate

Me: that hungry



Him: you have no idea

Me: serves you right, you don't want to carry lunch at work

Him: let me go shower before mom gives me a beating

I hit him in the shoulder playfully.

As he disappear by the passage "Cindy is throwing a party today"

Me: so?

Him : we are invited

Me: I'm not going

Him: ohh did I say invited, I meant summoned

Mnxm

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Cindy had called me to come and help her with the preparations, I have no idea what she wants me to do because she is busy blabbing and making orders to the woman that work for her, money neh.

Cindy : so you mean to say that you are 15 actually 16 but never had a boyfriend

I shook my head. she said that dramatically

like it's a huge deal.

Her : I pray you don't meet my son he would change all of that like this \*snapping her fingers\*\*\*

Me: you have a son

I'm surprised, this is a first I hear her talking about someone else other than her and work. She looks the other way when I ask her that

Her: hmm, please mix these for me sweetie, we making a cocktail

Changing the topic I see. I take all the bottles that she keeps passing to me and keep pouring at this huge vas like thing, ay high class things, one step at a time neh after we are done, I mean I'm done she tells me to come with her to her room

Cindy : I got you something

Ohh no she did not. She goes to her closet and comes back holding 4 shopping bags

Her : I didn't know what you would like so I just grabbed everything that was before me

Me: I can't .....

Her : errrr we are not negotiating young lady besides you haven't even seen what I have here so chill

Me: but I ....

She gives me an intimidating eye and I look aside

Her: now go and fit.

Me: thank you Cindy

Her : you have something for the party now. Be quick its almost 8

How does this woman do it, these clothes look expensive. She bought like a whole lot even shoes and tekkies, there are slips from Edgar's, Woolworths and PNS. Lol even underwear's I fit the skinny jeans which are whipped on both knees, I've seen a lot of

girls wearing these jeans I can't believe that I'm wearing one today. It goes with a white t-shirt, purple jacket with huge tekkies that has that baskie player on the side. When I come out her jaws are on the floor.

Cindy: now that's what I'm talking about I knew those jordans will fit you plus the jean you got the body to die for, why aren't you not my daughter again  
I laugh with tears.

Me: thank you so much, I don't know what I have done to deserve this

Her : we all deserve good things, now don't worry about the other outfit you gonna wear that and I'll do your hair.

## Chapter 6

### #NYOTA

I was now dressed and had taken another bath, I'm wearing Jordan's I have to be clean my brother tells me the cost a lot.

“wow you look smoking hot”

Me: Nathan you see me everyday

Him : not in those, and I must say they suit you, I must start buying you jeans, shorts and leggings now not those long and flower dresses Didi use to buy you

Me: come on, they looked good on me

Him: yeah because you made them look good on you, otherwise they were horrible, that's why I did my own shopping

Me: yeah yeah, so I look good neh?

He smiles

Him: very, I wish you were not my sister right now

Me: lets just go before you start insulting me

Him: wait

He goes to is room and comes back, takes my hand and put a watch

Him: I bought this for your birthday but nah, it has to be put to use

Me: its so cute, thank you biggie

I hug him and kiss his cheek

Him: yeah yeah, let's go.

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When we get to the house its packed, when did these people arrive I scan with my eyes +/- 50 people are roaming around with glasses on their hands some are seated, others are standing too close to each other which the rest is dancing to the low music  
“come this side guys”

Cindy says waiving at us, we go to her and she is seated by the lounge with some people and the look her age, why am I not it's not like there was gonna be anyone my age here.

Cindy : come I want to introduce you guys to my special people,

I sit next to her while Nathan sits on the armrest since there is no space left.

Her : so guys these are my newly found family members, this is my daughter (I swear I blushed when she said that) and that is Nathan I can't say my son cause he is old but he is like family to me

We get to meet the people, sit and just talk after a while they prepare meat, rolls and salads we eat and just mingle, I get bored and just go and stand at the balcony next to Cindy's room.

I look at this place and its beautiful, not crowded just peaceful and nature being nature.

"you seem happy" says Star

I smile because she has been quiet the whole day

"I guess I am"- me

Star : that's good

Me: but you don't sound happy

Star: you have to be careful Nyota

Me: do I really have to leave my life looking over my shoulder

can't I just enjoy just this once

Star: I'll leave you to it than

Me: thank you

She goes silent and I can't feel her presence too.

"talking to yourself"

I look behind me and see one of the man that Cindy had introduced us to earlier.

Me: something like that, excuse me

He blocks my way when I try to move

Him: don't go on my account, I won't bite I just wanted some air

I look at him

Him: trust me

He says with a devilish smile ever

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### [#LUCAN](#)

These past few weeks I have been a bit busy, got an assignment which I have to create an app and I have been working day in day out doing my research but luckily I'm done and I'm submitting today.

After, taking a long bath and doing all the necessities I throw in my converse outfit, from tekkie to t-shirt. Take my car keys and head out, I'll grab something to eat on campus.

As soon as I walk towards our sports my nikkas are chilling there with their girls, and smoking.

Me: aweh

We shook hands and I hug the ladies

Tamia : we haven't seen you in a while Luu

Errrr.... How does this girl know me again

Me: hmm, been busy, so guys any plans for today?

Tamia : there is a party at my crib

I look at Dwayne why is his girl busy talking to me

Dwayne: hmmm, yeah (crashing his head) we going to her house party

I nod

Me: lemme submit this thing amma halla at ya

Zyne: you done:

Me: yep

Sihle: thank God, now we gonna turn up

How are yal goin to turn up while your girls are watching you like hawrks

Natasha : I'm sorry what? Now you gonna neglect me?

Sihle: come on Tasha you've been on my face the whole week I need to breath

I chuckle

Natasha : ohh so this is how its gonna be since your home boy is back, thank you Luu

She leaves shaking a flat ass

Me: what sis I do?

I look at them puzzled

Tamia : apparently Britney and Natasha feel like you influence their man into cheating, parting and .....

Britney : I head my name, whats up now?

Me: I don't have time for this, will see you ma nikkas

Sihle ; hala at me

We do our hand shake and I leave them with their drama.

After submitting, I go to the cafeteria to grab something to eat.

“ohhhh shit....no no no”

Me: I'm sorry

Girl : sorry?...\*\*\*she laughs\*\*\*he says he is sorry is that gonna fix this she says pointing at her laptop which is on the floor smashed

Me: I....

Her : NO save it, damn-it I have been working on this shit for two weeks and look at it now

Me: look I....

Her : you know what you gonna fix this, I don't care how but you gonna fix it, OMW I.....

Me : DAMN-IT CAN YOU GIVE ME A CHANCE TO SPEAK!!!!!!

She looks at me stunned

Me: good, so what is it that you have been working on

I put my juice and sandwich on the table next to us and pick up her laptop

Her: an assignment, I was supposed to create this app and its due tomorrow, how the hell will I be able to do that now

I have never seen her in my class, but we are doing the same thing

Me: I have never seen you before  
Her : I'm new look dude I really need to get that done  
Me: I guess we will have to work on it all night than  
She looks at me as I pack everything and head for the exit  
Me: you still there we have work to do.  
Natasha : Sihle's girl  
Tamia : Dwayne's girl  
Britney : Zyne's girl

## Chapter 7

### [#NYOTA](#)

So the man's name was Joe, he wasn't bad and we were just talking, me being free spirited it's easy to interact with people no matter the age trust me its just how I am. "you are a nice girl" he says after some moment of silent

Me: thank you

Him: you look young though

Me: because I am, and you look a bit old

He chuckles and gets close to me

Him: not that much besides age doesn't really matter really

I look at him puzzled. He comes more closer now and I can almost feel his breath on my neck as he looks down on me from behind, I feel my skin cringe.

I try to move but when I move I feel him against me and my behind touches his thing and its poking me, I feel like crying right now. I may have been on my own world all my life but I know these things, I have read about it a lot. It cannot happen to me.

"can I please go" I say in almost a whisper because my voice is now cracky and I'm sure he can tell than I'm almost in tears.

Him: relax baby girl, I won't do anything you wouldn't enjoy

He moves his hand on my ass and forward to my castle, and I cringe. I'm in tears now.

Me: I have to go Cindy must be worried

Him : don't worry she knows where we are, you safe with me, I'll make you a woman

Me : please don't do this I beg you, just let me go

Him: you will like i....

"I believe the lady asked you to let go"

He let go immediately and I wait for nothing I rush to the house passing this guy I think my brother's age. I can't even see clearly because I'm now in tears and I'm literally shaking

"really uncle Joe, you make me sick you know that" he yells at the man

Joe: just mind your own business

I hear them yelling at I rush down the stairs passing everyone like I don't see them, I don't see them anyway because all I hear are giggles and talking all the way.

“hey sweetie are you ok?”

I swear my eyes were blank right now all I could do was nod and continue walking towards the door because I didn't even have strength.

“what happened?” I hear Cindy ask again

“ask him, your precious friend” the guy's voice is the last thing I head as I took the corner towards the back house

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[#LUCAN](#)

“you sure you don't want to take a nap, we've been at this for 6 hours now”

I ask Lexi as she takes another cup of coffee. Yep the girl's name is Lexi and yeah we trying to redo her assignment I tried working my magic but the damn laptop was not just broken but it also crashed and she had no backup talk about carelessness, woman.

Lexi : just do your thing and don't mind me, besides I can't sleep on your bed who knows what you've been up too here nah thank you and I want to see what you do there because that's where I was stuck

Me: ohh yeah you right, but you could use another room there are plenty of rooms here

Her: you live alone here?

I nod as am busy trying to add the stupid codes we are just one step from the finish line but these codes don't wanna add up.

Her: why such a big house, where is your family?

Me: they are all over the world, but I'm not from here anyway but Dad 2 bought this house when him and his wife were here in the states

Her : ok I got a lot of questions now

I look at her and chuckle “shoot”

Her : firstly : who is dad 2?

She says dramatically

Me: my dad's twin brother

Her : ohh, secondly where is home?

Me: the Great South, its known as South Africa now

Her : nice, where in the world are the other's

I raise my eyebrow and look at her

Me: hold your horses, let's leave that for another day, I think your coffee is making you hipper

Her : that's the aim, anyway who says that you will see me after this

Me: I know I will because you owe me big time

Her : for what?

Me: for making me stay up all night, there is just one thing a lady can make me stay up all night for and you my lady aren't delivering

She looks aside shly \*\*\*jackport\*\*\*

Her : you the one who decided to pumb into me and crashed my laptop

Me: you do realize that you were the careless one right and I'm just doing this because I kinda like to help

Her :f\*\*\*\* no you were the one at fault

Me: was I?

Her : hell yes

Me: ok than as you say. so I have done my part

you said it yourself this is where you were stuck, I guess this is goodnight and goodbye

Her : but I

I take off my t-shirt and pants get under the covers.

Me: night Lexi, you will tell me when you going so that I will lock up.

There is a long silent, to a point where I fell sleepy and just let my eyes close.

Her : ok fine

Me: .....

Her : really Lucan you want me to beg you

She says shaking me

I turn and look at her with a smile.

Me: just come and join me we will finish in the morning.

She shakes her head no. I open the covers for her and she drags herself and get in.

Me: you know you wont be comfortable with leggings and bra on

Her : don't push it

She says and puts a pillow between us.

Me: I though you didn't want to sleep on my bed because .....

Her dude would you please just shut up and sleep

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[#NYOTA](#)

I woke up Saturday morning with a need to pray, for the first time since I lost my grandmother I kneeled before God and prayed. I came a long way and like Star said I must thank God for everything that I have and that I go through, what happened yesterday was a wakeup call for me, I know that things like that happen and they can happen to anyone but I just dodged the bullet and with that I have to thank God. I didn't have time to sit around and cry and all that I just cry once and get over something and last night was enough therapy for me, I cried my eyes out till I had hick-ups and today I'm refreshed.

After my prayer, I went to the bathroom that I share with my brother, the toilet sit was down so I guess my brother hasn't used it. Anyway, I did my business than decided to just take a shower and changed with a legging and a crop-top than just wore flipflops from the clothes Cindy got for me.

After that I did a little but of cleaning around the house than made breakfast, it was mow around 11 am and I haven't seen Nathan. I went to knock on his door and nothing.

I went back and have breakfast alone. Around 1pm I was now worried, only if I had a phone I would call him right now. After while of debating with myself I gathered some strength and went to Cindy's.

I stood there with my eyes fixed on his, not moving since he opened the door, frozen and just blank.

"I thought you were getting the door why are you standing there like a statue"

Cindy's voice brought me to earth and I just noticed that this handsome guy was also staring. I guess we were both lost in the moment.

"hi" I almost slapped myself for the way my voice came out. What the heck is happening to me.

He smiled at me and said "hi"

With his voice something clicked, it's the guy that rescued me yesterday. I quickly looked the other way fast wishing for the earth to swallow me.

Me: ahm is Nathan in?

"baby boy move (she than looks at me and smile)....ohh hey sweetie, come on don't just stand there"

Cindy is a nice woman always in a good mood I wonder if she got problems but what am I saying she's got everything she needs, right?

The guy leaves us as Cindy escorts me to the lounge where I'm met with a horrible looking Nathan, it's like he never slept

Me: and then, what happened to you?

"shhh, not too loud"

Me: are you sick

Him: something like that

Guy: just drink that mixture Cindy got you, you will be good in no time it works wonders

Nathan : it tastes horrible

Cindy : you think you will fix a hangover with strawberries and cream nah hun it doesn't work like that

Me: mxm hangover, here I was worried, anyway I came to check on you I will go now that I've seen the reason why I slept alone the whole night

I say sadly

Nathan: I'll be there just now

Guys: so she's your woman Nath?

Nathan nods, he likes doing that I don't why he always say I'm his girlfriend

Guy: ohh (sounding disappointed) where were you yesterday when she was h....

I shook my head for him not to say it.

He cleared his throat and looked at me confused.

Nathan : when she what?

Me: was looking for you, I was looking for you

Nathan : did you just changed what he was trying to say?, Nyota don't try to be smart



with me

Guy: so your name is Nyota, its nice the star. Nice and unique

Me: thank you ( I felt my cheeks hitting up a little)

Guy : my name is ....

Nathan : that can wait, what game are you too playing?

Me: nothing

He looked at me

Me: I:m serous ( I said innocently)

he took the glass in front of him and gulped whatever was in it than cringed.

Nathan : let's go

He said after putting the glass down

## Chapter 8#[LUCAN](#)

After driving Lexi home, I was all smiles on my way back to my crib. I don't know what was happening but I just couldn't wait to see her again, and unlike other girls I just wanted to spent time with her, I smiled to myself thinking of her attitude towards me and all.

My phone beeped as I was parking outside.

I took it but didn't look at it, I was gonna check it when I get in but when I went by the entrance door I was shocked to see Anitta by my door step I mean I haven't seen her since when tjo I can't even remember, she ignored my calls because she was man and all my attempts at talking to her I just decided to let her, I mean I liked her yes but I wasn't gonna run after her ass like she owed me something nah

“wow” that's all I could say with my big mouth I never ran out of words but today

Anitta : hi babe

I look at her stunned

Me: babe?

Anitta: come on Luu don't be like that

I just opened the sliding door and went in, after throwing my keys at the coffee table in the lounge I went to grab something to drink in the fridge.

Anitta: ain't going to offer me something too

I looked at her again and opened the Powerade which was on my hand and gulped it down.

Me: why are you here Anitta?

She looked shocked by my question, I guess she used to me begging her

Me: no seriously answer me, look you know I like having fun and enjoying myself the best way I knew how, I told you that when we started going out and I told you that I ain't gonna change just for a p\*\*\*\*y unless it's my wives and fortunately I don't see myself going there in my life. Than you thought you could come and change me, well I respected you and all that because whatever I was doing I made sure that you never find out, kept all those w\*\*\*e out of your way just for respect. When you saw that I wasn't changing you dropped me like a hot potato and I was busy running after you

trying to apologize and all that but nah little missy wanted more, what was it, you wanted my heart all of it?

Her : was that too much to ask for?

Me: damn right it was, you know you can't have what's not there. I ask again why are you here

Her : I came back to see my boyfriend but I can see that I'm no longer wanted, maybe you got something better than what I have, what is it am I not good enough for you?

Me: you can ask a man any question you have in mind, but never ask that shit, it makes you look desperate. I liked you Anitta, I really did and now you are coming here claiming that I'm still your boyfriend so you thought I'll sit and mop around while waiting for you.

Her : I'm sorry Luu ok, I was man why am I not allowed to get man. No woman should be treated the way you were treating me ok

Me: how was I treating you?, did I ever come to your house drunk and disrespected you or your family, have you ever seen me with another girl maybe and treated you like nothing in front of her, have I ever laid a hand on you or neglected you any how or maybe I forgot your birthday?

Her: no but Lucan you slept around a lot almost half of my classmate knows your d\*\*\* and I'm supposed to be happy about that, it wasn't fair what kind of a relationship is that

Me: yeah I admit I might have been wrong at some point but like I said you knew what you were signing yourself into I told you what I'm about. Besides I have a past like you have too and some of those girls are in it, I don't see why you were throwing tantrums Anitta because at the end of the day I was your and all those girls you referred to knew that

Her: so I'm supposed to be happy and just wait for you to come back to me after your fun?

Me: I'm not saying yo.....

“Honey I'm home!!!!!!”

Anitta: wow just wow

With that she took her bag and walked towards the door but turned before she reached it

Her : I hope one day you'll find that special girl, the one that's gonna settle for what's left of you

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[#NYOTA](#)

I never want to worry my brother which is why I didn't want him to find out about what Joe did, I knew he was gonna worry and maybe blame himself and end up never leaving my site while I want him to still have fun and enjoy life without worrying about me.

“you know I've been thinking”

I say walking up to him

Nathan : I hope it's a good thing

Me: do you have a girlfriend?

Me and my brother have always been open to each other besides he is the only one I have so if I'm not free around him than who

Nathan : not at the moment, but there is this lady

Me: aha (smiling)

Nathan : wipe that think off of your face

Me: what?

I ask as I run my hands over my face

Him : that smile

Me: mxm, so the lady?

Him: you like gossiping

Me: its not gossiping we talking about you and your lady here

Him: she's not my lady

Me: yeah yeah so is she cute

Him: cute is for babies, she's hot and sexy

Me: so you have told her right?

Him: nah I'm not sure how she would take it

Me: why?

Him: she's a bit out of league

I raise my eyebrows

Me: a bit?

Him: scratch that

way out of my league

Me: so you giving up?

Him: chill baby sis your big bro got game

Me: yeah right

Him: why are you so interested on my business, you never ask

I look down and smile to myself

Him: No no no Nyota, who is he?

Me: (smiles) no one

Him: but you busy smiling like a retard, it's not nothing. Out with it

Me: promise me you won't be man

Him: I'm not doing that

Me: than I won't tell, it's not like there is nothing to tell anyway

Him: I'll force it out of you than

Me: come on Nathan

Him: yes I will

He says coming to me and tickling me, while I laugh like craze. He doesn't stop and my breath is breaking....

Me: (laughing) Nat....Nathan.....st.....op

Him: nope, you gonna tell

Me: ple.....OMW

Him: no I'm not stopping

“you guys look cute”

He stops. Thank God

Nathan: hey what brings you this side?

The guy: just wanted to come and chill I ain't looking at my momma's ass the whole day

Me: (finally calm) now I feel like a retard

Nathan : lol. you still breathing

Me: mxm

Guys: I hope I didn't interrupt anything

He was looking at me and suddenly I just froze and stare

Nathan : come sit bra, Nyota get Tau something to drink

Me:.....

Nathan : Nyota!!!!

Me: what?

The guy chuckles

Guy : just a glass of water will do, I'm sure you'll need one too

I nod and do as I was told I needed it for real

Nathan : so where has Tau been

I hear Nathan ask when I come back

Guy : I've been around, thank you (to me)

Me: woah so your name is Tau?

He nods

Me: what kind of a name is that

Tau: it's an African Name, originally used by Batswana and South Africans, it means Lion

Me: I see

Nathan : go play with your toys baby sis (he says laughing)

Me: toys please

Tau : so he is your sister (with a huge smile)

Me: yes I am

Nathan : she is and don't have funny thoughts I would kill you in your sleep  
I leave them talking because after the treats and all, the soccer talk followed and I  
know nothing about soccer.

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[#Lucan](#)

“you really have a good timing” I say hugging her

Ivy : errrr Can, what's up with you, why are you hugging me?

Me and my sister have a strange relationship, we love each other too much to show it,  
hope you get my drift

Me: I'm just welcoming you its ain't like you will ever get one after this

She pushes me aside

Her: yeah yeah, I need a nap than later amma hit the quan

Me: did you just say hit the quan?, it's been one second since you got here and you  
wanna go clubbing?

Her: don't bore me Can, this is why I'm away from my parents I don't need you  
playing Daddy on me

Me: you aint going there, its not safe for you, how old are you 10?

Her: 16 Can I'm flippin 16

Me: good, at least you still remember, and please stop calling me “Can” I'm LUCAN  
or Luu if you like stick to your choices

Her : I'm so gonna enjoy staying here

Me: I wish you could turn back, how did mom agree to this, no scratch that mom  
would say yes to everything you ask as long as you flash her that nasty smile of yours  
and flip your Barbie eye lashes while showing those blue big eyes

Ivy: ncoah are you saying I'm cute big broe?

Me: didn't you say you wanted to take a nap, “kid”

Her : whatever “Can”

She drags her luggage to the other room, well she knows her way around. I need to go  
see my guys it's been a hectic morning, then later I'll go see my other crew. Well I'm  
a student by day and a drifter by night, just for fun I like those adrenaline rush things  
whatever challenge you throw I'll do it as long as I'll be having fun. I took my phone  
to text one off the guys.

“yo, where we meeting tonight?”

“G-sport, got a new game”

By that he means a new challenge

“same time?”

“you know it”

“g-spot than”

I drag my bored ass after that to prepare something to eat.

## Chapter 9

### #LUCAN

I was driving to the sport playing music in full blast \*\*\*kaboom ft Professor and Danger – bye bye\*\*\* yep I’m South African like that. Besides the song relates I just got dumped today.

I park under the bridge and go join the guys who are standing around admiring cars, I tell you brah if you need one mother f\*\*\*\*n racing machine this is where to go I’m talking about fast and the furious levels.

I greet the guys while we fist bump and than our leader lasty, his name is Chain

“I see you brought your little rat with you”

Ohh shit!!!!!!

Chain : and you know damn well that we crush cockroaches

“we’ll see about that, I told you amma get my V6 (EXIGE V6 CUP R )

Chain: that’s your problem Marco, you talk too much and no action, how did you lose your V6 again?

Me: are ya’ll gonna talk like sissies or we’ll get on with this shit?

Well Chain and Marco had were friends and chit happened now they are enemies, Marco doesn’t like it when we chill and just enjoy the fun, he will be on our case, calling the police on us and all that shit. Last time he challenged us to a race and I guess you know by now that he lost his V6, he almost shot me for that like I was gonna let him win I’m a Laurie I bow to no man.

Marco : I got a new friend I’m sure you’ll like her she will show you flames

Guys : “she”

Marco : yeap you wait and see

I laugh “I aint shaking on the sound of a “she””

Marco : we’ll about that, I here they are your weakness

Me: they don’t throw me out of the game, I chow em

He charged at me and attempted to throw a fist but Chain caught it

Chain: save it for the real fight,, why do you always have to go for kids

Chain shows me the car I’ll racing with it’s a 1998 Chevy Corvette

Chain: I’ve turned this into a beast, I boosted the engine and tires are all prepped and ready to rumble.

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I was pumping the engine real hard waiting for the, the car next to me was raving too

and I could here by the roar of the engine that it's a beast too, this is gonna be fun  
Thank god for the clear road, I could smell the tires and hear while they cratch with  
the road surface am I must say the girl got game, she wasn't letting me go freely, we  
passed red robots like they were nothing, turning back was a mission while we were  
approaching the rail way line I cud see it changing but dared to stop I saw the girls  
face tuning and looking at me like "WTF you doing" like I said I'm a Laurie, I  
increase the speed as I saw the train coming, hold my breath and closed my eyes than  
drove through with my foot pressing hard on the accelerator the car just flew through  
As soon as I stopped by the finish line the guys came to me chanting.

After a minute or so my opponent came and drove in.

I stood still not believing my eyes.

I went to her as she was leaning on her car, put my hand on the side to balance and  
leaned forward came close to her face enough to smell her hair, her breath and it was  
changing and that was enough motivation for me

"you just keep surprising me"

I said that on her ear making sure that my voice is deeper and sends out that message  
to her, I blew a little bit of air on her neck and she gasp before trying to push me off of  
her

Her: what the f\*\*\* was that you did there?

I'm sure she was trying to sound strong but she just couldn't. I stare straight on her  
eyes with a smile on my face showing my dimple

Me: what, did I scare you?

Her: please it not like I..... (I moved my hand around her waist and brought her closer  
to me) ahhh (that's all she said after that

Me: you like?

With my free hand I moved the hair on her face just so I can see her eyes

Her: this is not right?

Me: says who?

Her: you know why, we are enemies and we can't be doing this

Me: I haven't done anything baby girl trust me

"Lexi you good"

We hear a voice ask but I dare to turn, instead I move too close for her to feel my  
body on hers and perk her lips

Me: take care baby girl

With that I leave her not knowing what to say back, did I just tame the mighty Lexi. I  
wink at Marco before going back to my car. at least I made a few grands tonight.

"Can, I need you I'm at club LIV please hurry"

"Damn Ivy, I curse under my breath as I start the engine after reading that text

I drive like a maniac heading to that club, its only been what, 6 hours she's been here.

Who took her there, F\*\*\*\*\*.

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## #LUCAN

I was mad as hell, if I could get my hands on a nikka now I swear I was gonna sleep in custody, no one messes with my sister only I can do that shit not some motherf\*\*\*n nikka.

I look at her, as she stares out of the window trying to avoid eye contact, it breaks me to see her like that Ivy is never down, she's always hyper and annoying everyone around her.

Me: who was the guy I found you with?

She exhales before she answers

Her: some guy that helped me out of that place

Me: what happened really?

Her: can I please not talk about it?

I nod

Me: you know I got you ayt?

Her: I know

We continue driving in silent while I play the new Bongs ft Nokwanda in low volume.

I hate getting home when its dark

if I know I'll come back late I leave the lights on, I don't why but I just don't like it. After parking in the garage I try to wake up Ivy who is in lala land, I end up picking her up.

Me: damn, why are you so heavy I thought you were on diet....

Her: no no no please no, leave me...

Me: babe it's me, hey Ivy look at me

She does, and as soon as she sees that it's me, she holds me tight

Me: I'm gonna have to open the door and I can't move, you are holding on too tight she loosens the grip and put her head on my shoulder.

Me: that's my girl.

She is sitting at the corner of the sofa with her knees up and a fleece covering herself and a cup of coffee on her hand.

The room is too silent for my liking.

Me: are you going to be fine or should I call mom

Her: no no please don't, I don't wanna worry her

Me: you sure?

Her: yeah, can we watch a movie or something

Me: your wish is my command

I put on the new Bay Watch and we watch while conversing on silly things. She must have fallen asleep because all of a sudden I was talking alone.

I switched off all electronics and picked up, than tucked her in on her bed.

Me: goodnight lil sis

I kiss her forehead but when I try to leave she holds me tight. I chuckle a bit than take off my sneakers and hoodie than get in bed with her.



Me: I'm not going anywhere sleep now babe, goodnight

\*\*\*\*\*WHO KNEW THAT HE HAS THAT SIDE IN HIM\*\*\*\*\*

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[#NYOTA](#)

It's the last day of the holidays and tomorrow am going to school, excited is an understatement. I'm always bored here and I can't wait to meet new people, make friends I hope that will be possible.

I was busy talking to Star when someone startled me and I nearly fall in the pull, mind you its late at night and I'm just sitting by the pull with my feet in.

"I didn't know you were such a coward"

I look back to be met by Tau's amazing shy smile.

Me: you the coward between the two of us, you are sneaking up on young girls

Tau: where are the young girls?

He looks around dramatically

Me: you being sarcastic I see

He sits down beside me but face my side and crosses his legs indian style

Him: no maybe there are, besides I thought I heard you talking, you not going craze are you

I look at him for a while, what he said brought about a lot of memories, they also thought I was craze too.

Him: you ok, I'm joking I also talk to myself sometimes, especially when I'm mad

Me: you get mad? Ohh never mind don't answer that I've seen you mad

Him: when was that?

Me: the first day I saw you

He looks at me like he is reading me or something, I look aside because all of a sudden he makes me shy.

He touches my chin and turns my face to look at him, his fingers are cold but the do something to me, what is happening.

Him: I'm sorry

He says with a very sincere expression

Me: why are you sorry?

I'm puzzled really

Him: for what happened that day, I swear I will never let anything like that happen to you ever.

A smile creep in my face and I feel my cheeks burning.

Him: I will protect you ok

I nod, but for how long? That's the question that pops into my head, my parents left us, grandpa left too, even Didi eventually left us I wonder for how long will Cindy and now her son would be on our lives before they tired of us.

Him: you look worried

Me: no I'm not, I was thinking

Him: wanna share?

Me: I'd rather not

He nods.

Him: how about we take a swim

Me: at nigh naaah thank you

Him: we'll make it fun, we will skinny dip

I see a smile on the side of his mouth like he is holding a laugh

Me: what's that?

Him: swimming naked

OMG, what did he just say

Me: you .....

Tjo he laughs, like really laughs "you should see your face right now, OMG, I was just pulling your leg"

Me: mncm, I'm going stay with your skinny what what

Him: you really are a young, innocent girl, and I like that about you

I leave him there. This guy is craze.

## Chapter 10

### [#LUCAN](#)

When I woke up I was in a bed with purple bedding and girly posters on the wall. You know that moment when you wake up lost and try to think back than it hit me, nx am in my sister's bed. She got in while I was getting up.

Her: tjo please do get up dude, give me space you crowding my room I can't even get naked in here

I look at her with questioning eyes, how does she get so hyper in the morning and even after last night.

Me: you know I thought I was abducted by fairies, what's with such a girly room

Her: I'm a girl dah, besides fairies got more important priorities than going around abducting douche bags

Me: I'm a douche bag

Her: no, man are

I sit down on her bed and exhale

Me: come here (I pat on the bed)

She looks at me and attempts to go out

Me: don't F\*\*\*\* with me Ivy, sit your ass down

She does but doesn't look at me

Me: now talk and don't even think of lying to me, while you at it don't leave any detail

She exhales.

Her: so one of the reasons why I came her, was my boyfriend....well not boyfriend really we were not there yet but I thought he liked me.

Me: you have a boyfriend?

Her: Can please (I raise up both my hands). So yesterday he had promised to take me out for the first time and I had not met him, till then ....

Me: but you said he was your boy...

Her: will you shut up and listen

Me: stop speaking in riddles

Her: well he said he saw my pics and videos on insta, and liked me, then we started conversing. We exchanged numbers and I would talk to him like he was my guy you know than I found out that he was actually from your school and that he knows you so I thought well that's not a bad thing he is not a cat fisher after all. Fast forward to yesterday, we went out than later he met with his friends than, they got drunk, I guess they tried getting me drunk because they kept purring me alcohol but I never go beyond tipsy I don't know even if I try to get drunk it just never happens (trust me I know what she mean, I tried it a thousand times but I never get drunk, which I found it strange) well I had to go to the ladies and when I got out one of his friends blocked my way out and started touching me in-appropriately, I tried to fight him off but couldn't luckily, the guy I came with came in and I was happy I jumped to his arms and you know what he said to me (I shook my head) she said "don't make this difficult because you will only be hurting yourself and wasting your energy" I looked at him and I couldn't believe that this was the sweetest guy I ever came across with and now he has turns into a monster, I tried to scream but I landed on the floor I guess one of them slapped me (all this made my blood boil, I could hear every inch of my veins popping and my breath changing I clenched my fist and hold it tight) before I could make out what was happening the other friend also got in and said "are you guys are having fun without me" I was in tears begging by than, the 3rd guy took out his phone and took a video while the other's were touching me and luckily just when they were taking my clothes off someone budged in, it was a janitor and they quickly ran out, took my bag, phone and everything and I had to use the janitor's phone to call you, and that guy I was with when you got there was the one that helped me.

