

## **Weaponsmith 1971**

### **Chapter 1971: Stubborn and tsundere old man (3)**

Huang Yueli casted a glance at her and said indifferently, "This is my own problem so I won't trouble any outsiders to worry about it. Young Miss Shu had better worry for your own self!"

Shu Yali had not expected that she wasn't a little bit anxious at all hence she instantly felt unhappy about this.

"Looks like you still haven't realised the problem that you're facing? Did you think that picking medicinal herbs is very easy? Today I shall do my good deed for the day and impart a little knowledge about medicinal herb harvesting!"

"Harvesting medicinal herbs is not as simple as plucking out the portion which you need, but to preserve a majority of the part of the medicinal herbs to the greatest extent, as well as to not injure the plant's root, so that it could still be replanted to yield the same fruits."

"And to be able to achieve this point, one must first grasp the specialised method of harvesting medicinal herbs. Every kind of medicinal herb requires different methods to handle, and some even requires many years of practice before one is able to grasp it perfectly. Other than this, preserving the medicinal herb's medicinal effect, is a huge requirement on one's Earth attributed innate talent and those with higher grades of innate talent will find it easier to harvest the medicinal herbs! As for trash like you.... no matter what kind of good medicinal herbs which fall into your hands, it will all become a pile of weed!"

Shu Yali spoke frankly with assurance, and after saying a pile of things, her gaze which was filled with ridicule fell onto Huang Yueli.

"To tell the truth, I really feel the pain for those medicinal herbs which Divine Doctor Dai had painstakingly bred! I advise you to tell the steward on your own that you will not go harvest the medicinal herbs and will leave directly! Otherwise if you were to ruin Divine Doctor Dai's medicinal herbs, god knows what kind of rage will he fly into? He is someone who will side with a disputant who's in the wrong and he's also extremely petty.... I'm saying all of these for your own good!"

Huang Yueli watched her finish her words silently and gave a smile, "Young Miss Shu is indeed a pill refining genius, you indeed know a lot. Thank you for explaining to me but since you're so free to have the time to bother about how I'm going to harvest the medicinal herbs, why not think about how you are going to handle it for yourself? After all, other than me, there are six other genuine Pill Masters who are your opponents"

When Shu Yali heard that, her expression changed.

She just recalled that while she was on loggerheads with Huang Yueli, the other Pill Masters had all dispersed, heading to their own plots of land to make preparations. Whereas she, was wasting so much time on a young lass who was destined to be eliminated!

She turned her head back and gave Huang Yueli a fierce stare, "Hng, no matter what, this time you're absolutely going to run into bad luck, let's just wait and see!"

Saying that, she turned around and left in a jiffy.

Huang Yueli shrugged her shoulders and picked up her token as she headed towards that plot of farm of hers to take a look.

As expected, the plot of land which she was allocated, was a terrible sight.

As the medicinal herbs did not have enough care, there were signs that many of those were about to turn yellow and dry up, and some had already flopped crooked on the side.

As Huang Yueli had just read <<Understanding Medicinal Herbs>> yesterday, so she managed to recognise that this piece of land was planted with an extremely rare medicinal herb – Drought Land Pearl Lotus.

As the only lotus which could grow in drought land, it is able to cure internal injuries caused by various attributed Profound Energies and also has the effect to heal meridians and is one of the ingredients in many high levelled medicinal pills.

Moreover, it was very hard to take care of. As long as it is lacking in a little bit of sunlight or water, it would affect the medicinal effects. The more serious consequence would be to dry up immediately.

Looking at the medicinal farm, the majority of the parts could no longer be used as medicinal herbs for use.

“Looks like that guy surnamed Feng had indeed dug a hole for me...” Huang Yueli’s brows rose.

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She knew that Feng Xiaoyan father-daughter duo, who had tried to find ways and means to stuff her into Dai Boji’s courtyard, would not let it go that easily and there would definitely be more tricks up their sleeves!

Earlier that steward who was so impolite to her, had already attracted Huang Yueli’s suspicions.

