

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

Chapter 185: Shortcomings?

On each plant, there were about eight punnets of strawberry fruits.

It was a little like the yield of a harvest.

“This...”

Jiang Yue was stunned.

Didn't they just plant the seeds at this time yesterday? How did the strawberry plants grow so big today? And it even had fruits on it?

What was speeding up the process?

The all-purpose nursery room could only produce strong seedlings in a day, but this small piece of yellow soil could produce ripe fruits in a day.

Jiang Yue walked over while thinking about this. She squatted down and stared at the two strawberries, as well as the rest of the bright red fruits. She frowned slightly.

At first, she had only suspected that this was not black wasteland but yellow soil. Perhaps something could grow here, so she planted two strawberry seeds to try. She did not expect that not only did they germinate, but they also bore fruit ...

Since that was the case, she naturally looked forward to this piece of yellow land becoming bigger and bigger.

However, compared to yesterday, there was no change in the yellow soil. She didn't know if there would be any changes in the future, but it was already a big surprise to her that it could bear fruit in one day.

Jiang Yue plucked a bright red strawberry and played with it in her hand.

This strawberry was quite big, and there were so many of them. It was obvious that it had almost finished its life in one day.

However, after the strong seedlings were cultivated in the all-purpose nursery, the strong seedlings would remain in a strong state and would not grow again. What about the things that were grown on this small piece of yellow land? Would it remain in this state after it bore mature fruits? Would the fruits always be hanging fresh unless she picked them?

If she wanted to know if that was the case, she naturally had to do an experiment.

The experiment was very simple. She let the fruit continue to stay on the plant. The fruit had ripened, and if it was not picked, it would rot in a few days. If it did not rot after a few days and still looked the same, wouldn't it prove her hypothesis?

However, there was no need to hang so many fruits on the plants for the experiment. Two bright red strawberries on each plant would be enough.

With that thought in mind, Jiang Yue began to pick the rest of the strawberries.

Only two fruits were left on each plant.

She put aside the strawberries she had picked.

It was not good to share it with other people in the family, but she could share it with Xue Yan. Xue Yan knew something special about her.

Feeling that there was no need for the two blades of grass to be there anymore, Jiang Yue pulled them out as well.

Then, she went to the all-purpose nursery to pull out the strong seedlings of the cultivated flowers and plants and put them aside.

Although she wanted to plant the flowers in and outside the courtyard, she only planned to plant a few for now. Therefore, she only cultivated a few strong seedlings.

After she was done, she took another look at the strawberry plant that had two fruits on each of its branches before leaving the space.

When she walked out of the room, she saw Xue Yan talking to Xue Yifu. Xue Yan was already carrying a basket on his back, and the handle of a small hoe could be faintly seen in the basket.

She walked towards Xue Yan.

Xue Yan didn't say anything when he saw her. As usual, he treated her like a baby girl and held her hand to make the adults at home feel at ease.

They went up the mountain and looked at their five acres of barren land.

The barren land was scattered with plant ash, and his family also helped to water it. Compared to the others, his family was really diligent.

The things that were planted on the wasteland were all full of life.

The people in the village thought that they were all wild seeds, so they didn't bother too much with this activity.

Chapter 186: Smart

Jiang Yue and Xue Yan were not stupid enough to explain that it was not wild.

Otherwise, everyone would definitely find it strange that the seedlings on these few acres of wasteland were growing so well. Now that everyone thought so, they naturally did not find it odd, and even thought that it was natural.

Many people in the village even thought that it would be strange if wild seeds like these didn't grow well.

They then went to the other few acres of land at home to take a look. The cotton, corn, and sorghum were also growing very well. Everyone thought that it was because of the great care the Xue family put into their farming. The growth of the peanuts and sesame was much worse. No matter how good the harvest was, it would not be much better.

After checking onto these, Jiang Yue and Xue Yan came to the foot of the mountain, pretending to see if there were any beautiful weeds and flowers to dig up and plant at home.

When no one was looking, Jiang Yue took out the strong seedlings that she had cultivated from the medium.

