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"Can we look for seashells? We need them for the net for my wall!"

Cassie smiled as she walked hand-in-hand with the little blonde. She had agreed to watch Lea for the afternoon so Vince could paint his daughter's bedroom. They were both dressed in shorts, tank tops, and sandals. In her other hand, Lea carried a small plastic pail and a couple of shovels. The two of them were walking across the Cliff House balcony to Dom's apartment to see if Josh could join them.

"Can I knock?" Lea asked excitedly, when they reached the door.

"Go ahead."

Lea reached out and knocked on the door. Cassie was starting to think Dom might be out when he finally appeared at the door.

"Hi Cassie. Hi Lea," Dom said opening the door, Josh in his arms. "What do I owe the pleasure of two beautiful ladies dropping by?" he asked, directing the comment mostly toward Lea. The little blonde giggled.

"We're going down to the beach. Wanted to see if Josh wanted to join us," Cassie replied.

"What do you say, Joshua? Do you want to go to the beach with Cassie and Lea?"

"Go with Auntie Cass," Josh said, reaching toward the dark haired woman.

"Guess that's a yes," Dom said, as Cassie took Josh from him.

"You're welcome to join us."

"Nah. Think I'll take advantage of the kid-free apartment and do some cleaning."

"Suit yourself."

Cassie waited while Dom grabbed a pail and shovel for Josh to take to the beach. Then, holding Josh in one arm and holding Lea's hand in the other, the little group headed down the steps of the Cliff House. Once they reached the sand, Josh wanted down. Cassie placed him on the sand next to Lea.

"Josh, want to help me find some sea shells?" Lea asked the little boy.

"Find sea shells," Josh replied happily.

"Let's go," Lea said, reaching out and taking Josh's hand. The two of them headed off toward the water at the Josh's pace.

Those two are so cute together, Cassie thought as she followed the two kids. She knew she was going to enjoy her afternoon. Being around both Josh and Lea had a relaxing affect on her and she was starting to realize how much she missed having that carefree joy in her life that only children could bring.

Before she got too sentimental, Cassie brought herself out of her thoughts and focused on the two kids in front of her.