

## Farming in the Mountains: Max Level Jiaojiao Is Three Years Old –

### Chapter 141: Why Don't We Do This?

The two of them looked at the barren land, then at the corn, sorghum, and cotton that they had taken out earlier. Every single seed looked fresh, and they were much better than the ones other families had planted. The two of them were quite satisfied, and they were in no hurry to go home. Instead, they decided to check on how Xue Yifu and the others were doing with their tree-cutting session.

The workshop needed a lot of wood.

Following a narrow path, Jiang Yue and Xue Yan walked forward. There was a fork in the road ahead. One road continued up the mountain, and the other went down the mountain.

Naturally, they continued to climb the mountain.

Xue Yifu and the others were still cutting down trees when the two found them.

At another fork in the road, Jiang Yue could also hear Xue Wufu's rustling, but just as they turned a corner, they saw a big tree falling towards them.

"Be careful!"

Jiang Yue subconsciously pulled Xue Yan back, and the top of the tree grazed the front of their shoes and fell with a loud bang.

Xue Yan wanted to wipe the nonexistent sweat on his forehead.

What was wrong with them? Why didn't they pay attention to their surroundings when they cut the trees? Fortunately, it was just Jiang Yue and him. What if the tree fell onto someone else and injured them?

"Ah, Jiang Yue, Xue Yan, are you all right?!!" Xue Wufu was the first to notice them. He threw down his ax and ran over to check on the two precious children.

They had just chopped down this big tree together. They did not expect the two precious children to suddenly appear out of thin air.

Of course, he didn't expect the tree to be so big. After it fell, the top of the tree reached the fork in the road.

Li Hehua, Xue Dafu, Xue Yifu, and Xue Erfu were also shocked, and they ran over to take a look at the two little ones.

Seeing that Jiang Yue and Xue Yan were fine and the tree only touched the front of their shoes, everyone let out a breath of relief. Everyone was very happy when they heard that the five acres of barren land had been bought.

After that, they continued to pick the branches and sawed the tree in two.

They maintained the main trunk, those small branches were then bundled up and brought back to be firewood.

However, the yard couldn't fit so much firewood. After carrying it back, they placed it directly outside the yard, against the yard wall.

Even if it was cut in two, one person wouldn't be able to carry it back, and two people couldn't do it either. It would take four people, but Xue Wufu was too short. He was much shorter than Xue Dafu and the others, and Li Hehua didn't have much strength on her shoulders. Thus, Xue Wufu ran back and called Li Qingshu, who was about the same height as Xue Erfu, to help carry it back.

It took nine times to carry everything back.

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Li Hehua was tying the twigs together.

Xue Yan also tried his best to help tie them up, alongside Jiang Yue.

After the main trunk was carried back, Xue Dafu and the others brought carrying poles and ropes to carry the firewood back.

As long as the house was lit, they would need firewood, so there was no need to be afraid of having too much firewood.

Xue Yan couldn't carry much, but he still wanted to help carry a small bundle home. In the end, his brother tied the small bundle on his back, so Xue Yan came back empty-handed.

Naturally, Jiang Yue was empty-handed as well.

Li Hehua was also carrying a load of firewood, but the amount was much less than what Xue Yifu and the rest carried.

Jiang Yue and Xue Yan followed behind.

The sun had also set.

Xue Yan looked at the faint red light in the West and lowered his voice to Jiang Yue, "Tomorrow, Chunmei's family will be going to town to sell vegetables before dawn. There are watermelon seedlings in town, but they're all big ones. They might look like your watermelon seedlings and would know if they were from the mountain. Everyone knows how they look. It's hard to believe that you picked your watermelon seedlings from the mountain. How about this? We ask Chunmei's family to help us buy the seedlings in town tomorrow. Then, we'll replace these seedlings and plant yours. What do you think?"

## Chapter 142: What Exactly Are You Doing?

"That's a good idea." Jiang Yue said. "But how much would that cost?"

"I heard that watermelon seedlings cost about one coin for three seeds," Xue Yan said. "I don't know how many should be planted in one acre of land. You can calculate that yourself."

Jiang Yue said, "If it's a large-fruit type watermelon, we should plant three to four hundred of them per acre. If it's a medium-fruit type watermelon, it's best to plant six to eight hundred per acre. If it's a small-fruit type watermelon, it's best to plant about one thousand of them per acre. The fruits are going to be small, so I won't plant them. I want to plant some big and medium fruits, so I'll just buy about six hundred seeds. One coin for three seeds, so it'll cost about two hundred coins."

What she cultivated the seeds in her space. There were large and medium-sized watermelon seedlings.

Xue Yan said, "I still have money I got from selling the ink slab. I only have a hundred coins right now. It's not enough. I'll ask for more from my mother later."

"Okay."

"Anyway, I'll plant watermelons first." As for the rest, they had to do it step by step.

"Okay."

As soon as Jiang Yue's voice fell, Xue Dagui's cheeky voice rang out. "Dear brother, why are you cutting down trees again? What are you doing?"

Following the voice, Jiang Yue saw Xue Dagui holding a bowl of rice, eating as he strode out of his courtyard. He stopped Xue Dafu, who was walking in front with a load on his shoulders.

Xue Dafu still didn't want to talk to his shameless brother so he turned the other way. "It's none of your business. Move aside."

Xue Dagui didn't get angry, nor did he move aside. Instead, he smiled cheekily. "Hehe, it's not easy to bump into you. Let's talk for a bit. Why do you want me to move aside? Oh right, I heard that your family bought five acres of barren land today. That's ten silver. That's a lot of money. How does your family have so much money? Tell me honestly, did that blind bear get sold for more than a hundred silver?"

Seeing how Xue Dafu was about to explode in anger, he panicked. Without waiting for Xue Dafu to speak, he hurriedly explained, "Don't misunderstand. I didn't mean to ask you for money. You're already getting mad, why would I ask for money? It's not like I don't want you as an older brother anymore. I'm just curious, really. The villagers are all curious. I've heard it from the villagers themselves."

At the end of his sentence, he even smiled.

Xue Dafu's expression looked a little better, and his tone got a lot better. However, Dagui didn't tell the whole truth either. He only said, "It doesn't matter to you anyway."

With that, he walked around Xue Dagui.

Xue Dagui didn't stop him anymore. He even laughed shamelessly as he ate his rice in big mouthfuls. He was extremely happy. His brother's tone had finally softened. It shouldn't be long before he would no longer be angry and make up with him. That was great progress.

Jiang Yue only calmly looked at Xue Dagui's expression and didn't say anything.

Xue Yan didn't say anything either, but he still felt a bit uneasy.

If one were to say that Xue Dagui had done something unforgivable, it was true.

In the past, he didn't care if his family was poor or not. He always got money from his father like a mosquito, as if he was sucking the blood of his father and his family. He didn't seem like a brother at all.

In his past life, it was Xue Zhuzi and Zhang Meili who framed him for cheating and angered his grandfather to death. It had nothing to do with Xue Dagui.

If that happened, Xue Dagui would have died long ago.

However, he could always tell that Xue Dagui was not a bad person. He did have his father's interest in his heart. He still remembered that his father was too tired and could not be woken up at all. Xue Dagui happened to be there at the time and thought that something had happened. Without a word, he carried his father on his back. He cried as he anxiously carried his father ten miles to a doctor.

## Chapter 143: Good Thing No One Saw

Perhaps it was for this reason that he had always been angry at Xue Dagui for being a rascal, but he had never hated him.

The family members were also angry at Xue Dagui's rascal type behavior, but they did not hate him.

However, Zhang Meili was different from him. Her family hated her.

This was because Xue Dagui would still care about his father's feelings. Although he was a scoundrel and went overboard sometimes, he would never push things to the extreme. Zhang Meili, on the other hand, won't care about feelings at all. She only knew how to take and take and never give.

Thinking of this, Xue Yan couldn't help but think that Xue Dagui would die soon.

In his previous life, his grandfather's health had started to deteriorate. It was all because of this that he lost his precious children. He had been so sad and suffered too much trauma it led him to his death.

"What's wrong with you?" Suddenly, Jiang Yue pulled him back.