I was passing up and down when she finished.

Her: see, this is why I didn't want to tell you, or anyone for that matter

Me: what's his name?

Her: who?

Me: THE GUY, YOU WENT ON A DATE WITH WHATS HIS NAME !!!!!

She flinched a bit, almost like I scared her in that moment I didn't care I just wanted to find the basted and deal with him, no one masses with my sister.

Me: Ivy??

Her : it's....hmm

Me: DON'T BULL SHIT ME RIGHT NOW OK??

Her : it's ....it's Dwayne....Dwayne Lopez

I couldn't believe my ears, I stood there and stare at her for while before turning for

the door.

Ivy : Lucan, where are you going....

Me: stay here I'll be back now now

Her : Lucan please don't do anything stupid

Me: ohh trust me I will do something worse, he will wish he never messed with a Laurie.

By now I was breathing fire

Ivy : Lucan.....OMG your eyes....Lucan.....why is your voice.....

I dint wait for her to finish, I could smell the blood calling me and it was none other than Dwayne's blood, the one I use to call my "friend", my "Nikka", my "homie" he goes and do me like this, I threw a fist on the roof of the car before I opened it and I swear left a dent but I didn't care, when I looked in the review mirror before reversing my eyes were blood red literary all the white color on the sclera of my eye was gone. I didn't give a F\*\*\*\*

As soon as I got to his house, I knocked and he came to open wearing only a shot revealing an X tatoo just above his heart.

Him : sup ho.....

I threw a punch that literally sent him cross the room, I was surprised myself but I had no time for that...

Me: what is it that you said to my sister? Ohh "don't make this difficult because you will only be hurting yourself and wasting your energy" now come on stand up and show me what you got, don't be bitch now

Him: she....she's your sister, I'm sorry Luu I swear to God I had no idea I.....

I threw another one and I saw his tooth meeting the floor

Me: now this is just the beginning, shall we?

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[#NYOTA](#)

"he will need you, you have to be strong, you have to know how to control your powers Nyota.....it's almost time"

Me: who are you?

"that doesn't matter

he needs you have to be there for him, his anger is taking over and it will destroy him, it was never meant to be like that, he is the strongest of his kind which is why we brought him you to be there by his side, he needs you now"

Me: but who?

"you will know soon just make sure that you there for him, no matter what it takes, it will be difficult but you are the only one who will get through to him"

Me: you said he needs me now? how do I help him when I don't even know him

"just pray"

"Nyota....Baby sis....wake up birthday girl"

Me: Jonathan

Nathan : woah, your eyes and why are you calling me Jonathan Nyota

Me: its time, she needs to be strong, she has to get ready, time is moving fast and she is not ready yet

Nathan : why so soon, anyway its last because Didi was supposed to help her and she is no more

Me: no, you are supposed to help her, War is coming, she must get ready

Nathan: whay are you giving me so much baggage I'm just a nobody

I looked at him puzzled and rubbed my eyes

Me: and than, whats up with you who is troubling you

He exhaled and hugged me so tight

Him: let's just enjoy your birthday and worry about that tomorrow neh

Me: OMW, its my birthday, eish I'm going to school such a bummer

Him: don't worry I got you something to start off your day

He says putting a small box on my lap, OMW OMW OMW

Me: a phone?

I hug him tight while thanking him a million times.

Him: ok, open it

I look at the box, it's a samsung galaxy s8. I turn and look at him

Me: Nath....

Him: a....a, it's your 16th birthday and you deserve it don't look at me like that

Me: but....

Him: no buts now enjoy I made you breakfast you have to be quick otherwise Cindy will leave us

I wonder where Nathan got such money I mean this is 2600536.14 shilling (+/- R15 000), Nathan just started working he couldn't have saved such money within this time. I hope he got it in a good way because I will hate for him to get in trouble because of me.

Me: Nathan you know I love you right even if you don't buy me these fancy things

Him: I know baby sis, but you deserve to be spoiled now get up.

We prepared for the day in a very happy mood, I took a lot of selfies and Tau had to come and drag me out of the house because I was making him late, well he was going back to school too, he is in varsity and he volunteered to take me to school for my fist day.

Him: are you sure you going to be ok?

I looked at him puzzles he sounded like Nathan now.

Him: I'm just making sure, I would hate to leave you here while you get bullied

Me: please who would even dare

Him: because you have your mouth, these city girls ain't got no chill

He parked outside the gate and came to open the door for me

Me: thank you, I wish it was birthday everyday

Him: why?

Me: because I get to be driven to school and now you are opening doors for me

Him: don't worry you will get used to it

I smile a while I let myself get lost in his eyes

Him: maybe I should take you inside and show you around, I schooled here too

Me: now you being craze let me go before you volunteerer to attend onmy behalf

Him: I could do that too you know

I just laugh at that

Him: I like your laugh

My face changes and I feel that burning sensation on my cheeks and I get shy imidiately

He lifts my face to look at him with his index finger

Him: I like your eyes too, they are sparkly

Me: thanx

Him: I just want to give you something to kickstart your day

Me: what is it?

He comes closer to me living no space between us, as if that was not enough he holds my waist and brings his head to my level to a point where I can feel his breath and its minty and as soon as it hits my senses it sends a lot of messages to my body.

Him: this

His lips touches mine, I welcome them, not having a slightest idea what I'm doing I follow the flow as our tongues lock, a sound escapes my mouth leaving me embarrassed but I dare not stop.

After we break the kiss he looks at me than smile, I look aside not knowing what to do or say. He takes my phone from my pocket after touching it for some time he put it back.

Him: I've saved my number there, I'll also transfer you airtime call me anytime ok

Me: I will

Him: come here

He kiss me again, gosh what is this guy doing to me

“OMG, Tau”

Nx, moment killer

Before turning I see irritation allover Tau's face

Him: ohh hi

The girl, giggles like a little kid in a candy store, she looks a bit old, what's she doing in a school uniform

Her : OMW, I haven't seen you in like forever

Tau holds my waist and brings me close to him

Him: ahmm... yeah

Her : you don't remember me do you?

Him: how can I, what are you still doing here

“I was about to ask the same thing” I say under my breath

Tau chuckle I guess he heard me

Girl: like happened, so can I get you tens I mean just to catch up and all

Him: if you want it you can ask for it from my girl. Babe I gotta go

He perks my lips and gives me tight hug before getting in the car and driving off leaving me all puzzled. “so now I have a boyfriend?” I ask myself before turning to follow the students getting on a huge gate. smiling like an idiot I'm sure other students thought I was a retard well I don't care I'm having the best birthday ever, my brother brought me an expensive phone, I just got my first kiss and that came with my first boyfriend what more can I ask for.

Chapter 11

[#NYOTA](#) 

After assembly we went to register I was also given my time table , first period was Maths so we went to attend it.

I took a front seat in class and started to take out my books, Nathan had brought everything that I will need and for the first time I wasn't struggling, I just had to bring my A game and focus.

“and than”

I raised up my head to be met by a girl with nasy expression on her face, she looked pissed and I wonder why, well I just looked at her too I wasn't going to be bullied by kids just because I'm new.

“move you on my desk”

I looked around trying to check if there was someone else next to me mind you these are single desks so you don't share

Me: you speaking to me

Her: yes dummy, isn't that obvious

She did not just call me dummy

I looked around the desk and underneath stood up and looked at the chair I was seating on

Me: but I see no name written on it except “stupid ass” here on the corner, ohh I'm sorry “stupid ass” I didn't know

It was really written that I swear. She looked at me pissed and I just looked around for a free chair and desk to use

“morning everyone” says someone getting in, a teacher for sure and everyone chanted morning back at her.

The only seat that was left was at the back I mean the last desk at the corner nx, I dragged myself there, it wasn't like I had a choice since “stupid ass” decided to be a stupid ass

“as you all know I'm Mrs Buari, welcome back I hope you enjoyed your holidays...”

She went on and on about holidays and all that boring stuff while everyone was enjoying the chat and talking to her. “we have a new learner I would like to welcome her, stand up my dear and introduce yourself”

All eyes shoot at the back and there was silent I guess they were waiting for me to talk so I stood up and introduced myself than I was given applause. The day went on and it was boring especially because everything they were doing I had already covered while I was at home.

“hey birthday girl” Cindy says as soon as I step into her car after she fetched me and I smile at her

Me: hi Cindy

She is always bubbly shame and there is never a dull moment with her, we chat on the way while she asks me about my day and all and one thing that popped on my mind as soon as she asked me was “The kiss” OMW I just couldn’t believe that that happened today on my birthday and with the most handsome guy I had laid my eyes on” I smile at the thought

Cindy : hmmm, who is he?

Me : .....

Her : OMG Nyota, you brother is so gonna kill you

Me: what? Why?

Her : because you have a boyfriend

How did she know

Me: you know?

She laughs

Her : so you do have a boyfriend ncoah man young love no wonder why you smiling alone like a lunatic

Damn, so she was testing me and I just sold myself out, I’m new at this mos

Me: please don’t tell Nathan

Her: don’t worry Nathan is my ..... (she clears her throat) ahmm I won’t

I look at her I wonder what she nearly said

Me: ain’t we going to art school

Her : on your birthday, hell naw, we going shopping (she says that in a song tune)

Last store and I’m tired as hell, I hope it is because that what she said 3 stores earlier that was before she saw boots that will fit me, after that she saw heels that she said I had to learn to dance on since they wanted heels for my dance classes. And now we were coming out of total sport for tekkies, track pants, tight pants, vests and sport bras

Cindy : Ohh my I almost forgot, you know I saw this cute.....

Me: no...

Cindy : I promise its so cute

Me: No

Cindy : it will look good on you

Me: No please can we go home

Cindy : mncm you such a boring daughter Nyota I swear if I could I would take you back to your mother’s womb and make her make another daughter who would go shopping with me and not complain



Me: and you such a bully

She holds her chest dramatically pretending to be hurt ay I'm tired of Cindy tjo ay I'm thankful for all the stuff she bought me even hand bags can you imagine, I'm 16 where will I use those.

We go to steers and grab burgers and drinks for the road and head home I was so hungry, "thank you steers" I say as I take a huge bite and Cindy laughs at me.

After changing to a short, spaghetti vest and sneakers. I take lots of pictures with my phone and before I put it down, I remember I was supposed to call Tau.

"and I though you forgot about me when you met those little boys at school"

I smile touching my lips, whats this guy doing to me

Me: blame Cindy, I only got a chance to breath now

He laughs "I'm sorry babe, how was shopping?"

Me: you know we went shping?

Him : yes I wanted to pick you up but she said she wanted to treat you so I jus knew

Me: well it was nice

Him : until she couldn't stop right?

I laugh "you know it"

Him : come to the house I wanna see you

"are you guys done, she will catch us if you....."

I couldn't make out the rest of it because Tau shush Cindy before she could finish

Me: what are you guys up too?

Tau : amhh we... err... nothing really

Err this guy I thought he was gone anyway

Him: so come I miss you

Me: I will I have to cook first Nathan is not back yet I .....

Him : don't worry about that

Me: but I....

Him; just come Nyota or I swear I will come and drag you

Me : ok..... ok ....

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"SU.....RPRI.....SEEEEEEEEE" 🤔🤔🤔

I could not believe it. Cindy's lounge was totally transformed to something else a well sophisticated club or something, lights were dimmed but colorful, there was a huge stage with a royal couch and a pace life a dance floor written "sweet sixteen for the Star" right there on the floor this was just amazing, everyone was on the sides so that I could see this amazing thing. I was in tears now.

There was Cindly, Nathan, Tau and Cindy's friends the usual people who she is always with on her parties and some people I don't know.

"happy birthday baby sis" she came a give me a huge hug

"you guys did this" I ask

Nathan : because we love you

Cindy : come come you need to change

I look at her and she was in a kinda formal dress actually everyone you would swear they were going to a formal function even Nathan was in jeans and a shirt with a formal coat and sneakers. He looked good.

Cindy dragged me to one of her rooms and you will not believe this after an hour I looked like a princess 🧚👑 in a blue princess dress 👗 with glitter at the top design with nude heels 👠 and I almost couldn't recognize myself 🧚👑

This was a dream come true I had no idea that God loved me this much, my birthday was out of this world we enjoyed it and we I have to speak for me I enjoyed it to the fullest took a lot of pictures with mostly me, Cindy and bae 😊😊 lol yep I have a bae, and he taught me that word while I spent my last moments of my birthday with him at his room and it was amazing and with a lot of kissing and chatting while we talk about our lives and we ended up falling asleep on his bed while talking. 😊

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## Chapter 12

### [#LUCAN](#)

“you know I should have let you rot in there, let them sentence you to death”

Me: .....

“you my boy, you will be the death of me, you will send me straight to my grave if not my old my old ways”

Me: .....

“hmmm to think that your mother begged me to come and bail you out, not only you bunk school and do that illegal street racing sheet but you have also become a killer”

I look at him with questioning eyes

“yeah I know about your illegal stuff, I have no idea why you do the things you do, I mean we provide for you don't we?”

Me: .....

“I'm talking to you boy”

Me: maybe once you start recognizing that I'm a “boy” anymore I'm grown

I bang the door after getting out of his car and go in the house, my dad can just piss me off sometimes if he didn't want to bail me out he should have left me there. as soon as I get in the a get bone crushing hug and almost fell as Ivy just throw herself at me.

Me: woah I can't breathe

She lets go and punch me hard on my stomach that I groan and cough a little where did she learn to punch like that

Her: that's for risking your life

She punches me again, damn

Her : that's for being stupid

She tries to punch me but I hold her hand

Her : no let me

Me: I get it ok I get, I'm sorry

I hold her close to a hug and she cries

Her : I know you did it for me, I'm sorry

“what's happening?” dad asks as he gets in

We let go and I go to my room

Dad: Ivy what do you mean he did it for you, what happening

Me: nothing dad, just leave her out of this, she was talking about something else

Dad : good because I was going to send you back to home right this moment

My dad can be such a bore sometimes, I leave them

“ohhh my boy, how are you baby”

Me: REALLY IVY YOU CALLED MOM TOO

Ivy : YOU WERE GONE FOR TWO DAYS WHAT DO YOU THINK

Mom : come I know you want a hug, you don't look bad I guess I should worry about the other guys you were in the cell with and ohh shame the poor dead guy

Me: mom?

What's wrong with her

Her: what?

Me : I just wanna take a bath and sleep

Her : ok baby I'll prepare food so long you can't sleep with an empty stomach

Me: thank you mom

She kisses my cheek and leave.

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When I wake up the next day Ivy was next to me with her arms around me when I moved she grabbed me tight.

Me: aybo I can't breathe now with you crowding my space

She opens one eye and go back to sleep, I try to move again but she does the same thing

Me: Ivy man

Her : Can chill hau

Me: you need to chill and let go of me

She opens both her eyes

Her : mncm like I need you, just go, you left me alone for two days anyway

Me: I'm sorry Ivy

Her : do you know how scared I was Can, you have no idea broe so don't say sorry

Me: but mom is here, you should have gone and sleep with them till I come back

Her : you much be joking an say why

Me: I get it, you good now?

Her : yeah you? You have a trial soon

Me: nah I don't dad took care of it

Her : I gues that's good, you scared me don't ever do that ish again though

Me : yeah now go back to sleep

Her : sleep?, we have to prepare for our trip mom said our plain leaves at 9

Me: what plain?

Her: to Tanzania you going to work, right?

Ohh eish that's today

We got up, she did my bed than went to her room while I take a bath, got dressed and pack for the journey.

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After hours and hours we land at the airport me, Ivy ,mom, Sihle and Zyne (our manager couldn't come) we got on the car mom hired and drive off, I must say Tanzania is a nice place so far I like what I see.

Mom: we will be staying at a friend's place guys so no hotel

Zyne : ahh mara I was looking forward to room service

Ivy : a jacuzzi bra

Sihle : you can say that again lil one

Ivy : I'm not lil one I have a name I'm Ivy Likhanye Laurie see there is no "lil one" there

Sihle : whatever

Sihle's phone rings

"asambe syobulal' syobulal

u-Van damme namhlanje elamanqamu

asambe syobulal...."

Him : hello

He talks while we mind our own business. When he is done Zyne looks at him

Sihle : what?

Zyne : what song is that?

Sihle : I don't know but pops likes it and I guess it rubbed off

Ivy : what genre than?

Sihle : I think its called muscand or something like that

Zyane : I've never heard of that

Sihle : its South African, sort of a traditional genre thingie I think

Me: Nikka there is no such thing as muscund, you such a shame I can't even call you my homie , this is embarrassing

Ivy : Sihle you from back home? You don't even sound like us I mean like mom at least because us kids took dad's accent

Sihle : I came to the US when I was young, it's not my fault that I don't know your muscand shit

Mom : language boy

Sihle : sorry Mrs Laurie

Me: its not muscand Sihle stop saying that

Sihle : what is it than

Me : Maskandi ..... just say it after me

Sihle : F you man

US : language

We laugh as he gets frustrated

Me: ok say it Maskandi

He raises his middle finger at me after checking if mom can see him

Me: this is embarrassing though and I'm done being black

Mom : you my son are as black as they come even Ivy doesn't know her mother tongue but you do

Ivy : ay mom I'm sorry but I aint got time to learn how to say sunborni (sanibona) or umkhomoty (uqombothi) life is short I'll be dead by the time I finish that "Q" or "click" "click" thing

Mom : see what I mean, don't feel bad Sihle

Sihle : at least I can say my name right

Ivy : me too

We laugh at them

Me: mom you show you put correct directions in that gps

Mom : yeah I did, plus I've been there before don't worry

After a long drive we finally arrive at a huge house, you would swear it's a motel or something but it beautiful I tell you. Plus I like the fact that it's in a quiet place.

A woman around my mom's age comes and welcome us

Her : OMW you guys are here already I hope you enjoyed the journey and drove safe

on this dusty road...wow girl you look good

She says all that as he hugs mom

Mom: hey lovie, still haven't changed I see

The woman laughs ay woman shame, so we standing there looking at them chit chatting I swear they gonna finish all their chats out here while we look at them dump folded.

Mom: I hope you don't mind I also brought my daughter along I know I said we will be four

Lady : ohh no don't worry the more the merrier

They laugh again. "Someone just shoot me" I say under my breath

Ivy laughs I guess she heard me

Lady : and who are these handsome young man?

Mom : please don't try to lie to them the mirror already ruined them

Me: wow thank's mom

Lady : you must me Lucan

I nod

Mom : Sihle, Zyne and Ivy (she says pointing at them one by one)

Lady : and I'm Cindy

She says with a huge smile

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"why are you in bed this early"

Me: I'm tied broe I swear those dance classes are gonna be the death of me

Nathan : that bad

Me: you have no idea plus the girl that was going to do the opening performance for Cindy's fashion show got injured and I had to feel in for her, imagine having to learn her routine I mean am new I'm still learning to dance

Nathan : you like looking yourself down baby sis, your dance is great you know people take years to dance like you but to you it just comes naturally, I'm sure they saw your talent that's why they chose you

Me: yeah you right but girls already hate me I didn't wanna add on that

Nathan : don't worry about those petty things you got more serous things to worry about

He said with a serous face and that got my attention

Me: like what?

He sigh "remember what happened on your birthday, what I was saying when you woke up and I told you that we will talk about it later?"

I nod

Him: well I know that this will come as a shock to you but I have to tell you something

Me: talk already

Him : you know when we were growing up Didi always made sure that I know everything about your gift (I nod) well I guess she knew that she will leave us sooner and we will need each other to serve your gift's purpose

Me: you talking in riddles

Him: well, what I was told is that when you turn 18 you will not be able to talk or communicate with star ever again because than you will be old and able to use your gift and understand it since she is there to guide you.

Me: yeah she told me, I know that but why do I feel like there is more

Him : well it came earlier than I expected, its time you start embracing your gift and start preparing, I was told that a war is coming and you have to be strong for it As soon as he said that I remembered the dream, my God was this really happening, was it time for me to start and accept my calling

Me: the dream, I was told that someone needs me Nathan, do you know who is that?

Him : no but I'm sure when the time is right all will be revealed you have to prepare so long so that when the time is right you be strong

Me: but how

He got up went to his room and came back with a huge book and hand it over to me

Him : Start here

Its very old and the pages are wrinkled and others are starting to tear off,"THE REVELATIONS TO THE GIFTED" that's what its written on the cover page no author no year of publication or publisher nothing.

I open the heavy book and keep paging and paging and paging than look at Nathan

Him : what?

Me: what language is this?

He shrugs

Him: I've googles and did research but it's like it's not recognized, I have no idea little sis

Me: so how am I going to read this?

Star : you the only one who can you just have to be stronger, pray Nyota pray for God to guide you and be at your side trust him and he shall reveal everything to you

Me: Star?

Nathan : she is here, say hi for me

Star: I say hi back, I don't have enough time Nyota

I got worried and my chest started beating fast for some reason

Me: what do you mean, you always got time Star you never run out of time

Nathan : I'll leave you guys to it, I guess this is it Star, thank you for guiding my sister and me of cause

Nathan leaves after that

Me: please don't tell me you leaving me?

Star : I'm sorry

Me : but I'm not 18 yet

Star : but you are stronger, you just have to find it, it's all in you my Star you will do it

Me : but you are my Nyota how will I do anything without you, they say war is coming who will guide me?

Star : you, you will guide yourself remember you are the light, you are the star, pray Nyota pray is everything.

I sniff as tears rush down and I feel my heart ache so bad I wish I could take it out and squeeze it a bit maybe just maybe the pain will go away

Me: I can't Star, I'm not strong

Star : goodbye my Star

I cry so hard I swear I had never felt something like this before the pain of losing one thing that makes me me, that gives me strength, gives me hope each day and lighten up my day, so this is it, the end of us I will never ever hear her voice again, when she is angry at me because I did not listen to her warnings, when she laughs at me or even sings me to sleep when I'm hurt.

I lost another thing that was close to me, for how long will I keep losing people that I love. I cried loudly because I couldn't keep it in anymore I needed to scream shout anything than keeping still. After sometime Nathan got in and gave me a glass of water, he tucked me in after that and bushed my back while telling me that everything is going to be ok as much as I didn't believe him but I had to trust in God, trust that he will not leave me nor forsake me.

## Chapter 13

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I woke up the following day with a bit of hope in me, hope for strength, hope for brightness on my journeys and hope for braveness. Even though I felt weak and alone since I lost a huge part of me but I had hope and it's the only thing that I know will get me through.

After my morning routine, which is, making my bed, taking a bath and cleaning around my room I went out to prepare breakfast but Nathan was not in the house well these days he is never around he spends more of his time at Cindy's I guess that's because Tau is around.

I was busy washing the dishes I had been using after I ate when suddenly I couldn't recognize my surroundings, I was no longer in the house I looked around and I was in a road not just any road but it's the road that leads to a very dangerous road just after you had passed my school, that road is a one way and in both sides, there is a huge fall which no one can come back to if a car could roll over. I tried to think how I got here and why but I was disturbed by a very speedy car busy blowing its horn. I ran out of the road and when it passed me I realized that it was Cindy's car, but wait who was



driving? That's not Cindy, I don't know that person. I was so confused I ran to the middle of the road and tried to signal for the driver to slow down hoping he can see me in the rearview mirror. I tried warning him that about the road but it was like the car was sending him straight to his grave I just knelt there and prayed I prayed so hard that I was on tears and my voice was starting to be a hoarse voice, I call upon the almighty and the heavens to hear my prayers.

Someone was busy shaking me and I was finding it hard to see, I tried so hard to reach out and I finally snapped back to be met by a very worried and terrified Tau before me.

Me: what?

Him: what? really Nyota that's what you gonna say, I was worried about you are you ok?

Me: yeah I am, I need to pray

Him: Nyota what's happening? Weren't you praying when I got here you were even in tears please talk to me

Me: hmm I...I...ohhh yes I was praying, where is Cindy?

Him: she is in the house busy entertaining her guests, I came here to call you for breakfast so that you will meet the guests

Me: nah I'll pass I'll come by Lunch time, I have something to do now

Him: we won't be here for lunch; the guys are going out and I might join them

Me: later than, I guess

Him: you sure you good?

I nodded. I wasn't good I had no idea who was in Cindy's car and I didn't even understand my vision all I know is that I had to pray, I had the urge to pray. After Tau had went out I closed the door behind him and went to my room, knelled before God and prayed.

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I must say being here was better than a hotel, these people had hospitality for days my mom's friend is very friendly and a good woman too. We also met her son whom they call Tau and a friend I guess Nathan and I must say its very fun to hang around these guys.

Nathan : and than, why are you coming back alone?

He asked Tau when he got in

Tau: she says she will join us later

I could see a bit of disappointment in his eyes and the way he said it and there is only one explanation for it

Me : is that your girl?

When I asked that Nathan shot him with a death stare and he saw it

Tau : my wh.....errrr no no no of cause not, she's our little angel

I chuckle

Nathan : it better stay that way Tau boy because I swear if you touch my baby bear I would burry you alive  
“who is burying who?” Ivy asked climbing down the stairs with a very short skirt and a crop top  
Sihle : chill little one, we talking boys stuff  
Me: speaking of boys are you trying to attract one?  
I ask looking at her  
Ivy : why would I?  
Me: I don’t know, but why are you not wearing anything?  
Ivy : come on he just called me little one which means I still wear these things and walk around like no bodies business.  
Me: not on my watch  
Nathan : tell her broe, I wouldn’t allow my sister to go out like that  
Sihle: go and change little one we have been waiting for you for an hour already  
Ivy : you guys are such a ....  
Me: Likhanye just go  
Her : did you eally have to use that name  
She shakes her little ass and leave us laughing at her while she is pissed for days.  
After a while of chilling with the guys I also go and change to something comfortable.  
And go down  
Tau : and than?  
Me: what?  
Zyne: are you coming with us or going to the garden  
Me: nah I’m not coming with you, I just wanna explore the place, I’ll take a walk and look around  
Ivy : that’s a sign of getting old who says no to a party?  
Me: Me  
Tau : ayt than I guess you will use my mom’s car if you need a car since we taking the other one  
Me: no worries

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I had been going up and down my room after a prayer, when I heard a car driving out of the garage I quickly got out but only to be met my dust only  
I rushed to Cindy’s and knocked several times till someone came to open for me, I froze when I saw her I couldn’t talk, my tongue was tired and my legs felt weak I felt my heart pumping so hard and I felt like crying a really sad cry that cry when you lost someone that painful cry when you have no strength and no hope.  
“I bet it’s the first time you see someone like me” she said with a huge smile but I just couldn’t I couldn’t smile back, what does she mean  
Me: ohh no no its not that, I.....I (I didn’t have any explanation for her, what do I say

and how do I say it)

Her: don't worry I'm used to it

So she thinks I'm staring because she is an albino God please no, if at all I would be staring because she is beautiful, flawless I must say

"are you guys going to stand like that all day..... hi sweetie" Cindy says peeping at the door

Me: hi...ahm I came to see you

Cindy : of cause you are, what's up, why didn't you go with the others?

Me: actually that's why I'm here, who took your car?

Cindy: I don't know sweetie all I know is that the kids went out to have some fun

Me: can you find out please?

Lady: I think Lucan took it because he was the one left behind (she says coming from the kitchen with a glass on wine on her hand)

I stand up immediately "you have to call him"

Lady : what's going on

Me: I can't explain now but he has to come back please time is running out

Cindy: Nyota, baby you not making sense are you ok?

Me: Cindy I.....

I couldn't finish it, the lady's phone rang and he answered it

Her : boy (she said with a smile, these woman love smiling)

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Her : what?, Lucan OMG

Cindy: what's happening, put him on speaker

She did

Cindy : Lucan, are you ok

You couldn't here shuffling noise on the phone and the sound of a speeding car

Him : it doesn't want to stop I tried, the breaks are not working

I swear at that time I was back on the side on the road, the car was losing balance it was swaving side to side and a lightning speed, he was cursing and yelling while hitting the steering and trying to step on the breaks but nothing

Me: tell him to get out

Them : what?

Me: he must get out

The car was approaching a sharp turn and I knew what was coming after it

Him : I can't, it's too risky

Me: NOW!!!!!!!!!!

I swear my voice came out in the most weird and scary way. We heard the door opening and him screaming before a huge sound like a bomb going off

Lady: Lucan, baby.....OMW no no no it can't be....Lucan

She was losing it and I on the other hand I was stuck between two worlds, I tried so hard to look for him but all I saw was the car going in flames.

Cindy : Nyota.....your eyes

I snapped back

Me: what?

Her : they are pure white

I was shocked, that never happened before but I was concerned with my eyes, I wonder if the man got out

Lady: we have to go look for him

Cindy : we will call an ambulance while at it, come we'll take the X6 damn I hate that car

Lady : right now I just want to find my son, I don't care about your ex-husband's car

Cindy : Nyota you coming

I shook my head no, I can't go and witness my failure I had to go back and pray ask forgiveness from God, I failed him, I failed his son. Maybe I will never be ready for this war thing if I can't do just this one simple task. I felt light headed like a real loser no wait I am a real loser God please save your son.

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There is just one thing that could help me to get my mind off everything. I had been praying and praying and I think I'm beginning to be depressed I'm too young to stress this much. I turned on the radio and put on some music, volume was on full blast and I started dancing.

"Bank Alert" by P-Square went on and I just got more energy

## Chapter 14

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Me: mom please stop fussing I'm fine it was just a minor thing

Mom: I'm not taking any chances ... Beas....I mean injuries or not you going for a check-up

Me: but I told those paramedics that I'm good and they were fine

Mom: Lucan just shut up and get in the car

I swear if I'll end up in a hospital it would be because my mom is fussing over minor thing, I was not injured at all, I managed to jump out of the car in time and I fell on glass even though I could have broken my arm or something but it didn't break, I only got a minor cut just on my cheek but by the time mom got here it was gone, I have no idea how that happened it was like my body was healing itself.

Cindy drove us to her doctor and he checked us, like I said I was fine.

Me: see I told you

Mom: I was worried am I not allowed to be worried

Cindy : I bet when he was young you were in and out of hospitals because I can see that he was a naughty boy

Mom : you have no idea

Now that I think about it, I was always doing risky things playing in high places and falling breaking my leg and arm but not even once have I ever went to a doctor or hospital because I would healed after I had woken up, mom would say a doctor came while I was sleep but now that I'm grown I know that there was no doctor because even Lexi my young sister well she was burnt by hot water she cried I wish I could trade places with her it was so painful they just drugged her with panado and she fell asleep, mom was busy fussing about going to the doctor or hospital while dad was chilled as ever. When Lexi woke up it was like nothing happened, we were young than I asked a lot of questions but they said a doctor came while she was sleep but I never slept and I saw no doctor. Something is not right here, what are we? Are we normal?

the way I was beating Dwayne the other day that was not normal, my voice changed I swear I saw claws on my nails I was not human, what am I....

I was interrupted by these ladies laughter. And when I looked around we were parked outside Cindy's house.

"Can, are you ok I heard you were in a car accident" 😞 she basically threw herself on me

Me: and I have broken ribs

Her : OMW I'm so sorry, come let me take you to bed

Mom: wow so Ivy you do care about your brother?

Ivy : obvious

Tau: sup broe, you good

Me: I ain't go shit dwang, that car got into Lucan's accident

Sizwe : that's my Nikka, die hard

Ivy : and broken ribs

Me: ohh that, nah I wanted you to let go of me (she forms a fist) Ivy I was in an accident you cant be throwing fists on me cause you know I can't hit you

Zyne : why?