They were not any special flowers or plants. They were all planted by many farmers in their homes, such as nail flowers, cockscomb flowers, canna flowers, chrysanthemums, and daffodils.

Daffodils had more strong seedlings because when they didn't bloom, they only looked like grass. If they were planted in the corner of the wall or at the entrance of the yard, they could add a lot of greenery.

"Let's plant these for now," Jiang Yue said as she placed the strong seedlings into the basket. "When the big house is built, we can plant some flowers and plants in the big house."

At that time, she would definitely have to plant some flowers and plants that very few farmers knew how to plant.

Xue Yan nodded without any objection.

Jiang Yue thought of the strawberries in her space as she placed the strong seedlings down. However, the water in the ditch at the foot of the mountain was not very clean, so it was not suitable for washing the strawberries. She picked a leaf from the tree next to her.

She didn't know what tree it was, but its leaves were huge.

"Why are you taking this off?" Xue Yan didn't understand.

"You'll know later. Come on, let's go back... To the river," she added after a pause.

Xue Yan didn't ask why they were going to the river. She said she would know later, so it should be about this. He answered, "Okay."

The two of them did not return to the village but went straight to the river.

The river they came from wasn't far from the village, and they could enter the village with just a few more steps.

It was also Jiang Yue who saw a few big willow trees first. The willow trees were green and their branches drooped down. There was a lot of shade for one to sit under and avoid the sun.

Moreover, there was no one here.

It was not like the river behind their house. Although it was the same river, there were people washing things from time to time. It was not good to let others see her strawberries for the time being.

A gentle breeze blew past, causing the thin willow branches to sway.

There were a few stones under the weeping willow.

There were rice fields not far away. Sometimes, when everyone was tired from working in the fields, those who were close to the willow trees would come to rest under them. They even put stones for them to sit on.

Jiang Yue and Xue Yan didn't hurry to sit down. The moment Jiang Yue arrived under the willow tree and saw Xue Yan put down his basket, she handed him the big piece of leaf.

Xue Yan took it and roughly understood that she wanted him to hold it, so he opened both his hands.

Seeing him like this, Jiang Yue really thought that he was smart.

Jiang Yue's hands were so small that she could only pick up the strawberries in several batches. The strawberries were quite big, so she took out three first.

Three was the largest amount she could hold in one hand. Any more and she would not be able to hold it.

Xue Yan saw three red fruits appear in her hand out of thin air. The fruits were uneven, with many black spots on them, a bit like the surface of a strawberry.

However, its shape was quite different from that of a raspberry. A raspberry was round, but this one was not, and it was much bigger.

“Is this a strawberry?” Xue Yan asked.

Jiang Yue, who was about to say that it was a strawberry, smiled and nodded at the question.

Jiang Yue placed the three strawberries in her hands on the leaves that Xue Yan was holding. She took out five more times before she finally took out all the strawberries that she had picked from the space.

The size of the leaves was just right. There were still some strawberries left when she put all of them onto the leaf.

“We can eat it after washing it.” Jiang Yue said.

“Then you wait here, I’ll go and wash them.” With that, Xue Yan left with the strawberries.

After finding a suitable place to stand, he squatted down and began to wash the surface of the strawberries one by one.

Jiang Yue didn’t wait under the willow tree. Instead, she walked over and squatted down beside him to help him wash the fruits.

She just needed to wash the surface of the strawberries. In fact, Jiang Yue didn’t think there was a need to wash them. She felt that the strawberries planted in her space were quite clean and there was no pesticide on them, but there was no harm in washing them just to make sure.

After washing it, Xue Yan put the strawberries on the leaves and went back to the willow tree with Jiang Yue.

He placed the strawberry on one of the medium-sized stones.

Then, the two of them sat down on another rock and ate the strawberries.

The strawberry was sweet and sour, and it was big. Xue Yan felt it tasted good, not too sour or sweet.

Jiang Yue liked strawberries very much, so she naturally thought that they tasted good.

Xue Yan also knew that it was not good to let others see this thing, for the time being, so he didn't say anything about bringing it back for the others to eat.

