

Maleficent

Auradon is a hideous place, full of elitist cretins – but this is also our first entrée back since our two worlds split. And we are going to make it count. For twenty years I have searched for a way off this wretched island. Their spell trapped us here! It robbed us of our magic! And kept us from our rightful revenge! And I – Mistress of Darkness and the Evilest of All – will finally have my comeuppance on Sleeping “Beauty” and her most insufferable prince! Villains: Our day has come.

Ben

Ugh, I knew it! She’s been under so much pressure – and instead of being there for her, I went all “Beast Mode.” I have to find her and apologize, beg her to come back. Connecting our two worlds doesn’t work without her. There are no second chances here. If Mal’s not at the coronation – if my being crowned doesn’t signify the mending of our cultures – my parents will close the portal and never open it again.

Mal

Actually, I snuck back over to... bring you a progress report! Couldn’t relay it any other way than in person. They’re watching us. Closely. Very closely. *(Mal is creating a diversion.)* I’ve been so excited to tell you. I mean – when we invade Auradon, and we’re looting and throwing people out of their castles... *(Carlos waves goodbye to Mal as he sneaks out, unseen by Maleficent.)* Putting their leaders in prison... *(Jay sneaks out too.)* Destroying all that’s beautiful and good in the world... *(Evie takes off too.)* It’s gonna be so great. *(Looks to make sure Ben isn’t around)* I used a love potion on the Prince. We’re dating now. So, during the ceremony, we’ll sit together, and I’ll be only inches from the wand.

Audrey

(to Evie) You're a bad, bad influence. *(to Ben)* What do you think villains teach their children, Ben? *(to Evie)* You're a gold-digging cheater. *(to Jay)* You like hurting people for fun. *(to Carlos)* You... hang out with them. *(to Ben)* And where's your little girlfriend? Skipping school again? That's two days in a row. If it were any other student, you know what that would mean? EXPEL! But you're a bit of an Evil sympathizer, aren'tcha?

Evie

I shouldn't say... but she's going to the Isle. You'll never find her there by yourself. You'll need to know her hideouts, how to get around. It's not so simple. You'll... have to take me. And Jay and Carlos. But let's get two things straight: Number one, you have to promise to do every single thing I say. It's dangerous over there for a newcomer, not to mention the almost king of Auradon. And two: You're not going looking like that.

Scene

CARLOS: It's not working.

MAL: We still need one tear to complete the potion. What's the saddest thing you can think of? Anyone.

EVIE: Ummm... manners?

JAY: Trust?

CARLOS: Let's just chop some onions.

MAL: No – one tear of human sadness. We have to follow the recipe exactly, or we won't be able to spell the Prince into leaving Audrey for me.

JAY: Pretty sure a tear's a tear.

EVIE: Not true. They both have antibodies and enzymes, but an emotional tear has more protein-based hormones than a reflex tear.

(The Others look at her in surprise.)

JAY: I knew that.

MAL: Listen to you, science geek.

EVIE: Am not!

MAL: Are too!