Me: she's a girl I don't hit girls

Tau : not if she pushes me that far

Sihle : I'm so anti womanizing

Me: me too bra, I don't want to do something to someone that I'm sure I would hate it if it happened to my sister

Tau : if she's wrong she's wrong.if she's disrespectful and doesn't want to listed put her on the right track

Ivy: by beating her?

Tau : if that's what it takes to get her on the right lane

Sihle : that's wrong bra, in so many levels

Me: I mean there are many ways to discipline your girl bra and neither of them are violent and one of them hmmm that one will make her worship you everyday

Sihle : that's my dwang (we fist bump)

Zyne : which is?

Sihle : kids alert

We bust out in laughter 🤔

Ivy : ohh you guys will be like that now, ok I'm out.

She leaves us while we busy talking.

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“wow”

I turn my attention to see who is talking and I'm met by a girl my age I guess, she's light in complexion too white maybe she is white because even her hair is long, you could see that even though she tied it in a bun and let the rest loose, she is a bit tall my height actually and slender probably a size 32.

Us: you beautiful

We laugh after that

Her : I'm serious though, you beautiful

Me: thank you, you too

Her : why are you hiding here?

Me: I like my own space and I think I'm kinda obsessed with staring into the water

Her : how about we take a swim

Me: you didn't hear me clear I said .....

Her : staring at the water, come on there is a better way of enjoying it which is called

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Us : swimming

Her: I like you already

I smile at her

Me: Nyota

I extend my hand

Her : what?

Me : my name, I'm Nyota

Her : stupid me, I'm Ivy

She comes close and extend her's, but I guess she changes her mind as she goes in for a hug as if that's not enough she pushes me into the pull, a pull full of water ...ohhhh my afro ....

She laughs 😂🤔 her lungs out after that I so wanna be angry at this girl 😡

Me; ok ok you have proven your point come pull me out I swim closer to her and extends my hand

Her : you should have seen how you were, reacting it was like you thought you were dying

I pull her while she is busy babbling and laughing

Her : OMW F\*\*\*\*\* 🤔🤔

Me: language

Her : come on, you got my hair wet dude

Me: 🙄 pay back is a ....

She looks at me

Me: what?

Her : say it

Me : say what

Her : the word

Me: what word, I was gonna say two words

Her : which are?

Me: female dog

Her : aibo this girl, you can't say "B\*\*\*\*c" 🙄🙄😂😂

She laughs like crazy

Me: I'm a lady

Her : me too but still I can say, I bet you can't say D..

Me: owwwwk that's my que 🙄

Her : OMW I really like you (she says in a singing tone)

We get out of the pool after a while

Her : come let's go and change than and join the guys

Me: I'm not good company plus I got rehearsals

That was true I still hadn't mastered tomorrows solo performance and I didn't want to embarrass Cindy in front of her friends and colleagues because she said she will be cheering for me and telling everyone that I'm her daughter, I just wanna make her proud she had done a lot for me.

Her : ok, I'll go and change than come join you than, what rehearsals are those?

Me: dance, I'll be doing a solo performance tomorrow?

Her : you will be doing the opening?

She asks with the most amazed look

Me: yeah

Her : I'm so proud of you girl, I'm sure you'll nail it

Me: I hope I was as sure as you

Her : look let me go change than come join you neh

I nod, and look at her as she models to the house with a very cheeky walk that says look at me, I find myself smiling, I just made a friend 😊

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Me and they guys, we had to be at the venue early because we had to help around, mom's orders she doesn't care if you are a visitor or not you won't believe she made us wash dishes yesterday after dinner if only we instituted a strike for a hotel.

Anyway, we were all at the venue helping around me on the other side I was lazing around forgive me I'm not a fan of chores.

"this looks good to me what more do we have to do" I asked looking at the stage and

all the chairs that had been set around it, it all looked good to me  
“everyone is done except for you” mom says walking at the stage like the boss she is  
I don’t know about you but my mom is the bomb guys she demands respect but her  
appearance imagine how my dad appears than even though he is an ass sometimes but  
hey he’s my pops.

Me: what do you mean don’t we have to go get ready I mean it’s almost 6

Well the show starts at 7 and I so wanna be here from the start till the end.

Mom: when you done babe, you have to set up a screen there she says pointing at side  
of the wall and a few cameras this hall will be full and I don’t want people to miss out  
they have to see everything even if they are at the back.

Me: plus I got abs to show off

She laughs

Her : yeah that too, it’s a pity you will be wearing masks

Errr, what now?

So we got on with it and started with the work took us about 3 minutes it wasn’t that  
much because everything was ready we just had to set it the way we wanted too. After  
that we got back and prepared for the show.

I sat on my bed while scrolling down my phone looking at Lexi’s pictures which I had  
stolen while she was asleep and smiled alone, this girl I gotta have no matter what. I  
had been stalking her on face book and she is my kind of girl, a go getter she goes out  
and enjoys herself because most of her pictures in a crowded place with friends and  
maybe family.

“are we going this year or you gonna smile at that phone till Jesus comes back”

Me: chill Sihle dwang I’m done I’m just waiting for you guys

Him : so what’s got you all girly girly?

Me: do you really have to ask

Him : ahhh Lexi, the new chick

Me: yep man if I can just get that mama I would have made it in life

Him : I don’t know her, but she already sounds dangerous. My nikka never dreams  
about a girl

Me : there is a first time for everything

Him: well me amma go out there and enjoy the company of Tanzanian girls, maybe  
I’ll get my own mama sita

Me: I thought you had a girl...

Him: please don’t spoil my mood

“we gotta go we gotta go”



We followed Zyne's orders and off we went

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"I don't think I'm ready"

Lala (dance teacher/choreographer) : and you will never be

Me: that's so wise and encouraging of you (sarcasm)

Lala : but it's the truth

Me: yeah yeah

I took my phone so that I could text my brother but he got in before I started typing

Me: I was wondering where you at

He came and kissed my cheek and, the top of my head and stood behind me while looking at me through the mirror that was sitting in front of

Nathan : you look cute

Me: do I look 3 to you

Him: yeah and cute with those chubby cheeks of yours

He brushed my shoulders

"why are you so tense"

Me: I'm nervous

Him : of what?

Me: being at that stage, in front of hundreds of people not just any people but people in high places did you know that there people from "ELLE", "ELLE" Nathan it's an international Magazine and not to mention Freebury Jean from Juilliard I need to ace this bother, this is my chance

Nathan : look at that mirror Nyota, look and tell me what you see

Me: I see me and you

Him: wrong, wrong closely

I took a deep breath, took my time to stare at the mirror than smiled at myself

Me: I see a winner, a brave girl, one with invisible scars but she embraces them because they made her who she is, I see a girl with a bright future

Nathan : and what will that girl do today

Me: go out there and enjoy herself

Him : that's my girl, now come give me a hug

I felt home, warmth, I felt loved and protected.

Him: I'm proud of you

Me: guess what?

Him : what?

Me : I love you

:you would swear that you guys are a couple”

Nathan: because you wish to be me

Nathan left leaving me with my bae who gave a good luck kiss and I was so happy I was smiling from ear to ear.

I had my dancing heels on and all ready to wow everyone out there I looked myself on the mirror one last time. when I heard, my name being called on stage than I put on my mask....

When the instruments to “Sade- Is It A Crime” started playing the stage opened up from my head and I rose to up to see the cheering audience with the cutest smile ever.

I Was wearing a white warp around skirt which was huge and covered almost the whole stage, when my que began two guys from our crew came and unwrapped the skirt while they were pulling their dance moved revealing my black body suit with long sleeves that covered my whole body down to my legs and trust me I looked as sexy as ever.

I killed it, I left people screaming and asking for more while I was breathless but still felt proud and happy.

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We were at the changing room when Ivy busted in and told us to hurry and come support her friend.

Nathan : yeah guys come on my sister is also going on stage in a few

Ivy : yeah I’m talking about her

Ivy never sees to amaze me; she has made friends in two days.

We went to our reserved seats at the front where we could see everything, clear, even mom and Cindy were seated next to us. The music started playing and then there was mist we all turned our attention and focused on stage, a girl appeared rising from the stage it was like I was seeing a movie, I thought I had seen it all but when they unwrapped her skirt and left her to dance I swear I froze, saliva went dry and I also went deaf the girl had thee body to die for, her dance moves damn it was like she was born for this, she owned the stage, she was at home. I watched her as she swayed to the left and back to the right, when she was on the floor I was amazed. Why did she had to wear a mask?

“wuuuuu, that’s my baby.... Yes show them sweetie”

Cindy’s scream brought me back and I saw that I was almost drooling. When I looked around people were going craze, Nathan had that proud look while Tau was all

smiley, my suspicions have been conformed but I'm sorry dude I must see that face. The performance was long over when we were called to go get ready, I went to look for the girl first I had to see her, I went to where the girls were changing

“omg sorry”

Me: hey look where you going

Before I could finished what I was saying the girl was out of my face, mxm teenagers. I looked around and these were all kids, I swear the girl I saw was not as young as these kids.

“can I help you”

Some lady with a cheeky attitude asked, and she was the oldest I guess she is the instructor

Me: uhmmm, I'm looking for Nathan's sister

I had to think on my toes.

Her: ohh she just went out with the other crew members, you must have meet her by the door she just got out

Me: ok, what was she wearing?

Her : a flowered dress with purple, pink and white

I rushed out, that must have been the girl I pumped into damn, if only I didn't have an attitude towards her

“Lucan Laurie, don't make me drag your ass on stage why ain't you ready “

Me: I...I

“yazi wen uding induku ngyabona (you need a beating I can see”

Trust a black woman with solving everything with a beating

Mom : Liam's son move

Me: yes Liam's wife

I say running to the dressing room because I knew what's coming. I might have missed her now but we going to the same house I must see her, I have to see the girl in a white dress.

## Chapter 15

### [#NYOTA](#)

I was so proud of myself, I was excited to a pint where I did not see myself climbing off cloud nine that's how happy I was. Well some of the girls we dance with suggested that we go and celebrate after wards I mean we did great they also had a group performance and they nailed it what more can we ask for I mean we are the best.

So after the show I looked everywhere for my brother because I wanted to tell him that we going out I don't want him to worry, even though I can take care of myself but he has to know where I'm off to and with who.

“are we ever gonna go”

Me: yeah I'm coming I'm looking for Nathan, have you seen him

“last time I checked he was at Cindy's office”

Me: ok, just a minute neh Vicky

She nods while I go to Cindy's office when I get closer music is playing to maximum volume. I knock but it's like I'm just brushing the door so I bang it twice but no answer so I just push the door .....

“ohhhhh my word .....no....no no I'm gonna be blinde” I turn as quick as I can and run like someone is chasing me, I cannot believe this how can they do that ohh my ohh my

“and than?”

Me: ahhhh....it's errr its nothing lets go

Vicky : you found him?

“ohh I found him olryt, in a very compromising state” but I don't say that out loud

Me: nah I'll just text him

She nods

“it's about time” Delorn says when we get in his car well in his car it will be me, Vicky and other two girls others are taking another car (I won't bother with the names of the other characters)

We get to this very noisy place, its full people are dancing, its all body to body dance. Others are drinking, talking and yelling on top of their voices.

Me: ohh please don't tell me that you taking me to a club

I realize that no one heard me because of the music so that's why people speak do close to each other and yell.

I repeat and they all turn to look at me

“Delorn : I did say that this was a bad idea

Me: yeah you were right, ,I'm under a...

Vickly put her hand covering my mouth

Her : don't say it

The girls laugh, I wonder why. Some of them pull me by the arm

“don't worry, you will enjoy and you with us so loosen up”

I look around and people are minding their business.

So we get a table and they all start ordering their drinks and juice for me, I had never

had alcohol in my life I didn't wanna hide that, I told them.

“shame Ty you so innocent I so wish I was like you” Vicky says after gulping down what they called a shooter I must say they have been having that thing of theirs like 5 each. Delorn on the other side he had been having something that looks like the juice I'm having but he said it has alcohol I didn't bother to even ask its name.

“ok ladies now that's my song” says Dalorn he starts dancing to Cassie – long way to go.

He throws in some craze moves, when it reaches the chorus I sing along “you got a long way to go.....”

Dalorn stops and stares at me and say “is that a challenge Missy”

Me: ohh no I'm just singing

Girl : she just challenged you D, show her

I laugh because I know they trying to push me to it. The all try to throw a few robes but I don't catch none. When the song is over he comes, and sits down

Him : you such a chicken

“you should have shown him flames Nyota” says one of the guys in our crew

We chill for a while, I tried to call Nathan but it went straight to voicemail and now my battery is dead even if he calls me back, if he still remembers that he has a sister, the picture of what I saw comes back and just makes my skin crawl.

just when I was thinking of going home ciara ft ludacris ride it comes in

Me: ohhhh what's that?????

I start rapping ludacris's part and stand up, trust me I know the whole song and Ciara routine from A-Z

The crew starts chearing while I dance the song

Me: damn I'm wearing a dress

They laugh

Some guy : pull it up

Delorn : F\*\*\* off

The crew ends up joining me and we all dance, it was craze I tell you everyone was not watching us and the roof was on fire.

When we were done we jumped up and down yelling

“UNITY.....UNITY....UNITY.....” the name of our crew

I left them yelling and went to take a sip on my juice all this jumping around made me thirsty. I stood and watched them while they dance to the next song.....

“now that's what I call partying”

Delorn : and I thought Ty was a party pooper

Vicky : never judge a book by it cover  
Delorn : err why am I drinking juice, where is my drink?  
They turn and look at me  
Me: what?, I thought it was mine  
Delorn's eyes pop  
Me: what? do I have to worry?  
He scratches his head and shakes it like he is not sure

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[#NYOTA](#)

I was dancing like no body's business, one minute I was on the floor shaking what my mama gave me and the next I was on the tables, what pushed me more was that people were cheering and I saw myself as the next Beyonce.

I don't know where I got the courage but I was zipping my dress from the side, mama gave birth to a stripper, who knew.

“woah don't do it”

“do it”

And they the coud started echoing the person who said “do it” and that was like music to my ears.

Me : ohhh yeah

Just when I was about to let down one arm I felt hands grabbing me roughly.

“it's time for you to go home Ty” ohh it was D

Vicky : this is all your fault Delorn

Him : how was going to know that she was going to take my drink

Me: you guys are such a bore I was having fun

Delorn : yeah you will continue at home

Vicky : are you craze we cant take her home

Delorn : what?

Her : Cindy will skin us alive, have you ever seen that woman angry?

D: no

Vicky : exactly and I don't want to, her kind don't wanna be provoked and you just gave her princess Ecstasy

Me: lol, Cindy who, don't worry she won't see a thing besides she's probably bending for my .....

I felt like puking and I held my mouth

Vicky : you wanna puke?

Me: it's gone

Delorn : ok I'm taking her to my place than

Vicky hugs me and Delorn puts me on his car, all this time he was carrying me bridal style.

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“aw .....aw.....aw”

I tried sitting up but my head wouldn't let me, what happened to me. I bang my head back on the bed “aaaawwwww”

“hey are you ok”

I look at him for a while puzzled than check my surroundings, when I noticed that this was not my room I started to panic and sat up very quick “aww”

Derlon : stop that “nyaw nyaw” sound I got a headache of my own

He leaves me there and comes back after a while with toasted cheese bread, juice glass of water and pills on a try.

Him: eat, drink these and take a bath so I'll take you home, there are clean towels in the bath room.

I do as I'm told, all this time I'm trying to remember what happened yesterday and why I'm here but nothing its like I never existed after that dance to Ciara's song.

When I come out of the bathroom, I find a short and a t-shirt on the bed and I just change on it.

“ohh thank God you done I was about to come and drag you out” he says coming in all dressed up

Me: and than, why are you all dressed up?

Ohh what am I saying this guy is always on these expensive clothes which my brother wears these days.

Him : is that an insult

Me: I take it back, how did I end up here and where is my dress....OMG Delorn who took my dress off

Him : you did, after you puked all over it

Me: lol you joking right?

He shakes his head

Me: what happened to me last night?

Him : let's just say you had something you shouldn't

I look at him with questioning eyes and he nods

Me:your juice

Him : yep, come lets go I don't want Cindy to worry

Me: ohh Cindy

Him: what's up with you, yesterday you said something about Cindy bending over for your...

Me : woah woah I said what?

OMW did I tell them, please tell me I did not

Him : you didn't finish so what is it that you wanted to say?

Me: how would I know I was out of it

Him: ok then if you say so, want me to go in with you?

He asks as we come near the gate.

Me: uhhh ohhh

Him: what?

Me: I think I'm in trouble

Tau is standing by the gate busy on his phone, scratching his head.

I forget this boyfriend girlfriend thing it's still new to me.

Delorn : I will drive you in so that I will tell them that the crew went out

Me: nah its ok, I'll be fine here.

He stops the car next to Tau and I say my goodbyes.

Delorn : sup Tau

Tau just looks at him and clicks his tongue, owwwwk what's up with him. I sense so much anger when I come close to him and I choose to not take a step closer.

Delorn hoots when he drives off and I wave at him

Me: hi

Tau : wow, so I'm dealing with a hoe here neh

## Chapter 16

### [#NYOTA](#)

“you want me to repeat myself”

I shake my head no

Him: than what, what are you still waiting for?

Honestly I'm still waiting for him to take a breath and re-think all the things he has said to me, he had called me names and accused me of things I never even thought of and the worst thing is that he hasn't give me a chance to tell him what went on and why I ended up at Delorn's place and in his clothes.

“I swear If you keep treating me like I'm craze I will show you what craze is, I said slap yourself, you busy standing there looking at me like I've grew horns”

Me: But Tau I ....

I couldn't finish, I was on the floor within a blink of an eye. I couldn't believe it, he just slapped me

Him : I will do it again if you don't do it yourself, now slap yourself

I did and he just chuckle

“come let me show you how”

I don't know how many times I was punched on my stomach and kicked I turned into a ball I tell you, I was numb by now and eyes tears had just given up because they were not helping

He left me there and banged the door, I was curled at the corner of his bed with nothing on my body since he tore the clothes I was wearing he even used a scissor where he got stuck and I was just shivering in fear.

He came back after a while, I heard him opening a bath tub and dropping something



on the tub like lots of stones I guess, I got more scared I think today is my last day on earth, I couldn't pray how do you start praying about boyfriends to God, Didi used to say I should wait for my husband because God doesn't want us to play daty daty while he had created the one for use.

After a while he switched off the tab and I felt him touched I cringed because my whole body was in pain, I was crying silently.

Me: pl.....please....Tau....yo....you don't have to.....ahhhhhhhhh

He dropped me on a freezing cold tub. It was full of ice cubes and they were melting on the water. I was crying like a little helpless child. He went and came back with another pack and pure it in...I had said all the words I could, I had said I'm sorry, for what I don't know, I had said I love him, did I mean it? NO but all that went to deaf ears because he was busy calling me names and saying that girls like me like opening their legs for every guy that passes by.

“now you gonna stay there and think about all that you had done, you had been a very bad girl Baby”

I was slowly becoming numb to the pain and all, I could feel my body failing me and I just wanted to close my eyes maybe this is all a dream when I open them it will be all over.

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[#LUCAN](#)

“are you gonna suck till we get home” Zyne asked poking me

Me: hha?

Mom : we have been talking to you and you just not here

Me : I don't know something just doesn't feel right, did we really have to go while Nathan hasn't find his sister

Ivy : yeah I'm also worried

Mom : I'm sorry babies, but you heard Cindy she said she went out with her dance crew that what their dance instructor said I guess she had lots of fun and decided to sleep over at a friend's house, Ivy you do that all the time

Me: she does

Ivy : errr this was not about me ok, we were talking about Nyota here

Me: so that's here name

Ivy : yeah, why do you ask

Me: nah its nothing

Sihle : I bet someone is planning his next trip to Tanzania alone

Mom : ohh really?

Me: can we get out already I'm hungry

They laugh at me. I was really worried and I don't know man it felt like something bad was about to happen or was I just stressing over nothing.

Me: Ivy can you lend me your phone

Her : why ?

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She gave it to me and I instantly went to contacts but there was no Nyota, I even used the search option maybe I was typing the name wrong. I gave up after a while and gave her back her phone.

As soon as we got home I called Nathan I had taken his numbers and luckily he said Tau had fetched Nyota and she is fine, I still couldn't shake off this bad feeling though. Maybe it was just a bad aura nothing major. Me

## Chapter 17

### [#NYOTA](#)

I was just lying on the bed after I was back from the hospital, well all I can say is that I'm happy but not happy, I'm in pain life is not fair. Tau had taken me to the hospital after my body was really falling to respond because I was cold and in pain. I only stayed for few hours after I was treated to make sure that I'm responding to treatment. Maria – bye bye was playing in a low volume, looking back on my life. I miss Didi, while we were living with her life was simple, we had nothing, no expensive clothes or life style just us, we had one another we had endless love. This life we live not it had all the nice things that makes teenagers go nuts, I have nice clothes now, the most expensive phone but at what expense, what do we have to pay to have what we have today, to have just that temporally satisfaction. I was touched by the first verse of the song when Maria says "this is for the people who have lost somebody" I felt like today I had lost another person, my Tau, he was gone and I'm afraid that there is no turning back from where he is heading, no human being in his right mind would beat up another human being to such a state. For what? I still don't know. You are never going to guess what he said when he brought me back and his anger had cooled down, I guess he was trying to be himself again which really did not work for me, well he said "babe I'm sorry, I don't know what came over me. I know I have no excuse for my actions but please hun try not to ever make me angry, be a good girl ok" with that he kissed my forehead and left. Now tell me how a teenage girl like me on her first relationship ever, will ever trust any man or love any man after being treated like I was treated and told the rubbish I was told. I guess I fell asleep while I was still on my world because I was woken up by a knock on the door.

"baby sis" I got startled, I sat up in a hurry and didn't know whether to go open or not, luckily I had locked my door after Tau left.

“Nyota” he called out again

Me: yes

Him : yes?, really is that what you gonna say, you ain’t going to open

Me: ahm, I (I looked around trying to think of a lie) but nothing came to mind

Him : this year Nyo...His phone rang

Him : hello

I heard his footsteps go away and I sighed in relief. How long will I hide like this, tomorrow I have to be at school, luckily my face only has the mark from the slap but my body hurts for real.....

[#LUCAN](#)

Labrith – jealous playing on the background

I couldn’t get her out of my mind no matter how much I tried, at night I was tossing and turning, the way she moved, when she sway side to side. Raises her leg up, even her arm stretched up straight, for her it seemed magical like it’s something I had never seen. She moved with the beat so perfectly, if only had seen her face at least just to know the face of the girl that keeps me up all night

the girl that makes my world stand still just because she is on my mind. Ahhh Nyota how I wish I could be next to you right now just to hear your voice, touch you just to get the feel of your skin.I took my phone, I had to make a phone call.It rang a few times before he answered.

Him : hello

Me: sup broe

Him : I’m ok New York boy, to what do I owe this pleasure

I chuckled. If it was easy I was going to just ask him for his sister’s number but how do I even start I saw how the guy was protective of his sister just the way he talked about her but hey I’m not surprised I would do the same for my siblings.

Me: nothing much, you do know that I’m also an African boy right

Him : with an American accent, it doesn’t count

Me: let’s just agree to disagree, so you found your sister safe (that was my way of asking how is Nyota)

Him : yeah she is, even though she is acting strange

Me: strange how?

Him: nah don’t worry, it nothing I can’t handle she’s just being a teenager maybe

Me: I hope she behaves than

Him : why are we talking about my sister again

Me: lol, well friends do talk about their families, I guess we will keep in touch(I don’t know what I was saying but it wasn’t such a bad idea)

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[#LUCAN](#)

“so we hitting the club tonight”

Me: broe you know it

Zyne: my nikka

Sihle : Zyne you should stop saying that

Zyne: what?

Us : Nikka

Him : why?

Sihle : isn't it obvious you being racist

Zyne : ohh please you guys are my nikkas. Yal know I don't mean it like that besides Lucan aint black so please (he said that giving us a hand like a girl)

Me: let me leave you before I turn gay.

Well it's been a week since we came back, nothing has changed I'm still head over hills about Nyota but until I find her I my life must continue. So, I worked my magic on Lexi well yal know I got some game so the girl been screaming my name these past days 😊👍.

I was on my way home when I got a call from my girl.

Me: sup babe

Lexi : I see someone is in a good mood

Me: you know what your voice does to me

She laughs. \*\*take note : always complement even the smallest thing on your girl, make her feel special.

Her : you racing tonight

Me: I'm hitting 3 things tonight, my race car, the club and you

Her : ohh is it now?

Me: yes my lady so wear that sexy number yeah

Her : I'll make sure I do and when I'm about to reach the finish line, I'll show It off

Me: F\*\*\* Lexi you aren't going to show other man my assets I swear to god I'll

Her : you'll what?

Me : I don't know, keep you locked up from then on (we laugh at that, she never takes my threats serious mncm this girl)We talk for a while and kiss through the phone before we say our goodbyes

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Her : wow, what was that?

Me: a punishmentWe were trying to catch our breaths after we've been dancing to our created romantic rhythm, well why am I lying I was actually working her.

Her : for what?

Me: showing people my assets I warned you

Her : but I had to win, you can't win all the time besides my brother would kill me I had to do something. But then again I should always be a bad girl if am gonna get such a punishment

Me: you are something else

Her : what, I like it rough beast meI cringed because my whole body was in pain, I was crying silently.

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What I like about her is that she is out spoken, spontaneous she wants something she goes for it, she doesn't let anyone tell her what to do well except her brother I still wonder if its respect or what.

Me: I think you just gave me an ideaHer : ohh year

Me: hmm hmm.

I get on top of her and hold her hands up really tight by the headboard while I spank her real hard on her but cheek.

Her :ouch

Me: you like?

She nods

Me: I want you to day itI was moving a bit slow on top of her, just wanted her to feel me growing before I give it to her

Her : yes I like

Me: you want me to give it to youI kissed he a bit rough and pit her lower lip, went down to her sensitive spot, her neck. She gasped.

Me : talk to daddy

Her : give it to me daddy (her breath was breaking and I was enjoying every single minute of it)I squeezed her breast and she moaned.

Her : just F\*\*\* me already

Me: with pleasure

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Lexi : I really need water, if you were romantic you would have offered me something to drink a long time agoMe: but I just offered you me, girl learn to appreciate

Her : trust me I doMy phone has been ringing for a while and I had been ignoring it.

Her: I think you should take it, for sure it's important that person has been calling for a while.

I turned and took it from the drawer because she was right, she grabs my gown and goes out while I answer my phone.

Me: pops

Him : you and Ivy need to get home first thing tomorrow morning

Me: why?

Him : because it's not safe out there, get your asses here ok

With that he hangs up. Ok what was that?

"I hope this is alright with you" she says handing me a dumpy of fish eagle

Me : thanks

I gulp it down without taking any break. I needed that.

## Chapter 18

[#NYOTA](#)

“someone is looking good” I looked back to find my brother staring at me, I smiled at him

Me: thank you Jonathan

Him: you know I hate that name

Me: just wanted to tease you a little

Him: you haven't been yourself lately

Me: I....

She stopped me before I could carry on

Him: nah don't answer, I'm just happy that today you look more alive and you got rid of that polo-neck it was really irritating

Me: I was catching cold but I'm fine now, so you and Cindy are really going and leaving me on my own in this huge house

Nathan : nah you won't be alone Tau will be around and its work baby I have to go you know we cant leave here forever so I'm doing my best to make money so that we will build a Johnson's home

I tensed up at the thought of being alone with Tau the whole weekend, this whole week was ok because he was at school and now having to see him, not just see him but spending the whole weekend with him will be the worst.

Me: I cant wait for the day when we finally get our own place

Nathan : you tired of being here

“do you really have to ask” I said that in my head

Me: we cant depend on people forever, we have to be on our own, Cindy has done a lot for us Nathan smiles and that just makes my breakfast turn on my stomach nx

Me: Nathan

Him : hmm

Me: do you have something to tell me?

He looks at me with questioning eyes

Him: ahmm something like what?

Me: I don't know something that will make our lives hell if it comes out

Him : did you have a vision about me? He looked worried

Me: I wish (I said under my breath)

Him : what?

Me: nah its nothing let me go to practice

I left him and took my back pack, Delorn was gonna come and pick me up. Lately I have been having weird dreams, I sometimes would see me lying on a pool of blood and someone tells me that it's all on me. sometimes I would see a lot of dead bodies than I would see myself standing in the middle of all the bodies with blood in my hands and the voice would say do something or its all on you. I have prayed for guidance but so far no sign nothing.

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[#LUCAN](#)

You could have seen my siblings when we arrived they were all over us like rash in summer but hey I enjoyed every minute of it, they have grown a lot the twins are 14 years now (lexis and Nexis) both girls. Mom and dad has 4 children me 18 as you know, Ivy 16 soon to turn 17, the twins as you know now they are 14. Than mom 2 and dad 2 children of which we take them as siblings, its Levi and Leah (boys, twins, 14 years) and my big broe Abongwe (21) he stays in Russia though he is a doctor he is like the mastermind of everything even managed to finished school before time.

\*\*\*\*\*I hope you guys won't be confused as long as you still remember these kids if not go back to insert 64 of "ONE SOUL"\*\*\*\*\*

We were all seated in the dining hall, chatting and laughing while we waiting for grandpa. Mom and dad were here too busy fussing over us, Mom 2 and Dad 2 were sited at the corner playing lovie dovie as always, these are my ideal couple I would love to find someone who would love me the way mom 2 loves her husband, the respect she gives him and well they are kind of freaky don't ask me how I know but I do and I want someone like that, someone who would be a wife and a whore for me. Not that my parents don't love each other they do but this is what I want in my life. "so this is how we must summon everyone home so that I will see my grandchildren, tell you that there is danger"

Ivy : ahh grandpa

Gp : Queen Elizabeth you back how I miss you

Ivy : really grandpa Well he calls her that because she always has an answer to everything.

Gp: Abongwe, the prodigal son

Dad 2: Dio we not here for that

Gp: ahh, your dad has spoken, I'm afraid I cannot continue with what I wanted to say. He bows to Dad 2, this old man is so full of sarcasm.

Me: why is it that you never age Grandpa?

The room goes silent; I look around did I say something wrong.

Dad: that's part of the reason you were summoned home.

Dio : I feel, we, me and your parents feel that you are all old enough to know who you are because there is a war coming and we all need to prepare.

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The room went silent after grandpa told us some fairytale story and we were waiting for him to say "and then they all lived happily ever after...The End".

Abongwe cleared his throat looking down. I looked at mom than dad they were all looking at us like they wanted us to say something or react, for the first time in my 18 years of existence I lived to see my home in total silent you could hear a pin drop.

"did you guys here a thing Dio said" Dad asked looking at us one by one

Dad 2: yep they heard alright I bet you once it all sink in we will hear roars and all eyes will be red, whatever you do guys just don't hurt my wife, she's very fragile



considering that she isn't a beast so you break a bone from her I break you into pieces it's a pity because yal heal fast, well except for one of you.

Mom : you say it like she is the only one

Dad 2: am I your husband Ibongwe?

Mom : obviously not, my husband doesn't talk sh...

Mom 2: here we go

Dio : so kids, say something

Levi: so grandpa, I'm a beast like really like Vincent from the Beauty and the Beast?

Dio : yep all of you

Levi : this is awesome, Leah did you hear that lol, I can break walls, damn I can jump from building to building, imagine when the kids at school chanting my name when I have saved them from a tragedy, I can just hear them Levi..Levi...Levi...Le..

US : SHUT UP!!!!!!

Levi : phshhhh its not like yal are talking because you zombies come on embrace who you are don't be...

Mom 2: I swear if you don't shut that hole of yours I will take you back to where you came from

Levi : eeww mom I..