She picked up another strawberry and ate it slowly. Xue Yan said, "This won't last long, right?"

It felt like it was all pulp, unlike winter watermelons, which had thick skin on the surface and could be kept for a while. He felt that this one wouldn't be kept for long.

"Yes." Jiang Yue replied and took another bite of the strawberry before she said, "When the strawberries in our field ripen, we have to pluck them quickly, or they'll rot."

Xue Yan nodded and kept it in mind.

On this side, Jiang Yue and Xue Yan went to the willow tree by the river to wash and eat strawberries. On the other side, Zhang Meili was chatting with some of the village women. From those women, she found out that Jiang Yue and Xue Yan's family were making candy. She also heard that Xue Dabao and Xue Xiaobao had each been given a small bowl of malt candy yesterday. She immediately exploded and didn't dare to go to Jiang Yue and Xue Yan's houses, so she immediately went home.

When she got home, she grabbed Xue Gouzi, who was sweeping the floor, and asked, "Dabao and Xiaobao got their share of the candy, did you get yours too? Where's the candy? Hurry up and take it out! How dare you hide such a good thing from me!"

Xue Dagui was sharpening his hoe. When he heard this, he didn't even raise his head. He continued to sharpen his hoe as he said, "Zhang Meili, do you feel uncomfortable if you don't torture him for a day?"

Xue Zhuzi's body had also recovered. When he heard his mother questioning Xue Gouzi, he walked out of the house and said angrily, "Mother, what's going on? What candy?"

Zhang Meili immediately told him everything she had heard.

When Xue Zhuzi heard that Xue Gouzi had a small bowl of candy, he immediately questioned, "Where's the candy?"

"No..." Xue Gouzi cowered, "I didn't... I didn't get any..."

"How could you not get any!" Zhang Meili shouted. "Didn't that brat Xue Yan give you the same thing he gave to Dabao and Xiaobao? You can't lie to me. Hurry up and take it out! Hurry up and take it out! You must have hidden it! Hurry up and take it out!"

Chapter 188: Has He Ever Lied?

At the end of her sentence, Zhang Meili pinched Xue Gouzi's body so hard that he didn't know where to hide.

"Alright! He still had to go to my father's place!" After the hoe was on the ground, Xue Dagui stood up in a bad mood. "If my father sees that he is injured, I will skin you alive!"

Usually, Xue Dagui wouldn't care about this matter, but this morning, Xue Dabao had come calling, saying that his father had asked his grandson to go over, so he had to interfere.

Otherwise, if his father saw the bruises on Xue Gouzi's body, even if he didn't hit him, wouldn't he still get blamed?

"What about the candy?" Zhang Meili shouted again, but she stopped pinching Xue Gouzi.

Xue Dagui's brain worked much faster than Zhang Meili's. Zhang Meili had suspected that Gouzi had gotten a share of the candy. Even Xue Dagui thought so too.

He might not be decent, but his brother's family was decent and would definitely give Gouzi the candy.

His nephew, Xue Yan, was well-educated and exceptionally decent. It was impossible for him to only give it to Xue Dabao and Xue Xiaobao and not to his son.

His nephew had a good relationship with his son.

However, now, in order to solve this problem and prevent Gouzi from crying and going to his father's place and making his father worry, he naturally didn't have the heart to pursue the matter of the candy.

Xue Dagui said, "He already said he doesn't have any. He won't lie. Have you ever seen him lie? How could you not know about your own child? Alright, alright, hurry up and get the hoe. Come with me to the field to pluck the weeds. The weeds in our field are taller than what we're growing. There's no grass in other people's houses, but the two of us are so lazy that they've grown."

Without waiting for Zhang Meili to speak, Xue Dagui turned to Xue Gouzi and said, "What are you waiting for? Your grandfather wants you to go over. Hurry up and go to him."

Xue Gouzi was a coward, but he was not stupid. He could tell that his father was helping him. No matter the reason, this was the first time his father had helped him. He was a little stunned and dazed. It was only when his father shouted at him that he came back to his senses. He rushed out of the door with tears streaming down his face and went to his grandfather's place.