From the looks of it now, that steward had indeed been bribed by Feng Zhensheng and not only did he try to make things difficult for her during daily life, moreover he directly did something to the medicinal farm which she was responsible for.

Looking at their elaborate set up, Huang Yueli instead became more relaxed.

If she really wanted to master pills refining, then this current situation would probably make her extremely frustrated. Just based on these few stalks of medicinal herbs in front of her to hand in her task, it was equivalent to daydreaming.

But right from the start, Huang Yueli was not here to become some apprentice or some sort. She was here mainly to seek Dai Boji for a consultation hence towards the competition between the Pill Masters, she wasn’t the least bit interested at all.

Huang Yueli went one round around the medicinal farm and understood the situation then turned around and prepared to leave.

The other Pill Masters' medicinal farms were nearby and everyone was already working hard on it, but Huang Yueli was the only one who patted her butt and left!

This naturally attracted everyone's attention.

Shu Yali revealed a delighted smile secretly, "Looks like she really knows how to retreat in to avoid difficulties! Hng, she must wait till she really can't get off stage then finally scrambling on her own. In the first place, she should not have come! She even took up a quota from my junior sister, this really... consider it our bad luck!"

Although the other Pill Masters weren't as evil as her, but they all started shaking their heads as they felt that it was both a pity but yet so fortunate.

"Luckily she doesn't have Earth and Fire dual attributes otherwise with a genius like her around, our generation can forget about having a day when we will be able to make a name for ourselves!"

"It's such a pity for Young Miss Bai, such a waste of her good memory skills, why doesn't she have any Profound Energy? Sigh, Heaven is indeed fair, there aren't many any peerless geniuses who are great in every single thing!"

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Huang Yueli didn't bother about what they said. After she left the medicinal farm, she headed directly over to the rear courtyard where Dai Boji was staying in.

But she had just got near to the door when she was stopped by the female attendants.

"The place in front of Divine Doctor Dai's residence, this Young Lady please halt your footsteps!"

"Divine Doctor Dai doesn't like noise so Young Lady please stop getting closer. Otherwise if you offend him, we aren't able to take responsibility for it!"

Huang Yueli could only stop and said, "Can you help to pass a message, that I'd like to meet Divine Doctor Dai."

The female attendants looked at her uniform and exchanged glances at each other, as they suddenly understood the situation.

"Young lady, you're the fresh batch of apprentices who had just joined this place? I advise you to listen to the steward's arrangement and work hard to complete your own task seriously. As long as you're outstanding enough, you will naturally have a chance to meet Divine Doctor Dai so stop thinking of playing any tricks. Divine Doctor Dai hates those people who try to take shortcuts the most."

Huang Yueli didn't know whether to laugh or cry as she said, "No, I... I'm really not here to fawn on him... I...."

Before she finished her sentence, the female attendant interrupted her again.

"No matter if you are or not, Divine Doctor Dai isn't someone whom you can meet if you want to. I'll give you a sincere suggestion, you're better go back and work hard properly!"

Saying that, the female attendant held up the serving tray and wanted to walk in.

Huang Yueli chased up to her quickly as she spoke out, "Please wait a minute, I think you're really mistaken. My name is Bai Ruoli and I'm Liu Buyan's fiancée!"

### **Chapter 1973: Stubborn and tsundere old man (5)**

Huang Yueli originally didn't like to consider herself as Liu Buyan's fiancée. Not knowing what was wrong with her, every single time she heard Liu Buyan say that they were in a fiancé-fiancée relationship, she would feel extremely uncomfortable.

But under the current circumstances, she couldn't be bothered about anything else as she had to grab hold of the chance and hurriedly reported her status.

As expected, when the female attendants heard this, they all stopped in their tracks and turned around as they gazed at her in astonishment.

"You.... you are Divine Doctor Liu's fiancée?"

"Heavens, you're that legendary.... Uhhh, young lady whom Divine Doctor Liu brought back from outside?"