"Ah? It's nothing." He said with a smile. He was about to continue walking home when he realized that he was too focused on his own matters. Unknowingly, he had walked to a tree and was about to hit it.

If Jiang Yue hadn't pulled him back, he would have already crashed into the tree.

Xue Yan was speechless. He was almost crushed by a tree on the mountain, and now he almost willingly hit a tree.

"Walk properly." After saying that, Jiang Yue ignored him and left.

Xue Yan quickly went around the tree and caught up with her.

Fortunately, no one else saw it.

Xue Yan coughed and touched his nose.

Jiang Yue glanced at him.

Xue Yan looked away, obviously more embarrassed than he should be. She could have stopped him earlier and not let him make a fool of himself, but she only stopped him when he was about to hit the tree. It was obviously intentional.

He could not help but look at her again.

He didn't know if it was an illusion, but he seemed to see the corners of her mouth rise slightly.

For some reason, the corners of his mouth curled up as well.

When he got home, he washed his hands and started to eat dinner.

While Jiang Yue and the others were having dinner, some people were sitting at the entrance of a family in the village, chatting as they ate.

They were talking about the Xue family buying five acres of barren land today. Someone's eyes immediately widened from the gossip. "What's wrong with this rich family? How can they be so rich? That's ten silver, and they bought land just like that? Even if you have money, you can't waste it like this, right?"

"It seems like the blind bear was sold for more than a hundred silver."

Wang Sufen was here, for obvious reasons. She immediately shouted excitedly, "How can it be more than a hundred? I heard it with my own ears. It's definitely only a hundred silver!"

"Then maybe he saved some money before and took it out this time." Someone said.

Everyone agreed.

"I didn't expect a family like that to save that much money. Look at how hard they worked to support Xue Yan's education. Their houses are so dilapidated, and there are several people living in the kitchen. They can't even bear to eat the vegetables they grow. They just send them to town to sell. I really thought they were dirt poor."

“Yeah, we all thought their family was the poorest in the village! But now... poor my \*ss! Turns out that they're super rich! Yet so st\*pid to take out ten silver to buy barren land. Who knows how much money they have left.”

“I think Xue Yan and Jiang Yue wanted to play with the barren land, so they bought it. You know that Dafu always pampers their little ones. When Yifu and the others were young, Dafu and Guixia gave them whatever they wanted as long as they could.”

## Chapter 144: Good Intentions

“But this is too much! No matter what, Xue Yan and Jiang Yue were adopted! Don't you think that rich family is st\*pid? They're treating those two children too well!”

“Doesn't everyone know that Dafu is kind... but st\*pid?” Someone laughed.

“Yes, yes.” The others also laughed. “Xue Da is the same. He dotes on Xue Yan and Jiang Yue as if they were his. Dafu is indeed Xue Da's biological son.”

Everyone laughed even more.

“How much money do you think the rich family has left?” Wang Sufen suddenly said with a smile. She even swallowed her saliva, obviously drooling.

“Who knows? Even if they had it, they might not have much left.”

“I think that there might not be much left too. It's amazing how much they saved. It's also because everyone in the family worked hard and saved so much that they could spend that much money. The house hasn't been built yet. The money saved was probably meant to support Xue Yan's education. You know how expensive it is to study. Otherwise, all of our families would have sent our children to the town to study. It's just that I didn't expect Xue Yan to quit school and come back to the farm to be a farmer. Now that Xue Yan and Jiang Yue want to work on the barren land to see what they can grow, Dafu and the others have taken out almost all their money to pamper them.”

“It doesn't matter how much they have left. Their family has several acres of land. Just this alone is much better than ours. If they really need the money, they can just sell one acre of land.”

“Yes, yes, yes. This can be considered the family's property.”

Wang Sufen didn't say anything after hearing this. She just rolled her eyes secretly. No one knew what she was thinking.

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When dinner was almost finished, Xue Yan and Jiang Yue looked at each other and told their family that they wanted to ask Chunmei to buy some watermelon seedlings.

Xue Dafu and the others had no objections.

Liu Guixia smiled. "Wait a moment. I'll take the money and go with you to Chunmei's house. I'll ask her to buy it for you tomorrow."

"Thank you, mother."

"Thank you, aunty."

Xue Yan and Jiang Yue both expressed their thanks.

After dinner, Liu Guixia put down her bowl and chopsticks and went to the room to get money.

Liu Guixia didn't plan to touch the 100 coins that Xue Yan had. Therefore, after coming out of the room, she directly gave Xue Yan 200 coins.

Liu Guixia also had some money in her hands, and she split half of it between Xue Yifu and Xue Erfu. "I heard that there's a pig in the Chen family. Go buy some pork tomorrow and accompany your wife back to her parent's house. Then buy something else. This money should be enough."

Li Hehua was very surprised.

Yu Hongyan was also very surprised. After all, she still had an old mother in her family. She actually still wanted to go back and take a look. The last time she went back to her parent's house, Xue Erfu was too busy to accompany her.

Jiang Yue knew that the Chen family was not far from Locust Village. There was a tofu stall in that village. If they wanted to eat tofu, they had to go to the town to buy it.

As for the pork, they usually bought it from the town.

However, if they encountered someone in the village or nearby village who killed pigs and wanted to sell pork, they naturally did not need to go to town.

"Jiang Yue, let's go. Come with me and Xue Yan to Chunmei's house." Liu Guixia smiled as she held Jiang Yue's hand and walked out.



Xue Yan followed her.

Chunmei's house was right next to theirs.

Chunmei usually had a good relationship with their family. The last time Xue Dagui had come to their house to act shamelessly, Chunmei was the one that said outside the courtyard that Xue Dagui had never cared about their family's hard days and that he had been insatiable time and time again.

## Chapter 145: Small Matter

"Chunmei! Chunmei!" The door to Chunmei's house was closed. Liu Guixia shouted twice before Chunmei's response came from inside.

"Guixia? I'm coming." Chunmei quickly opened the door.

"Hello." Jiang Yue and Xue Yan greeted him politely.

"Oh? Xue Yan and Jiang Yue are here too. Come in, come in." Chunmei's eyes greeted her warmly.

"No need," Liu Guixia smiled and said, "I just wanted to talk to you about something. We'll go back after we're done. It's already dark. You still have to go to town to sell vegetables tomorrow. You have to sleep early."

"What's the matter?" They were all neighbors and had a good relationship, so Chunmei really didn't stand on ceremony.

"Can you buy us some watermelon seedlings for us in town tomorrow?" Then, Liu Guixia looked at Xue Yan.

"I..." Xue Yan said, "Jiang Yue and I want to grow watermelons. There are still watermelon seedlings for sale in town, so we're hoping you can buy some for us."

Chunmei's said, "This is just a small matter. How much do you want?"

"Six hundred," Jiang Yue replied.

"That many!" Chunmei's eyes were shocked. "Are you going to plant it on that barren land? I heard that your family bought five acres of barren land today."

“Yes.” Jiang Yue and Xue Yan both nodded.

“That’s good. I’ve never seen anyone grow watermelons in the surrounding villages. Maybe you’ll really have a harvest to sell this time. However, it’s going to cost a lot to buy so many seedlings.” Chunmei’s eyes said.

Xue Yan took out the 200 coins that Liu Guixia gave him, “Would this be enough?”

Chunmei’s eyes looked at the money in Xue Yan’s small hand, then at Liu Guixia, who was standing at the side, laughing non-stop and letting her children make the decision. She smiled and said, “Alright, alright, I understand. It’s your family who pampers you. I’ll keep this money first. If there’s any left, I’ll come back and give you the rest.”

“Thank you.” Xue Yan and Jiang Yue both expressed their thanks.

Chunmei’s eyes smiled at Liu Guixia. “Your child is really polite, unlike my child who doesn’t know any better. Last time, he even made a fuss about eating dried beans, but our family finished them all. This year’s new beans haven’t grown out yet, so where am I supposed to get them? Fortunately, your family has some, and you gave us two bowls.”

“It’s just two bowls of dried beans. I’ll have to trouble you with this.” Liu Guixia said with a smile.

“Alright, alright, alright. I’ll definitely buy it for you guys tomorrow.” Chunmei’s eyes also laughed.