Xue Dagui scratched his head when he saw that not only did Xue Gouzi not stop crying, but his tears fell even quicker. It was rare for him to start reflecting on himself. Was he not a decent father usually?

"I'm not going!" Zhang Meili sat on the stool and refused to take the hoe to the field.

"What did you just say?" Xue Dagui immediately glared at her ruthlessly.

Zhang Meili was afraid, so she reluctantly went to take the hoe, but she was full of complaints and kept grumbling, "No matter how much we hoe the weeds, there won't be much harvest. Why do we have to hoe it? It's better for our family to make candy and sell it."

"Do you know how to?"

"Let your brother teach you. Don't tell me... did your brother's family not teach you?" Zhang Meili said matter-of-factly.

Xue Dagui thought for a moment. "If he were to teach us, it wouldn't be too much of an advantage. He should be able to teach us. But our family doesn't have the money to buy things like glutinous rice."

"You can just borrow the money from his family!" Zhang Meili said immediately, as if it was a matter of course. "They definitely have it!"

Without waiting for Xue Dagui to speak, Zhang Meili continued, "We'll just return it after we've earned the money back. Wouldn't that be great? We can even settle the debt with your brother's family. Look, when will this chance come up again? No matter if we can pay it back now or not, we'll just borrow it first. Won't we be rich if we have money?"

Chapter 189: You Think I Won't?

Before Xue Zhuzi could raise his hands and feet in agreement, Xue Dagui had already raised his hand. "Are you seriously asking for a beating?"

Zhang Meili immediately cowered, afraid that Xue Dagui would really hit her. She didn't dare to smile greedily anymore.

"Zhang Meili, I've already warned you. If you dare to take advantage of my brother's family again, you can go back to your mother's house directly. Stop stirring up sh*t!" Xue Dagui said. "It wasn't easy for me to reconcile with my brother. My father is also happy to see me change. If you continue to stir up sh*t, you can go back to your mother's house now!"

Which divorced woman would be liked by her maiden family? Zhang Meili naturally didn't want to be divorced and return to her family, so she immediately stopped suggesting it.

However, it was only on the surface. She naturally hated that family in her heart.

Xue Dagui was also angry and couldn't be bothered to say anything more to Zhang Meili. He turned to Xue Zhuzi and said, "You go too. Wufu is two years younger than you, but he's already working with his family and the others. How many times have you worked for the family in your life?"

Hearing Xue Wufu's name, Xue Zhuzi immediately became angry. In addition, he was also a lazy person, so he immediately shouted in dissatisfaction, "My body just recovered and you want me to work? No matter what, you should at least let me rest for a few more days."

Her eldest son had the same mindset as her, and he also took after her. Zhang Meili's heart ached for her eldest son, so she quickly smiled and said, "Yes, he's right, I'll go. In the future, we must make sure that Zhuzi will take care of us when we're old. Who doesn't live with their eldest son? We have to treat him better."

"Alright, alright," Xue Dagui really couldn't be bothered to say anything more. He picked up his hoe and left.

Zhang Meili was still a little scared, but she quickly followed behind with her hoe.

Xue Zhu stayed at home alone. He thought about how no one dared to go hunting in the mountains after the blind bear appeared. Naturally, he didn't dare to go either.

He had never liked Xue Wufu and looked down on him. Even if he bullied Xue Wufu, Xue Wufu would endure it, not even daring to say a word.

In the end, it was such a person who beat up the blind bear and sold it for so much money, but he was still not willing to share it with him.

If it wasn't for these things, he wouldn't have been beaten half to death by his father. Now that he was in good health, he naturally wanted to teach Xue Wufu a lesson, and Xue Yan.

How dare they be unreasonable to him at that time!

A child dared to point an ax at him?

The more Xue Zhuzi thought about it, the angrier he got. He went out and loitered around Xue Wufu's house, wanting to beat him up to vent his anger while he was alone.

He knew that even if Xue Wufu was beaten up badly by him, he wouldn't dare to say anything to his family.