Dad 2: is this kid for real, Levi shut the F\*\*\* up

I felt like laughing because Levi took after him, Dad 2 never shuts up once he starts talking and doesn't care if you listening or not.

Mom: Lexis,Nexus,Ivy,Lu...

Me: mom we heard what Dio said but we just waiting for him to say he is joking or something I mean its nit possible that I'm not human.

Mom: it's not that you know human baby, you are but has a beast DNA in you because your grandfather was injected with a beast DNA it became a part of him because the doctors tempered with his blood, it affected the cells and basically he became a beast when your dad's were born they became half Beasts. We did a few tests and research on all of you and it seems like instead of the Beast DNA decreasing from generation to generation it becomes strong.

Ivy : what do you mean it becomes strong mom?

She asked with a worried face, for the first she was able to say something. Lexus and Nexus were just not there all. I could see worry on their faces.

Mom 2: your grandfathers were the first to be created they were like the original beasts yet fake because they were not born that way. Your fathers are stronger than them because they were born beasts, they inherited the DNA from birth. Than you guys your cells seem to be more stronger than your fathers and...

Me: we becoming more beastly than human beings I could feel my blood boil at the thought of that. The room went silent.

Nexus : so we have less human cells is that what you saying? Still silent, I could see that Nexus was becoming more and more angry, her eyes changed from sea blue to

total black, the whole eye, she clenched her hands together forming a fist

Lexus : Nexus calm down...

We all looked at her and they were both reacting the same way.

Nexus : I just want an answer so I'm not human Mom is that what you saying?

Dad 2: Baby try to breath we will answer you o...

Nexus : Lexus you hurting me

Both their hands were bleeding, our Dads stood up and went to attend them

Dad : Dio what's happening?

He was panicing

Dio: seems like they are linked they are one

Parents: ONE SOUL????.....

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After a while of attending to the twins, Lexus finally calm down. They explained everything to the kids while they all asked questions and after a few hours they were all ok and have accepted even though it was hard for the kids but they had too they just had to learn to and live with it.

Levi: well yal can sulk all you want but I tell we will be heroes, we will beknow as the family of heroes out there girls would be all over me I...

Leroy: what girls?

Levi : uhmm uhmm, girls.. who whosaid girl...I meant uhmmm

Dio : this child would be the death ofyall can go, but Abongwe please stay behind

He looked at Dio with worried eyes, he had a lot of things in his mind, maybe he know what he has been up to, he did not want to think the worst he tried to stay as calm as he can.

Inami: baby we ...

Abongwe : mom I'm not a baby anymore

He hates it when they call him that especially because he knows the truth and they keep it from him and act like nothing is wrong everyday.

Inami: ok ok fine. What I was saying is that we proud of you, all the things that you have achieved, on your own even though it was your choice to be away from home but still you doing good and I'm proud, my little doctor.

She said that with a proud smile on her face, and suddenly tears fell from her face.

Abongwe : are you ok A..I mean mom?

She nodded.

Leroy : this is difficult for her, look Abongwe you grown now and it's about time you know the truth too

Abongwe: well you already said that we are beasts I doubt that there is morehe said that with a fake smile because he knew where the talk was going and he didn't want it to hear there yes he had said than they should have told him but now that he already knows, there is no use how is he going to pretend like this is new to him when he knew very well who he is to them.

Leroy : well you my son are not a beast He exhaled in relief even though he wished that this was over already, he did not want to be here not anymore, he was tired of pretending.

Leroy : and your are not our son either

Inami : what your Da... I mean Leroy want to say is that, you are not our biological son but you my brother, we ado....Abongwe : woah woah hollup, I'm your brother?

Now that was new to him, he knew that they were not his parents he had found out in his way but the brother part was news to him.

Ibongwe : yes you are our little brother, Inami and Leroy adopted you when our father died.

Abongwe : so all this time, you had to wait until I was 21 to tell me thatflippin 21 years old you thought I wasdom or what?

Inami : we sorry baby we ...Abongwe : no...save it, save all that shit, you know what I can't even stand all of you right now, stay with your kids, don't worry about me, I'm not your kid anyway you don't have to mother me

He had been on his feet so he just took of went to him room and packed a small bag for the road. This was a perfect opportunity for him to go anyway he could not face them and they just made things easy for him.

When he walked pass them, they tried to stop him but he didn't listen to them, when he was just a step out the door

Leroy : BOY!!!!

He stopped on his trail, Leroy walked up to him he stood in front of him and looked straight in his eyes, he tried to read him if he was ever going to forgive him, tried to find that side of him that he knew, that him that loved them as his parents but instead he found something else anger, he saw rage in his eyes, he could see that he just wanted to tear him apart if only he could, if only had strength.He got closer, his heart was beating so fast, he wished to read his mind but he didn't want to find out what he already know.

Leroy : I hope you find happiness out there, just know that no matter where you go or what you do, no matter who your friends are yo will always be my son, I would do anything for you

Abongwe wished to just punch those words back at him 😡👉, anger consumed him to a point where he could not think straight but he knew that it was not the time yet. He turned and walked out to his car.

Inami: Leroy you let him go, you let my son go 😞👉

She was in tears and her sister just hugged her tight

Ibongwe: our brother half, he is our brother and don't forget he is grown now when he is ready he will come back home

Leroy : he wont 😊👉

Liam : what do you mean he won't? 😞👉

Leroy : he knows

Dio: know what? 😬☐

Leroy : about his mother

## Chapter 19

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I waved as the car drove off, out of the gate and as it joined the road. This will be the first time in my life that I will be spending days without my brother by my side, I knew that since I'm left alone this is the time for me to try and read that book I had to do whatever it takes to learn that language. I went back to the house, since it was late in the evening I took a bath first changed to my pajamas and made snacks for myself after locking all the doors I went to my room and took the black book, I was paging through it but it all seem gibberish to me it was just something I had never seen.

I closed my eyes and exhaled while trying so hard to concentrate, after a while I decided to just relax and not try hard but just let God do his work, I told myself that I was his servant and I will let him do the work not me and not because of my gift but because I'm his child and I must serve him.

My phone kept ringing and as much as I was trying so hard to ignore it I had to attend to it, when I checked it was Tau, I hesitated I didn't want to talk to him, what will I say to him. I looked at it as it rings till it goes off.

I went back to my position and tried to meditate but I was disturbed by a knock at the door. I swear my heart I nearly caught my heart on the floor it was beating fast because I knew who was at the door.

“baby”

By now I was shaking, I decided to go and open because I didn't want to piss him off who knows he might beat me to death today and bury me in the back yard and say that I runaway.

“h..hi” I tried by all means but my voice was shaky and tears were threatening to come out.

Tau: hey beautiful, I thought maybe you had went out but then again you wouldn't without telling me

Me: I...I was praying

It was true I was praying and I think I should pray more about this relationship, I can live like this, I'm still young to suffer like this.

Tau : that's a good thing, I'm sure God would be happy with what I have prepared for you, come with me.

I looked at myself, I was still in my pajamas

Him: just wear a gown you always beautiful baby

I went and took it and wore it while I lock up I couldn't stop my hands from shaking.

“come this side”

he led me towards the dinning as soon as we got into his house.If it was before the whole beating me up incident I was going to be so excited and maybe jump to him with a big hug right now but I was just annoid. He had set a romantic candle dinner.

Tau : the best for my lady

He went and dimmed the light, I must say he had put some though into this it was impressive and exactly as I had seen it on tv.

Tau : are you ok baby

I looked at him and nodded, he stared at me

Me: yes I'm ok

I tried to smile but my cheeks were shaking and before I could stop them they were wet with tears. Damn !!!..He reached out for my arm but I quickly removed it in fear and wiped my tears.

Me: I...I'm sorry

He leaned back to his chair for a while and the room was silent, how I wished it was like this or maybe he should just let me go back to bed.

Tau : I'm sorry Nyota. I ....I have no excuse

You know I can could not believe Tau right now, so this is how it's going to be he will ring me and then say sorry, I was bruised I'm actually still bruised maybe bruised for life.He reached for my hand again and I just folded my arms. He put both his elbows in the table and buried his head on his hands.

Him : I have already damaged you haven't I?Me: I just want to know why, why did you beat me so senseless while I had done nothing g to wrong you, even if I had but beating me like I'm nothing to you, do you even care for me?

I was crying so hard at that moment, I had to swallow a lump forming on my throat before I talk.

Him : I have no excuse for what I did Nyota I'm so sorry baby I wish you can see how sorry I am

Me: you know what's the irony in this

Him : what?

Me: that day how many sorries did I say to you?, I begged you to stop and the funniest thing is that I had not done nothing wrong so what's gonna happen of me once I wrong you because truth be told I'm human I'm young I still have a lot to learn I will make mistakes and I'm still going to piss you off

for reall this time so what?, are you going to beat me to death, maybe burn me to the point where I'm not recognizable.

He raised his head when I said that, his eyes were red like he has been crying and his face had also turned red considering that he is light in complexion.

Tau : Nyota I would never done that to you, I swear baby I just got angry and....and I really don't know what got to me...I though that maybe if I discipline you, you would never done something like that before that maybe you will than obey and be a good girl

Me: something like what?, I did nothing wrong that day, I might have been careless but I did nothing wrong for you to have done what you did

Tau : I'm sorry

Me: STOP SAYING SORRY!!!!!!

He popped his eyes in shock

Me: see? see what you doing to me, I never raise my voice, never you awakening the side of me I never knew existed, you make me bitter, angry and right now I don't think I will ever forgive you so whatever was going on between the two of us ends tonight, right now.

Tau: you don't mean that

Me: I mean it trust me

He stood up and came to kneel by my side

Me: don't, just don't

I stood up and went for the door. But I didn't reach it he pulled me back by my hair and I slipped and fell, I have no idea what kind of a fall this was because I could swear I heard my leg make sound of a bone breaking and after that I felt an excruciating pain

Me: ahhhhhh

Tau : F\*\*\*\*, F\*\*\*, F\*\*\*\* baby I'm so sorry Ohhh my God

He tried to move me but I couldn't bear the pain I scream to the top of my lungs.

Me: my leg it.....ahhh (I cried) I think it broken

Tau : what?.....

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“are you sure it was a good idea for us to leave the whole weekend I mean just a night would have been ok”

Nathan asked as the car park in front of a five-star hotel after a long 4 hour drive they had finally arrived.

Cindy looked at him with a smile “but you know that once we together we don't want to be disturbed”

Nathan put his hands on her bare thighs as she was wearing a short dress and moved it up to her castle.

Nathan : that's because someone can't get enough my machine

Cindy : and that someone wants that machine all to herself She put her hands over

Nathan's and directed it more in while moaning his name. they kissed and that was the only way to keep her from screaming louder.

After playing around they cleaned up.

Cindy : let's take this inside.

Nathan : yeah, besides I want to check up on my baby first

Cindy : that would be a good thing, I hope Tau treats her well

Nathan : can I trust your son with my sister? I mean he is a young handsome boy and my sister is pretty I wouldn't like it if he tries something with her because I can see that he took after his father, even though I don't know him

Cindy went tense at the thought of her ex husband, she didn't want to talk about that man, he was in the past thank god for that.

Her : trust me my son is a well mannered boy and he is just a brother to Nyota what can he do

Nathan : anything is possible I mean look at us, we started as what friends if I may say, than we became F\*\*\* buddies just because I wanted to make my sister's life well

Cindy : look I'm sorry I had to put you in that position, I didn't want it to be like that, like you were selling yourself just to make a leaving truth is I had liked you from the start but that's the only way I could approach you.

They checked in and their bags were brought to their room. Nathan pured champain for the both of them.

Cindy : a toast?

They raised their glasses.

Nathan : to us

Cindy : to us

They sipped while looking at each other

Nathan : well no matter how it started but I'm glad that we gave us a chance

Cindy : me too baby

They kissed while their hands find their way to each other's body, clothes were flying and well the rest is just for them to know and us to guess

## Chapter 20

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We spent the whole weekend training, we had to first find out what are our abilities so that we would learn to master them.

Mine was strength, breathing under water and like every beast trace and track, read people by listening to their heart beats. We had to learn how to find as human, be able to use guns in difficult situations jumping from high buildings and it felt like a lot because it was just a weekend, pops said it took them months and that we had to continue even when we back at school and they will send people to train us. We had a lot going on including Abongwe taking off like he did, which I still don't know what went on between him and the rents, I had tried reaching up to him but he doesn't take my calls. Mom 2 is just miserable and you could tell that she is not taking what happened well. I was lying on my bed with the lights off because I didn't want to be disturbed, my body was in pain and moving was a bit difficult, I was on my phone chatting with Lexi.

Me: I could use a massage right now

Her: just a massage you must be in real pain

Me: trust me my body cannot handle your craze ass

Her : come on, kitty misses her master though

My body reacted in a certain way when she said that I guess Master misses' kitty too

Me: kitty needs to be a good girl; I will make it up to her when I come back

Her : promise?

Me: you know I hate promises babe, they are easily broken

Her : ok but you have too Luu

I laughed a little my girl really misses me. We continued chatting, I guess I fell asleep because I was woken up but someone budging in my room, I don't know whether it's my reflexes or what but I was up in my feet within a second and I kicked the person across the room before I could even register what I had done I felt a throbbing pain across the ribs I was hit

Me: the F\*\*\*\*\*

I was charging to whoever it was when I heard

“Can...Dad”

I switched on my night senses as I was taught if I wanted to see in the dark

Me: Dad what the F\*\*\*\*\*?

Him :you getting good I see

Ivy : so yall are going to talk in the dark now?

Me: well I don't need a light besides this is my room pops please I'm in pain would you stop with your surprise training

Dad: you have to be always on guide never let your guard down

He went out. Ivy switched the lights on

Me: and than?

Her : I need to make a call

Me: so why are you telling me, make it

Her : you can be so dom sometimes

She takes my phone and dial a number after sometimes she clicks her tongue and leaves

Me: you done?

Her : she's not picking up

Me : (yelling after her) who?Her : Nyota (yelling back)

I smile to myself

“finally”

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He has been sleeping on the chair with his head buried on the bed next to me and I have been watching him since I woke up, I didn't want to move or anything because I didn't want to see his face, the worry on his face, the sadness. I didn't want pity all I wanted was to get out of a messy relationship while I was still in one piece and sane. The doctor came in and smiled while looking at me



.Dr : Miss...

Me: shhh

I pointed at my brother next to me and she just nodded with a smile.

Dr: (whispering) how are you feeling?

I raised a thumb up to indicate good.

Dr: your leg, is not that bad but we had to put a cast on it

Me: a ca...(I remembered that we were whispering) for how long?

Dr: approximately a month than you will be as good as new

“why am I hearing whispers”

He asked with his head still buried on his folded arms, I knew he was not going to look up while the doctor is still here he hates it when someone sees him when he wakes up well except for me I'm his little sister so why worry.

Me: well we didn't want to disturb you

Him : ok I looked at the doctor to continue because I knew that was the last word from him, he is grumpy when he wakes up too.

Me: so do dance for me, for the whole month

Dr: yes bust the good news is this will not affect your dancing for good, it's just a temporary thing. Just be careful next time don't walk on a wet floor especially near the stairs.I nodded, I knew if I talk tears will fail me. So Tau lied and said I fell on the stair-case wow. The doctor left, after some time my brother went to wash his face and mouth I guess. He stood by the door with his hands on his pockets and looked down, this is what I didn't want to see, him worrying about me.Me: you didn't have to come back, I'm fine as you can see

Him: what really happened? and don't lie to me I chuckled trying to hide my lying expression from him

Me: you hear the doctor I fell from the stair

Him: yeah I heard her, she seems to have believed the lie you told her and that's because she doesn't know you, you didn't reply to her and I can bet my money you nodded to hide tears and you knew your voice will fail youI just kept quiet and looked down.

Him : like now. Look at me in the eye and tell me what happened.

He came and sat on the chair than looked straight into my eyes, his eyes were piecing through my soul and I saw that face again in him, I couldn't hold it I cried, I cried hard. He brought me in his arms and brushed my back

Him : I'm here little sis, I'm here Nyota, you have me please don't shut me out, talk to me baby girlHe was breaking, I was breaking my brother. I cried more as he hold me tighter like he was trying to squeeze the pain out of me.

Me: it was....(I cried I couldn't the word couldn't come out, his name brought pain in me just the thought of him, his face it brought anger that I never thought I had, how will I say it)

Nathan took my face into his both hands and looked at me, I looked down

Him: look at me I did

Him : someone did this to you? I nodded

Him : who?, who was it?

Me: It was Tau, Tau did this to me

“what!!!!!!”.

We both turned to see Cindy and his son standing by the door

Cindy dropped the bunch of flowers she was holding and ran out.

“mom...mom”

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I have no idea what was going on on my brother’s head he just sank down on the floor, he buried his head on his hands with his knees up. I didn’t know what to say I know my brother he has a kind heart but when he is mad he I too het nervous but I must he is taking this as a man since he took his time to cool down and I let him.

Nathan : why?

Me: hmm

Him: WHY? WHY DID HE? DID HE BEAT YOU UP OR damn-it this kid

He stood up and paced up and down in frustration

Tears streamed down on me, I did not think this through, Nathan will be mad that I’m dating he will be furious.

Nathan : Nyota...baby sis (he took both my hands and brought them close to him) were you....(sigh) you and him were you dating?

I nodded. He wiped my tears off and sighed again.

Nathan : you had an argument or what?

It took me some time to get the words together in my mind and tell him everything, what happened the day I went out and didn’t come back, why I wore a pollo-neck even when it was hot, to when I tried ending things with him and him pulling me to a point where I broke my leg. He stood there with his eyes fixed on me taking in every word I was telling him, taking in the pain I was feeling as I was pouring our tears. I felt his hands shaking in anger I could hear his breath changing, I hold on to his hands tight because I wanted to assure him that I’m fine.

Nathan : you no longer a baby neh. I guess you grown now

He said that with a fake smile, trying to hide the pain. I didn’t expect what he just said so I just looked at him. I thought he was going to yell at me or something.

Nathan : you are strong little sis no woman is supposed to go through what you went through or what you going through now, you should have told me though you ...

Me: I’m s...

Him : no don’t ever apologies for such things, he is a scumbbag and he needs to be thought a lesson. From now on promise me we will communicate you will tell me what’s going on in your life ok

Me: are you going to tell me what’s going on in “your” life?He looked at me puzzled

Me: I'm not a kid Nathan you said it yourself, I see things

He looked down.

Him : I didn't know how you were going to react if I told you, I didn't know if you were going to be happy or disappointed I'm supposed to set an example for you Nyota

Me: stop beating around the bush

Him: me and Cindy ....we ...we (he scratched his head) we are seeing each other

Me: you love her?

He smiled before he looked at me and said "yes, I love her Nyota, she makes me happy. I know she is older than me plus the circumstances we met under which is why I want to be my own man and build something for myself but we will talk about that after this whole saga of yours"

Me : I'm happy for you, if she makes you happy I'm happy.

Him : thank you, let me go get you something to eat than go home neh

He kissed my fore head than went out.

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NARRATED

It was late in the afternoon, Cindy was curled up on the couch with a glass of wine on her hand the bottle was already empty on the floor, she had had one to many glasses. She was trying so hard to fight all the memories that kept coming back to her. She tried to be strong but this was her weakest point, her weakest moment. After all these years, the things she had been through, time that she had spent to bury the pain, the money she had pain changing psychologists, she had gone through a whole lot until she met Ibongwe the person she could share the pain with and not judge her but cry with her until they couldn't anymore. All this what was the use of going through it all if the pain was going to be brought back by the very same person she was fighting tooth and nail to protect.

"I'm sorry"

Her heart sank at the words, she tried to breath in and out as she was taught but that made no difference.

"I know tha..."

Cindy : don't

She said in a very low voice like she was finding it difficult to talk

Tau : Mom I ....

Cindy : no, you don't get it do you. The pain you caused her. It's not just physical, its more than that its deep Tau, she will never heal, it will stay in her memories forever it a scar its deep down, its within ...

Tau : mom please I...

Cindy : NO YOU NEED TO HEAR IT. You think by beating a woman you will be man enough; you have grown a pair now and you found yourself a testing ground. Haven't that girl been enough I told you she was like a daughter to me, you decided to damage another pure thing that was close to me, to us. Me and you we are damaged

son; we will never be ok ever. When God brought us people that will make us happy you go and decide to take that and shove it back to God himself, you are a disgrace you know I'm ashamed to call you my son.

Tau : I don't know what went over me mama, I swear anger took over me it's like... it's like ...( he wiped tears) I hate this, am I becoming him?The room went silent

Tau : I'm becoming him aren't I?

Cindy : me and you have been through so much son, yes you were wrong you did the despicable and I have no idea if you will be able to repair what you have done but one thing is for sure baby, you are not him. Look at me (she said coming close to him, he did) you are NEVER going to be him, you are my son, you are your own person you cannot and will not determine your identity by him or your mistakes either. Do me afavour

Tau : ok (he talked under his breath trying to hold the tears)

Cindy: take this as a lesson, learn from it

Tau : thank you mama, I'm sorry I always thought that violence is the answer I'm sorry

Cindy hugged her tight but they were disturbed by the banging door

“WHERE IS HE?...WHERE THE F\*\*\*\*\* IS HE!!!!!”

## Chapter 21

NARRATED

“OMG....STOP IT YOU GONNA KILL HIM”

Nathan was brought to life by Cindy's scream and her trying to pull him from Tau, only that did he realized the damage that he had done. He looked at him curling helplessly on the floor, the anger that he had quickly vanished but turned it towards himself, he couldn't believe what he had done, he was not different from him solving issues with violence yes he deserved it but not from him, he should have just let Karma deal with him. He turned to look at Cindy with eyes full of tears the face that she gave her made it clear that he had just messed up big time. He couldn't wait for her to say anything her just turned and went for the door, leaving Cindy growling down on the floor shaking his son who was not responding.

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[#LUCAN](#)

I had tried calling the Nyota's number but her phone is always on voicemail I got worried at first than I thought that maybe she doesn't use it anymore, at this time and age people always got their phones on their hands, the number doesn't even appear on WhatsApp and I even sent an invite but nothing.I was now back in the US and life had been craze hectic with studies, racing and training but I must say I'm getting there now and I'm proud of myself even Ivy is doing great and annoying as ever I swear she thinks she is Wonder woman now. She tries to save every girl in danger well I let her beeits her hobby what can I say.

I was just chilling with my boys playing FIFA and Zyne was pissed as hell after I had beat him 4 times, well I sometimes use my abilities to cheat but who will tell him.

Zyne : know what I'm gonna go and grab a bite since yal asses are just sitting there and cracking to silly jokes

Sihle : Nikka chill we coming with or better yet get something for us too that's what you good at (he cracked up after that)

Zyne just went to the kitchen not minding him

Sihle : someone had to be a lossy boy and I'm sorry that it had to be ...

US : WTF

Lights just went out.

Zyne : yeah you were saying

Ivy : jealous makes you nasty Zyne

Me: girl men are talking

Them : wuuuuuhhhh shame

Ever since I told them about this celebrity homosexual guy called Somizi who likes to say that, they always imitate him when you do something gayish mcm crazes

Me : yal are gonna stay in the dark I don't care let me go make something to eat

Sihle : dude "it's very dark in here" how are you gonna see

Me: worry about yourself my nikkaI turn on my night senses.

My phone rings while making a sandwich and my baby says she is coming I find myself smiling alone and decide to turn on the switch, itsbeen a while since I've seen her.

Me: Ivy don't you have friends you want to visit tonight?

Her : why?

Sihle : she does, some lets go my friend

Me : hell naw dude I would skin you alive

Sihle : you trying to get rid of her and I'm helping

Ivy : actually I do

She says with a wide smile ever.

Me: I'm changing my mind

Ivy : you know you can't do that, Zyne come you'll drop me offShe drags him to the door

Me: aybo clothes

"covered" she yells at me since she's already gone. Sihle follows after them.

I decide to order Chinese food and just set a romantic dinner for me and Lexi.

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"ahhhhh, yes babe right there"

Every sound she makes sends me to another level.

My phone rings and I just ignore it, not when I'm in the zone.

"shit!!!!"

we race to the finish line together and let our bodies relax as we catch our breaths

Lexi : what are you doing to me?

I smile as I take her lips to mine making sure to leave a mark and that's in her brain.  
She moans.

My phone rings again

Me: damn

I turn and take it, Lexi traces her fingers on my sensitive part and she knows which buttons to press to make Master excited.

Me: what ? (I didn't get a chance to look at the caller id) I answer in the most annoyed voice. Lexi goes down and bow down to Master, where does this girl get the energy from.

Caller : I....I'm errr

.Me: ahhhh, talk

Caller : errr, I'm replying to your missed calls I'm sorry I was....

Me : shit...

Caller : are you ok?

Girl F\*\*\*n hang up I thought to myself

Me: ahmm, ahhh yeah...you....you said you .....damn babe (Lexi giggles proud of herself, I'm proud too)

Caller : OMW

She says in the most innocent voice and hangs up. I throw my phone aside and pull Lexi up

Me: you are a naughty naughty girl

Her : I'm sorry daddy

Me: I might have to punish you for that

She looks at me with her puppy eyes

Her : punish me Master

I wait for no further invitation. 😊☐

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"girl I worry about you, I have been calling you for days but I keep talking to that annoying voice, you have got to change that and put on your own voicemail message besides you have a very sexy voice and I'm sure themnikka's would just melt at the..."

She has been talking none stop since she had picked up my call, sometimes I wish I had a remote for her of a switch for when I want to replay because right now it seems like I just opened a tap of words from her

"...anyway my brother ha..."

Me: Ivy...

Her : you gonna like this listen

Me : no I don't wanna listen, geez you have been talking none stop you need to top up my airtime every time I call you this is unfair

Her : ohh is it

Me: yeah

She drops the call. Did she just? I look at my phone not believing what she just did but it rings and it's her. I smile to myself

Me : you craze

Her : now I can talk till I drop

We lough at her craziness.

Her : anyway, you good?

Me: I...err yeah yeah I'm good.

I had never been good at lying in my life I'm just glad that she can't see me.

Her : ahhh now why are you lying to me?

Me: I..I'm just not ready, don't worry I will tell you when I' ready ok

Her : I hope it's not a boy because I swear to you Nyota those things are basterds except the ones in my family but all the men out there are the same I trust nothing that has a deep voice

walks like the ground is on fire, has beard and that tail between their legs I swear if a boy touch...

Me: friend chill ok

Her : I'm chilled don't worry I just don't want you to worry ok, if any of that creature even says hi to you, tellem "I have a Beasty friend Ivy and she will whip your flat ass Nikka" ok don't be afraid to tell them friend

Somehow I believed what she said I don't know why or how that would be possible but I could sense that she meant every word. I laughed a little trying to block the threatening tears. I have been trying to leave my life and forget about the Tau saga but it's impossible because we leave with them and I have to see him every day and Cindy's pity eyes, she no longer looks at me the same way and I have no idea why, well things got worse when Nathan beat him to a hospital bed but lucky for him he is ok just bandages unlike me, I'm in crutches and I have a scar that will never heal but one thing I'm proud of is that I pulled through and I'm still here surviving. No matter what happens I will never stay down that I guarantee, every thing I go through I take it as a lesson, may be weak at the time and cry but I rise up to my feet that's how I am thanks to God.

Me: I will tell them friend

Her : no I don't trust you, I wanna hear you say it

Me: what?

Her : yes say it "I have a Beasty friend Ivy and she will whip your flat ass Nikka"

Me: I will tell them ok

Her : SAY IT

Me : ok ..... ok " I have a Beasty friend Ivy and she will whip...I look at the door as Nathan gets in

Ivy: see I knew it ... I knew you wouldn't say it

I laughed at her I cant say that while Nathan is looking at me like a Hawk

Me: I can't Nathan is watching me like I have grown horns

Her : how is that sexy brother of yours? damn that boy is hmmm

Me: Ivy

I warned, gosh I was embarrassed even though no one heard her

Her : what?

Me :I thought you said all men are what did you say again?

Damn why did I ask her because she started afresh her speech and added a whole lot of things, Nathan was just looking at me not moving

Me: yeah and Nathan is also a man too

Nathan : are you girls gossiping about me?

He took my phone and put it on his ear while Ivy was still talking.

After a while .....

"hmmm so I'm a hot sexy ravish, hunky, smoky, what else did you say?

He laughed and looked at me

Nathan: she hang up

We both laughed, Ivy is craze.

After Ivy, I called this number which I had received a lot of voicemail notifications from.

I called two times just when I was about to give up it was answered by a male voice I wanted to hang up but I didn't know who it was and tried to make a conversation, I could not believe what I just heard I just hang up same time as I figured out what was happening, some people have no shame nx, why answer your phone while engaging in such things.

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The next day I attended school and it was all normal and I managed to catch up on the classes I have lost, all was good until the girl that came to great Tau on my first day at school came to me.

Her : I don't see him dropping you off these days, actually you were not around than came back in crutches and your boyfriend doesn't drop you off that tells me that he did this to you, he did, did he

I looked at her and instead of being annoyed or angry at her, I felt pain, what's with this girl.

Me: everything is gonna be ok, stop depending in men, let your child rest in peace.

Her : what?

She looked at me with tears in her eyes.

Me: what?

She just ran out crying, I looked around and everyone in class was looking at me. I stood up and took my bag and rushed out too.

"what did I say?"

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ever since I came back from school I have been feeling different I dont kniw how to explain it but I felt different and sometimes I would just feel like I'm no longer brithing the same air or even in the same plannet as everyone i didnt want to worry my brother.

Nathan is not ok, I so wish I could help him but he doesn't want to talk about what's bothering him. I had tried and tried but he doesn't open up. I thought we had agreed to no secrecy but it seems like he pushes me away, we no longer spend time together we wakes up very early for work and comes back late, eat bath and go to bed.I had been playing my plan over and over in my head but it all comes back to one person, I had to swallow my pride and go to her.I knocked several times but when I didn't get a response I pushed the door and went in, I followed the voices which sounded like they were in the balcony, I guess that's why they didn't hear me.

"you don't care about the damage you caused do you?, he is your son for crying out loud, instead of trying to mend things with him you come back and want to cause more damage" Cindy sounded like she was crying and I just stood there listening "you know damn well that I'm not going to fall for that rubbish, you fell in love with me knowing very well who I am, he too has to men up and accept his destiny. I came to fetch him we heading to South Africa tomorrow" it was a man's voice and he sounded so hush

Cindy : why are you doing this, Tau can't survive anymore of this

Man : do you realise that you the one damaging him, what will happen when he finally unlashes huh, Cindy we got enemies out there. People who are looking for my kind, I can not just sit around and watch while I know too damn well that my son will need me in the future what if I don't survive this and he doesn't get the chance to learn about himself.

Cindy : learn about himself, really? You want to turn him into a monster like you

Man : yeah the monster you used to love

Cindy : that was before I realized that I sold myself to devil himself

I had head enough, I turn and ran back making sure that my shoes don't make any noise, what are they talking about why didn't I sense anything wrong Tau because it seems like they are talking about something beyond a layman's knowledge or control, I wonder.

I went back to my room, the moment I got in, I was pushed by a heavy force to the floor.

"ahhhh" I hit my head really hard but I hard. What was that?

"Nyota, you ok?" Nathan was right beside me within a blink of an eye, where did he came from

He helped me up and rubbed the back of my head

Me: something pushed me

Him : what?

Me: it's felt like a force of wind, it's so powerful

Him: this is not good, let me look

Me: no don...I couldn't finish, he went in but nothing happened to him

Me: is it safe?

Him : yeah, I think you can come in now I took a few steps reluctantly, when I took one step in it hit me again but this time I didn't lend of the floor Nathan was quick enough to grab my arm, it was like I was not supposed to get into my own room, the wind continue blowing me hard while I was holding on to Nathan, I so wanted to let go because I was losing balance and air as it was even blowing my face, I couldn't breath.