Jiang Yue washed up and went to bed after she returned from Chunmei’s place.

The next day, after breakfast, Xue Erfu and Xue Yifu carried the meat and tofu back to their respective wives’ homes.

There were a lot of weeds growing in the peanut and sesame fields, so Xue Dafu and the others took their hoes and went to remove the weeds. They also applied some manure to the two fields.

Both peanut and sesame required a lot of care.

The sorghum, corn, and cotton were surprisingly growing well. They were usually taken care of in the same way. Jiang Yue and Xue Yan had come to pull the weeds as well. Therefore, Xue Dafu and the others felt that they had to weed earlier and take care of the crops more diligently so that the crops could grow better.

Jiang Yue and Xue Yan were also weeding, but they were weeding the two acres of barren land that they had bought from the village chief. Fortunately, the weeds weren’t deep, so it wasn’t difficult to remove them.

However, in order to prevent Xue Dafu and the others from noticing something was wrong, Jiang Yue only weeded a few like a child.

Xue Yan's physical strength was just like that. Even if he used all his strength and worked hard for the whole morning, he could only hoe that many weeds away.

Before noon, Chunmei came back from selling vegetables in town. She also bought the watermelon seedlings and put them in a big basket. She gave the rest of the money to Xue Yan.

Jiang Yue and Xue Yan planned to plant the watermelon seedlings after lunch.

Jiang Yue entered her space when no one was looking.

First, she wanted to take out the strong watermelon seedlings that she had cultivated in the space and replace them with the newly bought seeds. Secondly, she also wanted to see if the sorghum seedlings she had planted in the wasteland were still alive.

No... The sorghum sprout had long since shriveled and sprawled on the barren land, like a person who had completely breathed his last breath.

Did this mean that the wasteland was still not suitable for growing things?

Jiang Yue looked at the green grass that was still full of vitality.

She didn't care anymore. She couldn't figure it out anyway.

Jiang Yue quickly switched the watermelon seedlings that she had cultivated in her space with the ones she had bought in the basket.

After lunch, Jiang Yue and Xue Yan went to the field to plant the watermelon seedlings.

Liu Guixia, Xue Dafu, and Xue Wufu all thought that Jiang Yue and Xue Yan were like two playful and innocent children. If they planted the watermelon by themselves, they wouldn't know how long it would take to plant the watermelon. The watermelon seedlings would shrivel after being planted for a long time, and it would be difficult for them to survive. However, they were kids and the family wanted them to have fun. Therefore, they didn't bother telling them but came to help with the planting anyway.

Because this acre of land was newly opened, the soil was loose, and there was no need to deliberately loosen the soil. Planting watermelon seedlings did not require any technical content, as long as they were planted and watered consistently.

It was just that Jiang Yue had to pretend to be a child and couldn't plant them too quickly.

Jiang Yue looked up at the sky more than once.

She wanted to sigh, but she didn't.

Jiang Yue was planting watermelon seedlings on one side, and on the other side of the soybean field, someone was cutting firewood and grass to open up the land. Jiang Yue didn't need to look to know that it was the Wang family.

Before she even arrived at the field, she heard Wang Sufen's loud voice.

As she was slowly planting, Jiang Yue noticed that Wang Sufen had probably seen what was happening over here. She actually put down the sickle in her hand and walked over quickly.

"Dafu, Guixia, your family is really planting watermelons. These watermelon seedlings are really good, and they're fresh. Your family also takes care of the fields carefully. Who knows, they might really bear big watermelons." Wang Sufen stood by the dam and smiled with a flattering face.

"If that's the case, then it's all thanks to you for blessing them, Wang Sufen." Liu Guixia said with a smile. "Chunmei is really good at picking. She actually helped our family buy such good seedlings."

"Eh, where are Hehua, and the others?" Wang Sufen asked despite knowing the answer. In the morning, she actually saw Li Hehua go back to her mother's house.

"She went back to her mother's house," Liu Guixia said with a smile.

Wang Sufen immediately flattered them with a big smile, "She has such a good mother-in-law like you. If this was someone else's house, forget about letting her return to her mother's house, she would be forced to stay in this family forever. It's been so long, but she still hasn't given birth to a child for Yifu."

As soon as he said this, everyone's movements stopped.

None of them were happy to hear this.

Jiang Yue was the same.

"Wang Sufen, don't say that. Our Hehua isn't deliberately doing that." Liu Guixia said with a straight face.

"Yes, yes, yes." Wang Sufen said with a smile.

As the saying goes, don't hit a smiling person. Since she was like this, Liu Guixia couldn't keep a straight face anymore. She sighed and said, "We're not heartless people. Everyone knows that our Hehua has been trying her best ever since she married into the family. She has suffered every day. Her dowry has long been used to supplement the family. She has never complained. Our family will never think of leaving her."

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"That's why I said that everyone in your family has a good conscience." Wang Sufen flattered them with her words. Then, she quickly avoided the watermelon seedlings that had already been planted and went to pull Liu Guixia. "Guixia, come here. Come here. I have something to tell you."

Then, she pulled Liu Guixia to the side. She seemed to be extremely secretive.

Jiang Yue and Xue Yan looked at each other, both feeling that something bad was about to happen.

"That lady is so annoying!" Xue Wufu cursed in a low voice as he continued to plant the watermelon seedlings.

Xue Dafu wasn't in a good mood either, but he wouldn't get involved in the women's affairs unless it was too much. He didn't say anything and just planted the watermelon seedlings silently.

He planted the watermelon seedlings much faster than Xue Wufu, planting one in just a few seconds. His many years of farming work had not been in vain.

Liu Guixia was pulled aside by Wang Sufen. Wang Sufen's voice was so low that Xue Yan and the others didn't hear her, but Jiang Yue could hear her mumbling.

"Guixia, although you have a good conscience, it's not a good thing for Hehua to not be able to get pregnant. You don't know what the villagers are saying about her. They're calling her a hen that can't lay eggs. You love Hehua so much, don't you feel bad? Also, it's better for Yifu to have a child. Isn't it?"

Wang Sufen's words seemed to be sincere, but also venomous at the same time.

Liu Guixia sighed. "There's nothing we can do. Everyone in the family wants her to get pregnant. But she just can't..."

“That’s what I wanted to talk to you about.” Wang Sufen’s voice was even lower, but there was excitement in her voice. “Last time I went to my sister’s house, she told me that my brother-in-law’s granddaughter had been trying to get pregnant for a few years too. Later, she ate some folk remedy and got pregnant after only a few times.”

“Really?” Liu Guixia’s eyes immediately lit up.

Jiang Yue was speechless. She could immediately tell that this folk remedy was absolutely useless!

Wang Sufen didn’t know that Jiang Yue’s ears were so sensitive that she could hear her. “Of course it is! Why else would I tell you? His niece had already given birth to a chubby boy at the beginning of this year! My sister and brother-in-law even went to the baby’s one-month celebration!”

“Then, then,” Liu Guixia was excited, “Wang Sufen, do you have the recipe? ”

“No, but I know where to get it. If you want it, I’ll go back and tell my sister to get it for me.”

“Yes, yes, yes, of course, I want it.” Liu Guixia was even more excited. “You don’t know how much tears our Hehua has shed behind our backs for this.”

In the end, Liu Guixia’s heart ached.

Jiang Yue was a little upset when she heard that. Li Hehua loved children so much and treated her so well. Her voice was especially soft every time, for fear of scaring her baby girl. Without a child, how could Li Hehua not feel sad and secretly wipe her tears behind her back when no one was looking?

Wang Sufen scoffed at this in her heart. However, at this moment, she wanted to curry favor with the richest family in the village, so she naturally wouldn’t show it. Instead, she put on a sad look, “I just pity Hehua. She’s a woman, how can she not have children?”

“Then, Wang Sufen, please help our Hehua.” Liu Guixia grabbed Wang Sufen’s hand and begged. “If our Hehua can really get pregnant with that recipe, we’ll definitely have to thank you loads.”

## **Chapter 148: Death By Sea**

“There’s no need to thank me. We’re all from the same village, there’s no need to be so polite.” Although Wang Sufen said so, she couldn’t wait to be thanked in form of riches.