However, Xue Wufu's yard was very lively. Laughter could be heard from time to time. The villagers also went in to take a look from time to time. There were many people anyway, and Xue Wufu was with his family, he could hear Xue Wufu's voice. He waited for a long time, but Xue Wufu did not come out alone, so naturally, he did not have a chance to make a move.

As a result, Xue Zhuzi got even angrier.

However, he knew that waiting was a waste of time. Xue Wufu's family would probably be busy making candy in the next few days, so it was almost impossible for him to be alone.

With this thought in mind, Xue Zhuzi walked back angrily.

He was about to go home, but when he arrived at the entrance of his own yard, he saw Xue Yan and Jiang Yue eating by the river.

The moment he saw Xue Yan, the anger that had been suppressed for so many days immediately surged up. It was impossible for it to come out from nowhere. It just so happened that there was no one around, and only Xue Yan and Jiang Yue were under the willow tree. Without thinking, Xue Zhuzi picked up a thick wooden stick from the courtyard and was about to beat Xue Yan to a pulp.

Chapter 190: Tired of Living

Xue Yan was much younger than Xue Wufu, so he must be afraid of being hit a second time. Moreover, Jiang Yue was just a baby girl, so she was nothing in his eyes.

At this moment, Xue Zhuzi didn't even consider them formidable foes.

He only knew that he wanted to vent his anger! Right now!

Under the willow tree...

There weren't many strawberries left, they could finish them even if they were two children.

Jiang Yue left the last strawberry on the leaf for Xue Yan and washed her hands by the river. Her hands were stained with the juice of the strawberry. After Xue Yan washed his hands, he also walked down the willow tree.

The basket was still under the willow tree, so she planned to wait for Xue Yan next to it.

However, before she could reach the willow tree, he saw Xue Zhuzi running over angrily with a thick wooden stick in his hand.

Jiang Yue stopped in her tracks and looked on calmly.

Xue Zhuzi obviously didn't care about her at all and just walked past her. Oh, so he was just here to hit Xue Yan.

She thought that he was tired of living.

Jiang Yue's eyes turned cold.

Xue Yan's hearing wasn't as good as Jiang Yue's, and he was washing his hands with his back to them. When he heard the noise, he felt something was wrong and turned around subconsciously. He saw Xue Zhuzi running past Jiang Yue as if Jiang Yue didn't exist. Zhuzi raised the thick stick in his hand and was about to hit Xue Yan.

His body was thin, so he naturally couldn't withstand this stick. If the stick really hit him, he would definitely be in trouble.

Seeing that Jiang Yue's eyes were cold, it was obvious that Xue Zhuzi's behavior had angered her.

'Xue Zhuzi is going to be out of luck.' Xue Yan thought to himself.

He ran fast, his heart was filled with the desire to beat Xue Yan a few times to vent his anger. He wanted to see if Xue Yan would still dare to be so rude and point his ax at him. At this moment, he didn't notice the overly calm expressions of Xue Yan and Jiang Yue, which was not the expression that children should have at this time.

Seeing that Xue Zhuzi was about to reach Xue Yan and hit him with the stick, Jiang Yue raised her foot and kicked Xue Zhuzi's left leg.

Xue Zhuzi's left leg immediately knelt down, right in front of Xue Yan.

He was still holding the thick stick in his hand.

It was so fast that he didn't even have time to react to who had hit him from behind before he was grabbed by the back of his collar.

Jiang Yue stopped him.

Jiang Yue was expressionless. She grabbed the back of Xue Zhuzi's collar with one hand and dragged him forward to the riverside in a few moments.

With a press of her other hand, Xue Zhuzi's head was pressed into the water.

Xue Zhuzi was being pressed down and kept getting filled with water. He felt like he was about to die, so he struggled even harder. However, it was useless. No matter how hard he struggled, he couldn't break free.

Just as he thought he was going to die, the person who controlled him lifted him up again and lifted his head out of the water.

He could finally catch his breath. However, the next moment, his head was pressed into the water again.

This was simply worse than death.

Xue Yan let Jiang Yue play with him. After washing his hands, he went to the willow tree and put the basket on his back. Then, he came back and watched Jiang Yue do the same thing over and over again.