Nathan : hold on tight

It was like he was talking from a distance I could barely here him

Me : what?

Nathan : no matter what, DO NOT LET GO!!!!

Just then I felt something holding me back, dragging me out of the room

Me: "what is happening?"

Nathan : you need to hold on, Baby. Be strong, trust in you. You can do this

Ohh God why me, how am I going to survive this

something I cannot see, how can I fight it.

I felt myself getting weak, it was like my soul was being separated from the body and it was very painful. I let go and fell on the floor, after a while I stood up but this time when I went to the room it was easy, I looked at my brother smiling but he was just in tears he went down in his knees crying 😭👉, when I looked back I saw myself lying there, I had blood coming from my nose, Nathan was busy shaking me, calling my name over and over 📣👉. I looked at my self but couldn't understand what was going on just when I was about to go to Nathan and ask him an evil laugh interrupted me and I looked all over to see who it was but I saw no one.

" you are such a failure, I have no idea why you were choosen for this, one blow and you dead"

Me: dead?

I panicked and looked for the person who was talking but I saw nothing

Me: where are you, show yourself

"trust me you don't wanna face the Satan himself, you will die a thousand times"

Me: I want to see you show yourself

I have no idea where I got the courage but I wanted to face him, look him in the eye, see how pathetic he is.

"child, you don't make demands you are mine now I make demands, you will listen to me"

Me: you called me a coward but you are afraid to come and face a child, you are pathetic, you are nothing, you can't do shit on your own you hide behind the mask rub...

“HEEY, I WILL BURN THAT BODY OF YOURS AND YOU WILL NEVER BE ABLE TO GET BACK”

Me: burn it go ahead, I'm not afraid of you, you aren't God. My God will protect me, he will guide me I know he is just sitting there watching you wasting your energy what did you think you will achieve

“I had already achieved you”

this time he sounded like he was in pain but I have no idea what caused it.

Me: what is it, can't stand the heat, is my God giving you trouble?

“stop, stop it, I brought you here you will not bring his name in my territory”

Me: you have no territory you have nothing, (I felt an urge to pray and I didn't want to resist it) Dear God if you listening now I'm here before you as a sinner...

“stop it, you have to come back”

The more I prayed, the more I raised my voice he was crying and groaning in pain.

Me: use me, I am your servant my God, you are thee God, the God of Ibrahim you never failed and never turned your back on us. I am your child ready for your word tell me what to do and I will obey, I come to you like mosses talk to me dear Lord”

“Nyota...baby sis”

I felt him shaking me but I continued praying even when I had realized that I was now back on my body, I'm not going to be satin's slave he is a failure and I am a winner my God is a winner.

Nathan smiled at me as soon as I said amen

Him : amen

Me: I will go through that door Nathan noting can stop me

"I'm sure the heavens are rejoicing" he said pulling me up, I took a deep breath and got in my room with no hustle at all

Nathan : NYOTA!!!! 😱☐

Me: what?

Him : wow look 😊😊

I couldn't believe my eyes, God is amazing 🙌☐

## Chapter 23

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A MONTH LATER

Life had been good the past these past weeks, I must say am getting better with mastering my abilities and fighting and they help me a lot in racing [#winks](#).

Lexi and I are good one thing I like about her is that she is not a nag she does her thing I do my thing she gets me you know, though I still feel like there is something out there waiting for me I can't tell if its something better or what but there is

definitely something waiting for me out there but still no matter what I do see myself without Lexi where would I find a girl like here, a girl who doesn't try to change me but like me for who I am, I can't say love at this point even though she is always on my mind but yal know Nikka can't be falling in love I'm too young for that ish.

I was driving from my race this afternoon when suddenly I heard something bumping me from behind, I got so pissed. When I checked, the review mirror it was a black suv, damn, I felt the car losing control and I had no chance to keep checking the coast and pay attention to the breaking car I and to step on it. This car had been following me for some time but I never paid much attention to it, why would I have people following me. I tried to take a left turn that I will use the freeway instead and try to lose this car but I never got there all I remember were a bright light beading straight to my car and a truck's horn.....

"don't worry he will be up any time from now, just get that syringe ready because we might not be able to tame him"

I head this voice from far I tried to move but my hands couldn't I tried to open my eyes with a bit of a struggle but they eventually did and I was shocked to find myself tired in a chair in chains, there were bull dogs facing me and you could tell that they were hungry for blood and as soon as I moved they started moving towards me with that scary bark with saliva at the corner of their mouths and ready to attack

“(wistle) boys sit, it's not time yet. Damn my boys like action”

Another voice: ahh so he can really heal on his own, I though the boss was lying, what are you?

He said getting closer. This boy better not try me because I will squash him like a fly. He was my age but you could see that he was trying to be one of those street thugs who think they know everything just because they break in little stores and smoke weed. I so wanted him to get closer

"it' s time to tame him” said the first man

The boy : he doesn't seem harmful to me

Man 1 : trust me you don't wanna get close to him without help, get the God Kid am sure it's time to celebrate a re-union of a long lost relative

I was studying them this whole time and looking around the room and there was no easy exit just one door and I bet there are men on the other side and if I plan on doing something I better be ready for a war.

As soon as the door bust open I felt his scent and I couldn't believe this, I just let my body relax in defeat. How can he?.

He came my side and he had this poker face but I could read him like a book, he had hatred towards me and I couldn't understand for what, why would my own blood do this to me, this better be one of dad's training because I would not kill my own blood, yes I have to survive but not like that.

Him : I bet you missed me little broe

Me: please tell me this is just some training shit or something, please

I was begging because I didn't want to believe that he was one of the people who nearly killed me.

Him : I wish, but this is real. Syringe

They tossed it him and he didn't even hesitate but just sent it straight to my vein on the arm. I didn't want to fight him ever been defeated before you even get on the ring. My big broe, what has gone wrong, what happened to him, was it me? Did my family did something. We looked at each other's eyes as I felt my body getting weaker and weaker.....

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I know it's long overdue but I was playing Ciara ft Nicki Minaj – I'm out.

Who said only Ciara can celebrate her break-up.I couldn't believe that I have come so far within a space of months. Well

Nathan brought us a 4 roomed house in the same area we lived in and we moved out from Cindy's it wasn't as I hard to us all because they had sort out their issues and Nathan was not good, I think they were back together.

This house had a lounge

a kitchen, bathroom and toilet with two bed rooms. It was our nice little sanctuary and a bit cozy I must say plus I felt safe.

After I had spent my afternoon dancing, since I had got rid of the cast on my leg. Well Cindy had introduced something to me which was to post my videos on youtube and I dad now posted about 5 videos and the last one had close to 8 000 view I was happy people are starting to know me out there and what's exciting is that I never show my face I'm Anonymous chick and every viewer just want to see my face but for now I wasn't to keep them guessing, some say maybe I'm ugly some say maybe I have a scar you know people and their craze theories

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I was not reading my back book. The day I was fighting with evil, God had wanted me to realize my strength and his worth, dedicate myself to him so that I would be ready for what was coming and it's all in this book. You will not believe when Nathan showed me the miracle God had done, the book was floating on the air and opened. Each page I must read open on its own, I just have to always be ready for God to speak to me and obey. If I'm not supposed to read a certain page it will be blank but the one's I'm supposed to read will be ready to my surprise the book is written in English.

The black book was a family bible, a special one since it takes a special person to read it. So my grate grategrate grandma was a woman of God, she helped people who we helpless, those who thought have everything in control but lacked God in their lives well like Eva she had her own Adam and since he was human he was not perfect well the eyes of a human but not God. He was a solder, as a solder he spent most of his time going to wars we all know that he wasn't going there to visit so blood was shared

to save the innocent people, some didn't understand they called him a killer and it was worse when we came back because he still had that urge and that thirst for blood since it was something he was used to and had been doing half of his life, it didn't turn good and well we was always in fights and sometimes would kill people while trying to keep the community he lived in safe and that was never taken well by the people but grate gran never forgot to pray and as much as grate grandpa did not repent God was always on his side because his wife prayed for him day in day out.

I'm still yet to learn more from the book but so far I had learnt that my Lord doesn't look beyond who we are he doesn't count the mistakes we have made and throw a towel on us, he loves us still, we are the ones who moves from his embrace because we see that we are better or we can do without him, whereas we are wrong.

I had started to pray for all the one's close to me asked God to guide them, even though we are sinners we pray that one day the light will be more visible to us.

"he needs you"

I tried to move but I felt trapped, who is talking. I opened my mouth but my voice couldn't come out.

"you need to get up"

I wanted to yell and shout, how will I get up when I'm trapped. I suddenly saw myself in a very strange room, it was empty but I head a very loud cry like someone was in the most excruciating pain but the thing is I also felt the pain.

I felt electric shock all over my body and I swear I almost peed on myself, then the car began again. Again. Again, again, I was now powerless on the floor

Me : STOP!!!!!! PLEASE STOP.....

"Ntota....hey hey wake up"

Ever felt like something was preventing you from waking up and fighting it leaves you tired and your heart pumping hard, I pulled hard from my sleep to make sure that I follow the voice.

Me: thank you

I said as soon as my eyes met Nathan's

Him : I'm sorry, bad dream?

I nodded.

Him : your phone had been ringing. He passed it to me and I had 3 missed calls from Ivy.

She picked up like she was waiting for my call.

"(sniffs) thank you for calling back I had no idea who to call, I needed someone to talk to"

Me: what's going on?

I stood on my feet like I could see her.

Her : we can't find him Nyota, it's been 3 days now. We have looked everywhere and I have been having these bad dreams. Nyota I think someone is trying to kill my brother if he isn't already (she cries)

When she said that the voice played in my head “he needs you” .....”he needs you”  
Me: I have to come there  
Its like my mouth ran on its own because that was not even in my mind  
Nathan looked at me shocked  
Ivy : what?  
Me: he needs me

## Chapter 24

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“what do you mean the twins are not there” Liam asked Ibongwe for the third time and it was like he had not heard a thing she had told him.

Ibongwe was now in tears she had looked for the kids everywhere, when she went to fetch them at school she was told that they had already went home, well they are grown and they know their way home since they usually go back on their own but this day their mother had told the girls that she was going to take them, ever since their big brother went missing they made sure that everyone was safe but were they really safe?, the answer is clear “No” since they were now missing and it was hard to get help since everyone was in the US looking for Lucan for the whole week and a few days.

Ibongwe : they are not at school, I have looked everywhere. Their friends said they didn’t see them after school actually no one saw them. Liam my babies are gone (she cried harder)

Who said once you went through something and overcome it, it was all buried and gone. Ibongwe was now thinking of what she had went through in the hands of another human being when she nearly dies and was saved by the love of her life.

Her : what if, what if they don’t make it Liam

Liam : we will find them baby I promise I will be back home first thing tomorrow morning

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How can one family go through so much within a space of a week, 3 people had gone missing, what’s next. Will they survive this? If they do how will they do, will them being beast going to help or destroy them more. Who said just because you are half human you cannot surfer, the Laurie house hold was no longer the house of laughter and love, one would wake up wash and go out there and hunt if even if you had no supernatural gifts you had to do whatever you had to do to help.

The Brother’s (L’s) had literally painted the country (USA) red. Even the people in the Island were now suffering because no one was taking care of the business meaning there were no imports and exports. It’s only been 2 weeks since Lucan went missing and 3 days the girls went missing. You might think that the brothers were more ruthless and heartless but that was nothing compared to little twins (Leah and Levi)

and what was dangerous was that they could manage to bind themselves as one so they could be more powerful.

“what are yal doing” Nana(Inami) asked as she was coming out of her room dressed in all black only to find all the Laurie man sitting in the Lounge, other’s with their hands buried on their hands. The little twins brothers were just staring into space.Dio just looked defeated. They didn’t budge even Nana was talking.

Nana: you know what?

She went back to her room went to her husband’s safe and came back with a gun.

Her : since yal suddently went mute, I will use the only language you know!!!!

She shot on the siling and a shandellia fell the whole thing causing everyone to jump

L’s : WFT?

Dio : woah, princess what are you doing?

Liah and Levi : MOM?

Nono (Ibongwe) came rushing and only to stand still when she saw her sister with a gun

Nana : ya’ll can talk now? Well tough because you gonna listen. You will go out there and look for my son and daughter’s do you hear me, they must all come back alive and healthy because I swear Lauries if my babies are hurt you will suffer the consequences

Leroy : baby this is bigger than you think

She shot him, the bullet hit his arm and went through to the wall.

Leroy : WTF

Dio : who the hell taught you how to use a gun?

Nana : him, (he pointed at her husband with it) and I’ll use it on him

Leroy : but you already did

She shot him on the leg this time

Her : you want the next one on your heart?, we all know that my sister will alsI lose a husband if I do that but you don’t corporate so which one is it?

Liam : we will look for them

He went to his room to change to more comfortable clothes, the rest followed. Nono was still shocked by the whole thing.

Leroy : who will help me than?

Nana : you always come back with bloody clothes Laurie and I’m not the one who remove those bullets.

She kissed her sister’s forehead went out. Everyone got ready for yet another hunt

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It’s been a week since I applied for my pass-port and I haven’t got it yet, is it bad luck or what. The past days I have been communicating with Ivy and I must my friend is going through very tough time. I had condoled her the best way I know how but I



know that at the end of the day words are just words without action and right now I just feel like a failure.

I had done all the house chores and was just researching and looking for abandoned buildings in the US maybe I will come across the one I saw in a dream.

I had that dream again and this time I saw outside the building when I heard people crying it was no longer just one person and other voices sounded like girls were crying, it broke me and till now I can't get those cried out of my mind. In times like these I wish I was good with technology I'm sure I would have find something by now.

"helo"

I said as I picked up my ringing phone

"Nathan says your passport is ready, I will cancel my plain for tonight so that you will take it than I will follow after you as soon get the next available flight" Cindy said as soon as she heard my voice on the line

Me: thank you Cindy

Well

we have told Cindy everything about my gift and my dreams and she was not surprised she just said she had seen worse and that she is glad I can help her friend in this difficult time.

Her : the flight departs in 3 hours get ready I will take you

We said our goodbyes and rushed and got ready for my leave. Within an hour and 30 minutes I was all packed and ready to go.

"damn Ivy" I just remembered that I hadn't called her

Her : please tell me your pass-port is ready

No hallo nothing.

Me: yeah my flight is in an hour

Her : good, thanx for doing this babe

Me: that's what friends are for

I said, we hung up after.

Sindy came and picked me up with Nathan, we bought dinner since it was in the afternoon and I just ate in a hurry since I didn't want to be late for my flight.

They hugged me and Nathan kissed my forehead.

Him : warm clothes?

Me: check

Him: black book?

Me: check

Him: Cell....

Cindy : if you don't have it with you its fine you will call and we will transfer money now go, take this phone for emergency its untraceable too, call

Ibongwe as soon as you land she is on speed dial.

We hugged again.

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I have heard people complaining about jet leg and all that and I thought they were just saying it for attention, so that we will know that they travelled long distance but I must say travelling is so not my thing I'm good going from one city to another, country to another or continent to another nah thank you.

Luckily Ivy was waiting for me as soon as I collected my stuff I saw her standing next to some younger version of her but when I got close I noticed that it was a guy, he is so cute he looks like a girl. You know that excitement that you get when you see someone close to you after a very long time, that's how close I have become with Ivy. I was so excited I expected her to feel the same though but I was wrong my friend was so down I just came to them hold her close to me and hugged her tight without saying a thing, I let her cry on my shoulder not caring if people are watching or what, the more she cried the more I hold her tighter to me in a way I was telling her to let it all out and that it was safe with me.

Her little brother just gave me a nod of acknowledgement, took my luggage and left us there, after sometime we broke the hug.

Me: girl you look ugly

She chuckled wiping the tears off.

Her : really?

I nodded

Her : not as ugly as you thought it's like you haven't slept in days

Well I made sure that I took energy drinks so that I won't sleep in the plane, I didn't want to have those dreams what were people going to say.

Me: it's not a competition ok

Her : yeah yeah, I'm glad you here

She took my hand and led me to the car, her mother was there not driving though. An older version of Ivy was driving an older man this time around. tjo these people look the same except that Ivy and his little version look mixed raced, the older version looked like he is Mexican or a Latino.

I greeted after we were all seated.

Little version : I'm glad yal done with your crying session.

Ivy gave him a dead stare

Her mom turned "who was crying"

Ivy : no one mom no one. Anyway this is my little brother Leah and my father L (she laughed a little) you know my mom already and guys this is my best friend Nyota

Her dad : you mean your only friend

They debated for a while.

We drove for a very long time and I could swear that we were driving for hours.

Her dad : you can't stay here Nyota so I'm gonna take you guys home, it's quite far so just relax

I looked around, far? but we already have been driving for hours.

Leah : you gonna take another plain

I noded wondering how many airports they have because we just left one.

Ivy : this is a special place we going to so we can't take our flight from the airport we picked you from

Me: ohhh

I didn't understand still but I just let it be I was tired...

“what are doing to them”

I asked as I head the crying again, this time around I saw blood slowly creeping out under the closed steel door.

I banged it with my hand and I was in tears now

“ leave them alone”

I head the laughter again; I was not mistaken I know this laugh which is why I say again.

“bloody coward” I said under my breath

Voice : I told you that you are mine now, this is all your doing I didn't do anything you did this to them

Me: liar

The laughter grew louder as I got scared

Another a voice: don't listen to him, you defeated him before you can do it again, he can see that you close he wants you to give up. He did that himself. Rescue them

Nyota they are crying for your help

“I'm coming please hold on”

I said as I banged the door so hard trying to bust it open.

I took a step back and one last breath and ran with full force banging the door hard and surprisingly it literally flew across the room.

“she's dying please hurry”.....

I felt water on my face and voices around me

“hey Nyota, please wake up .....wake up”I felt a light slap on my face and I shot my eyes open

Me: she's dying ...

## Chapter 25

### [#NYOTA](#)

I was a bit confused looking at all these people they just looked the same the only thing was the age difference and the mothers were different but the kids and the father's all looked like their grandfather and things were worse when it comes to the twins, Leah and Levi I couldn't separate them even if I tried. Things were easier when they started talking because Levi was loud and could talk nonstop even if he wanted to say “no” you would go to town and come back while he is still talking Leah on the other side was down to earth talked in a low tone but was very sarcastic, you would

miss it if you not paying attention. Their fathers too were like that Ivy's dad (Liam) was like Leah and the twin's dad (Leroy) was like Levi on steroids the grandfather (Dio) as well. Their mothers were nice I couldn't have asked for a better mother if I were them. There is something that was worrying me though, every time when I come into contact with Ivy's mom (Nono) I would have this weird feeling which I couldn't understand its's like me and her had some kind of pain which were sharing but it was also mixed with anger I couldn't make out what It was and I just chose to put it aside for now if there is something there it will be revealed in time. Dio on the other hand he looked like he knew me for a long time, he was very happy when I came here seemed relieved if I may say and still I couldn't get why.

I looked at everyone who had their eyes on me, if I were someone else I would be intimidated right now the looks I was getting but than again this is me so I just looked at them back and waited for them to say something.

Grandpa Dio cleared his throat and leaned backwards.

The twin's mom (Nana): someone please tell me why these man are still here because Nyota had told them that he had a clue of where my kids are, do you want any of my kids is that what you want?

She was pretty mad to a point where her face was red considering that she had a very light skin.

Dio : we have tried tracking them princess but nothing came out of it even our abilities made no difference.

Me: what abilities were you using?

Ivy : errhh just tracking them using saivalance camera's

The twins coughed

Me: the truth please

Ivy's mom (NONO) : They are Beasts

I looked at her, she had been very silent. I took a deep breath and looked at each and everyone in the room one by one,

“he was the most handsome creature I had everseen in my life, he was strong, had sea blue eyes which turned red when he was angry, his breathing changed to a roar, he would have two sharp teeth in the front which were sharp like a razor, his face would shrink and get a bit darker while his face structure would totally turn to something different and not human, he would have claws on his fingers and toes, he was a very dangerous creature only because he let anger took over his emotions he would totally swich off all his human senses when angry,he was a....”

Me: he was a beast I finished the sentence remembering what I had read from the Black book.

Everyone : what?

Me; my grate grate grate grate grate grandfather, he was a beast

Ivy : so you are not scared or anything?

Me: why would I be, look this is why you haven't been successful. Tell me if I'm wrong, you guys were looking for the people who took your kids instead of looking for your kids right?

Twin's mom (Nana) : what?

Me: please

Them : yes

Me: that's because you were angry you couldn't control the beast in you, you have to allow your humanity be part of you too, ,don't switch it off when you are angry it's ok to feel those kids of emotions. Be careful when you angry, the beast take over and hwne it does it only wants the enemy, it wants to attack the enemy while the human side is concerned about the missing people. You have to learn to master it all.

Levi : who are you to tell us what to do, you F\*\*\*n have no idea what we going through right now, you think you can come here and dictate to us. Who is she again? He asked in the most angered tone that I got scared a bit, damn you Tau I easy get ascared these days but I know that I'm meant to be helping and that's what I have to do.

Ivy : Levi how ....

Me: let him, at least he is speaking his mind.

His dad : no son of mine would talk like that to someone else while am here and not say a thing, Levi apologise

He looked at his dad with total red eyes and I could hear his groan even though he was not next to me

Hid dad: NOW!!!!

Levi : I'm sorry

He was still trying to suppress his anger. I stood up and went to him, hold his hands.

Me: don't suppress the anger, get angry but don't forget the human in you, the beast shouldn't take over

Levi : you don't get it

Me: what is it that I don't get talk to me

He grabed my hands tight that I could feel my bones crushing

Me: ouch

Dio : LEVI

He let go quickly and stood up

Him : I'm sorry

I stood up holding my hand which was in pain.

Me: look I know that I'm knew at this but all I know is that you all have to work together if your emotions are mixed like this and you let the beast take over you will lose who you are in the process. You all are half human half beast there is no side that's more important than the other. Once you get that you will be able to track them.

Dio : I can't believe I'm being schooled my a child (he shook his head) so you said you have a clue of where they are

Me: it looked like an old abandoned building and it's next to a railway now that I think about it because I would here a train passes every time the dream starts and I have a feeling that it's the closest place to where you are  
it's not a difficult place to find just a place you guys would never think of.

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I could not believe my eyes, seeing my siblings and my parents, it was like a dream come true. I had lost hope being in that hell hole was something I never thought I will go through in my entire life. I'm not talking about physical pain I could have been able to survive that and still be able to smile someday but when physical pain is inflicted by the one person whom you thought was your big brother, the one person you thought will look out for you in times like these but he is the one putting you through hell.

I looked at my sisters crying for help, crying for my name and I couldn't do shit, they cried till they couldn't anymore. I was so disgusted I just wanted them to kill I didn't want to see this anymore I had given up.

Today though today was our freedom day.

"get them out of here we will deal with the dogs"

I couldn't care less what they were going to do to them, I just wanted to go home.

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I had just finished taking a lifetime shower but I still felt like shit, it was like I left something of mine in that place, not just something but I lost myself in there and I'm not sure if I will ever get it back.

"I brought you foo..."

Me: KNOCK

Ivy : Can come on I

Me: I said knock, so go back and do as I say

She went back and knocked.

Me: who is it?

"ivy"

Me; come in

Her : that was really not necessary but I'll forgive you. How are you?

Me: is that for me?

She was holding a plate of food, she nodded

Me: thank you

She handed it to me and I started eating immediately while she was looking at me

Me: what?

Her : I'm worried about you guys, you know the girls are not talking to anyone they just locked themselves in their rooms, what happened there Can please talk to me  
I saw tears in her eyes and I couldn't bear to see another one of my siblings crying I can't anymore I had to save her the headache.

Me: nothing, goodnight thank you for the food

Her : but I....

Me: Ivy please

She went out sulking, I still had to deal with my demons too.

I spent a week in my room, I would bath eat sleep and train that's all I did, I didn't want to face anyone I didn't want to see their pity faces and answer their questions they got tired of knocking and they just let me be, I had flash backs of every single even that happened there no one should ever go through what me and my sisters went through and I couldn't face them because I couldn't help them no matter how much they cried.

I woke up this day and there was silent around the house so I chose to get out of my room maybe take a walk. I wanted to have breakfast after my bath so I went to the kitchen. I grabbed bottled water from the fridge but bumped someone as I turned back. I stopped for a second and looked at her, than looked around the house there was no one.

Her : I'm sorry

She said so innocently but at this point I didn't care about anything.

Me: who are you?

She extended he hand

Her : I Ny...

Me: you know what scratch that, I don't care. Are you the help or what?

That's the first thing that came to mind because she was in a flowered summer dress and no one in our standard could wear such a dress, yes it suit her but fact still remained it was ugly.

She looked at me shocked like she had lost her tongue

Me: ok since you can't talk please make breakfast for me I'm sure your hands and feet still works, I like my eggs half done and my tear strong, black with lots of sugar.

I went to take my phone wondering why we hired a help I mean we had never had a help in this family that's how much we don't trust easily. I checked my messages and I had a lot and listened to my voice messages too, I had never checked it ever since I got back I wonder where they got it because it was in the car when I had an excited, damn my car.

"auh...your breakfast is ready"

I looked up to meet the girl's straight face. Seems like she got an attitude for days I stood up and went to east than went for my walk after.

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The twins were not doing well at all, the things they went through were traumatizing and so inhumane.

Lexi was strong she channeled all her emotions to anger and one thing that was in her mind was revenge she wanted to find and kill all those men who had been exchanging

her to certify their nasty desires, she still couldn't tell anyone what had happened there her family had tried to talk to her but all she wanted was to forget about that horrible experience.

Nexus on the other hand she was hit hard to a point where she did not see herself ever making it out of this misery, she had lost herself and hope the only thing that she had seem fit was just to end all this so that she could just rest because no matter how hard she tried to endure the pain it was there, the memories, every time she closed her eyes she saw all the man on top of her, sweating and breathing heavy, she could hear the breaths and groans of those who came from the back, while they were smacking her thighs and licking her ear to the other. She had tried to block all those memories but it never happened they were a part of her now. She had taken pills thinking that they she will just sleep and never wake up again but she will just vomit them back sleep and wake up to those flash backs. Slighting her wrist never helped since she healed within a few hours, crying was no longer an option it never helped.

This was their life they tried to live through it but it was hard.

## Chapter 26

### [#NYOTA](#)

I had been here for two weeks even though things aren't settled well but I must go back I got school and I'm already behind. Cindy came and she had also been very supportive. Today we were both going back since she also has work to go back too, she might have left my brother to overlook at the things but it's she feels like her work always needs her touch.

We were all in the US now, the family was trying to cheer-up the twins and their brother but it never worked even after a lot of activities that were done, games and those sort of stuff especially since they refuse to see a shrink.

The twins were better though because I could see them every now and then but their brother was scarce expect when he wasn't me to do something I swear that guy is as arrogant as they came. He never gave me a chance to tell him that I'm not a maid but just a friend but then again I was relieved that at least he was talking even though he was talking trash to me, one thing I made sure though is that he knew that I'm not his mat. Even if I was a maid he needs to respect me.

"I can't believe you really going" Ivy came and threw herself on the bed, we have been sharing a room and I must say it was nice being around her, she is a bit too much but in a god way.

Me: I'll be a phone call away babe

Trust me I have picked up a few words here and there which I just throw in on the conversation.

Her : at least now you can know how to facetime (she laughs)

Me: That's no longer funny Ivy

Her: but I love you my friend even though you living in the past



Me: mxm

After I finished packing I was just tired and I wanted to just throw myself next to Ivy

Me: I cant believe I came here with only one luggage but going back with four

Ivy : and you still left like a tons of clothes behind, trust my mother's to exhaust you with shopping

Me: you mother's please, have you met Cindy. She can make you shop till you drop "literally"

We laughed because Ivy loves shopping but she was also complaining the day we went with Cindy I had warned her though and she just said "you such a bore Miss ancient" well I let her be.

I went to Nexus' room after packing I wanted to talk to her since I had been having bad dreams about her but just couldn't make them what they meant. "what?" she yelled on the other side after I had knocked several times

Me: it's me and I'm not going away until you open

She was familiar with my voice now because I have been coming to knocked at her door.

She opened slowly and peaked though the small space she had opened Me: I didn't come to stand her and look at your ugly face

Her: nx

She walked back and I followed since she left the door open. I sat on the bed comfortably.

Me: I was going to tell you how dirty your room is if you didn't know but since you know I'm just gonna skip that, I won't ask you how are you too because you will lie. Tell me though are you better than yesterday?

She shook her head

Her: why are you always trying to sound smart?

Me : because I like too, people seem to understand when I sound like this, is it irritating you?

She shook her head

Her: I don't want pity, and you don't pity me. Why?

Me: because you already pity yourself trust me you don't need someone else looking at you like the world is coming to an end. Do you feel like your world is coming to an end?

her: it had already ended; I just have to accept. Have you ever felt like your world is coming into an end?

Me: no, I've never. Want to know why?

Nex: I'm sure you going to tell me Smarty

Me: I wish the Laurie's can stop naming me; anyway, I talk to God, cry to him, yell at him and he always answers.

Nex: he never listened to me ( all this time she was just standing by the window staring outside, no showing her face to me or even her emotions though her voice, she

was a closed book and she was talking in a very low tone you could almost miss some of her words). I cried, begged and prayed to him, when those m...when I was facing a difficult situation I called upon him Nyota, he was never there. Not even once.

Me: tell me how are you breathing today Nexus?

Her : hhu?

Me: you heard me, tell me how is it that today you are here, breathing, talking to me, living in this amazing house with the most amazing loving and supportive family

She looked at me then turned back to staring outside the window

Her: you don't get it do you?

Me : make me get it, make me understand, I want to get it Nex

She sighed

Her: I came back from that place but I left a part of me which I would never ever get back no matter how much I try. I was taken advantage of but wanted him there at that time, he was never there. I cried to him, I watched my sister being.... I watched my sister losing herself in front of me, I called for my brother because I trusted that he could help but he had no strength. He was never there Nyota. Never

Me: have you ever read the Bible?

Her : a bit

What I liked about her was there she was answering what I was asking and it was easy to get her to where I wanted her.

Me: yeah me too. My grandmother read me a story which made me looked at things a bit different. Do you know about the story of the 10 commandments?

She shook her head no

Me: well there is a lot which happened in that story Nex. God used to talk to the people before, most gifted men and woman would interact with God and pass the message to the people. The Egyptian people had their own God, when they noticed that the people who had came with David had dominated their land and their God was powerful they decided to turn all those people to slaves, they took all the men and turned them into slaves, since they were slaves even before David. Those people suffered for years and years, they were crying out to God, he was not answering their prayers so they thought, at that time God had choose to be silent. The people never gave up they prayed. God had said to David that he will reveal himself to his people, which is why they never gave up. Some did give up but some did not, some died while waiting. To cut my story shot God talked to Moses decades later and told him to free the people, it was not easy but it happened since he has made them a promise to lead them to "the promised land". God made miracles showing his existence to people, he opened a way for them when they were facing the enemy and they crossed the sea. He provided them with water when they were thirsty, he gave them mana when they were hungry but what did they do, they committed blasphemy, adultery, theft, became jealous just to name a few which id how the 10 commandments came about. Now this is my point. These people had paid and cried for years, some even

lost their loved ones along the way, God was there all that time just because you do not hear him doesn't mean he is not there or he is not listening. He answers your prayers everyday it's just that when you pray upon him you think you will see or hear his answer right then and there, no it doesn't work like that, if you want a precious thing that is going to stay and build you, you must be patient because it doesn't come cheap and it will take time for it to be perfected. God wanted the people to be prepared for the journey, he wanted people who trusted him, who believed him not people who just prayed because they were suffering, there is no better way to surf those people out than to put them in a test and see if they pass. You were in a test, you came back, you prayed God brought me, your family rescued you now you have all the help you need, accept it

embrace it and use it. He had answered you make sure that you take what you have went through as a lesson. Be a bigger person and live.