Otherwise, what was she doing all this for?

He just didn’t want to admit it directly.

Regardless of whether the recipe could really make Li Hehua pregnant, she had offered help. Xue Dafu and the others were all st\*pid. If she had any problems in the future, as long as she didn’t go too far, they would definitely help her.

What other advantages does she want?

Jiang Yue didn’t even look at Wang Sufen’s face anymore after seeing how she was acting against her own will.

“I’ll still have to thank you for telling me.” Liu Guixia said.

Liu Guixia didn’t come back until Wang Sufen left and went to explore the barren land with her family. She was extremely happy with this piece of news.

Jiang Yue lowered her voice and quickly told Xue Yan what Wang Sufen said to Liu Guixia.

After hearing this, Xue Yan could tell that it was not a good thing.

He also understood what Jiang Yue’s facial expression meant when his mother talked about Wang Sufen’s remedy.

After all, he was reborn and knew what happened in his previous life. She was actually asking him about his sister-in-law’s condition and whether she had a child in the end.

In his previous life, his sister-in-law was actually too thin and needed more nourishment. After she went to the Imperial Capital, she ate and drank well, put on weight, and got better. Then, she got pregnant.

It was a pity that his brother’s death had given her a huge shock and caused her to have a miscarriage.

That miscarried baby was the only child of Yifu and Hehua. Later on, she did not remarry and remained a widow until the rebel army captured his family. On the ship, the rebel army wanted to threaten him to betray the Emperor. His family had always been timid, but at that time, they were extremely tough. Before he could arrive, they all jumped into the river and died.

Thinking of this, Xue Yan's eyes dimmed.

After a while, he whispered to Jiang Yue, "Hehua is too thin. If she nourishes her body more, she'll be able to get pregnant."

Jiang Yue nodded.

Xue Yan, on the other hand, was stuck in an endless guilt cycle. When he came out, he found that his mother couldn't help but share her joy with his father, telling him about the remedy.

"I didn't expect Wang Sufen to be this nice," his father was also very happy.

Wufu also heard it and immediately exploded, "Father! Mother! Why would you believe everything she says? Nice my \*ss! She just loves to gossip and curry favor with people that benefit her wants!"

Just as his father was about to educate Wufu, Xue Yan opened his mouth and said in a gentle voice, "Please, I don't think Hehua should just take the remedy. As you know, I have a classmate whose family runs a Medical Center in town. I heard his father say that if people take the wrong medicine, it will be troublesome. She might not be able to get pregnant for the rest of her life."

Xue Dafu and Liu Guixia were shocked. "But what can we do? We can't let her be childless forever, we have to think of a way to..."

In fact, as a man, Xue Yan was a bit embarrassed about this topic.

However, he couldn't care about that, Xue Yan said, "How about this, one day, I'll ask Yifu to accompany her to my classmate's family's clinic. His father is quite famous in town. People from far away often come to see his father. Maybe he can cure her."

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## Chapter 149: I Can't Help You

Jiang Yue added, "I agree. You should see a doctor before doing anything first. Don't believe in the remedy just because she said so. My mother couldn't bear to spend money to find a doctor at first, so she just found random medicine to eat. In the end, her body got worse and worse. She had no choice but to go to the doctor. The doctor said



my mother's condition worsened because she randomly took medicine. In the end, my mother couldn't hold on and passed away. It had a lot to do with medicine."

She was lying.

The host's mother had never taken medicine.

However, to Liu Guixia and Xue Dafu, it was an important lesson to learn.

Liu Guixia and Xue Dafu instantly gave up on the idea of letting Li Hehua try the recipe and said, "It's better to let the doctor take a look. What if something goes wrong and she can never bear children."

"Xue Yan, when you have the time, you should go with the both of them to the clinic." Xue Dafu said.

"Okay." Xue Yan agreed.

"Should we talk to that lady and tell her not to give us the recipe? Should we thank her or something?" Jiang Yue asked.

"Yes, yes, yes, I almost forgot about this." Liu Guixia quickly put down the things in her hand, walked around the soybean field, and went to tell Wang Sufen her changed decision.

Wang Sufen thought that Liu Guixia was in a hurry to thank her, but it turned out that she just didn't want the recipe. Wang Sufen almost couldn't control her face and pulled a long face.

Fortunately, she still knew who the richest person in the village was. She quickly composed herself and smiled. "It's fine, it's fine. I don't have to go through the trouble this way. What about trying it even once...?"

Obviously, she still wanted to change Liu Guixia's mind.

However, Liu Guixia was so scared by Xue Yan and Jiang Yue's words that she didn't dare to let Li Hehua try the remedy at all. She didn't have any intention of changing her mind, she just sighed and said, "Even if we don't have a child, it's the fate of our family to live this way."

Hearing that, Wang Sufen really wanted to scream and shout. She thought that she could at least take advantage of the Xue family, but in the end, she had worked for nothing!

To think that she had flattered them so much just now!

It was all in vain!

Liu Guixia didn't notice anything wrong with Wang Sufen. She thanked Wang Sufen with a smile and then went back to planting the watermelon seedlings.

Seeing Liu Guixia come back, Jiang Yue and Xue Yan looked at each other again.

Liu Guixia was also very efficient in planting things. With so many people planting them, it didn't even take an afternoon for them to finish planting and start watering.

Naturally, it was the adults who carried the water and watered the plants while the children watched from the side.

Xue Wufu even went to the two sides to get half a bucket of water.

Jiang Yue stood in the field where the watermelons were planted and looked at Xue Yan.

"I can help you with that," said Xue Yan with a faint smile in his eyes.

Now that his parents and Wufu were here, he really couldn't cover for her and let her carry two water buckets.

Jiang Yue was very calm, but after a while, she looked up at the sky.

When the watering was almost done, Li Hehua, Xue Yifu, and Xue Erfu arrived. They had just returned and realized no one was home.

Yu Hongyan also wanted to come and take a look, but because she was pregnant, Xue Erfu didn't let her.

"Let me do it." Li Hehua quickly took the ladle from Liu Guixia's hand with one hand and picked up the wooden bucket with only half a bucket of water with the other.

Xue Erfu and Xue Yifu were also helping out.

Liu Guixia whispered to Li Hehua about going to the town's Medical Center.

## **Chapter 150: Cooperate With You?**

Li Hehua wanted to find a doctor for a long time, but because the fee was expensive and her family had been poor for the longest time, she thought otherwise. Now that her mother-in-law had spoken, she was bitter, happy, and a little hesitant. "We don't have to spend money on this..."

If she wanted to take medicine, they might have to spend a lot.

"Don't we still have a lot of money at home? It won't cost too much. You can go with Yifu without worry." Liu Guixia comforted her softly. "Xue Yan will be there too. That doctor is the father of his classmate. He knows him. I heard that he's a famous doctor. He'll definitely take a good look at you."

"Okay." Li Hehua finally showed happiness on her face.

"After we finish planting the crops on this five acres of barren land, we'll take you and Yifu there. You see, we've already planted one acre today. With your help, it won't take long for us to get these five acres of barren land filled with seeds."

"Yes." Li Hehua's voice was still soft, but one could clearly hear the excitement.

After watering the plants, she packed her things and went home.

When she was about to reach the door, she saw Li Qingshu and her parents holding a pole and rope.

Jiang Yue greeted them politely.

"Hello, where are you going with Qingshu?" Xue Erfu asked with a smile.

Li Qingshu didn't wait for his parents to speak. He laughed and said, "Xua Yan said he's done squeezing the oil for our family and asked us to pick it up."

"No wonder you're so happy, do you need my help?" Xue Erfu asked.

Li Qingshu's parents hurriedly smiled. "No need, no need. Qingshu and I will be fine. It's all thanks to Jiang Yue's good memory that we can get the best oil. We can all benefit from it."

"No way." Xue Dafu, Liu Guixia, and the others all laughed. "Then, are you going to sell the oil in town tomorrow?" he asked casually.

"There's no rush," Li Qingshu said with a smile. "Let's wait until Jinshan's family has finished extracting the oil. We'll go and sell it together."

He Jinshan was also one of the men who had a good relationship with Xue Erfu.

“Then just tell me what you need in the future. I’ll be there immediately.” Xue Erfu said straightforwardly.

