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Synopsis 故事大綱：

Having immersed in grievance and guilt due to an unsolved and intriguing crime for the past years, Ellen struggles in the confusion of the true meaning of justice and truth with a blatant scar left in her. Now, a perplexing case appears, and the peculiar death of a young star, Amber, has transformed Ellen's bafflement into a determined will to resolve the mystery and untangle the knot in her heart. Working hand-in-hand with Alexis, a columnist and sister of the victim, the case is brought under the spotlight. Whilst the truth begins to unveil, the inextricable ties between the known and unknown are unmasked.

Under the veil, what exactly is the truth—or does it really matter anymore?



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Prologue

Detective Ellen *(awakes from her dream, breathless)* Mrs Harta!

(phone rings)

Detective Ellen Alexis?

VO Ellen, I need your help.

Detective Ellen What happened?

VO My sister is dead.

Scene 1

(Ellen and Alexis enter)

(weeping sound continues, Ellen and Alexis exchange a shocked look, scared.)

Alexis *(cries out desperately, and rushes forward)* Amber?

Cody *(looks up, wailing)* Who are you?

Detective Ellen *(startled)* Aren't you Amber's assistant, Cody?

Cody *(stops weeping and wipes away her tears quickly)* There's something that I have to bring back to the studio. *(fidgets as she looks around, searching for things to be packed)*

Alexis It must be a murder!

Detective Ellen They are not the stories in your column. *(inspects around carefully, picks up a trophy)*

Cody *(rushes to Ellen promptly)* Don't...don't touch it! It is her first trophy.
(grabs it from Ellen and puts it in her arms)

Alexis Yes, the time I went together with her! Remember how she asked you to be her assistant when you failed the audition...

Detective Ellen *(rushes to the two)* Wait, these pills... *(glances at the things that Cody has packed)* Cody, was Amber on any medication?

Alexis No, she is perfectly fine...



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Cody (*cuts in*) Yes...yes! (*grabs the bottles from Ellen and arranges them back into the bag*) Those are just vitamins...

 (*Ellen flips through the schedule book.*)

Cody She was just following her busy routine as usual. 7:00, makeup. 8:00, salon. 9:30, studio. 11:00, photoshoot...

Detective Ellen (*reads the script*) Shooting for the new movie, "*In the Name of Star*", right? You wrote the script for her, Alexis.

Alexis I knew it would be a golden opportunity for her.

Cody Amber is Canary in the movie, a determined girl trying to fight against the odds for her dreams, just like Amber. (*immerses herself in her thoughts about Amber proudly*)

Alexis My strong baby girl would never end up in this way!

Detective Ellen Cody, is this Amber's handwriting?

Cody Yes, she likes to scribble on it sometimes.

Detective Ellen (*murmurs to herself*) Could this mess be made by Amber alone? ...Or is it a fight of two?

Alexis (*turns to Detective Ellen*) Think of the stories I have published in my column before. (*firmly*) Someone must have fought with her...

Cody Rebecca did come here yesterday for rehearsal and Amber was...
 (*still preoccupied with the packing of Amber's stuff*)

Detective Ellen Rebecca? The one who plays the role of Elise in the same movie?

Alexis (*snaps at her*) It must be!

Detective Ellen She seems nice...

Cody Rebecca has always been jealous of Amber's achievement. She would do anything to hurt Amber!

Detective Ellen You mentioned about Rebecca coming up yesterday...

Alexis (*interrupts*) It must be Rebecca! She has to pay for this. (*exits promptly*)

Detective Ellen Alexis, calm down.

Alexis Listen, I need to find out the truth.



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Cody Yes, it must be her! She will be in the photoshoot tomorrow.

Director Ng *'In the Name of Star'*, scene 2. Action! Cut!

Scene 2

Staff Scene 2 ready. Stage clear. Quick! Guys, quick! Get the work done!

Cody *(gestures towards Ellen)* Look! Rebecca is the one in the skirt. Ellen, I have to get Amber's things back.

Detective
Ellen Go do your job. I'll be fine here.

Rebecca Excuse me. It's so dark here. Can somebody switch on the lights for me?

Megan Miss Rebecca! The shoot is about to start! Let me help you!

Rebecca Oh, Cody! I am sorry for Amber's death You are here to be the substitute of Amber?
Oops, I almost forgot we were in the same audition back then, but only Amber and I made it...

Cody *(whispers to herself)* What a hypocrite! You were with Amber that day...I swear it was you...

Rebecca *(speaks in a condescending way)* So? You know, Amber was never a good actress.
If not for Alexis being the scriptwriter, do you think Amber could be the main lead in this movie?

Okay, now where's the substitute of Amber? Let's have the final rehearsal. *(looks around)*

Detective
Ellen *(glances at Cody and nods to her, rushes towards Rebecca)* Here! Miss Rebecca!

Rebecca *(disgusted)* Such quality... Ugh, whatever.

Detective
Ellen Wait...what do I have to do?

Rebecca *(clears her throat, lets out a fierce stare and takes a deep breath)*