She turned and looked at me. She was in tears now. I stood up and went to her, took her hands and prayed.

We were all gathered in the sitting room well except for the "prince" only him knows where he is, I kind wanted to see him before I go but I don't know why because he will be all rude and irritate me. Me and Cindy were not saying our goodbyes to everyone.

Dio : you know I think we should all just go and leave you at the airport

Ivy's mom: yes I agree you guys have been a great help.

She stood up and gave me a huge hug.

Her: thank you my girls can now smile I have no idea what you did and how but I'm grateful

Me: it will take time. Slowly but surely

Ivy: it all took Miss ancie...

Me:Ivy shut up

They all laughed. I think its the way I said it 🤔

Levi's mom came back holding a stack of keys

Her : are we going or what

Cindy : really Nana, you can't wait to get rid of us

Levi's Dad : I think everyone should go and leave me and my wife in our house, I can't even get it on I mean I have been staying for days now and yal know ...

Dio : ohh God, he will never stop

We all laughed going to separate cars to the airport. We drove for an hour or so and they saw us off. We hugged everyone.

Ivy : lets take one last selfie

Dio : Ivy baby I know you feel left out since you don't have a twin but you must know Nyota is more beautiful than you so choose your twin carefully

They like teasing each other, I wonder how my grandpa was going to treat me if he were alive.

Ivy: oohh please Grandpa we all know am the hottest in the family

Ivy's dad (Liam) : but Nyota is cute babe

“yes she is”

We all turned I could not believe who just said I'm cute 😊☐ where does he come from?.

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### #LUCAN

Ever felt so defeated and drained buy emotions. I have no energy nothing, I keep going back and revising all the things that we through, thinking to myself if I had done this or that or tried harder maybe just maybe I would have done something to help my sisters. Yes I'm a man and we used to be told that men don't cry or they will seem weak well I'm allowed to be weak I'm human too and at some point in life we all allowed to break.

Like any other day I went to the gym when I woke up, I went to take a long deserved shower than went to do make a healthy shake, I don't know why but I was so disappointed when I didn't find that girl maid in the kitchen, she was not in sight. I don't know why but I kind of felt like I'm drawn to her but I had to dismiss that craze feeling.

I dragged my feet back to my room and just listened to music. I looked at my phone for a while debating whether to answer or not as it was ringing.

Me: hey you!

tried my best to sound more alive even though it was an epic fail.

Lexi : wow, so you really are back. Lucan I've been worried sick about you I thought something bad happened to you (she was crying by now) I ...I

Me : babe come down I'm ok now

Lexi : what happened?, I know it wasn't me because you've been awol. Me and your friends had to call a search party. We've been looking for you high and low

Me: Lexi I'm ok babe, please come down

She took a breath

Her: ok I'm glad you ok. Can I come see you?. I wanna make sure that you ok

If only she knew how I'm not a great company these days, plus I wouldn't want her to see me like this.

Me: my family is around baby, I'll make sure I come see you as soon as I get to be free

Her: it's ok, I understand. I love you

Me: uhm take care babe

I dropped the call before she could say something.I was lazing in bed when dad just budged in without nocking

Me: and then?

Dad: and then what?

Me: dad you did not knock

Dad: you seem to forget that you under my roof

Me : Dad 2's roof literally

Him : yeah whatever, are you coming? we going to drop Cindy and Ny.....

Me: I'm cool

Him: even the twins are coming we could have a family lunch at the airport before they take off

Me: Dad I said I'm cool (I snapped)He lifted both his hands up and left. After a while I decided to go watch tv it's been a while since I've watched a few matches. When I got to the lounge there was a phone ringing and it was so irritating. I ignored it till I had enough. I saw Nathan's pic flashing on the screen and I posed for a minute."whose phone is this" It rang again and I decided to pick up this time around.

Me: uhm Nath'

Him: who are you?

He sounded really angry

Me: it's Lucan broe

Nathan: ohh they found you in one piece, you good?

I chuckled a little.

Me: I'm getting there

Him: that's what we want, so what you doing with my sister's phone?

Me: your sister?

I was so confused.

Him: yeah my sister, Nyota, where is....

Me:Ny....Nyo ....damn

Then it all came back to me

\*\*\*\*flash back\*\*\*\*

Her: I'm sorry

Me: who are you?

(I could remember her smile, her innocent but don't mess with me expression)

She extended her hand

Her: I'm Ny.....

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Damn so she wants to say Nyota, I felt like screaming to the top of my voice

Me: F\*\*\*\*\*

Nathan: Lucan what did you do?

I had forgotten about him

Me: uhm look I will get back to you

I went to my room in a bolt changed to more decent clothes grabbed my mom's car keys and rushed out. I was driving like a maniac on my way to the airport"Lucan how can you be so foolish" I thought to myself

\*\*\*\*flash back \*\*\*\*

Dad : yeah whatever, are you coming? we going to drop Cindy and Ny.....

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I hit the staring with my fist angry at myself. All this time she has been under my roof and I was busy licking my wounds to even notice her. Damn you nikka damn you.

I saw Leah and Levi coming to the exit and I slowed down defeated.

Levi : and then, what's up with the King of grumpiness

Me: F\*\*\* off Levi, they've boarded already?

Leah : what's it to you, you want to appolidise to your tea lady, forget it she down't want to see you bra you've been treating her like trash

I brushed my head, was I that bad.

Me: I need to apologize ok

Leah : well you late

Levi: and she said she is never coming back because of you

I sank down to the nearest sit, buried my head on my hands.

Me: I messed up neh

Levi : big time, so why are you sitting there while she's ready to board

I raised my head quickly

Me: F\*\*\* you

They just laughed at me, I left them there and looked for my family I'm sure they are the noisiest group around and I found them still chatting and laughing.

Dio : Ivy baby I know you feel left out since you don't have a twin but you must know Nyota is more beautiful than you so choose your twin carefully

Ivy: oohh please Grandpa we all know am the hottest in the family

Yep it will always be these two if not Dad2 and Levi on debating about who is cooler and hotter than who I mean they are just a version of the other just the age difference.

Ivy's dad (Liam) : but Nyota is cute babe

"yes she is" I said taking a step closer to them, I could see that she was a bit surprised to see me here.

Dio : and he decided to avail himself

Me: Dio are you the one going because I came to say goodbye

Dad2: woow and what changed, you missed her cooking already?

Me: Dad2 please

Dad: Cindy, baby (she said looking at Nyota) I'm glad you came we thank you again for your support.

They all said their goodbyes and hugged them. Ivy stood next to Nyota and folded her arms. I cleared my throat and looked at her

Ivy : ohhh ok. Twin, that's your new tittle (they giggled,mncm girls) I'll miss you don't be a stranger now ok. Tell that Nikka Tau that I'll break his bones if he ever lay another hand on you ( she was whispering that part but I got Beast senses I head every word)

I clenched my fist and I could sence anger building up. What did that mother f\*\* do?Nyota: I'll call, text and facetime every chance I get.

Ivy : you better

I was just standing there like a fool. I cleared my throat again, I'm impatient bite me.

Ivy : mncm

She let go and hugged Cindy

Cindy : I'll be on my way, take care son

Me: thank you, safe journey.

Nyota tried to follow her but I took her hand, she stopped and looked at my hand and up at me. I was now left with her, I came closer not knowing where to start and what to say to her. I have been looking and searching for this girl high and low. I took my time to look at her, she is a bit thick, got hips and boobs with a tiny figure. Her body is older than her age but it suits her, everything fits her perfectly. she has big eyes, caramel complexion with an oval shaped face. She is not short not tall either just average. Damn this girl is just perfect.

Her: I doubt you came all the way to just stare at me, besides I got a plane to catch.

Me: don't go

I surprised myself too but I didn't regret saying it.

Her: what?

Me : soo, you and Tau?

Her: what about us?

Me : you dating?

I saw her face changed. U tried to read her, if she was angry or what but nothing. I couldn't read her. Interesting 🙄☐

Her: I don't wanna talk about it.

There right there the hurt. I saw it without using any abilities. I wantd to hug her but at thus point I couldn't because I also got angry.

I wonder what he did. This is where Ivy comes in.

Me: uhm, you left this behind.

I gave her her cell phone.

Her : OMG my brother would have killed me

Me: he has been calling

Her : ohhh I'm dead, thank you though

I looked at how her eyes sparkle at the mention of her brother. I wish I could make her smile like that, every day all the time.

Me: I'm sorry

Her : uhm for what?

Me: for treating you the way I was treating you, you didn't deserve it

Her: so who deserve it if not me

Uhm that caught me off guard

Me: no one I guess.

She smiled, that just melted me and removed all the anger and weakness I had in me

Her : ok than, apology accepted. I think I have to go now

She took a few steps.

Me: Nyota

Her : hhu?

Me: can I call you and please answer this time around

She frowned.

Her : this time around?

I noded

Her: you called me before?

Me: yeah I did, left a dozen of missed calls but you never called back I guess maybe you don't call a number you don't know

She frowned again

Her : what's your number?

I called it out as she punched on her phone. She looked at me with a straight face kinda irritated in a way.

Her : I did call you

She turned and walked faster. I half ran towards her but was stopped by security.

Me: you did?

Her : yeah, check your call log

With that she was gone

(Guys am sorry electricity is on and off these days. )

## Chapter 27

### #LUCAN

“by the power invested in me I now pronounce you my girlfriend” I kissed her dimple while she smiled shyly.

Nyota: I wonder who gave you those powers

Me: the ancestors babe

Her: phss, as if

Me: I got so much powers I can make you talk in tongues and praise me like you going insane

We were just chilling cuddling on the sofa watching a music channel, it was Saturday midday and I must say I was enjoying being with her. Spending time with her and just talk, with Nyota I get to be myself, I don't have to be strong or act like something I'm not, I don't know what is it but I get to be free around her and I hope she also feels the same.

Nyota: you wish

Thee Legacy – Wena Wedwa came in on tv. She looked straight in my eyes smiling making me all weak, she knows I like the song.

Nyota: (singing along) Right here with me is where you belong

Can I see

Me: Ngifuna wena wedwa



Nyota: Can I feel

Me: Ngifuna wedwa

She stood up and pulled me up to, I shook my head

Nyota: come on, don't be a bore

We took a few chacha steps dancing while I continue singing along to the song

Me: [Chorus] "Wena usithandwa sam Uswiti wam, ubambo lwam

You the one I love"

"Usithandwa sami, uswiti wami" (x2)

"Azange ndimbone, ndibone lo munye

Ofana nawe (x3)"

US: "Azange ndimbone, ndibone lo munye

Ofana nawe

Me: LOL babe please leave the Zulu part to me

I couldn't stop myself she was saying all the words wrong shame my baby

Her: I'll never hear the end of it now will I?

I shook my head

Me: sondela kwisthandwa sakho (come to your baby)

I said pulling her towards me as she was sulking

Me: I love you

Our lips met and could tell that she was holding her breath for a second but relaxed as I deepened the kiss, I swear I saw stars and heard angels singing praises for a moment there. I was lost in connection; we were in our world and I never want to let go. She let out a smooth relaxed moan that alone sent all kinds of electric shocks on my body straight to master. I pulled out "slow down boy" I thought to myself.

Me: you so beautiful

She was all shy and her eyes were small I could tell that I was not the only one feeling things.

Nyota : thank you

A knock came through and I went to attend it.

Man : sir I'm sorry to interrupt but your boat is ready

Me: thank you

I had called to hire boat, I wanted to us to go and explore this beautiful place. I mean we are at a resort next to the sea why not just get the whole experience.

Nyota: who was it?

I hugged her from the back leaving wet kisses on her neck, she gasped. I smiled between the kisses.

Me: it's a surprise, get ready so that we will go for lunch, bring something warm too in case we come back late.

Like every woman in my life she took her precious time getting ready and I was losing my patience.

Me: baby, seriously I'm leaving you

Her: I'm almost done

Me: you have been saying that for 30 minutes now seriously I'm leaving

Her: so you going to surprise yourself?

I kept my mouth shut because I had no come back.

"I'm done"

"Lucan, come let's go"

"wooah, knock knock anybody home"

She snapped her fingers at me, all this time I was just looking at her and couldn't believe that there is such beauty on earth

it was effortless yet exquisite. She was wearing a white crop top tube with a white skirt revealing all her thighs I mean my baby is gifted so imagine all those assets exposed like that.

Her: you know what I'm going to change?

Me: what?, why?

Her: you look ...

Me: no babe wow you look good but please do me a favour never wear these when I'm not with you ok

She nodded

Me: you good with those shoes?

She was wearing hills and I wanted her to be comfortable

Her: I'll wear sandals

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Her : are we there yet?

Me: yep we there

I removed my hands from her eyes as soon as we got on the boat.

Nyota: wow

She held her mouth, and looked at me for a very long time with tears in her eyes. I quickly hold her close to me giving her tight warm hug. And I waited for her to calm down.

I held her face in hands and pecked her lips.

Me: what's wrong?

She shook her head.

Her : thank you

She said after some time while fanning herself with her hands and letting out a light chuckle.

Me: you like?

Her : I love it, wow a picnic on a boat, who knew Mr arrogant is romantic

Me: lets not try to ruine it.

I teased her

Her: believe me I wouldn't. thank you, Lucan,

I took her hand and led her to take a seat.

Me: juice?

She nodded.

Her : this is really nice.

The boat started moving

“woah, we moving?”

I chuckled

Me: yes, babe that’s the point of being on a boat

We continued enjoying ourselves while playing around. When we were tired, we pulled a fleece that was in the boat and I cuddled her close me.

Me: I wish we could stay like this forever

She sighed.

Her: Lucan

Me: babe?, you do know that you gonna have to stop calling me with my first name all the time right

She nodded

Me : I don’t want to rush you though, I want you to be free around me Nyota, I don’t want you to fear me or anything, I want to be your friend, your brother not that I want to replace Nathan but I want to be that before your man ok.

Her: please promise me one thing

Me: anything for you my love

Nyota: never hurt me Lucan, whether physical or emotional, if you feel like you don’t love me anymore just let me go ok. Just don’t hurt me especially physically

I could hear her voice changing when she said that and that broke me. I never want to hear or see her sad,

Me: look at me baby

She did, she had tears in her eyes and I just knew that there was something there. I kissed both her eyes and tears fell, I could feel my blood boil I wonder who is the bastard that hurt her.

Me: shhh, talk to me babe

Her : just promise me

I nodded

Me: I promise

“and I’ll find whoever hurt you and make him pay” I said to myself

Her : that you

I wiped her tears while we were looking at each other’s eyes.

Me: now let’s seal it, come here.

Out lips met, tongues locked.

## Chapter 28

[#NYOTA](#)

I couldn’t control how I was feeling, I wanted to jump and shout to the whole world

and let people know how happy I am. It was early hours of the morning and the sea breeze was so cold but I didn't care, I was so warm in side this man besides me gives me peace I guess John Legend was talking about this kind of feeling. I looked at him as was still sleeping and wished we could stay like this forever not that I wasn't going to miss my brother but let's be realistic I was in cloud nine, I was treated like a Queen. My happy thoughts were quickly turned sour when I thought of how my relationship with Tau started, it was all nice and rosey until he showed his true colors. I hope and pray that Lucan doesn't turn out like him but at least I know that Lucan is out spoken he doesn't hide how he feels and he told me when we started our relationship that he calls a spade a spade and if I'm bullshitting him he won't hide it, one thing that worries me though was how will he act if I were to make him angry I mean the man is a beast and I know it, what if he loses his humanity and act all beastly on me.

"Someone is in deep thoughts"

I looked at him and saw his warm sexy smile which made my knees all giggly, I threw all the negative thoughts out the window, I have to be positive.

Me: morning

He brought my face towards his and kissed me, I was reluctant at first I mean I just woke up and haven't brushed my teeth.

"relax" he said holding my waist closer to him, a soft sound escape my mouth and I was so embarrassed, my body was betraying me. I tries to break it but instead he got on top of me. "ohhh no no no" I kept thinking to myself as his hands explore all the exposed parts of my body, I felt it going down to my panties and I jumped a little.

He broke the kiss and chuckled looking at me in the eyes, this is what I like about him he never breaks his connection with me and by looking at his eyes I can see just how much we both drawn to each other.

Lucan: you so cute, don't worry I won't rush you. I wanna wife you first

I looked at him shocked, look I don't have much experience in relationships but I know that not a lot of guys would talk about wifing you, joking or not guys are allergic to commitment.

Me: that's a really nice joke to start a day

Him: I'm not joking you will me Mrs Me you will see, it might not be soon but it will happen

Me: and leave all those American girls with weaves, long nails

Him : and fake eye lashes, yeah just for you because my heart beats for you only

Me: wow so my love potion is really working hey

He laughs

Him: its working wonders babe, its working wonders.

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Saying goodbye was the hardest thing ever I swear when I hugged him I heard Celine Dion singing in a low tune. How I wish I could turn back the days and go back to Friday.

“let’s just pretend like it’s Friday and you are just arriving” I said wiping my tears.  
He just laughed at me ay where sympathy is mncm.

Him: babe come on we have been standing like this for over 3 minutes

I was still hugging him and holding onto him very tight while inhaling his heavenly cologne.

Me: just use your powers and stop being selfish

He laughed again

Me: mncm let me go because now you see me as your clown

He kissed my head still laughing, I was so irritated why does he think this is funny

Him: I’ll miss you ok

Me: and why is that funny?

Him: come on babe don’t be like that, I don’t want you mad at me. I want you to smile as you go back to the memories we made on our stay together ok

I nodded, we kissed.

Him: I really have to go and check in not

He said that and kissed me again.

I felt like crying when I saw him heading for the check-in point.

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I threw myself on the bed after I had finished packing, we had done some shopping after breakfast and Lucan had bought me a whole lot unnecessary things, Its official I don’t like shopping I mean even a guy managed to walk from store to store without complaining but I on the other hand was tired and just ready to finish up.

“honey I’m home”

I rushed to the lounge and threw myself on him while holding on to his waist with my legs

Nathan: woah missed me that much

Me: you wish

I actually didn’t realize that I missed him till now

Him: ok, get off me

Me: make me

Him: is that a dare

Me : maybe

He tickled me and I had no choice but to let go, I was still catching my breath when I felt another pair of hands tickling me

Me: O...Ohh ...my ....I’m dyi.....

They just laughed at me

“LOL...cause of death” Cindy said laughing out loud

Nathan: too much laughter

Cindy : hey baby

She kissed my cheek and I looked at both of them they seemed happy and all jolly jolly

I sighed.

Me: hey Cindy, good weekend I see

She giggled like a teenager

Nathan: let me got put my bags in my room before she starts with the interrogation

Me: don't worry Cindy will tell

I stuck my tongue out

Him : whatever

Me: sooo.....

Cindy: what?

She turned pink same time. I looked at her and smiles I'm glad they are happy.

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[#LUCAN](#)

It's been weeks now and things between me and Nyota were fantastic

she had came here for a visit and we had a blast, every time we together we just shut out the world and live in our own bubble.

I was going back to school next week and I'll be doing my final year I was very happy things are going great. We had tracked down the people who kidnaped me and all I can say is they were dealt with but we haven't managed to find my brother or should I say uncle yet (Abongwe) not that I cared anyway really because even though what he did to us was cruel but I kinda get where he is coming from. His mother, father and grandfather was killed and he was raised by the people who were responsible for it. Even though he was treated well but he grew up with us having both parents while he lost everyone truth be told anyone would have a grudge and would want revenge "BUT" involving my sisters, having them raped repeatedly that was a low blow. I was still planning on what to do to him if I find him but I pray that my father's don't find him first because he would be mincemeat.

I grabbed my car keys and phone after I was all ready to see my boys, I headed to my car. Well dad 2 has bought me a Bentley continental gt as a birthday present.

I went to Zyne's Crib when I didn't find my homies at Sihle's but still they were not there. I decided to go and chill at club Venus when you are a guy you never alone I'm sure I won't be bored there. Like I thought when I got there I found some of my class mates and we just chilled having a few drinks.

"if it isn't the culprit himself" I turned when I heard Sihle's voice, they were walking towards us.

"homies" I greeted when they reach us

Zyne : (chuckles) is he talking to us?, he is not talking to us is he?

I looked at them

Me: are you two drunk?

They couldn't even balance without holding on to something

Sihle: what if we are, are you going to erase us too?

Haibo

Me: guys, what's going on

Zyne: what's going on he asks. Are these your new found buddies, do they know who you really are.

Sihle: I thought you were our friend, a brother how could you do this to one of us?  
You are monster Lucan a bloody Monster

Zyne: let me give you an introduction n(looking at the class mates) this is Lucan  
Murd...(hiccup)

Me: ok that's it let me take you guys home

Sihle: F\*\*\*\* no, I still have a future to look forward too I don't wanna die young

Zyne: me too bra, I don't want to be your second example

Sihle : or maybe your 3rd or 4th who knows

By now everyone was looking at us because they were yelling and grabbing everyone's attention, me on the otherside I was lost and I had no idea what to say or do.

I walked closer to them and try to reach for Sihle's hand but Nikka quickly grabbed a bottle and smached in on the floor while stumbling

Sihle: Lu brah don't dare touch me , I know how to defend myself trust me

Me: guys what's going on

"Lucan bra do you mind taking this thing with your friends outside" said the manager he knows us I just nodded I didn't want to grab more attention.

Me: guys are you coming?

I asked them but I could see that I was just wasting my time and left them there.

When I reached for my pockets for my car keys they weren't there

"looking for these?" it was one of the girls that we were chilling with

Me: yes thank you

I leaned forward to take but she tossed them to her boobs.

Her: come and get it

I really don't have time for this

Me: seriously you don't want to do that

Her : what? I'm not good enough for you?

Haibo this girl. She came forward and grabbed my privates while standing on her toes

Her: see I'm a go getter, when I want something I go for it and I always get what I want, and you are on my list. As much as I was trying to be strong my body was failing me and I was dancing to her tune and her hands were touching the most sensitive parts of my body.

I played with her boobs and took my keys than opened the car when I pulled her to the back sit...

Her: not here, my place

I opened my mouth to talk but she put her index finger shushing me

Her: it's close by.

She grabbed my hand and we headed to the flats nearby. As soon as she opened the

door I smashed my lips on her as our clothes were flying across the room.

“wait” she looked at me in the eyes

Her: something to drink maybe

What does she think this is, I’m not here to play house.

Me: are we doing this or should I just go

I’m stressed with my friend’s behavior and truth be told I’m also sexually frustrated.

Her: errrr I’m just....

Her phone rang and she took it, I left her there took my t-shirt and went out, I ain’t got time for this nx.

“look I’m sorry ok, that was urgent I had to take it” she said quickly running after me and touching me.

I grabbed her \*\*\*s and kissed her while picking her up.

I was still lost in action when I felt something hard hit my head, I stopped immediately and only to be met another hit on my face

Me: The F\*\*\* 🤔

Girl: you sure took your time

Me: B\*\*\* you sold me out

I blocked the metal when the guy tried to hit me again and grabbed the B\*\*\*\*c by her neck.

Me: you really are testing me nx, you shouldn’t have tried to mess with me 🤡

I snapped her neck in one go I don’t have time to play plus she busy making noise, I saw blood coming out her neck as I felt my claws sink in.

The nikka tried to run but in a bolt speed I was before him blocking the exit.

“it’s just you and me” I said punching him and he flew to the wall breaking a few bones.

Me: nx, and I just had to fight you out of all the people in the world

I quickly got in my clothes before trying to get some answers from him

Me: now let’s talk

I dragged him by his dreads and shove him on the only chair in this room while I sit at the corner of the bed facing him. I shove a knife in his thigh while he cries out in agony

Me: now since I got your attention let’s not waist each other’s time, just give me the name and I might let you die in peace and if you waste my time I will have to chop you into pieces and trust me I’m make sure you won’t die early so that you feel all the pain

“brother please I’m sorry, I have a child. I only did this because I need money for my baby”

Me: you wasting my time

I took out the knife moving it side by side making sure he feels the pain than shove it on the other thigh

Me: I got all night, just save us time and pain



Him: ok....ok I'll tell you please my brother I bet you don't kill me I'll tell you who sent me.

Chapter 29

## #NYOTA

“No .....No ....No please Don't “ 😞☐😞☐

I cried so hard and I could feel my heart ache, I wanted to take it out and squeeze it so hard. I had never in my life seen so much blood.

Me: please do it, for me please don't do it

His eyes where blood red, his teeth were that of a beast, long and big he had claws in his hands his face had completely changed he was a total monster his roars as the air blew my face. I tried to reach out to him but he was no longer there, I was face to face with a beast a total monster. 🩸☐

“Nyota...wake up, wake up, OMG, baby sis please I need you to come back, come back to me”

“Nyota.....”

As soon as my eyes meet Nathan's I hugged him tight crying on his embrace. 😞☐

Me: it felts so real

Nathan: shit....

Me: what?

Him : your eyes

I turned and looked at the mirror on my dressing table and they were blood red, I looked at my hands and I had claws on my hands

Me: what's happening 😞☐😞☐

He looked at me blank

Me: Nathan.....ahhhhhhhhh 🩸☐

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\*\*\*\*THE BLACK BOOK\*\*\*\*

“Our love was forbidden, I was a child of God and my family was well known Christians my father was a pastor. I never meant to go against my family but I was in love and I had always said to myself that God would never had made me fall in love with him if he was not meant for me, I had waited all my life for the “one” and when he finally arrived I couldn't let go, he was my everything. When we felt like the whole world was against us and I was even shipped to my other relatives, he looked for me for the whole year and when he finally find me we had to do something to make sure that no one will ever separate us again, to make sure that we will always find each other no matter what. We went to see a traditional healer and we did a binding ritual, me binding myself to him and him to me. That came with consequences and a whole lot of price to pay. Right now I will tell you about the consequences. Firstly, we were never to be separated or else one of us dies and the one that leaves will suffer till death. Secondly our decedents are going to inherit his bad blood (the beast blood) and lastly every time he changes I also got to feel exactly how he was feeling and see what

he saw no matter where in the world he was. It wasn't easy but we learned to live through it all because we were together at times I wanted to just give up and leave him because my life changed from there on. He was a monster ruthless and cared about no one but me and him so you can imagine how my life turned upside down. Even though I had that thought of leaving him so many times but the love I had for him was stronger than the anger I had towards his decision-making tendencies ...."

I just zoned out and just got lost on my thoughts so this is why I was acting like a craze person these days it's like I had lost all my senses, every time I close my eyes I see a lot of dead bodies and when I wake up I would be a total different person not a person even, a total monster.

I was brought to life by my phone ringing

"hi" my voice was low I had no energy I was drained

"hey babe, you good?" he sounded sleepy

Me: yeah I'm good, you?

Him: I'm ok, I guess

I took a huge sigh to get my strength for my next talk

Me: Lucan

Him: hmm?

Is this man asleep

I mean he is the one who called me

Me: are you asleep, I want to talk to you

Him: nah

Me: what have you been up too these days?

Why am I asking it's not like I will get an honest answer.

Him: are you asking as my girl or a ...

Me: a witch?

Him: I didn't mean it like that ...

Me: you know I've been having these dreams Lucan and it's scaring me whatever you do there please stop it, I'm going craze over here

I was now in tears

Him: babe....Nana...(he sounded concerned and I tried to hold my tears but the sound of his voice I don't know but it's made me cry more) Nyota please come down baby I don't like to hear you cry and worse because of me

Nyota: you just have to stop it, Luu please this is torture.

Lucan: I don't understand, what did I do babe?

Is he being stupid or what

Me: Lucan you letting the beast control you, you let anger take over you and that doesn't affect only you

He sighed

Him: Nyota this is me, this is what I am you knew it before you even fall in love with me, I don't know what you want me to do it's who I am. Nyota I was born this way I

didn't ask for it ok

I could hear anger building up on his voice and I had to do something

Me: ok I hear you, are you still coming this Friday?

I had to change the subject because this was not gonna end well

Him; I don't know

He said coldly

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As soon as I settled on my desk I bowed my head for a little rest

"hi"

This was now a familiar voice and I didn't have to lift up my head to know who it was.

Me: hi

I was still down

Faith: can we talk

She said sitting next to me. (well Faith is the girl that screamed at Tau on my first day at school)

I raised my head and looked at her, for a moment I was shocked. She looked her age and she was just I don't know it's my first time even noticing that she was beautiful.

Faith: is there something wrong?

She looked at herself

I shook my head no

Me: you look ...

Her: different

Me: yeah, good different

Her: thank you, I mean it's all thanks to you

Me: what do you mean?

I was lost

Her : remember the time you told me to let my child go, well it wasn't easy as you made it sound but I'm glad you told me. I have no idea what you are but I wish God to bless you. You know everyone close to me turned against me when I was facing the most difficult time in life I mean I'm just a kid but I looked twice or maybe three times my age but now because of you I'm back to my old self and I just wanted to thank you.

I was really lost because I don't remember telling her anything about her child but I'm glad that I helped.

Me: so you had a child, I'm sorry for your loss

Her: thank you, you know the most difficult thing was dealing with the whole thing alone because I was labelled as a slut and all those names, I did a mistake 1 mistake and that changed everything, I lost my parents actually my whole family and friends.

Me: I'm sorry, you family also passed?

Her: nah sometimes I wish they were but nah they are alive and kicking, I was

disowned because apparently I ruined the family name. (she chuckled)

Me: you are strong though and trust me you will make it one day but never with ill upon your family, upon anyone for that matter because that will only make you bitter  
She looked at me and smile.

“ok guys, test time”

Said our teacher as she got in.

Teacher: Faith, you want to come back to this class?

Faith: I'll see you around, thanks again and sorry for the way I treated you

I nod at her.

Faith: I'm out ma'am.

## Chapter 30

### #LUCAN

“I made you breakfast” she says getting in with a tray to be honest I just wanted to be alone I don't know for some reasons I didn't feel Lexi anymore but I guess it's because of Nyota damn I love that girl it's like she was using a love potion on me because every time I think about her I just get nervous and just want to hear her voice. I looked at Lexi as she walked around the room with only her panties and bra only and nothing in me was attracted to her anymore I keep thinking that maybe I can try and get intimate with her but nah I just put myself to get that close to her.

I know I should be glad that I won't be tempted and cheat on my girl but I mean a guy got needs but seems like my body and mind don't agree with that ish.

Me: you said you going to your crib today right?

Her: why you can't stand my presence already?

I looked at her wanting to say something but I chose to keep my mouth zip when I saw a facial expression

Her: ypu know you guys think yall clever, I see you Lucan I see you

Me: errhm what have I done now?

Her: what have you done? (she laughs) look I know your nikka ass, and your ass can't get his hands off of my ass but since I got here you can't even look at me in the eye

Me: come on you over reacting

Her: what did I say to you the last time we saw each other Lucan didn't I tell you that is get another B\*\*\* I will F\*\*\* her up than show you flames

This girl is really craze so now she's gonna force me to stay in love with her.

Me: yeah you did say and fortunately for me there is no one except you, I'm just a bit stressed baby nothing much ok

She came and sat on top of me than kissed me hungrily

Her : that better be true Lucan

She said after breaking the kiss. I looked in her eyes trying to find what we had and I find nothing at all not even lust. She slid her hands on my boxer shorts and rubbed on master as soon as he re-acted she pulled her hand and licked her fingers while dry

humping me.

Me: uhh, that looks so sexy

Her : you like it?

I replied with a hungry kiss as I clipped off her bra with my free hand.....

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### [#NYOTA](#)

I was very tired and I must say this dance thing is really draining me but what can I say when you love something you might as well suffer to achieve your goal.

I threw myself on the couch as soon as I got home. I guess I dozed off because I was woken up by Nathan picking me up.

“go back to sleep”

Me: I’m hungry

Him: mncm, you such a bore I was trying to be a nice big brother, I’m sure you even disappoint your boyfriend when he is trying to be all romantic

I blushed

He stopped walking and out me down

Him: you have a boyfriend?