“Alright, alright, alright. I won’t stand on ceremony with you.” Li Qingshu laughed as he followed his parents to Xue Yan’s house to get the oil.

When they got home, Xue Yifu was busy working under the shed again. Liu Guixia, Li Hehua, and Yu Hongyan were making dinner. Xue Dafu and Xue Erfu did whatever they could and didn’t go to the fields anymore. Jiang Yue followed Xue Yan and Xue Wufu to visit Xue Da.

After chatting with Xue Da for a while, they came back for dinner.

During dinner, Xue Dafu and the others casually asked, “Xue Yan, Jiang Yue, there are still four acres of unplanted land. What are you going to do with it?”

Xue Yan looked at Jiang Yue, his meaning was obvious, he wanted her to speak instead because he had no clue. After all, he really did not understand what she was going to plant next.

He only knew his help was needed.

“Xue Yan and I haven’t thought of anything else, but we plan to plant an acre of raspberries,” Jiang Yue replied calmly.

Hearing that, Xue Yan was sure that the seedlings looked very similar to the strawberry ones she mentioned. She would definitely change the seedling and plant strawberries.

As for what would really grow in the end, it had nothing to do with him and her. At most, people would wonder why the raspberries didn’t grow into a strawberry. They wouldn’t think that it was the kids who had exchanged the seedlings.

“Why do you want to plant that? You can’t eat or drink it.” Xue Dafu and the others didn’t understand.

“I heard from Xue Yan that the entire berry can be used as a medicine. Although it’s not expensive at all, it’s just a very common medicine. So, Xue Yan and I want to try it out,” Jiang Yue said.

## Chapter 151: Digging Up Raspberries

“Oh.” Xue Dafu and the others nodded in understanding. “But we don’t have any more raspberry seedlings at home. There’s no one selling this seedling in town.”

Finally, Xue Yan began to cooperate, “Tomorrow, I will bring Jiang Yue to dig around. On the mountains, on the fields, by the river, there might be some around.”

“Alright, alright.” Xue Dafu didn’t have any objections. He was just asking. “But you two are just kids. I don’t know how long it’ll take for you to dig up the seedlings of the raspberries. Wufu, tomorrow, go and help Xue Yan and Jiang Yue dig.”

Xue Wufu naturally agreed immediately.

Xue Yan continued to cooperate, “There will be three acres of land left after planting the raspberries. I will look around with Jiang Yue to see if there are any other wild plants. We can dig them up and plant them ourselves.”

“You guys can do as you see fit.” Xue Dafu and the others said. They were really just asking casually. However, if they could help, they would definitely help.

No matter what, the two precious children of their family were still young. If they were to really let these two children plant five acres of land by themselves, who knew how tired they would be?

The next day, after breakfast, Xue Yan carried a bamboo basket and a small shovel. He then held Jiang Yue’s hand with the other hand. They went to the river behind the house to dig for raspberries.

At this time, the seeds were still small and had not yet bloomed and borne fruit.

The riverside was a wild land, so there were many raspberries growing there.

The riverside was about ten meters away from their house.

There were many large rocks along the river, and the villagers went to the river to wash their clothes. On the other side of the river, there were also many big stones suitable for washing clothes, which were from the neighboring village.

Xue Wufu also carried a bamboo basket on his back, but it was much bigger than Xue Yan’s, and he also had a shovel in his hand. This shovel was also a bit bigger than the one in Xue Yan’s hand.

Jiang Yue didn’t carry a bamboo basket, and her family didn’t allow her to do so either, saying that she was too small. She was only allowed to carry a small shovel.

“Xue Yan, look after Jiang Yue. Don’t let her get too close to the river. I’ll go over there to dig around.” With that, Xue Wufu ran off in another direction like a monkey, carrying the bamboo basket.

Jiang Yue squatted down and dug around while whispering to Xue Yan, “These raspberry seeds and strawberry seeds are both from the rose family, so they look very similar.”

Xue Yan nodded, indicating that he understood.

He had already guessed that they looked similar, otherwise, she wouldn’t have asked him to dig for some raspberries.

“Then how many seeds do we have to dig out?” Xue Yan asked in a low voice.

“You have to plant them more densely. Usually, we’ll have to find about eight thousand sprouts to get the seeds,” Jiang Yue replied.

8000?

“Then we’ll have to dig for a few days,” Xue Yan said after a moment of silence.

It wasn’t like there was a large area. If they were to start now, they won’t be able to find that many. Fortunately, these things were everywhere, such as in the fields, on the mountains, on the fields, on the slopes, and so on. There were even many on both sides of the road to town.

As long as he spent some time digging, he could still dig up 8000 sprouts.

“With just the three of us, we’ll have to dig for a few days,” Jiang Yue nodded. Even if she didn’t dig like a child, she would have to dig for a few days.

“Let’s tell the others in the family to help dig as well, hurry up.”

“If they’re fine with it, we can ask them for help.”

“It’s not that busy at home now. Other than Yifu and Yu Hongyan, everyone else can help dig.”

“Yes, we’ll tell them later.”

“Okay.”

## Chapter 152: So This Is It

After digging up a few sprouts, Jiang Yue said, "It's a little troublesome to plant this. When the time comes, we'll have to make ridges on the barren land, one by one. It's best if there are two large ridges so that people can walk through the ridges and pick the strawberries in the future."

"You can also ask our family to help you with this. The earlier we plant it, the better." Xue Yan said without raising her head while digging.

"True," Jiang Yue agreed.

"By the way," Xue Yan thought of something, "How many fruits will it bear in the end?"

"I'm going to plant high-yield strawberries," Jiang Yue said. "One strawberry seedling can bear about eight fruit, so eight thousand strawberry seedlings per acre can bear about six thousand fruits."

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No matter how big their stomachs were, they could never finish such a big batch.

In order to prevent her from being embarrassed like last time, Xue Yan didn't mention the word eat, but only said, "They could be sold for a high price."

Compared to the last time, Jiang Yue was much calmer and even took the initiative to mention the word eat.

Jiang Yue nodded. "Of course, we'll have to sell them if we can't finish them. They don't have them here. We're the only ones who have them. We can sell them at a higher price."

Jiang Yue and Xue Yan were talking in a low voice while digging around for the plants. No one else could hear them, but a few women washing clothes by the river noticed them.

One of the women stopped washing clothes and looked over. "What are Jiang Yue and Xue Yan digging? Wufu seems to be digging for something too..."

When the other women who were washing clothes heard this, they also stopped washing clothes and looked over.

"I don't know," a woman said.

"I'll go take a look." A woman stood up, wiped the water off her hands, and walked towards Jiang Yue and Xue Yan.

Jiang Yue and Xue Yan both saw it and kept their mouths shut.

The reason why they had to dig up the raspberries was to make it more reasonable for strawberries to appear in this world. It had nothing to do with them, and it was good for these people to see their search for raspberry seeds.

"Xue Yan, Jiang Yue, what are you guys doing?" As soon as the woman came over, she bent down to see what they were doing, and then looked at the basket on their back.

Before they could speak, she saw that they were raspberry digging. She was surprised and asked, "Why are you digging for raspberries?"

Jiang Yue told them what she had told Xue Dafu and the others the night before.

The woman laughed. "Although it can be used as medicine, it can't be sold for much money. I really don't know why you're doing this. You're just two kids with nothing to do. Alright, alright, you guys continue digging. I'm going to continue washing my clothes. I thought you guys were digging for precious things, but it turned out to be nothing."

Before they could say goodbye, the woman left and went to wash clothes on the stone. She even told the other women who were washing clothes about this matter like it was a joke.

The women there couldn't stop laughing.

Jiang Yue and Xue Yan didn't seem to hear the peals of laughter.

"Xue Yan! Jiang Yue!" Suddenly, Xue Dabao and Xue Xiaobao came over. They looked especially happy.

Xue Dabao was also carrying a bamboo basket.

Xue Xiaobao was also carrying one, but the bamboo basket was particularly small.

The two children were also holding small shovels in their hands.

Xue Dabao was still a clutz, and Xue Xiaobao was still a little silly.

