Kittens and Brownies

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Characters:

- GIANA STEPHENS (29) is a woman who has worked her entire life, and has never seen a need for her to slow down. Giana grew up in a financially insecure household and was forced to parent her younger siblings, and has carried this persona of the "Mother" her entire life. Now a successful business woman, Giana is forced to take a break.
- SIENA WILLIAMS (24) is a young woman who was kicked out of her home at eighteen by her parents. After being taken in by Giana, SIENA has grown close to her, and sees her as a pseudo mother.
- SUNSHINE THE CAT is a two year old cat who dearly cares for his mothers Giana and SIENA, but is quite upset at GIANA for neglecting her duties as litter cleaner, due to a big work project.

SCENE ONE

INT. APARTMENT - DAY

GIANA sits on a brown couch in her living room, looking out her window. A black cat, no bigger than a ruler, sits curled up near her foot. She works on a laptop, a cup of coffee to her left, foot shaking in anticipation. Her roommate SIENA is sprawled on the floor in a starfish position, looking up at the textured ceiling.

SIENA jumps up from her position on the floor and stretches her back letting out a loud whine.

SIENA

I'm going for a hike. You wanna come?

GIANA looks at her companion and mouths that she's busy.

SIENA

(Whispers)

Oh shit I'm sorry! I left brownies in the fridge, you can have some if you would like!

Giana nods and mouths a thank you and gets back to her work. Siena goes towards the brown couch and pets the cat's head.

SIENA

See you later, Sunshine!

Siena leaves, grabbing her keys and a water bottle. SUNSHINE (2) gets up from his place near Giana's foot and jumps off the couch. He then walks to the kitchen, and proceeds to wreak havoc. Giana finally finishes with her work and lets out a loud sigh.

GIANA

Sunshine! Where are you baby?

Sunshine whacks a glass off the counter, resulting in a large crash. Giana jumps from her seat and rushes towards the kitchen.

GIANA

Sun, why did you do that? Bad kitty, bad!

Sunshine simply waves his tail towards the troubled woman, with the sass of a 90 year old grandma.

SUNSHINE

Meow.

Giana rolls her eyes in annoyance as she bends down to clean up the broken glass.

GIANA

I hate you too.

Giana grumbles a string of kitten related insults as she continues to clean the glass. She cuts her finger and hiss in pain.

GIANA

Jeez- ouch that hurts!

Giana gets up to clean the wound, Sunshine hot on her heels. The sounds of her rustling around the bathroom can be heard, as Sunshine exits the bathroom and sits on Giana's laptop. Giana exits the bathroom, a Band-Aid wrapped around her finger.

GTANA:

Sunshine... get down from there baby!

Sunshine glares at Giana and stands behind the laptop.

SUNSHINE

Meow...

Sunshine turns around, making Giana sigh at her cat's astonishing amount of audacity. As one last "screw you" Sunshine kicks the computer off the couch with his back leg. The computer crashes, breaking upon impact.

GIANA

No! No, oh my- Sunshine! Bad kitty!

SUNSHINE

Meow.

Giana bends down to inspect the laptop, but is horrified as she discovers that it has completely shattered. Maybe she now regrets purchasing the cheapest one on Amazon, from a definitely not sketchy seller. Heartbroken, Giana begins to cry. Sunshine clears his throat and begins to speak in a deep voice, specifically like Morgan Freeman.

SUNSHINE

Stop that insufferable crying, human, I have done you a favor.

Frightened, Giana stops crying and looks at the cat, who sits a couple feet away from her on the hardwood floors.

GIANA

W-what?

Sunshine rolls his eyes.

SUNSHINE

Do not act as if you did not hear me, insufferable flesh bag.

Giana grabs her head in panic.

GIANA

(Whispers)

Am I... what were in those brownies?!

Giana shakily gets to her feet and rushes to the kitchen. Hands shaking and tears threatening to escape, she begins to inspect the chocolate treats.

SUNSHINE

Do not panic, my human. There is nothing but flour, sugar, and an exuberant amount of gluten in those brownies.