I looked down

Him: no no no, start talking girl

I laughed the way he said girl it was so gay

Me: Nathan please

Him: wow, ok this is called for a slamber party just you and me so you can tell you broe all the juicy details

Me: Nathan!!!!

Him: ehh ehh girl, I aint taking no for an answer

I looked at him as shook my heard. He took out his phone and ordered pizza.

Him: come

He dragged me by the arm to the kitchen, we started taking out all the goodies and went to put them in the coffee table in the lounge.

Me: I’ll go take a shower while we wait for pizza

He nodded.

I stayed in the shower for the longest time thinking of how my brother is going to take all this, I was nervous but happy at the same time that I was finally going to talk to someone about my relationship.

“besides me waiting impatiently for gossip your pizza is getting cold” he said on the other side of the door

I smiled “I’m almost done

Him : yeah right

I lotioned and put on my pijamas after I was done with my bath.

Me: woah, you won pijamas?

I was shocked

my brother is always walking around in shorts and shirt-less when he wakes up or before bed.

Him: I knew they will come in handy some day

I say as he pats the scatter cushion next to him

Me: so this is a real slumber party?

He nods, I grab a slice of pizza and take a huge bite.

Nathan: so come on out with it, I've been waiting for over 2 hours now

Me: two hours Jonathan you such a li...

Him: don't try to change the subject

Me: you not mad that I have a boyfriend?

I look at him with pleading eyes

Nathan: I should be but I rather know about him so that I can punch his face if he makes you cry

Me: he won't

I say as I pout

Nathan: wow, you like him neh?

Me: a lot (I say with my mouth full)

Nathan: do I know him?

I nod

Him: what? And I never suspected a thing

I laugh at his reaction

Him: please tell me he is treating you right

We keep talking as he makes silly jokes about teenage dating and we play music and dance along the way which is my turn to make jokes about his dancing my brother has two left foot people and it's aint even funny. We throw our selves on the sofa catching out breaths as we a song ends.

Him: you know I love you right

Me: I know brother

Him: and I don't want to be an uncle soon Nyota, you still have to finish school go to juilliard and be a professional dance make a name for yourself before thinking of having babies.

Me: (I giggle my brother can say the most important thing in a very funny way) I hear you

Him: I'm serious, you better your nikka better play far away from the forbidden fruit  
I nod

Him: eish what am I saying, you probably shagging by now. Use protection ok, CONDOM and injection and a morning after pill, err what else yeah do all those things especially CONDOM. Tell his to wrap his junk before he...

Me: Nathan I get your point tjo we are not even there yet

Him: good, it better stay like that

Me: trust me it will.

He moves and stares at me with a smirnk and I just know that he is about to get silly  
Him: so tell me, what's his name (he whispers)  
I shake my head  
Me: I'm not telling  
Him : orr really  
Me: nope  
He gets close and starts to tickle me  
Me: ok ok please don't, I'm too full for that  
Nathan: ok than out with it  
Me: promise me you not gonna get man  
He nods  
Me: no pr..  
Him: I do ok I do  
I know that he won't say it mncm  
Me: errrr... it's....  
Him : yeah....  
Me: it's Lucan  
He looks at me blankly like I just farted. I snap my fingers at him  
Him: the one and only Nathan, the US Nikka?  
I almost laugh at "US Nikka" he said it like Lucan.  
I nod in responce. He stands up and sniffs uhh-ohhh  
He is mad. He goes to his room and comes back with is phone on his ear  
""sup broe?" so I'm your broe now or you trying to mock me"

## Chapter 31

### #LUCAN

I was just sitting in my room listening to music after I had done with my assignment, I was thinking of the talk I had with Nathan and I was feelling guilty as hell, I mean he told me never to make her sister cry not like anyone sit and plan to hurt their girlfriends or anything like that and I too had no wish to hurt Nyota and I intend to keep her happy all the time but then there was Lexi who has been everything to me as a girl in my life and I couldn't push her away no matter how much I tried I seem to have that soft spot for her, I might not love her as much as I love my girl but still Lexi is a great girl in her way.

I looked at the time and cursed under my breath nx busy moping around like a B\*\*ch when I have campus.

I was driving like a maniac to campus when I rushed to my lecturer's office I pumped on someone. I didn't have to turn to know who it was I know her scent very well.

"F\*\*\* couldn't you watch where you going?"

I just looked at her with a smile on my face

Me: hi (I said handing her the book I picked up and she was still looking down)

"hi my foot you...ohhhh"

She stopped talking when she realized that it was me

Me: how have you been

She blushed, wow so I still got that effect on her

Her: errrr...l'... I've been ok (clearing her throat)

Me: you stuttering since when? (I teased)

She looked down at her feet and I followed her eyes still smiling but my smile vanished when my hand landed on her stomach.

“wow” I didn’t even realize that I said that out loud

Me: Anitta you p...

“there you are I’ve been looking for you” she said kissing my cheek I jumped a bit because my eyes were still focused on Anitta and her huge pump.

her: I...I have to go Lu.....I’ll see you around

she quickly ran off

me: but I was still.....

Lexi: come on we have an assignment to submit you don’t wanna miss the deadline now do you  
I took her hand

Me: ok come

My mind was all over the place now and I kept checking on the direction that Anitta went like I was gonna get some answers.

After submitting we went to grab late lunch at a cafeteria before our afternoon lecture.

sans-serif; font-size: 14px;">Lexi: what’s on your mind?

She asked sitting on my lap. I don’t know I don’t feel like being all touchy touchy with Lexi specially in public now it feels like I’m betraying Nyota, well yeah I am eish why am I being such a sissy all of a sudden damn you Nyota for turning me to this softy nx I hate it.

Me: nothing, come here

I kissed her hard leaving her breathing heavy. I need to bring back my bad body/F\*\* Nikka image not this nonsense I’ve turned into.

Lexi: hey, slow down

She said breathing heavy as my hands were rubbing her nipples. I pecked her lips.

Me: I need to take care of my craving

Her: which is

She looked at me puzzled

Me: adrenaline rush, I gotta go ...

Her: racing?

I nod

Her: tonight, the usual spot?

Me: for sure, get Marco

I kissed her head and stood up leaving her before she tries to talk me out of it, I know that guy wants my head since I’m screwing his sister and that’s exactly what I need tonight. I Made a few calls I need a new racing machine and I know just the person for it, “Chain” my man. I log in on my facebook and get the word out while I send a few invites to other racing crews in and out of town, trust me we are always ready.

I don’t think I had ever attended a boring class like the one I had today. I packed at my crib. Ivy came out of her room when I was tossing my keys at the table wearing close to nothing.

Me: see I understand that you still young and that adolescent shit, you think every guy out there will look at those sticks you call thighs and droll but let me tell you something little sis I would slap that adolescent ship tendencies out of you right now if you don’t go back to your room and come out wearing something a 30 year old you would look back and be proud not those skanky rags.

I looked at her with a “dare say something back” look

She turned and banged the door at her room after getting in.

Me: GOOD NOW MAKE SOMETHING TO EAT WE HAVE SOMEWHERE TO BE!!!!!!

I yelled at her. It’s about time I start a real search for my long-lost brother.

“If your chick come close to me

She ain't going home when she post to be



I'm getting money like I'm post to be [x2]  
Ooh, all my niggas close to me....."  
I sang as I rolled my joint ....

## Chapter 32

#LUCAN

I smiled to myself when I saw how huge the crowd was.

Ivy: what's going on?

She asked as soon as we packed far from other cars, I switched off the engine and scanned through the crowd.

Me: we my dear sister are going to get to work, see your big pretty boy brother is not giving us a rest and we are going to trap him. You know we used to love racing me and him right.

She nods

Me: well I still race, and I hear he still does. This is what I did I got a word out there for this huge race tonight, and I'm clamming his title as he is known as the prince in this shit. I know that he won't be here tonight but he sure will send one of his dogs to sniff around and if this one goes well he will definitely be on the next one. So what you gonna do is look for any dog busy sniffing here, say nothing do nothing make sure you get something to trace them when we want to get them ok.

Her: you sure about this?

Me: more than sure

I say with my devilish smirk on

Ivy: I think we need plan B

Me: plan B is if it get to the next race, I gotta make it a huge thing and we will have to trap him in.

Ivy: ok I'm in

I smile I knew she was in anyway my siblings love danger it's like they born during the world war.

Ivy: mnxm here's your B\*\*\*ch

Me: IVY!!!!

I warn her. Her and Lexi don't see eye to eye, I think it's because they are alike. Lexi was with her brother's crew and her brother of course.

"if it aren't my one and only girl" I say wrapping my hands around her waist and kissing her neck, she gasp

"Nikka F\*\*\* off, you really don't wanna piss me off boy, I told you to play far from my sister"

He comes to me charging and tries to get to me but Lexi doesn't move in front of me. I chuckle and raise my hands in surrender.

Marko : yeah F\*\*\* Offf or I swear I would mess up your face and all your B\*\*\*s won't be able to recognize you

"look at this skinny ass thinking his all that" I say to my self

Me: look Marko I didn't come here for you man and you know you and I only know one way to fight out battles, just put your money where your mouth is, get your flat ass behind the wheel and race me to the finish line.

He laughs so hard and all these ugly MFs follow and I just fold my arms and look at them.

Marko : ohh you serious?

They laugh again.

"OOYY Lu, get your ass here man"

I pat Marko's shoulder.

Me: the sooner you realize that you aren't shit, the better because you keep making full out of

yourself.

I leave them there and jog to my crew.

By 23:30 there were five racers' left out of 10. My crew and Marko's crew was represented. I had to take this last one for the night I really don't know I just had that craving which I didn't know what was it but I just wanted to do something that will keep my adrenaline up.

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NYOTA

I was packing my bag after rehearsal when Vicky jumped on me from behind laughing.

Me: you sweaty Vicky and all sticky geez

She laughed again

Her: loosen up will you

"hey, party in my house tonight, coming Angel?" Derlon said joining us. Well they all call me angel

Me: I can't...

"I told you Angel, won't come why are you wasting your time" said someone at the back

Me: well there you heard it

Vicky: come one it will be fun, at least we will be at Delorn's its safe and when you feel like you want to sleep you can always use one the rooms there.

Me: Vicky I'm not going

"going where?"

I looked behind me, Cindy was coming in wearing a jumpsuit and stilettos, this woman always looks good no matter how simply the outfit is she just makes it look amazing.

Delorn: I'm having a party by my house tonight it actually my graduation party and I was inviting

Ang... I mean Nyota to come celebrate with

I felt bad now when I heard it's a graduation thing, I mean we all want to celebrate with that moment with everyone close to us and me and Delorn were close since that day we went clubbing.

Cindy: you should go, I'm sure Nat won't mind

Me: Nat?

She blushed, really?

Her: Nathan, so you going?

Me: you will talk to him for me?

She shook her head

Me: please.....pretty please

I begged even used puppy eyes

Cindy: I guess we have to go get you something to wear tonight

Me: well I'm good with that, I recently did shopping and...

Her: I wasn't asking, bye kids

Delorn: we'll pick you up at 7

He was yelling because Cindy had pulled me out of the dance hall.

Me: we really don't have to do shopping I promise

Do you think she listened, no. I was trying so hard to get myself out of this. why am I being punished?

needed something to make my blood rush

Chapter 33

[#NYOTA](#)

I'm not gonna bore anyone with the shopping details because I for one bored as hell why am I lying I'm not bored I'm pissed. It's a pity because when you pissed with an elder you can't do ish all I've

been managing to do is whine and complain none stop but did she consider my feelings hell no. Anyway I was now at home getting ready for the road with Nathan on back, monitoring every move I make and even selecting clothes I must wear.

Me: if I didn't know better I would say you can't wait to get rid of me

Him: don't be silly, I just want you to enjoy being young, you always cupped in this house smiling none stop to your phone if you not watching tv and that my dear little sister is not an idea of fun

Me: but I enjoy it

Him: try going out maybe you might enjoy it too

Me: mnxim

I had put on a black off the shoulder crop top with ripped jeans and 3 inch nude heels. Cindy had forced me to wash my afro and they also stile it, I looked so adorably hot. I don't put on make-up don't even now how and which colour goes with my skin so I didn't bother. I just put on a nude lipstick. And het my new Gucci bag. Been trying to reach Lucan the whole afternoon but he doesn't pick up so I let him be, he will call when he feels like talking to me.

"that's my sister everybody" he says clapping his hands while walking towards me.

Nathan: you look....wow

I smile shyly

Me: Thank you brother

We are disturbed my a hoot at the gate.

Me: and that's my que

Him: be safe hey, don't do anything I wouldn't do

Me: you know me.

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Me: woah...this seems big

I say as we drive in Delorn's house.

There are people everywhere, a dj table in a stage. There is a stage wow. There are two stretch tents waiters walking around with drinks and finger foods. Not to mention a cocktail fountain by the entrance to mention the least.

Vicky: Dee you went all out

Him: parents bra, I wanted a small things with just me friends and family but nah they had to get artists too.

Me: I think I just attended my first party

They laugh out loud but stop when they see that I'm serious

Vicky: serious?

I nod with no care in the world

Vicky: than you my dear have got to be initiated

Dee: NO NO NO, I don't want a repeat of the last time, no initiation for you, actually no drinks for you stick to non alcoholics yeah

Me: yeah

I say with a broad smile ever.

After some time the whole crew came and join us after Dee had introduced us to his family I must say his family is big like he has a lost of sisters brothers and cousins but I'm not surprised considering that his father has 3 wives.

Girl: Lizz what's up with you?

The girl I think is the Lizzy shrugs his shoulders. The girl is acting weird, she had been staring at me ever since we were all introduced, even when I look at her she doesn't look the other way instead she winks at me, weird right.

Vusi Nova's Song comes on

Me: OMG, THAT'S BAE'S SONG!!!!!!!!!!!!

I say out loud without realizing it and stand up while screaming messing up the lyrics, Luu would be on the floor laughing at me right now but I don't care no one knows that I suck here.

I'm by the stage now swaying my hips side to side with my eyes closed picturing Luu holding my waste as we at the edge of the boat with sea breeze brushing smoothly on my skin while he sings



Nathan: I'm coming there are at Delorns?

I nod

Him: Nyota talk to me

Me: yeah yeah, OMG she's dying

Lizz was now shacking vigorously

"OMG....what's happening"

"somebody call an ambulance"

I heard a lots of voices and screams than I saw her stop moving and blood came out of her mouth, my head became light at that sight everything became blank, the only thing I remember was my body coming to contact with the ground hard.

## Chapter 34

### #NYOTA

A very worried Nathan rushed to me as soon as I opened my eyes, my head was pounding like craze so I held it with my both hands as I groan. I noticed that I was in my room and there was light outside, so it's the next day.

Nathan: hey you up, how are you feeling?

I felt like I've been hit by a train, I felt like a monster vulnerable to the devil, I felt like I had no control over my own body and emotions that's how I was feeling but I was never going to tell him that.

Me: I'm ok, please tell me she's alive Nathan, tell me the doctors managed to save her

He looked down, my tears failed me I lost all the hope I had,

Nathan: hey,hey look at me, I'll go to the hospital and check on her ok I had to bring you home to rest after you were checked. What happened there Nyota?, was it one of those spontaneous trans...

I nodded with tears blinding my sight.

Nyota: but it was different this time

Nathan: how?

Nyota: I was enjoying it, Nathan (crying) I was actually craving for her blood

Nathan: this is not good, what are going to do little sis. If that girl wakes up, she will tell everyone what she saw, what you did. It will be all over for us, you will go to jail for attempted murder or they could take you and turn you to a guinea pig for a bloody science experiment.

He was talking fast while pacing up and down and his voice was of a rage person I had never seen my brother like this.

Me: I'm sorry

Nathan: No no no...(he came and hold my hand) no need to apologize I'm just angry that I couldn't protect you, I'm your protector Nyota I'm supposed to be there when these things happen, I'm supposed to know what to do and help you. You cannot do this alone, you are not supposed to do this alone.

Me: I wish there was a way to stop all of this, how I wish star was here I need her at times like these, she would tell me what to do. I'm defeated Nathan I have no way forward nothing. What am I going to do?

He sighed while looking down for a while, I even thought that he had forgotten that we were talking but then he raised his head and brushed my hair gently.

Nathan: break up with him

Me: what?

I couldn't hide the shock. He nodded.

Me: but....

Nathan: it's for the best.

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"I'm never going out with you"

I looked at her puzzled

Me: what did I do?

Ivy: really Can, really? You gonna ask me that bull shit after what you did last night?

Me: firstly, never talk to me like that, secondly, we had fun so stop being such a baby I left her in the lounge and went to make myself a smoothie but no little diva had to follow me.

Ivy: lol we had fun, Can you were on a killing spree last night which by the way did not lead to your precious big brother

Me: you worry too much, would you live a little

Ivy: we had a plan and

Me: and I won that we moving to plan B, what's with you stop being my mother serious Ivy or else you won't like the pissed Can as you call me.

She exhaled

“all I'm saying is that, you playing with fire you can't kill people like that, like they are nothing. You changing and the worst part is that you seem to enjoy every moment of it”

Me: I'm sorry for embracing who I am look we are beasts Ivy, the sooner you get that through your thick skull the better, baby sis you and I make an amazing team please sort out whatever it is that you dealing with so that we will continue painting the town red

I left her in the kitchen while I whistle to my morning work-out after putting my smoothie on the fridge.

I was still jiggling around the neighborhood when I got a call from mom I debated for a while before I answered.

Me: Fantasia

Fantasia: will I ever be mother to you?

Me: no

It was an honest answer I never knew my mom, I was raised by my dad and stepmom who is my real mom in every way all Fantasia does is to throw money at me and travel around the world with her new family and only skype or call me when it suits her so why would I call her mother, she doesn't deserve it.

Fantasi: I understand, look Lucan I was to change that, I know I have been absent all your life but I want you to be close to your siblings at least don't punish them for my mistakes.

Me: and why are they not close to me, look mom a coin has two sides I can't be the one playing big broe they are old enough if they was a relationship with me they can call, you bought them phones right, why am I asking obvious you did it's what you good at flashing money at every....

She sniffed like a care nx. “look can we have dinner, as a family we are in your neighbor hood”

Me: for how long?

Her: hhu?

Me: for how long are you in the neighborhood?

Her: my husband is on tour so probably for this week

Me: I though as much

Her: I'm sorry Lucan, so are you coming?

Me: I'm busy

Her: b..

Me: bye Fantasia

I dropped the call, nx some parents just don't deserve to be called parents they are just donors.

## Chapter 34

#NYOTA

3 MONTHS LATER

"you getting very good Nyota, work on your leg more find balance, Delorn I want to see chemistry in there don't just leave her hanging, let's do this one more time"

Me: can we take a break please

Delorn: yes please my feet are killing me not to mention my muscles, Nyota is heavy I've been lifting her since morning

"well, looks like you both don't want the scholarship not to mention that my name is on the line, you think your career would stand still and wait for you while you take breaks forget it, let's take from the top"

I stretched my body for the third time, these past few weeks had been hectic, from studying for quarter exams, my calling to rehearsing for Juilliard's audition, well I was called since they saw my youtube videos and the school had to select three more members. The four of us will go for auditions that they will select two who will get a scholarship to study in Juilliard.

Look at me going on and on about the present, what had happened the past 3 months? Well, I had to put my foot down I was never goiBeast or not. Was it easy though? hell no. he was in a killing spree for a whole month and I was going craze this side I had to go to the US and try to bring back the human in him because we had lost him, he has totally lost his human side. I did what I had to do, prayed when on a fasting prayer and eventually we dealt with the devil.

School had been ok even though I had my days and would be absent close to a week by I pulled through thank God I passed this term, I was not impressed with my marks and I still have to work hard because my scholarship is not just about dancing but also academics too.

Nathan being a wonderful brother and father that he is, he had been very supportive.

"is your brother picking you up today" asked Vicky as we exit the hall

Me: yeah he is

She blushes as she fix her mini skirt. Vicky has this huge crush on Nathan, I keep trying to give her clues that he is taken but the girl doesn't read between the line and I

just let her be, Nathan will tell her himself.

Vicky: well, you guys won't mind dropping me home right my mom is out of town and I can't catch a taxi this late.

Me: ohh there he is

I say as he comes to park just in front of us, well Nathan has bought himself a car and its very nice it's the latest GTi. Cindy was so against it but my brother had to be a man and not let her bully him, it was his hard-earned money and he said he will use it the way he sees fit, that was the first argument I had to witness between the two followed by a lot more but they always fix things and are still craze for each other.

Me: hey biggie

I kiss his cheek

Nathan: hey Minnie

Me: Vicky would like us to drop her off at her house

Nathan shifted uncomfortable and cleared his throat

Nathan: but your house is very far from ours and I would have to change my route

Vicky: I...I'm ....I'm sorry its just that my mom's car broke down

I looked at her stunned.

Me: I thought you said...

She gave me a dead stare

Vicky: please Nath

Nathan: it's not like I have a choice its late now you can't catch a taxi

We continued with the journey Vicky busy asking Nathan silly questions I was so annoyed I had to put my headsets on.

"don't cook, I'll bring take outs"

Nathan said as I jump of at our gate

Me: no Nandos please

He laughs my brother loves meat he can have it every day.

"bye girl" she blows me a kiss as she changes her sits and goes to sit at the front. I shake my head looking at a very irritated Nathan.

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#### MEAN WHILE AT THE ISLAND

"I have looked everywhere" Dio said as he pours himself a scotch on the rocks and gulp it down in one go

Liam: for who or what?

Leroy: please don't tell me you still on the search for your secrete family?

Liam: he has a secrete family?



He was shocked

Dio: hold your tits boy don't rush me. How do people just disappear like that I mean I cant even trace the back account I deposit money to

Leroy: you still give them money

Dio: well the company in the Great South does...

Leroy: it's called South Africa now

Dio: yeah that, anyway your wives' company takes care of that I didn't want to do it personally but now I wish I did.

Liam: what's going on?

Dio: I need to find them

Leroy: why?

Liam: F\*\*\*\* (he bangs the table)

Dio and Leroy: what?

They look irritated

Liam: what the F\*\*\* is going on?

Dio stood up and went to pure another glass "ask your wife"

"ask me what?" they all look at the door as Nana and Nono gets in with a lot of shopping bags its clear they came back with a mall itself

Leroy: not my wife babe, his

He says as he pints at his brother.

Nono: what's going on?

Liam: I have been asking that question for the past 30 minutes

Dio: I can't find them

Nono: who?

Dio: the Johnsons

ng to dump Lucan, I love that soul my heart beat for him

## Chapter 35

### [#NYOTA](#)

I was biting my nails as I wait for Nathan to come back from the hospital, Lizz was still at the hospital there were lost of complications in her health and she had undergone a lot of surgery while she was still unconscious and today she had woken up. They had gone to check on her, I had gone too.

People been asking me what went on that day and I just say I found her like that I don't know. What was I to say really.

Now I was praying for a miracle I don't know what but just anything that will release em from misery.

As soon as I heard the door open I rushed to the door.

Me: how is she, what did she say, did she tell them it was me?

Nathan: woah slow down you will die of high blood pressure.

Me: ok talk already

Nathan: well she said she doesn't remember anything

Me: uhm.....wow....I...

Nathan: but she does

Me: what?

Nathan: yeah, I talked to her she says you ruined her and the only way she is not going to talk is if you come and see her. She has conditions Nyota I can just feel it that girl got something up in her sleve

Me: whatever it is, it cant be that bad

I try to convince myself

Nathan: yeah sure. Are you packed

Me: yeah I was just waiting for you

Nathan: ok I'll freshen up and take you to the airport we will deal with the Lizzy issue when you come back

Me: I'm scared

Nathan: hey look don't worry about this focus on your care ok, you gonna nail the auditions you just have to focus, I wish I was going with you

Me don't worry I got support

I say smiling from ear to ear

Nathan: I know that smile and you better not do anything I wouldn't do

Me: would you go bath already, I will prepare something to eat so long.

He goes living me to my thoughts, God what am I going to do if Lizzy tell people. I know that a lot of things would be revealed like why we were chased out of the village. How I wish Didi was still here with me.

#LUCAN

I had managed to revenge for me and my sisters. I was never going to rest and be at peace while I know that my so-called brother/uncle damaged us and continues to leave his life freely and unpunished, I won't go into details but all I can say is that wherever he is he never wishes to mess with the Lauries. Well me and my prince we good even though we had faced difficult times the past months but we stuck together I must love is powerful, Nathan tried to break us up but we got more tighter even though it was paining me that she had to suffer just because I had to revenge for my sisters eventually I had to think about her, there ia a lot could have still done to Abongwe but I had to think of Nyota I love that girl and she had stuck with me through all the shit I've been doing the past months.

Well Lexi is still there, clueless as ever and I must say she also had her own part in my life because I when I'm with her I get to be normal live free and forget about my issues.

I tried to build my relationship with my mother but it was hard since she is always half way though the world with her family.

"hey master" she says as she hugs me from behind

When she calls me that, the thoughts of yesterday's activities comes to mind and Master jerks a bit, this girl has got gymnastics talent that's all I will tell you.

Me: come here and give Master a proper helo

I give her a heavenly deserved kiss making sure that I leave her kush soaking.

Lexi: wow

I perk her lips.

Me: go get ready we will grab breakfast on the way

I had planned to spoil her I mean I had never taken her on a real date so today is the day.

"Can, where are you.... Ohh you with her"

She says as she joins us in the kitchen.

Me: morning to you too Ivy

Her: yeah, so I have a visitor and you would like to see h....

Me: I got plans

Ivy: I know but this one is ....

Lexi: like he said "WE" got plan little missy so run along go play with Barbie or something

Honestly I wish Ivy and Lexi could get along for my sake

Ivy: I hope you know what you doing

With that said she left, we went to get ready and I took Lexi out for breakfast from there we went to my favorite hiking spot and she was more than excited couldn't keep her mouth shut, we went for shopping and she took everything expensive she came across, yeah I know I got cash but I'm very responsible when it comes to my money I don't just blow it like that and what was happening right here was ripping my heart apart, I plan and budget for my money. I guess mom has to find me a gig soon I got to pudge my back account very soon.

"I'm starving babe" sans-serif; font-size: 14px;">Me: I thought you were going to eat your shopping you've been at it since forever

Her: come on don't be like that

Me: I just want a juicy stake so

Her: steers it is

We take a table and place our order as soon as we are attended to.

Her: we finishing this year babe

Me: yep finally

We chat until our order arrives and we start eating.

Her: so what are your plans after your degree

Me: find a job make a lots of money maybe go back to where my roots are

Her: that's it?

Me: yep that's it really

Her: oh

I could see disappointment in her eyes, what did she want me to say?

She suddenly shifts her attention to the door and looks down quickly

Me: you good?

Her: errrr. Yeah uhm, let's get out of here

Me: sure

I pay, tip the waiter. And follow after Lexi and only to find her arguing with someone in the exit. Before they turn I can see that it's Zyne, I know my nikka no matter where and how far I can recognize him.

Lexi: are you f\*\*\*n kidding me you damn know that I wouldn't have done it if I was in my sober senses

Zyne: but the fact remains it happened

Lexi: don't ruin this for me Zyne

Zyne: ruin what (he laughs) you think he loves you, wow girl wake up and smell the coffee the nikka has ....

I clear my throat

Me: babe (I kiss her) sup Nikka

He looks at me as he shakes his head

"hey love" we turn and only to be meet by a heavily pregnant Anitta

Zyne: you got what you needed baby?

He says as he goes and put his hands around her waist

Me: uhmm, what's going on?

Anitta: hi Lucan

Zyne: as you can see, she is expecting a mini me

Me: wow, how long has this been going on?

Lexi: does it matter, she is your ex Lucan

Me: yes she is but with my friend

Zyne laughs sarcastically “ friends? Please Nikka, I don’t have a black friend ohh wait you don’t know what you fall under black or white”

Me: lets go Lexi

I really don’t get what’s going on between me and my boys but one thing for sure is that they are behaving like b\*\*ches.

Zyne: yeah run long little nikka, while at it make sure you give it to your b\*\*ches seems like you starving them

I couldn’t control my anger I just punched him and he flew across the little road we were standing next too, luckily there was no cars. I looked at Lexi as their argument plays in my mind.

Me: tell me it’s not true

She backed up taking small steps. I could feel my blood boil.

Me: Lexi ( it came out as a roar)

Her: Lucan, your eyes...yo...you.... You scaring me

I charged to her aiming for her neck only to be stopped my my phone ringing.

Me: what?

I had no time to check who it was my eyes were fixed on Lexi

Her: please don’t I beg you baby, don’t do it. Just listen to my voice my love and try to calm down.

I closed my eyes to her voice and it just calmed me down, I dint have to think so much just be calm and listen to her, that’s all it took.

## Chapter 36

### #NYOTA

After hours of being in the plain with with Dee, Vicky and Amanda. These three were all hyper and talking none stop me on the other hand I was beyond nervous busy going over and over my routine on my head. Didn’t sleep a wink I was beyond nervous.

“finally, ladies and gentlemen, girls and boys, nikkas and hoes we are here... says Vicky before she was joined by Amanda singing party in USA with their scratchy voices.

People were now looking at them others in annoyance while others are laughing looking at these African kids going craze over the states.

Dee: now this is what am talking about...

Them : naa mean (you know what I mean)We all laughed, if you can’t beat them join them.We collected our staff after we have kissed the ground like literally they did lol, I was just smiling from ear to ear.

Vicky : OMG, there is someone with a board and our names on itShe screamed running towards the man living us stunned.

Me: why is she screaming?

Dee: apparently, they have been dreaming about this for months and the name on the boad thing well they always see it on movies so it’s a dream come true.

Me: ncoah.

Amanda: lol Nyota your name, the way he wrote it bra or is it really your name

Me: really Amanda??

"hi guys" the guy looked like he was in his 20's, tall and I must say he was really a eye candy.I looked at him and smiled I don't know but looking at him made me miss my mad.

Ama,Vicky and Dee: hey

Guy: I'm Justin I will be your driver during your stay here

Amanda: we got a driver too, this is a dream

me: lets put it this way so it will sound cool, we have a Schaefer

so the guy drove us to the hotel which we were booked in and having a chat along the way.

"I hope you enjoy your stay, your appointment will be on Monday morning so you can enjoy yourselves during the weekend" Justin says as he bid us goodbye after he we had been shown our rooms.I didn't waste time as soon as we closed the door I went to my room took a long-deserved shower and went to sleep. I was woken up by disturbing dream and I just knew that Lucan was up to no good, I felt my body changing and I couldn't let this happen I was miles away from home and I had no idea what I would do while on that state I had to do something.I took my phone and called him and luckily, he answered, I was so relieved to hear his voice, hear is the thing I know some might not get but Lucan's existence did things to me, I was whole when I was with him, when I heard his voice it was like he was just there and I felt him his presence and I could tell that I had the very same effect on him, the calmness and peace. I felt him getting calmer as I was talking to him.After talking to him I was at peace and went back to bed.

"up....up...up"

33, 41); font-size: 14px;">Me: uhmm uhmm

"girl don't piss me off we are in the US, we are so not here to sleep the whole day" Just than my phone rang"take" Vicky says as he she gives me my phone

Me: uhm

"woah...woah ....woah...what happened to I will give you a call as soon as I land"

Me: but I just slept like 5 minutes ago

Vicky : she's lying its been close to 6 hours I sat up very quick and looked around

Me: OMG I'm sorry Ivy

I say as I get back to my phone

Vicky: what hotel are you, I'm coming to pick you up now I'm in town anyway.

Me: I'll text you I still have to look for the pamphlet here, I forgot what's it called.We talked, after hanging up I sent her the coordinates.15 minutes later while I was still debating on what to eat since I was starving Dee got in my room budging

Him; you have a very sexy hot mamasita here for...