Behind them was Xue Gouzi, who was also carrying a bamboo basket and holding a small shovel. Xue Gouzi was also wearing coarse cloth, but there were a few patches on it.



Xue Gouzi was as timid as usual.

Jiang Yue and Xue Yan both stood up.

“Why are you guys here?” Xue Yan asked.

Xue Xiaobao ran over first. “I saw Wufu digging in the back of our house, so I asked him what he was doing. He said he was digging raspberries for you and Jiang Yue, so my brother and I came. Xue Gouzi happened to be in Grandpa’s house, so Grandpa asked Xue Gouzi to come with us to help. Can we? Can we?”

## Chapter 153: She Doesn’t Like Me Either...

“Alright,” he said. Xue Yan smiled and rubbed his head. He was obviously two years older than Jiang Yue, but his words were a little unclear and his voice sounded a little childish.

However, Wufu was really like a monkey, running here and there. He even ran to the river behind his uncle’s house to dig for raspberries, as if he had an endless amount of energy.

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When Xue Gouzi came over, Xue Yan called out, “Hello.”

Jiang Yue also greeted him politely.

Xue Gouzi was a timid person, so his voice was not loud. He even sounded a little nervous, “How... How do we dig this?”

“Just dig up the roots,” Jiang Yue said.

“Okay.” He nodded, then they went to find a bunch of raspberries to dig. He didn’t say much. His head was always lowered as if he couldn’t even lift it up.

“I’ll dig too! I’ll dig everything!” Xue Dabao and Xue Xiaobao shouted excitedly and also started digging.

“Stay away from the river and don’t fall in, understand?” Xue Yan said.

“I know, I won’t!” Xue Dabao had run far away.

Xue Xiaobao was not in a hurry to run away. Instead, he looked at Jiang Yue with his pure eyes and said, "Jiang Yue, you're so small. Do you want to dig together?"

"Yes." Jiang Yue was not good at dealing with children.

"Jiang Yue, I have a little straw hat here, you can wear it." Xue Xiaobao's little arms were trying hard to take out his little straw hat from the basket on his back.

His grandfather had made this up for him, and he loved it.

The small basket on his back was also woven by his grandfather, and he liked it very much.

"No thank you," Jiang Yue replied. The sun wasn't that bright today.

"No need? Alright then." The silly Xue Xiaobao did not force her, nor did he know why she didn't need it. He just immediately took his hand out of the basket on his back.

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Not only was he cowardly, but he was also very innocent.

"I'm going to Dabao's place." Xue Xiaobao said. "My mother wants me to follow my brother closely."

"Okay." Xue Yan nodded with a smile.

Xue Xiaobao immediately left.

Xue Yan and Jiang Yue squatted down again and continued to dig the raspberries by their feet.

As they dug, Xue Yan noticed from the corner of his eyes that Xue Gouzi was alone, and not speaking. He was only digging at the plants, and his back was as lonely as could be.

After digging up all the raspberries, Xue Yan thought for a while and went to carry the basket with the small shovel while holding Jiang Yue's hand with the other. He brought Jiang Yue to Xue Gouzi's side and squatted down.

When he squatted down with Jiang Yue, Xue Yan finally realized why he had brought Jiang Yue here.

It was probably because he always had to hold Jiang Yue's hand when he went out so that the family would feel at ease. Therefore, he was already used to it by now. He subconsciously held Jiang Yue's hand and left with her.

Jiang Yue was probably used to it, so she didn't say anything.

Even though he had squatted down, Jiang Yue only looked at him. It was obvious that she wanted to know what he was up to by coming to Xue Gouzi's side.

In fact, it was not a secret and there was no need to hide it from Jiang Yue. Xue Yan asked Xue Gouzi, "Why were you at Grandpa's place so early today?"

Gouzi stopped digging and lowered his head. After a while, he said awkwardly, "Uncle heard that my brother was beaten half to death, so he came to see my brother. He doesn't like me, so I came out..."

Jiang Yue felt that Xue Gouzi was really not favored at home. Even his mother's relatives did not like him. That was why he said yes to figging seeds.

As for this uncle, he should be Zhang Meili's brother-in-law.

## Chapter 154: Dug a Lot

Although she had never seen him before, Xue Yan knew who he was talking about.

Zhang Meili was quite close to her eldest sister's family and often kept in touch with her. Her eldest uncle had naturally come over many times. Zhang Meili was his fourth aunt, so it was difficult for him not to know her.

Perhaps it was because Zhang Meili favored her eldest son, Xue Zhuzi, and didn't like her youngest son, Xue Gouzi. She realized that Xue Gouzi was very timid and she did not like that. This made her family not like Xue Gouzi very much. This uncle of his was one of them.

In fact, Xue Zhuzi wasn't particularly favored by Zhang Meili's maiden family. He was just a little better than Xue Gouzi. Only his uncle was especially good to Xue Zhuzi.

According to this uncle, it was because he hit it off with Xue Zhuzi. He didn't have any sons and only had daughters, so he treated Xue Zhuzi as his own son.

Xue Yan wasn't very good at comforting people, but Xue Gouzi was in such a low mood that he only said one sentence after considering it for a long time, "If you want to go out next time, you can look for me."

"I won't dare to go to your house anymore..." Xue Gouzi lowered his head even more, "I'm afraid... I'm afraid that my mother and brother will go to your house and cause more trouble again."

"Although my father forbade them from causing trouble, they still cursed and hated you all. Now, it's Grandpa who asked me to come and help you, so that's why I'm here."

Xue Yan wasn't worried that Zhang Meili and Xue Zhuzi would come to his family again. After all, his father had made up his mind and would never change it. If Zhang Meili and Xue Zhuzi came, they would be asking for a beating from his father.

He was just worried that if Xue Gouzi got too close to his family, Zhang Meili and Xue Zhuzi would dislike Xue Gouzi even more and think that Xue Gouzi was not of the same mind as them.

Xue Dagui didn't really care. He rarely took care of children and only cared about major matters.

Thinking of this, Xue Yan said, "Then you can secretly come to find me and Jiang Yue."

Xue Gouzi finally raised his head, his eyes still shining, "Can I?"

"Of course, you can," Xue Yan said.

Jiang Yue nodded in agreement. Since Xue Yan cared so much about this guy, he must be a good person.

"T-that's good." Xue Gouzi was finally a little happy.

Although Xue Gouzi was already 10 years old, in the eyes of Xue Yan and Jiang Yue, Xue Gouzi was still a child.

Xue Dabao and Xue Xiaobao were considered babies.

Even their 14-year-old brother, who was like a monkey digging for raspberries everywhere, was still a child.

After they were done digging by the river, Jiang Yue and the others went to the dam to dig. As the silly Xue Xiaobao was tired from shouting and acting coquettishly, Jiang Yue and the others accompanied him to the dam to rest.

The six children sat in a row on the field with baskets on their backs. On both sides of the field were tall, green paddies. From a distance, it was a beautiful scene.

When someone sees the view, they would definitely stay for several glances. They felt that it was rare and that it was beautiful for no reason.

Xue Wufu, the big boy, couldn't sit still at all. He got up and jumped here and there. In the end, he got tired and sat down again. He crossed his legs and still didn't know his place, swaying back and forth.

Jiang Yue and Xue Yan were the two most well-behaved ones.

As they talked, even the timid Xue Gouzi was laughing. He felt that this was the happiest day of his life.

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"Xue Gouzi, you also dug a lot." Xue Xiaobao said as he leaned on Xue Gouzi's basket. "Other than Xue Yan and Jiang Yue's basket, you dug the most."

## Chapter 155: Own Way

"You're wrong. Did you not see me? I'm the one who dug the most, more than Jiang Yue and Xue Yan!" Xue Wufu immediately handed his basket over to Xue Xiaobao, not caring if he was comparing himself to a child, who always called himself an adult.

"But Wufu, aren't you an adult? The things you dig can't be compared to what children like us dig," Xue Xiaobao said seriously.

"Yes, yes, yes. I've been with you guys for so long that I've forgotten that I'm an adult." Xue Wufu laughed.

Although Jiang Yue also spoke, she was not good at getting along with children, so she really did not know what to say. After hesitating for a moment, she asked Xue Gouzi, Xue Dabao, and Xue Xiaobao, "What do you guys like to eat?"