Legendary.... Brought back from outside.... Young lady?

Huang Yueli was stunned by this description, but she could only nod her head to admit it, "That's right, that's me... I really have something which I need to look for Divine Doctor Dai. On account that I'm Brother Liu's fiancée, can you please give me some concession and help me to pass the message?"

The female attendants exchanged glances and nodded their heads.

After settling these female attendants, Huang Yueli originally thought there would be no more problems so she tidied up her dressing and prepared to enter to meet this established, respectable old Divine Doctor.

Whoever knew, she waited for quite a while when the female attendants walked out, and on their faces were filled with an extremely awkward expression.

"Young Miss Bai, you'd better go back! Divine Doctor Dai isn't willing to see you!"

Huang Yueli was stunned, "How could that be? Have you told me about my identity?"

Huang Yueli felt that this was extremely unimaginable because after all, she was stamped with the identity of Liu Buyan's fiancée. It was rumoured that Dai Boji loved this disciple of his dearly so towards his beloved disciple's fiancée, isn't he a little bit curious at all?

Most people would want to take a look personally wasn't it? Why did Dai Boji have this kind of reaction?

The female attendants frowned and said, Young Miss Bai, we've spoken according to the truth but Divine Doctor Dai immediately said that he's not willing to see you so we have no other way as well! Moreover, he flew into a huge rage over this!"

Huang Yueli blinked, "Why did he fly into a rage?"

“This...” The female attendants were stuffed for words as an embarrassed and awkward expression spread over their faces.

Huang Yueli was instantly suspicious as she said, “No way, I have to head over to take a look personally! I’d trouble you to please give way!”

Saying that, her feet tapped and almost instinctively stepped out a profound body movement Profound Skill as she shot out towards the front right hand corner in an extremely strange angle and within a second, she had already spiralled to the female attendants’ back.

“Huh? What’s going on?”

“Young Miss Bai, you can’t go in!”

“Quick, quickly stop her!”

The female attendants were mostly second or third stage realm low levelled practitioners so since when had they ever seen Huang Yueli’s God grade movements. Even if she didn’t have any Profound Energy right now and wasn’t able to display a major portion of the Agility Dance Steps, spiralling around these female attendants was still enough.

By the time the female attendants managed to respond, she had already ran into the rear courtyard.

There were ten over rooms in the rear courtyard and she didn’t know which room Dai Boji was in, hence her footsteps took a pause.

Just at this moment, a loud booming voice was heard from the room in the centre.

“Go tell that silly young girl surnamed Bai! This old man will absolutely never acknowledge her! This old man isn’t sure what kind of foxy methods she used to have bewitched my disciple. But a trashy lass like her without any use is not fit to be with Yan’er! This old man will absolutely not meet her, ask her to scam!”

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This voice, although sounding extremely old, but was filled with vigour as his voice boomed like a large bell, causing a buzzing sound in Huang Yueli’s ears.

Hearing these words, Huang Yueli was rendered speechless instantly.

So the legendary Dai Boji was stubborn and also defensive of his own people, with an especially disagreeable character and all these were really true!

Just because she wasn’t his ideal young lady was worthy of Liu Buyan, he refused to even meet with her?

Just at this moment, the female attendants at the door all chased over. When they heard Dai Boji still berating her inexhaustibly, they were all extremely anxious as they pulled Huang Yueli, wanting to drag her outside.

“Young Miss Bai, how could you run in by yourself? Divine Doctor Dai’s temper isn’t very good and he will really chase you out of the Alchemist Guild!”

“That’s right, haven’t you heard it for yourself now? It’s not that we intentionally want to hide this from you, but Divine Doctor Dai had heard some gossip from some other people and is prejudiced towards you! Anyway, you’d better hurry and leave right now...”

Huang Yueli frowned but actually she was really unresigned to leave just like this. But looking at the guards standing in the courtyard, they were all eighth stage realm top exponents...

