Subject: Re: New Beginnings

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Around 7:15 pm, Cliff House

"Are you done yet, Mommy?" Lea asked as she stood in front of her mom, shifting her weight from side to side every so often.

Lana smiled as she pulled the brush through her daughter's hair. The little girl was excited about actually being allowed to go to a 'big person' party as she referred to it. The fact that she wasn't staying still was making doing her hair harder than usually.

"Almost, sweetie," Lana replied, putting the brush down in her lap and picking up the light blue bow clip that matched her daughter's dress. She clipped the bow and let go of Lea's hair. "There you go."

"How do I look, Daddy," Lea immediately asked, taking a few steps forward and twirling around.

Vince, who was tying his tie, smiled. "You look lovely, Poppet!"

Before anyone could say anything else, they heard the balcony door to the living area open up. All three of them looked in that direction to see Aaron walk into the apartment. He had on dress pants and shirt with the suit jacket and tie draped over one arm and dress shoes and socks in the other hand.

"Do I really have to go to this thing?" he asked, dropping the shoes on the floor.

"Yes," Vince replied. "It'll be a good chance for all of us to get to know our neighbors here on the island."

"I'd rather stay home and read a book or something. It's going to be so boring."

"Well, if you think you'll be bored you can keep an eye on Lea for us," Lana suggested as she started heading toward her bedroom to put on the jewelry.

"Oh, joy," Aaron said as he put his suit jacket on the back of the couch and began to try putting on his tie.

After watching Aaron fail in the attempt, Vince crossed over to his son.

"Look, Aaron, at least make an attempt at enjoying yourself this evening," Vince told his son taking the tie from him and beginning to put it on correctly. "Make an appearance, hang out for an hour, and then if you want you can leave, okay."

"Ok. Do I really have to watch Lea?"

"No, your mother was only kidding about that although if you come home early we may send her

back with you," Vince told him, finishing the job. "There you go." $\,$

"Thanks, Dad."

"Now get your shoes on so you're ready to go. Semi-formal does mean shoes are required," Vince told him and then headed for the bedroom to see if Lana needed any help with her jewelry.