Hearing this, Xue Yan's lips curved up.

It wasn't that he didn't see that Jiang Yue was not good at getting along with children, but Jiang Yue would also use her own way to thank Xue Xiaobao and the others for their help.

Even though she didn't need the help of the three children.

Xue Gouzi shook his head subconsciously, "I don't have anything I like to eat."

Xue Dabao was already seven years old, so he was quite sensible. When he heard Jiang Yue's words, he roughly understood what she meant. He stammered and refused to say what he liked to eat.

Only Xue Xiaobao, who was innocent and naive, said directly, "Jiang Yue, I really like to eat malt candy. When my great-aunt came over for the new year last year, she brought a small pack for us, and I was only given a small piece. I was very reluctant to eat it, but I still finished it in a short while. Her brother was the same. Xue Gouzi also likes to eat malt candy, but he likes to keep it as a treasure and not eat it. He would eat bit by bit every day for a long long time."

Jiang Yue only replied with an oh and did not say anything else.

Xue Xiaobao didn't know how to ask her why she suddenly asked this question. He just answered whatever she had to say, and once he answered, the matter was over. He didn't take it to heart at all.

Jiang Yue, however, took it to heart.

She had already decided in her heart that after she was done with the barren land, she would make malt candy for the three children.

Xue Yan didn't need to ask to know what she was thinking.

After a good rest, he continued to dig for raspberries.

At noon, Li Hehua stood at the village entrance and shouted for lunch.

"Let's go, let's go home for dinner. Let's go home for dinner." Xue Wufu jumped up and stopped digging. He quickly put the basket back on his back.

Jiang Yue and the others stopped digging.

"Let's go to my house for dinner." Xue Yan said.

Xue Dabao and Xue Xiaobao both said, "It's fine. My grandma sent some cured meat over yesterday. She said it was for us to eat. My grandma said she'll make it for us later. We're going home to eat."

"Alright, then." There was no meat at home at noon, so Xue Yan didn't force them to stay.

Xue Gouzi had a lot of concerns, so he was even more unwilling to go.

Xue Yan understood, so he naturally did not force him.

Xue Xiaobao and the others poured the seeds they dug into Xue Yan and Xue Wufu's baskets, then went back home happily.

Xue Yan and Xue Wufu brought Jiang Yue home.

Li Hehua was still waiting at the entrance of the village. When they came over, she picked up Jiang Yue and went home with them.

After looking at the basket on Xue Yan and Xue Wufu's back, Li Hehua smiled, "We've dug so much, it should be enough."

"Enough?" Xue Wufu immediately shouted. "Xue Yan just told me that he wanted eight thousand of them. There are only a few here."

"Eight thousand? You want so much to..." Li Hehua was also a little surprised.

## Chapter 156: Good at Farming

When they got home, Xue Wufu and Li Hehua told the rest about it. Before Xue Yan and Jiang Yue could say anything, Xue Dafu and the others said, "How long are you guys going to take to dig? We'll help you guys dig in the afternoon."

However, Liu Guixia was a little worried. "We can't dig that many in such a short time. We have so many people. Even if we all go, we'll need at least two days. The seedlings today will wither after two days. How about this? Hehua and I will start planting the seedlings you dug this morning on the barren land in the afternoon. You guys are responsible for digging and planting the seedlings for me and Hehua."

"Yes, that sounds good. Very good." Xue Dafu nodded.

"If we plant it so densely, there won't be any space for us to walk around. Do we need to make ridges?" Xue Erfu asked.

Hearing this, Jiang Yue felt that he was indeed a farmer. He didn't even need her to tell him to do the work.

In this aspect, Xue Yan admired his family. They were all good at farming.

"Of course, we have to do the ridging, so that we can water the plants by the ridges." Yu Hongyan said. "Let's do it in two big ridges. It's like planting corn. Maybe we'll have some harvest in the end."

“Then let’s do double ridges. It’s just a little more energy and troublesome but it’ll be good for the plants.” Xue Dafu decided. “Guixia, you and Hehua will be busy this afternoon. Let’s go to the barren land and make the ridges first. Then, you and Hehua will plant them, and we will go and dig for raspberries after.”

“That’s great,” Liu Guixia said with a smile.

Jiang Yue looked at Xue Yan.

Xue Yan looked at Jiang Yue.

This was too smooth. She didn’t even need to say anything to him.

Xue Yan was really surprised. In the morning, Jiang Yue had told him about double planting on the long ridge, but now, his family had come and knew that this was the best way to plant.

If Jiang Yue didn’t tell him, he wouldn’t have known about this.

Jiang Yue finished her lunch first. While no one was paying attention to Xue Yan and Xue Wufu’s baskets in the shade, she quickly took out almost the same-looking seedlings from her space and exchanged them with the seedlings in the baskets.

After lunch, Xue Dafu and the others went to the plot of land that Jiang Yue and Xue Yan had mentioned to start ridging. It was a newly opened plot of land, and the previous family hadn’t planted anything yet. The soil was loose, and there was no grass, so it was easy to do the ridging.

After they were done, Xue Dafu and Xue Erfu also took their baskets and started digging for raspberries.

Li Hehua and Liu Guixia planted the seeds they had dug up in the morning on the ridge. They were so similar that neither of them noticed anything wrong.

Xue Dabao and Xue Xiaobao carried their baskets and came over to help dig up more raspberries like it was a game.

Xue Gouzi also wanted to come back, but when he was about to leave the house with his basket, he was pulled back by his mother, Zhang Meili.

“Where are you going?” Zhang Meili asked fiercely.

Xue Gouzi was a little scared, but he still said, “G-grandpa asked me to help Xue Yan and Jiang Yue dig up raspberries.”



“Don’t use your grandfather to pressure me! Are you even my son? Why are you so different from me? If their family had split the money from the start, would your brother have been beaten half to death? You’re even going to help them dig for seeds?? I think you’ve forgotten that your mother is still alive!” Zhang Meili cursed. If it wasn’t for the fact that her husband was there just now, she wouldn’t be able to deal with her son because of this. She would have hit her son long ago.

What the h\*ll!

He clearly came out of her stomach!

Why didn’t he treat her well at all?

Her eldest son was the best. Not only did he look like her, but he also had the same heart as her!

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## Chapter 157: I Double Dare You

“You’re not allowed to go!” Zhang Meili started to push Xue Gouzi back roughly. “Your brother hasn’t fully recovered yet, so you should stay at home and take care of him! I’ll go to your uncle’s house and see if I can get an old hen for your brother to nourish his body. Your aunt is so biased, giving such a big old hen and even killing it for Jiang Yue to eat, but not for our family! Can’t you see that Xue Yan and Jiang Yue were picked up from the streets? They’re not as close to them as we are!”

Xue Gouzi was pushed so hard that he almost fell. He knew that Zhang Meili was in the wrong, but he didn’t dare to say anything. He was afraid that Zhang Meili would hit him again.

“If I don’t see you when I come back, I’ll teach you a lesson!” Zhang Meili left the house after she finished her sentence.

Xue Gouzi had no choice but to put down the basket and stay home.

He went to his brother’s room.

His brother was sitting on the brick bed and eating dried dates. This was what his uncle-in-law had brought with him this morning. All of them were for his brother, and he didn’t have a single one.

His brother had vomited the seeds all over the ground.

He went to get a broom and a dustpan to sweep the date pits on the ground.

In the end, his brother spat a date pit on his face and scolded him, "Don't act nice now. When I'm well, you'll be the first one I hit! Why can't you do something at home instead of helping others dig up for silly seeds? Don't you know how much I hate that family? I think you're asking for a beating! Why didn't mother hit you? That Xue Yan, how dare he point his ax at me. Just he wait, I'll beat him up sooner or later. Let's see if he still dares to do that ever again!"

At the end of his speech, Xue Zhuzi's face was a little sinister.

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When the villagers saw Jiang Yue, Xue Yan, and Xue Wufu digging up the raspberries, they couldn't understand why Xue Dafu and the others were doing the same. "Rich people are really funny. They even dote on their children to this extent. People who don't know better would think that they are all fools. They didn't even do the proper work at home and are going around digging for raspberries."

