

Chapter 95

In Chapter 95, titled "We Solve Murders," Amy finds herself in a tense situation with Jeff, whom she has restrained after a violent altercation. She has fashioned a lemon sweatshirt into a tourniquet around his thigh. Despite the agony he must be enduring, Jeff remains silent, motivated by his self-respect and the threat of Amy's gun at his temple. They are concealed in Henk's private den rather than being taken away in a car, suggesting a deeper level of manipulation.

As they observe Susan Knox in the adjacent boardroom, Jeff realizes Susan is not merely reviewing personnel files, but deleting them. Amy, with a keen understanding of the situation, asks Jeff to promise to remain quiet if she puts down the gun. She tightens the tourniquet as they overhear Susan's phone call, which reveals Susan is contacting someone about Jeff's predicament, indicating a deeper conspiracy.

During their conversation, Amy reveals her reasoning behind shooting Jeff—it was to test Susan's loyalty. As they discuss Susan's long tenure, her salary, and her suspicious living situation in Hampstead, they begin to piece together a potential betrayal. Amy notes that Susan has been manipulating Jeff financially, something he initially dismisses until confronted with the evidence.

The exchange escalates when Amy answers a phone call from Susan, who confirms Jeff's culpability in financial misconduct from his laptop. Susan expresses horror at not recognizing this sooner and suggests that the only course of action left for Amy is to eliminate Jeff to prevent him from continuing his schemes. This revelation leaves Jeff reeling, realizing how neglected he's made Susan feel over the years.

The chapter concludes with a moment of camaraderie between Amy and Jeff, despite the tension, as they share a hug. It illustrates the complex intertwining of professional loyalty, personal relationships, and the moral dilemmas that arise during their intense encounter. Amy emphasizes the importance of appreciation in relationships, hinting at the fragility of trust that led to this precarious situation.