

Chapter 87

Eddie Flood wakes up after a solid nine hours of sleep, preparing himself for the day ahead. He recognizes the importance of good rest as he gears up for a significant event. Today he feels resolute; despite the odds being stacked against him, he's familiar with navigating challenging situations. Nervousness is present, but his readiness overshadows it.

He methodically packs his bag, finishing with a reassuring pat for encouragement. His plan is to follow Rosie throughout the day, waiting for the right moment to make his move—specifically when she is alone in her room, which will signal his cue to act.

As Eddie looks out the window, he takes in the view of aluminum air-conditioning ducts, which twist up against a deteriorating stone wall. This scene serves as a stark reminder of the fleeting nature of Rob Kenna's generous fifteen thousand dollars. The realization strikes him hard and reinforces his determination: today must be the day he takes action.

Eddie's thoughts reflect a mix of excitement and tension, embodying the complexity of preparing for a pivotal moment in his life. With each passing moment, he solidifies his resolve, ready to confront whatever challenges lay ahead while maintaining focus on Rosie and his upcoming decision. Today isn't just another day; it's a day that could change everything.