"Alright, alright." Village Chief Lu had also seen this and stopped these gossipmongers from continuing. "It's their family's business, it has nothing to do with you guys."

However, to be honest, Chief Lu couldn't understand it either. He just didn't like to gossip.

However, the more something like this happened, the more it would spread.

Soon, all the villages in the surrounding area knew that the wealthy Xue family of Locust Village was indulging their two children in digging up strawberries.

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Of course, Jiang Yue and the others had also been digging for raspberries in the surrounding villages. Many people in the surrounding villages had actually seen them digging for themselves.

In fact, Jiang Yue and the others had almost dug all the way from the village entrance to the town in order to dig for the seeds in the wilderness on both sides of the road.

Fortunately, they had dug enough.

Planting was fast, but digging was slow. After Li Hehua and Liu Guixia finished planting, they also helped to dig. They only continued to plant after they had dug a lot more.

She had thought that with so many people, two days would be enough, but it still took three days.

Jiang Yue was very satisfied when she saw that an acre of strawberries had been planted.

Since they had already told their family that they would go around to see if there were any wild berries they could dig up and plant themselves, Jiang Yue and Xue Yan went out with their baskets the next day to look around.

They might not even be able to dig anything out, so the family didn't need to let anyone follow them, letting them look around first.

## Chapter 158: Watertight

However, his family members were already helping to hoe the weeds on the two acres of barren land they had bought from the village chief and help to plow the soil. When they thought about what they wanted to plant, they could directly start planting.

Jiang Yue and Xue Yan felt warm in their hearts.

Walking out of the house and onto the field, Xue Yan asked, "Where should we go?"

"Let's take a look around for real, just for show," Jiang Yue said.

It was already like this, but he still had to put on an act.

Xue Yan, "Yes."

She walked aimlessly through several fields and came to the foot of the mountain. Seeing that no one was there, Jiang Yue stopped. A strong strawberry seedling appeared in her hand out of thin air. Then, she planted it in the grass that would not be noticed if one did not pay close attention.

"What are you doing?" Xue Yan also knelt down and watched her plant it.

"Planting," Jiang Yue replied.

Xue Yan immediately understood and nodded.

It was impossible for them to have dug up every single raspberry in the surrounding villages. There must be some that they missed.

If there were strawberries growing in the wild, there would be no suspicion about the strawberries in their field.

If it was planted now, it would be hard to notice it if one did not pay close attention. But when it grew up and bloomed and bore fruit, the red fruit would be easily noticed.

At that time, one would not need to pay special attention to see it.

Jiang Yue didn't mention that she had cultivated more than a dozen strawberry seedlings. After planting one, she looked around for other places to plant. She planted them in places that people could notice but couldn't notice if they didn't pay attention.

Jiang Yue and Xue Yan arrived at the foot of the mountain where other villages were located after going along the fields and bypassing the river.

The two of them first walked around the foot of the mountain before going up.

This mountain was about the same size as the mountain that Locust Village's people had explored, but it was not adjacent to the mountain where they had hunted. There was some distance between them, and the road up the mountain was not easy to walk.

Jiang Yue would help Xue Yan up from time to time, and sometimes she would even pull him up.

Jiang Yue and Xue Yan walked towards the side but did not venture out too far. There were people going there from time to time, and they stopped only when they saw that there was no one else around.

Seeing that Xue Yan was tired, Jiang Yue said, "Let's have a seat first."

Xue Yan was a little tired, but he had already accepted the difference in physical strength between him and Jiang Yue. He didn't force himself upon hearing Jiang Yue's words. With a grunt, he removed the basket on his back and sat down on a slightly slanted spot.

Jiang Yue didn't sit down. She just stood beside him and looked around.

After that, Jiang Yue took out a bunch of tomatoes, potatoes, sweet potatoes, white potatoes, and purple potato seedlings from her space. They were all neatly arranged with dry straws.

Xue Yan didn't know how she manifested the seeds. He only saw a bunch of seedlings in Jiang Yue's hand, and then another bunch, and finally put them all into the basket.

“It will be troublesome to lie. We’ll take all these seedlings back in one go today.” Jiang Yue said. “Although there are still three acres of land, there’s no need to plant them so densely. These seedlings will be enough.”

“Okay.”

“This is a tomato seedling. The fruit it bears will be red when it ripens.”

“Okay.”

“These are potato seedlings.” When Jiang Yue was introducing him to the other seeds, she also paid special attention to the potato seedlings.

Usually, this kind of potato would sprout and be cut into pieces to be planted. However, the all-purpose nursery in this space was particularly magical. There were complete roots, and there were no signs of them being sprouted from potato pieces.

The sweet potatoes, white sweet potatoes, and purple sweet potatoes didn’t seem to have sprouted on their own. They all had complete roots, and they were all grown one by one.

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## Chapter 159: She Doesn’t Care Anymore

In fact, the red and white purple sweet potatoes could also be planted through cutting, which was more convenient. However, since they had roots, they could just plant them just like that.

There were no potatoes in this world, so Xue Yan didn’t know about it. He always followed Jiang Yue’s words, so he answered with another okay.

“Potatoes. Just by its name, you can tell that it grows in the soil. Not only does it have a high yield, but the potato sizes will be quite big.”

“Okay.”

“These are sweet potato seedlings, these are white potato seedlings, and these are purple potato seedlings. There should be no mistake. Take a look at the color of the leaves, there are still obvious differences. The purple sweet potato seedlings turn purple and black. The sweet potato seedlings are dark green.”

“Yes.”

“These three also grow in the ground. Actually, they have another name, sweet potato. Now that people ask us, we all say that we don’t know what they are. In the future, when the fruits grow in the ground, we’ll name them red sweet potato, white sweet potato, and purple sweet potato. These names are easier to understand.”

“Yes.”

“Actually, we can wash the starch out of potatoes and sweet potatoes to make potato flour and vermicelli. I like to eat these. I will wash them when the time comes.” Jiang Yue was able to say these words calmly.

The first time she talked about her cravings, it was a little awkward. However, now, it was the third time, so she didn’t care anymore.

After all, this wasn’t a big deal. What kind of food was something that one didn’t want to eat?

Xue Yan knew that she wouldn’t feel embarrassed, but he didn’t know about starch, potato flour, and vermicelli. He didn’t ask too much, because he would eventually find out anyway.

“Okay,” he replied.

“You sit here, I’ll go over there and take a look.” Jiang Yue brought a small shovel with her. Sometimes, there would be a seedling in her hand, which she would plant on the ground.

Xue Yan watched Jiang Yue plant two potato seedlings on one side, then move to another place to plant a tomato seedling, and then to another slope to plant a few sweet potato seedlings.

Then, she returned and planted another one in the field beside the road where he was sitting.

It was planted as if it had grown naturally.

There were no signs of artificial cultivation at all.

Xue Yan knew that this was a flawless plan.

At that time, if someone really wanted to get to the bottom of it, they could just bring that person here to take a look and say that they dug it up from this mountain. Then, it would be fine.

“Since I’ve already shown you how to do it, then do it to the best of your ability,” When Jiang Yue said this, she also gave him a few scattered seedlings and asked him to find a place to plant them.

Xue Yan tried to plant it as if it had grown naturally.

He even planted two sprouts halfway up the mountain.

As the two of them strolled around the mountain, Jiang Yue scattered a few tomato seeds and planted a few potatoes and sweet potato seedlings.

After taking a good walk around the mountain and getting familiar with it, Jiang Yue and Xue Yan left the mountain and went home at noon.

Xue Yan was still carrying the basket on his back.

On their way back, they passed by the river and scattered a few seeds in the field by the river. However, they were not tomato seeds but strawberry seeds.

When they got home, Liu Guixia and Li Hehua had just finished preparing lunch. When they saw them coming back, they smiled and said, “I was just about to go to the village entrance to call you back for dinner, but you came back just in time.”

Seeing the things in the basket, Liu Guixia and the others were confused. “What’s all this?”

“I don’t know, ” Jiang Yue replied, “I saw it on the mountain. Even Xue Yan doesn’t know what it is, so we dug it up and wanted to plant it on the other three acres of land.”