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Family Matters

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"Sex in the city" girl JULIET expediently ends her affair with possessive, nouveau-riche IT employer, ANTONY when tasked to mentor his spoiled, graduate son GERARD. Chalk and cheese, grit and geek, they somehow bond. A key blonde, ex-ballet dancer, CAIN, re-engages Antony.

Juliet's life is over-turned when Antony, spurned, rapes her. Gerard comforts her and they become lovers.

Love blossoms, life is perfect until Juliet becomes pregnant; paternity unclear, she confides to her supportive adoption parents, JACK and PAT, liberal academics.

EVE; Antony's manipulative, sterile, society wife; obsessed with his infidelity engages KARTIK, her corrupt gynaecologist to check paternity. Eve's paranoia grows and she cruelly exploits Antony and his colourful past.

Juliet protectively insists insecure Gerard is the father, their relationship blossoms. Tragically Juliet miscarries, Gerard flips.

Juliet, heartbroken, disillusioned, hires a private investigator, HOLMES to find her birth parents as Jack and Pat surprisingly fail her. Juliet dumps the immature Gerard who rebels until bullied into reform by his grandparents.

Antony is driven back to closet homosexuality by Eve. Eve fails to seduce and engage Holmes, plots revenge.

Holmes traces Juliet's mother (Eve) and father (Antony). Holmes uncovers Eve's wealthy society parents, HELEN and TROY, insidious relationship with Kartik and unearths their concealed teenage lakeside rape and murder conspiracy. Holmes enlists backup to protect himself and new lover Juliet.

Gerard, manic, dyed blonde, declares he will marry Juliet, incredibly she agrees.

The prospective in-laws meet, Jack reveals Eve is Juliet's mother to an incredulous Antony who attacks Jack, both are hospitalised, Antony crippled.

Antony reticent, Eve enthusiastic, Jack and Pat suspicious, they agree to marriage but no children.

Naively, Gerard suggests IVF, Juliet agrees. The in-laws feud over the donor unaware Juliet is pregnant (by Holmes) and has leverage over Kartik, he over Antony (a donor, felon and rent boy).

Eve manipulates Antony to commission Holmes' murder (Helen and Troy already done so) and inadvertently Jack and Pat.

Holmes dies suspiciously, his back-up exposed by Eve. Eve unwittingly saves Jack and Pat from a blonde assassination.

Eve, vengeful, and a blonde watch wheelchair bound Antony roll off a clifftop.

Eve and her faithful staff are murdered by a blonde, the family gun club implicated.

Vengeful Antony leaves all to Juliet, Eve all to Gerard; both on condition they do not marry. The prime suspects are arrested at their funeral.



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Juliet reveals, in graphic flashback, Eve's sordid rape and lake side murders. Juliet reveals Troy fathered Juliet and in-bred Gerard, Antony an unwitting sterile patsy.

Troy is named as Juliet's twin's biological father, their future assured, his reputation ruined if public. The christening is celebrated by Holmes, his death faked, god-father Troy in handcuffs.