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## DADDY'S LITTLE BITCH

DEAR DIARY, my cousin Sophie has been complaining for a good while about her step daughter Chloe. They're not getting along and it's causing major problems between herself and her husband because as far as her husband's concerned, Chloe is daddy's Princess who can do no wrong where as Sophie knows otherwise.

This strained relationship has been going on for years and is getting worse and worse as Chloe becomes older, wiser and more devious. Chloe has become even more spiteful because Sophie and Lawrence are expecting their first baby together.

From the very beginning Chloe has made it crystal clear that she despises Sophie but Lawrence has chosen to live below the radar.

In the beginning, Chloe's mother gave Lawrence a list of do's and don'ts. She knew Lawrence's girlfriend at the time was Sophie but she referred to her as whoever you're sleeping with. Her list was as follows.

Don't let whoever you're sleeping with:

1. Comb our daughter's hair.
2. Feed our daughter.
3. Our daughter will not call her aunty. Whoever you're sleeping with is not family. If I had my wish, our daughter wouldn't converse with her at all.
4. Our daughter is NOT allowed to stay overnight if you have that woman sleeping over too, unless you make separate sleeping arrangements.
5. Our daughter will not go on holiday with you and whoever you're sleeping with, unless she, God forbid, becomes your wife.
6. I do not want whoever you're sleeping with to touch our daughter physically, which means no hugging, kissing hello or goodbye. If our daughter needs to be touched, send her home to me.

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7. Our daughter must always return home no later than 9pm unless I'm given a month's notice.
8. If you mess up on any of the above, you will not see Chloe for a year. If this is not clear, feel free to write to me for clarification.
9. PS. I **hate** that woman you're sleeping with – she stole my dream!

Sophie said she wanted out there and then, but Lawrence told her not to worry about it and it all seemed far more serious than it actually was.

Chloe knew she had the upper hand so she constantly whined to her mother about things that didn't happen. There were complaints going backwards and forwards via Lawrence and his ex girlfriend and Lawrence's parents regarding Chloe's welfare and Sophie felt like she was in a battle she was bound to lose.

When Chloe stole Sophie's handbag, no one wanted to believe it or take responsibility for her behaviour so it was overlooked. Then came the stealing of CD's, jewellery, alcohol and perfume. As far as Lawrence and his ex were concerned, Sophie was imagining things.

On one awful visit when Lawrence had to go to work and it was just Sophie and Chloe; Chloe said to Sophie that Sophie wasn't a part of their family and that she would do everything in her power to split her up from her father. Chloe said to Sophie, I don't like you, my grandma and granddad don't like you, my mum's going to destroy you and I think you're a fat cow who's not fit to be with anyone much less my dad. When Sophie told Lawrence what happened, he said she must have misunderstood something that Chloe said because his Princess would never say something so unpleasant. He even said that Chloe said to him that she liked Sophie and hoped that Sophie would one day be kind enough to like her!

The week before Sophie and Lawrence got married, Chloe said to Sophie, I've got something to tell you but don't tell my dad. She then said to Sophie in hushed tones, I'm going to ruin your life like you ruined mine and my mum's! Sophie said to me how do I get rid of her? I want to kill her but everyone would know it was me. If I leave Lawrence the solitary reason will be Chloe and her mother and it will serve him right. He needs to go to the shop and buy some testicles. Better still, he can take mine. I'm a girl and I don't need them, that wanky excuse of a man.

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On the day of Sophie and Lawrence's wedding, Chloe so happened to have food poisoning and refused to be a bridesmaid. Sophie was over the moon because daddy's little bitch wouldn't be anywhere near her on her wedding day to mess it up. Her illness, fake or otherwise was a blessing as far as Sophie was concerned.

Sophie said if Chloe is trying to ruin her relationship, it's working because the day she said I do, she thought in her mind, really, do I?

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