"yeah yeah I know I'm hot and all thannikka move" Ivy pushed him out of the way before he could finished talking

Me: OMW

Ivy: MY TWIN!!!!

We were screaming not caring who says what. Dee mumbled something as he went out.

Ivy: I don't have time, get dressed so we will go

Me: where to I'm starving

Her: home, we will grab something on the way. Well I had no way of saying no, this was my chance to see my babe [#winks](#) and even get time to chill with my twin lol. Well my girls did not just let us go like that Ivy had to promise them a nice time the next day so we left headed to her house, bought Mexican food on the way, I love hot stuff. As soon as we got to her house I threw myself on the couch.

Ivy: tired neh?

Me: you have no idea

Her: ok we will just take our food to my room than we will just chill watch movies and catch up. We did just that, watched girls trip I have no idea how she got it.

Me: so (clearing my throat) errrrr

Ivy: sooooo (she raised her eyebrows)

Me: where is....I didn't finish to ask before we were interrupted by a loud noise of people arguing.

"I told you to get out of my F\*\*\*\*n face, you really don't want me to react" no matter how angry he was I could tell that that was my babe, just as I was smiling my face shrank when I heard the response. "babe, look I'm sorry I know I wronged you but I promised you it meant nothing to me" it was a girls voice and I could tell that she was crying. Lucan: it meant nothing did you F\*\*\*\*n say that bull shit to me, Lexi you slept with me and went on to F\*\*\*\* with my friend my Filipin friend you know what I'm done, we done. My blood was boiling by now, my own rage plus his. I was feeling in a way I could not explain all I know is that I was angry and I could sense that Lucan was changing

"baby please, I ....I ....A loud bang followed, she didn't finish her sentence. me and Ivy did not wait for an invitation we budged to the lounge only to be met by Lucan's red eyes.

Me: Lucan (my voice came out as a whisper but surprisingly he heard me, he turned so quick)

"My Queen"

\*\*\*\*guys been trying to post for over an hour and my phone was acting out this is why I dont like using my phone to post. I'm sorry I will edit tomorrow\*\*\*\*\*

## Chapter 37

### [#NYOTA](#)

I can take anything and everything that comes my way, I mean I'm a strong girl right. But like every other person I also got limits, I get fed-up. I looked at Lucan as he was trying to calm down after realizing that I was in the room, instead of being angry I was just disappointed and annoyed, how can he do this to us, after everything that we been through and still going through he just chose to shove our love where the sun doesn't shine. I looked at the girl, she was pretty, super model pretty got the body to die for and I bet she was Mexican or was just my eyes, but she looked Mexican, she was tall, same height as Lucan.

I looked at her as her face change from being scared to "don't you dare F\*\*\* with me" that's what they say right its their language.

Her: what did you just call her?

Lucan: ohhh God, Lexi you still here, I though I told you to F\*\*\* OFF, go beat it.

Lexi: I'm not going anywhere, you throwing tantrums when it me but know you also got busy F\*\*\*\*n this little B\*\*\* .....

Me: ENOUGH!!!!!!..... look miss Barbie, we don't know each other and frankly I don't wanna know you because I don't give a rat about you

bout you to insult me is very low of you.....word of advise get your fake lashes out of this house and don't look back because if you piss him-off you piss me off and trust

me Ivy won't be able to handle the both of us.

Lexi: (clapping hands) Miss Afrika is smart after all, look I aren't scared of you ok, I'm Lexi I know tiquando

Ivy: and trust me, we know whip your ass, I have been wanting to do that since I laid my eyes on your ugly fake face, you know what less talking more moving out (she showed her to the door while walking towards her)

I left them there and when to Ivy room, I needed some quietness I needed to think. I took my shoes off, my jeans and got under covers.

I was drifting to sleep with tears wetting the pillow when I felt hands around my body, I could tell that it was Lucan I know how his skin feels and his scent very well. I had no strength to fight him or even move I was numb and needed to sleep the sadness away.

Lucan: I'm so sorry my Queen, I'm really really sorry. How I wish you could forgive me. Without you I'm nothing you know that, I breathe our love, it's what makes me strong. I'm so sorry MaJohnson....

I must have fallen asleep listening to his annoying sorries and how he wishes he could turn back the time. Here is the thing about me, I give a person the benefit of the doubt, I trust easy and love easy. All I expect is that for my trust and love to kept that way because once you break it it very difficult to mend it. I don't forgive easily it's a long way to forgiveness. A very long one.

I looked around the room and it seems like it was morning already, must have slept through the night, Ivy was sleeping peacefully next to me. I went to her bathroom after taking my toiletry bag, took a bath and brushed my teeth. Got dressed into black leggings, white spaghetti vest, white and red Vans and a Michael Kors Biker Jacket thanks to Cindy.

"ohh hey you up" he stood up so quick from the sofa like he has been waiting for me, he looked like he hadn't slept for days.

Me: yeah

Lucan: I made you breakfast

Me: that you

I was so not in the mood for small talks, I just wanted to get out of here and not see his face for a while.

I went to the kitchen and made myself a fruit salad, I could see hurt in his eyes.

Lucan: but I thought you liked full English breakfast

Me: not today

I was so down but I tried buy all means to answer him. After I was done making my

breakfast I sat on the kitchen high chair and ate, it was so hard because he was just watching me like a hawk. I eat though since I was hungry, when I was done I went to wash my dish.

When I turned from putting it in the carboard I was meet by his strong body.

Lucan: Nana...I ....I know I'm starting to sound like a broken record but I'm sorry

Me: Lucan please I have to go

Lucan: at least shout at me, hit me but don't shut me out

Me: I have nothing to say to you, just do me a favour

Him: anything

Me: give me space, I need space

## Chapter 38

### #LUCAN

To say I was angry is an understatement, I took some time just to evaluate my past and I just knew that I had been such a D. I was busy chasing after stones while I had the most precious ruby at my disposal, what more was I looking for, physical pleasure, which only lasted for a couple of hours because God knows I never loved Lexi, I just liked the idea of having her in my life and that she was a bit out there and adventurous but was it all worth it, me having that fun and loosing my precious gift at the end of it all. I just knew from there on that as much as I kept telling myself that I was young and I wanted to enjoy life, I had to be careful of the things I do and who I hurt in the name of fun, I looked at the past couple of months, just remembering how my relationship with Nyota had blossomed, how she had learned to be open and trust me, not just because I'm her boyfriend but because we have an unbreakable bond, that friend ship bond, the sister and brother bond the "I got you no matter what bond" and what did I do? I took all that for granted and I have no one else to blame but myself. One thing for sure through is that sitting around and mopping will never get me anywhere I had to fight for what was left of our relationship, I had to win her back it might not be now but I was willing to do whatever it takes.

After Ivy had went out with Nyota I myself took a quick bath and changed with all black Gucci swag and soviet sneakers, took my Cartier watch, wallet and phone had to sort out a few things first. I didn't even play music on my way, my mind was occupied with lots of things and I needed answers to some before I sort out my life.

When I packed I was welcomed by a very bubbly little angel, Sihle's little sister she is so adorable.

"amma call Sihle for ya, what you gonna give me?"

I looked at this rat trying to rob me in broad day light

Me: what do you want?

Her: uhmmmm.... Leeme think about it

I was now folding my arms and she had her finger tapping on her cheek with one leg also tapping on the ground, lost in thoughts I felt like laughing.

"ohhh...no no no little missy you haven't finished your food you ain't got no time to bargain for whatever" her mom rescued me as she just scooped her "hi Lu....Sihle is at the back"

Me: Thank you Mrs Z

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We were just sited by the pool in silent, I on the other hand was trying to suppress my anger.

Us : look....

Me: you go first

He cleared his throat "look man, I'm sorry about the other day, how we talked to you at the bar that so out of hand we could have handled the situation better"



Me: yeah you could have, I just want to know one thing  
Him: what?  
Me: why?  
Sihle: well for starters I was angry

I'm not going to talk for Zyne but myself. We are friends man, Dwyne was one of us no matter how angry you were but finding out that you the one who ended his life while yours continued like nothing happened I was beyond pissed man. We talked for a long time while I was trying to reason with Sihle even though I had to lie and deny me killing Dwayne. At the end of the day we reached a common ground and we got over it, as for Zyne I didn't even had to bother out friendship was beyond repair. Before I knew it it was late in the afternoon and I had to carry on with my other mission so I bid my nikka goodbye and proceeded with my plans.

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[#NYOTA](#)

We were sitting at the back of the house. He had it all figured out, a romantic candle light dinner with a pianist playing soft music, the stars were shining from above and the moon was all bright. After eating dinner in silent, he looked at me for a long time stood up than took my hand.

Lucan: come, let's take a walk

I obliged and followed his lead, see the thing is Lucan's home was huge like really huge especially the yard you would walk till you get tired and still come back haven't finished the whole yard, I understand though I mean they have a huge family but ay for a yard to be this big is just a waste.

Lucan: you know tonight's brightness shows the exact way I feel and my life becomes when you are around. I had never noticed this before but as soon as you came into my life Nyota it was like an important piece had been attached to me, like finally I became alive. (he took a deep breath and looked up in the sky before looking at me) I have no words for what I have done, I have hurt you whereas I had promised to never hurt you. I was just silly Nana, I guess sometimes you have to learn the hard way to appreciate the gift that God gave you. We both know that our love was blessed even before we were born but that doesn't give me a right to disrespect you or hurt you. I want you to always be happy baby, I hate that I am the one who makes you cry.

He wiped the tears from my eyes and kissed both my eyes.

Me: I...

Him: shhhh, I know that you said you wanted space and I respect that, I just wanted you to know that I love you Nyota, my heart literally beats for you. Take whatever time you need and just know that I will always be here waiting for you.

I looked at him, thinking how am I ever going to trust and love him unconditionally without looking back or thinking of his mistakes, I was willing to try though and I knew that given enough time I was going to be ok.

Me: I love you more

Him: lets not get carried away because we both know who loves who more

Me: which is me

Him: ohh really? (He said with the most seductive tone)

Before I knew it, our lips were touching, tongues were touching, his lips were so soft and his breath was just a mixture of stake source and mint which tasted so good, the more he deepened the his he would bring my body closer to his, I was so lost I found myself releasing strange sounds and I felt him smile “damn I love you woman”. I brought my arms around his neck and looked straight in his eyes when we broke the kiss, I could get lost in there, I wanted to find my Lucan, the man that I say I love the man that I thought was truthful and faithful to me.

Him: don’t think too much about it, we will get there

Me: you promise?

Him: yes, I promise, lets seal it.

Again we got lost in each other’s embrace, tongue locking and lip biting.

Him: I don’t know how I will manage without you Nyota but with the love I have for you I’m willing to try.

I pecked his lips.

Me: can we have desert

He chuckled and led us back to the table where we had a nice watering tiramisu.

\*\*\*\*\*THREE YEARS LATER\*\*\*\*\*

## Chapter 39

#NARRATED

\*\*\*\*\*THREE YEARS LATER\*\*\*\*\*

#Effugere paradisi (escape paradise)

Things have changed over the few years, there has been major development considering that people are getting education and skills so they bring as much development as they can, it helps a lot that the leaders are not just the Laurie family but every house hold has a representatives on the community organisations, with Dio as the founder and leader of the Island. The business is getting bigger they are an independent country and do everything with the resources they have, they have most importantly developed their security system with the help of Lucan. They have a high-tech sensor system which helps guest monitor a room’s climate and lighting , its installed in every house hold, they have a monitor building for the whole community with police observing each and every move around just to count a few.

The Laurie’s have extended their house, which I will not go into details but just know that it looks like a Mall with a HUGE swimming pool well it’s understandable I mean the family is huge.

After Christmas dinner and story telling by Dio with lots of laughter around the fire place he just had to drop a bomb which left every one holding their breaths.

Liam: look I understand that you know what’s good and bad for the family but will you let us raise our kids the way we want too I mean I’m a man I’m suppose to say what goes in my family but no you don’t give me that chance

Nono: I agree, Dio these are our children we really don’t want them to leave the lives we lived, it was

exciting and we got to get married with the loves of our lives but still it should be our call when it comes to our children.

Dio: you can be stubborn and try to reason all you want but what I have said goes and you all know that this is how things are done in this family

Lucan: grandpa do you really hate me that much

He was not angry but just defeated to think that he had worked so hard to sort his life and live a good life, but the thanks he gets from his family is that "it was all not enough, you still have to sacrifice more"

Dio: it's for the best my son and you will thank me at the end

Lucan: except that I might hate you and I probably already do

Leroy: those are harsh words son

Lucan: can I be excused

Dio nodded and he left banging the door on his way out, he just needed fresh air probably he will realise that this was all a joke or some sort of a test.

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### #LUCAN

The past years were not easy, I doubt that life will ever be easy when you are a beast because you are always at war. Well I won't dwell much on that, I finally graduated got an internship and worked for Microsoft after I was done with my internship which is where I still work but also work for my family business, we all have full time jobs while we also do help on the Island development.

Things between me and Nyota are amazing, I love that woman we have had ups and downs but we are still standing, I had not introduced her to my family as my girlfriend as yet well that's because we both wanted to keep our relationship to us and not a family thing, I know how my family can fuss over a small thing and I would want to put Nyota in a situation where she will not be comfortable.

I had my own place where I get piece when I'm at home which is in the river down the hill, I just jump from tree to tree until I get to the bottom of the hill just to clear my mind and think about what Dio just said and most of all what will I say to Nyota and where will this leave us. Seriously speaking Dio was bull-shitting me.

....."really Ava, spit on me one more time I will go and sell you to Maleficent"

She cried running to her mother, mnxm I stood up and went to clean my face up

"and than, what's up with you" he asked lughing

Me: go ask your daughter bro I swear this was the last time feeding her

Nathan: you always say that and the next thing you will be dancing around the house and running after each other

"Nyota...what did you do to my child"

Tjo you could have seen naughty Ava she was all curled up on her mama's arms with her head between her neck and head.

Cindy: woah what happened to your face

Me: let me say this again, I AM NEVER FEEDING AVA

Cindy: ohh but you will

They all laughed at that....

Ava: feed Ava baby

She said stretching her arms to me, it was like she was fuelling her parents they laughed louder. I

left them there to wash my face.

I stood in the mirror with a smile on my face just thinking of the past three years, I have come so far and I have grown. Well I got the scholarship and now I'm doing my second year at Juilliard. I'm doing performing art which a degree in dance, drama and music and I'm loving it. There is a lot of pressure but will the support system I got I make sure that I push hard. Lucan has been a darling and a very supporting and understanding boyfriend considering that I sometimes travel to other countries because I enter competitions and also do some jobs here and there, I had been featured in two movies and done a lot of stage performances that's how hectic my life has become.

"led iptic Nyota issss" (red lipstick nyota please)

He says that as she budes in my bathroom pushing the door wide like it did something to her

Me: you are 2 Ava what do you know about lipstick

Ava: lipstick Nyota lipstick

She stomps her feet with a very serious face

Me: NO

Her: yes

Me: no

Her: yes

"really guys, are we ever gonna find piece in this house with you two always yelling at each other"

Ohh well she shouldn't worry because in few days I'm flying to see my boo. Well we all living together now, my brother had opened his construction company and he had been getting a lot of tender offers which made his company grew rapidly to a point where he bought me a car yeeeee that was after they had designed a huge house when Cindy found out she was pregnant, they had been broken up and got back together and broken up again but the main point is they are engaged to be married now, it's funny how things turn because no one ever thought they were ever that serious but hey who am I to spectate.

## Chapter 40

.....#NTOYA

"I think I'll just call a cab, you guys are making me late" I yelled as I pulled my luggage to the car.

Cindy: ay girls chill, why does it seem like you can't wait to get out of here

Me: I just don't want to miss my flight that's all

Ava: me too

She said clapping and giggling to god knows what.

"you too what this time angel" her dad picked her up and tickled her while she laughed till she couldn't breathe properly

Me: she doesn't wanna miss her flight too, can we go please?

Nathan: what missing boo already

I looked the other way irritated because I really missed him and the fact that he was a bit distance these days was making things worse.

Cindy : ok check list before you go young lady

Nathan: don't bother when she's like this, she will buy whatever she left behind in the States.

Cindy: well ok, did you at least take your medication?

Well I had been feeling a bit sick lately, sometimes I'll have blood coming out of my nose and I've lost a lot of weight but the strange thing is that doctors find nothing unusual and I've consulted two different doctors. Anyway I hurried back to my room and took my medication which was nothing much really just vitamins and iron supplements.

"ok, done family"

We got in the car and hit the road while listening to miss blab talking and singing none stop, damn I love this naught talkative cutie chubby niece of mine even though we are always at each other's throats these days.

We had late lunch first since I was taking an afternoon flight than did some shopping which turned out to a spree Cindy though I give up.

"take care of yourself baby neh and please call anytime, whenever you need anything, just anything ok" Cindy said giving me a very tight motherly hug this is strange really because I take Cindy as my mother but then she is engaged to my brother ay but anyway I've learned to just take things as they are.

"I will miss you baby cutie" I said picking her up

"miss you baby?" she can be such a baby when she likes

I nodded while wiping my tears, I have no idea why I was crying because just few hours ago, couldn't wait to go.

"no cly baby" she was wiping my tears too, I chuckled

Nathan: she's just being a baby, come give biggie a hug.

After our goodbyes and a few tears shared well by me I went to check in while going backwards and waiving I pumped into someone and almost fell.

Me: ouch

I said when the hand grabbed me so hard to prevent me from falling, I pulled out my arm so quick,

Me: WTF

Well yeah I've also adapted to that language don't look at me like that. I felt something familiar when the person's skin touched mine, I don't know how to explain it there was something about the touch and it was not a good feeling at all.

"damn, I'm so sorry.....I ....I wasn't looking" he said sounding so sincere but that's not what got my attention but the realization after I've heard his voice.

Me: Tau

Only that did he realize that it was me

Him: OMW, Nyota

We stood there starring at each other not saying anything until the lady asked if we checking in

He looked at me again

Tau: The State?

I nodded, still not sure how to react or what to say to him, I mean I had not seen him since that unpleasant encounter and I seeing him now seems too soon, I'm just glad that it's in a public place.

Him: seems like I'm going to enjoy this long trip I was worried, I hate flying

He was just talking and being himself, all smiley and sweet but I guess I was overthinking things.

"ok, snap out of it Nyota" I said to myself before taking a deep breath.

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[#LUCAN](#)

We were seated around the dinner table, everyone was conversing and laughing it was all nice for everyone well except for me of cause I was just not here, I had been stressed lately, my family actually grandfather was not being fair at all. I had done all I could, got angry, threw tantrums at him and even threaten to run away or go live with Fantasia but the old man told me straight that there is no use because he will find me anywhere in the world since we have trackers on our bodies and he would drag me back home kicking and beasting (if that's even a word) out.

Me: uhm, what?

I asked as I felt someone nudging me.

Ivy: what's up?

I looked up at my grandfather.

Me: ask him?

Levi: Pa, what did you do?

Grandpa : who said I did something?

Levi: well we all know that you are a trouble old man

Dad2: well said son

they stood up and high fived as they were sited across each other.

Pa: Levi I'm not your friend

Levi: come on Pa we all know that you like this little you

He said patting his own shoulder.

Leah: eish do you ever ...

Levi: shut up, nah what will you do if I do that?

Ivy: grandpa, what's happening?

He did not answer instead he just stood up wiping his mouth with a napkin.

Pa: Ls and Ns we going to South Africa tomorrow, be ready at dawn because we have to come back after the negotiations with our wife.

With that said she took his gold walking stick and walked out, he doesn't even use it, it's just for show since its made of pure gold nx. I just wanted to punch him through the wall straight to that flippin South Africa shit. □

"there is no use to think of something you will never do son" my dad said patting by back, I just looked at him with nothing but anger. □

"tell him son" Pa yelled from where ever he was.

Nexus: so we going to South Africa?

Levi: you can be so dump sometimes. □

Nexus: but I'm N too □

Lexus : ohh just shut up twin tjo

She dramatically bit her own forehead.

## Chapter 41

### #NARRATED

Living up to Dio's orders by 6 am L's and their wives were in the jet, flying to the Great South. No one was happy about this, they have all tried their best to reason with the old man to no vein. Liam and Nono were just angry that he was trying to control their lives and how they should raise their kids, yes, he is old and knows best but they felt that he should let them do what they think it's best for their own kids. Leroy and Nana on the other hand were worries because they knew what this meant for them, this meant that Dio would also be doing the same thing to Leah and Levi and hatted even the thoughts of it, they always told themselves that they would give their kids freedom to choose who they want to be with if they ever decide to settle down.

"finally we hear, God knows I have been buried and resurrected by these stares I've been getting, take a chill pill will you" Dio said after the flight attendant had announced that they are landing.

Nana: I just pray and hope that we don't lose Lucan in all this

Leroy: me too baby me too.

He brought her close and kissed her head than inhaled the smell of her hair conditioner while closing his eyes.

Nana: you still love doing that?

He chuckled

Leroy: it comes me down babe.

After landing they were taken to two black SUVs which were waiting for them, and they were driven to a hotel where Dio left them and said that he was coming back in a few minutes which became hours.

Nono: I'm hungry

Leroy: I thought I was the only one

The room busted out in laughter.

Nana: as always baby, as always.

They ordered room service, and Dio got in when they were finishing their lunch

Dio: ok let's go get our bride

They looked at him with blank expressions.

Dio: what? We didn't come all the way here to play house or for you to enjoy your 3rd honeymoon, get up

Liam: I was praying that you will come back and say she dies or something.

Dio's face changed immediately and was filled with anger.

Dio: what did you just say?

Liam: I was saying that....

Dio: look here boy just because you have grown some balls and have little mosquito calling you "dady", that doesn't give you a right to speak to me like that ok

Liam: get angry all you want, blow up if you want but the truth stands I hate what you doing to my son

Dio: this is what's best for him ok, or at least when the agreement was made it was best

Nana: what do you mean when the agreement was made?

Nono: what's going on Dio?

He sighed and sat down.

Dio: I might as well just tell you

Leroy: damn right you must

Dio gave him a dead stare but he did not budge instead he gave him the "talk already" look.

Dio: I made an agreement with her grandparents, when she was still young that I will take care of her when she turns 18, well I wasn't going to adopt her but I made a promise to marry her with my first grandson. They also had a grandson and I promised to send him to best schools than he will come and work for me. The grandfather died few year after we made that promise and as I hear with my sources the grandmother took her grandchildren and went back to her home land and that's were they all just vanished. So when I went there to look for them the grandfather's family told me that they are all dead.

Nana: what?

Liam: how?

They said at the same time

Dio: well they were burnt to death, apparently, they were accused of which craft. I sent my men to look at it and well they didn't have to dig further as it was all over the news.

Leroy: but why?

Nana: why what babe?

Leroy: why did Dio made such a promise to them, what did you get in return?

Dio: nothing...I...I guess it's because I felt that I owe those kids

Liam: owe them how?

Dio: for taking what matters to them

Nana: you speaking in riddles

Nono: who are they, this family of yours?

Liam: yeah who are they?

Dio stretched his head he had been dreading this moment for some time now.

Him: the Johnson's

Nono: thee J...

He nods before she could finish

Nono: you son of a B\*\*\*\*\*t

She charges to him and throw a few punches before her husband holds her.

Liam: what the hell Dio?

Well Nana had to tell the family everything about her near rape experience that caused him to kill a second person in her life, to the threats she got after that, Dio stepping in and having to kill Mrs Johnson. She told them the day Dio had brought the subject of not finding them and then today he just had to drop such a bomb, bringing that family back to her life.

Dio: hey look, it's not about you two, get yourself together. Think about those kids, they were young infants knew nothing about this cruel world and lost their parents through who?(he asked looking at Nono) yeah, how do you thing they grew up

it was never their fault that their father was a senseless son of B\*\*\*h and a pervert. Those kids needed love, a warm home, they needed protection and I was willing to give them that but now .....

Nono: I know what happened was unfortunate for them Dio, given I chance I would apologize and trust me I would not rest until I get their forgiveness but that reminder, that reminder Dio, that day was something else and to think that I was pregnant and did not know, I nearly lost my babies due to that experience.

Nana walked to her sister and hugged her.

Nana: its hard sis I can't imagine how hard it might be but Dio is right those kids didn't do anything we shouldn't think of them as bad and judge them with their parent's sins, may their souls rest in peace.

everyone : Amen

Nana: so what now

She asked after a long silent.

Dio: well I had been having dreams, Johnson telling me that I have to fulfill my promise, I figured that I should talk to the family and see what we can do.

Liam: what do you mean?

Dio: well (sigh) they gave me one of their granddaughters and she is the one that we will be paying lobola for

The commotion began after sometime, as we know Dio's word goes they all took their bags and went out because they were going to hit the road back home after the negotiations were done.

Liam: I still don't like this

He mumbled

Leroy: I hate it.

## Chapter 42

### #NARRATED

The 17 hours flight had been a nightmare for Nyota, nahh don't jump into conclusion it was not because he was in the flight with Tau, that was the last of her worried actually that helped her a lot, to have someone she knew. She had been in and out of the rest room the whole 17 hours, she was not feeling well at all, even the medication she had taken were not helping.

“ok since you stubborn even when you really not well you don't want to come with me, tell me who to call”

They were now in his rented car and all he wanted to drive her home and take care of her because he could see that she was not well, in fact she was getting worse.

“Nyota?”

She was lying at the back sit since she felt a bit dizzy earlier she just wanted to lie down. He called her again raising his voice this time but nothing, there was no response. He tuned the car in the middle of the road and drove like a maniac towards the nearest hospital. Cars were hooting and people were swearing at him but he did not give any attention to them, he was too stressed to even worry about people.

He could not let the only girl he ever loved suffer, yes, he messed up and even today after its been years he still beat himself up for it, the way he treated her, he knew he was wrong, he knew he could have treated he better, like a queen she is, she deserved that.

“help please, she's not waking up”

He had carried her in his arms like she weighed nothing while running and yelling for help.



Luckily there was a doctor by the reception she ran to him. “what happened sir?”  
She asked while pointing to the direction they should go, she did not wait for her to be admitted and all that process she just started working on her as soon she Tau placed her on a free bed.

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On the other hand Lu’s siblings were really worried about him especially now since he had been feeling sick, this was new to them no one ever got sick in their family well except for their mothers but their dads knew how to take care of them.

“Leah try again, I’m sure one of them will pick up this time”

Said Levi pacing up and down

Nexus : or we could just call a doctor

Lexus: yeah, lets call a doctor

“call a doctor for who I told you I’m fine it’s just a headache and it will go away soon” Lucan told them with an irritated expression

Ivy: yeah, and the nose bleed when will it go away?

Leah: stopping a nosebleed, ok ok I’ve read that somewhere.(he sat up straight thinking hard) ok you need to sit up straight and tip your head slightly forward. ...

Lu looked at him as if he was going mad.

Kids: do it!!!!

Lucan: you making noise

Nexus: please do it Lulu

He gave her a dead stare, he hated that it made him seem sissy

Nexus : please

He did as told

Leah : now, use your thumb and forefinger to firmly pinch the soft part of your nose shut, Levi bring ice

Levi: why me?

Ivy: I’ll bring it

After a while she came back with mixed verve pack and a towel than applied it to Lu’s nose and cheeks. ...

Leah : Keep pinching for a full 10 minutes, then we will check if you still bleeding

“who is bleeding?” they just knew that their parents are back and relaxed a bit.

Nexus: Lulu he is dying mama

Nana: I’m sure he is dying of anger hearing you calling him Lulu

(She said letting out a chuckle)

Nono: what happened?

Leroy: maybe he had been fighting

Lucan: my head is a bit light

Lexus: what’s happening mom?

Nana: he is just a bit sick baby, come Lu you need to lie down

He pulled him towards her as he stood up when he turned to go to his room he met with an unfamiliar face,

Lucan: who is she?

Kids: yeah who is she?

Dio: son meet your wife Thando

Lucan’s eyes got all red which startled everyone, but what were they expecting, he was never going to jump up and down and hug the girl while kissing her all over the face now was he.

He tried to breath but it never helped, his mind was all over the place, he did what he always helped him, he tried to think of her face but it never came, her voice it was like it was fading away, his last hope no his only hope. The only person he will ever love was her, it’s her, why is she not responding it was like their connection had a glitch, he would see or hear her but it was fading away.

Lucan: it cannot be happening....no no no... (he said while he was chocking in some thick liquid coming out of her nose and mouth)

Nono: OMG

Liam: son????

he tried to get to him but to be stopped by a huge force which threw him across the room.

The Thando girl was now in tears, fearing for her life, thinking what has she gotten herself in too.

Everyone looked at the mighty Dio to do something but at this time he was also helpless.

Lucan: Ny....N....N..yo....ta

It came out as a whisper after he hit the floor than lights went out

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#NARRATED

Ivy had been trying to contact Nyota but she could not reach her, she was worried sick and had no idea what to do to help. Lucan seemed to be getting better in their eyes, he acted strong because he did not want to worry anyone.

#LUCAN

I had finished packing, staying seemed to make me weak, I had never been this vulnerable in my life, I had no idea of how to control my own life and that was frustrating enough, not to mention not being able to reach Nyota it was very stressing, I know I sound like a girl right now but who gives a F\*\*\* I'm allowed to be vulnerable and weak too.

After taking a shower I went to my room butt naked while still dripping with water, I took a towel from the bed and wiped my hair, I had let it grow a bit. Nyota would be so mad at me for doing this, I find myself smiling just thinking about her. He always said "stop leaving traces of your shower bath, everyone knows that you bath baby, you not just a pretty face for nothing" her words not mine and at that moment she is fuming with anger but what comes out of her mouth would be the opposite, hmm how I love and miss her....

My smile quickly shrink as I realize that I got company and all this time I've been staring at her.

"why are you in my room?" I ask since it's clear that she was never going to say anything

Her: .....

Me: "sisiwe"(sister)

I snap fingers in her face and only than she blinks

Me: next time you decide to stare, do it on your own property I belong to someone else

She looked all over the room, embarrassed I guess. Nx

Her: I was told to call you for breakfast

Me: ok, do that and get out

Her: uhmmm breakfast is ready

Me: yeah

She turns and rush to the door...

Me: uhmm sisiwe

She looks stops but not look back

Me: my room is off limit, that means never set your foot in here, clear?

She nods

Me: good girl.

After I'm done with getting ready I take my duffle bag and join everyone for breakfast.

"woah whats with the bags" ask Dad as I approach them

Me: work

Dad 2: uhm

Dio: Thando my dear serve your husband he likes his tea black

Me: while Thando serves her husband, Ivy my lovely sister please make tea for me I will just grab a toast I here chuckles around the table

Dio: son you really need to get off that high horse, the sooner you accept that she is your wife the better.

Nono: Dio please can we just save that talk for later

Dio: which later because this boy is on the way now and we all know what he is rushing too, he wants to chase after whores in that filthy city

Me: ok, that's my que.

I don't know what's wrong with me but ever since this all arrange marriage thing started I have been weak I mean physically, I can feel that I have no strength to fight back or say anything to anyway, it better I just go and be on my space.

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It's been weeks since I came back and still nothing from Nyota, her phone is always off, I went to her dorm room and her roommate says she never came back. I don't know how but I somehow lost her brother's numbers and that leaves me no choice but to call mom and ask for Cindy's number from her.

These past weeks I had not been well, I never recovered actually and this worries me because I cannot go to just any doctor because they might take blood samples and we don't want people finding out about my beats DNA.

After calling Cindy I became more worried because they were also stressed and had been looking for her ever since she took a flight coming to the States 3 weeks back, how f\*\*\*d up is that, how can a person just go missing.

I had tried all my resources and finally found a guy who was able to heck on the airport cctv cameras and Bam! she was with that Tau a\*s whole. I asked him to hack the road surveillance cameras too and we followed the to a hospital.

I was now racing for my life, didn't care if I get a ticket as long as I get to see my better half.