Jiang Yue was still expressionless.

She lifted Xue Zhuzi's head out of the water and pressed it back in several times.

Xue Yan noticed the village head and his son coming back from the field, so he only said, "Someone's coming."

Xue Zhuzi was pressed down in the water and was so flustered that he couldn't think of anything. He couldn't hear anything and was disoriented.

When Jiang Yue heard it, she also took a look around. When she saw that it was the village chief, she immediately understood and let go of him.

Chapter 191: Blown Up

“Ouch...” Xue Zhuzi lay by the river. His shoulders and head were all wet. It was as if he had just escaped death. His heart was beating so fast and he coughed violently from the impact. He felt like his lungs were going to come out.

He thought he was going to die.

Xue Zhuzi breathed heavily.

Next to him lay the thick stick that had fallen from his hand just now.

He kept waving the thick stick before, but with his head being pressed into the water, the stick somehow fell out of his hands.

After a while, he finally came to his senses. Who was it that was pressing him down like that?

Xue Yan was in front of him the whole time, so it was definitely not Xue Yan. Jiang Yue was also too young, so it was definitely not Jiang Yue.

After that person kicked him to his knees, the person grabbed the back of his collar and dragged him into the river. The speed was too fast and the strength was too great. He didn't even have time to react. How did he have the time to find out who it was?

As he thought of this, he immediately turned around.

He wanted to see which b*stard did it!

However, he didn't see anything else except Xue Yan carrying a basket on his back and holding Jiang Yue's hand. They looked like they were ready to go home.

He was so angry that he didn't care who was behind this. He only wanted to vent his anger to someone.

He quickly got up from the river, picked up the thick stick that had fallen to the side, and went to Xue Yan again.

At that moment, Chief Lu and his son, Lu Zhuangniu, walked closer. When he saw them, Chief Lu immediately shouted, “Xue Zhuzi, what are you doing?!”

Lu Zhuangniu immediately ran over and protected Xue Yan and Jiang Yue behind him. He was also filled with righteous indignation, "Are you out of your mind? They're children!"

Xue Zhuzi didn't know that he would be seen by others. In fact, he wasn't this brave usually and only dared to act arrogantly in front of people who were weaker than him. Now that the people who came were Chief Lu and Chief Lu's son that was as strong as a bull, he was so shocked that he subconsciously threw the thick stick in his hand.

Jiang Yue and Xue Yan looked at each other.

If Chief Lu saw this, this matter would definitely blow up.

He wouldn't let it go like that.

It was good.

"This is outrageous! Absolutely outrageous!" Chief Lu said. "I've been Chief Lu for so many years. I've never seen such a brutal thing in the village. Don't you have eyes? Do you know how old Xue Yan and Jiang Yue are? How dare you hit them with such a thick stick?!"

As he spoke, Chief Lu picked up the thick stick and became even angrier.

He was so angry that he wanted to hit Xue Zhuzi.

Xue Zhuzi was stupid so he even retorted to the old man, "Chief Lu, you're wrong. I just wanted to beat that stinky brat, Xue Yan!"

"Are you asking for a beating?"

"How are you still acting so self-righteous?"

"Do you think you're in the right?!"

Chief Lu was so angry that he shouted at Xue Zhuzi's face again, his saliva spraying all over Xue Zhuzi's face. "Can't you see how thin Xue Yan's body is? Do you think he can take a hit from you? It would be strange if nothing happened! Fortunately, I came here at the right time to see this!"

After rejoicing, Chief Lu added, "No, no, I can't just let this matter go. You wanted to hit your grandfather before, and now it's Xue Yan's turn. Only a beast would do such things. I have to talk to your father and ask him to discipline you well."

At this point, Chief Lu turned to his son and said, "Zhuangniu, go and call Dagui over!"

“Okay!” Lu Zhuangniu immediately left.

Xue Dagui was weeding in the field, and Zhang Meili was with him. Lu Zhuangniu went to call Xue Dagui over, so Zhang Meili naturally stopped everything and quickly followed close.

At this moment, many people in the village had heard Chief Lu’s roar and came over to take a look.