Giana turns around, eyes wide .

GIANA

(Whispers)

Then why are you talking to me?

SUNSHINE

(Whispers)

Why are you whispering?

Giana drops her shoulders in a sign of relief, as she is finally becoming familiarized with the talking feline.

SUNSHINE

Come girl, sit with me on the giant scratching post.

GIANA

The what?

Sunshine groans in frustration and points at the couch.

GIANA

Oh okay.

The pair walk to the couch together, but Giana makes sure to keep distance between the two of them. When they finally sit on the couch, Giana sits on the far end, while SUNSHINE stretches out. Sunshine notices Giana's lack of affection towards himself, so he plops his tiny body on her lap. Out of pure instinct, Giana begins to pet the cat.

GIANA

So why are you-

Sunshine places his paw on Giana's mouth.

SUNSHINE

Shhhhhh. Quiet your buzzing, gnat. Relish in the peace.

Giana stops talking and continues to pet Sunshine. Sunshine begins to purr.

GIANA

I thought you said we had to be quiet?

SUNSHINE

That only applies to you and your nagging.

GIANA

Are you sure, because that seems kinda-

SUNSHINE

Jesus almighty girl, what is your problem?

Giana shrugs and continues to pet Sunshine.

SUNSHINE

What do you want?

Giana sighs and continues to pet the cat as she lets her head lull back.

GIANA

Explanations, please?

Sunshine gets out from Giana's grasp and uses his tiny paws to grab Giana's face, making intense eye contact.

SUNSHINE

You are not completely fine, I shall confirm that at least.

Giana groans, rolling her eyes. She tries to get out of Sunshine's paws, but Sunshine brings her back.

GIANA

(Whispers)
Please let go.

SUNSHINE

No. You must learn to breathe, flesh bag.

GIANA

But I am.

Sunshine lets out a frustrated sigh , letting go of Giana's face.

SUNSHINE

I'm not talking about that imbecile. Take a break with me; relax for a mere moment of your insignificant life.

Sunshine curls up on Giana's lap, as Giana begins to sink into the couch. A loud sigh escapes from Giana's mouth.

GIANA

Maybe you're right, Sunshine. This is quite nice.

Sunshine hums in agreement. The pair begin to fall asleep.

SCENE TWO

INT. APARTMENT - SOME TIME LATER

It's dark out, SIENA walks in on SUNSHINE and GIANA asleep on the couch. Siena goes to wake Giana up.

SIENA

Good morning sleepy head! Finally got some rest?

Giana groggily begins to move, scaring Sunshine. Sunshine glares at Giana, but a glint of mischief can be seen in his eyes.

SUNSHINE

Meow.

Giana stares at Sunshine and wants to scream.

GIANA

Why isn't Sunshine talking?

SIENA

What? Giana, are you okay?

Siena walks up to Giana and puts her hand on Giana's forehead.

SIENA

Do you have a fever? Are you sick?

Giana pushes Siena's hand off her head and gets off the couch.

GIANA

Siena, I'm serious. Sunshine was talking, he was fucking talking. And he sounded like Morgan frickn' Freeman!! Not only that but the little thing killed my computer! I spent years saving for that piece of crap! This menace also put his stinky, gross, and cold paw on my mouth! Siena, do you know where those paws have been?!

Giana is left panting after her little rant, eyes wide and chest rising violently. Siena simply blinks back in pure shock, no response to Giana's rant.

SIENA

Okay... let's get you to bed.

Siena grabs Giana's wrist and begins to lead her off to her room.

GIANA

I swear I'm telling the truth!

Giana points a finger towards Sunshine.

GIANA

Tell her Sunshine!!

SUNSHINE

Meow.

Giana is left in silence, looking around in shock. Siena shakes her head, finally reaching GIANA's door. The girls enter the room, closing the door behind them. Sunshine jumps onto the couch and begins to scratch at it.

SUNSHINE

Crazy, crazy girl.

Sunshine lick's his paw, the lights of the apartment slowly lower as the auto-dimmer timer dings.

END.