She was now an ordinary person without any Profound Energy so naturally she would not be so silly to go challenge the eighth stage realm guards so even if she wanted to find a way to smuggle in, there would probably be no way to do so.

Huang Yueli knew that she could only think of other ways hence she did not struggle and allowed the female attendants to pull her out.

When they reached the outside of the rear courtyard, she sighed, “Little sisters, why did Divine Doctor Dai have such a huge prejudice against me? From what you said earlier, someone gossiped about me?”

The female attendants exchanged glances and didn’t hide anything from her.

“To tell the truth, Young Miss Bai, Divine Doctor Dai had already felt that Divine Doctor Liu is his best disciple whom he’s most proud of and extremely outstanding. Hence he could only be paired with an equivalently outstanding young lady with exceptional pill refining innate talent. If he really can’t find someone like that, at least that person should be a practitioner with extremely powerful ability?”

“Divine Doctor Dai is most pleased with President Feng’s daughter Feng Xiaoyan. Her pill refining innate talent is the best among the younger generation of female Pill Masters! Moreover, she knows how to please people very much and often comes over to visit Divine Doctor Dai. So she dropped by some time ago to tell him that Divine Doctor Dai was already engaged and he even sought an ordinary young lady who did not have any cultivation at all, hence Divine Doctor Dai was extremely flabbergasted!”

“That’s right, Divine Doctor Dai had been throwing his temper these few days, hoping to get Divine Doctor Liu back to cancel this engagement but hasn’t Divine Doctor Liu gone out for a consultation these few days? So he can’t find him at all! Instead of hiding, you still came banging on the wall yourself! Wouldn’t Divine Doctor Dai be angry?”

Hearing the female attendants explaining the entire situation, Huang Yueli finally came around to the situation.

After all these, it was Feng Xiaoyan who was up to mischief behind her back again.

Moreover, this old man was extremely stubborn. He actually didn’t believe in Liu Buyan’s own decision and after being incited, he then flared up.

Huang Yueli thought about it and asked, “Then.... sisters are all Divine Doctor Dai’s closest aides, what do you feel that I should do in order to make Divine Doctor Dai put down his prejudice?”

These female attendants were different from those young female Pill Masters who were full of youthful vigour.

Although they were able to see Liu Buyan often, and also admired and respected the Number One Divine Doctor, but they knew their statuses versus Liu Buyan's were extremely far apart. Dai Boji were also very strict towards them hence they had no other indecent thoughts at all.

### **Chapter 1975: Earth attribute ninth grade talent (1)**

Instead it raised one's sympathy when they saw the young and beautiful Huang Yueli, who seemed extremely frail.

However, Dai Boji's thinking was not something which they could influence.

One of the female attendants spoke out in much difficulty, "Young Miss Bai, we really have no way. Divine Doctor Dai had always been sure that the person whom Divine Doctor Liu marries in future, will be someone excellent who is worthy of him."

"That's right, Young Miss Bai, if you're a Pill Master, I can still suggest for you to take part in the apprentice selection to obtain Divine Doctor Dai's appreciation, but you are now..."

"You'd better not think too much for now. Wait for Divine Doctor Dai to return and let him handle this..."

The gazes which the female attendants casted upon her were filled with sympathy, and this made Huang Yueli feel extremely uncomfortable.

Although they didn't bore any ill intentions but being looked down by someone like this, to her, was an extremely unfamiliar feeling. But unfortunately, there was nothing she could rebuke against.

She bade the female attendants farewell and left the rear courtyard.

Huang Yueli thought about it and returned to the medicine farm as she looked at those stalks of dispirited and listless Drought Lands Pearl Lotuses. Raising her head to look at the terrible weather which exposed the scorching sun, she just had no way to express the stuffiness in her heart.

Originally she already didn't have any pill refining innate talent and now she was being allocated such a piece of land. It seemed like an impossible feat to shine and distinguish herself from the others.

Moreover, that old man Dai's temper was so fiery. Just looking at those Drought Land Pearl Lotuses which had been trampled, he might just fly into a huge rage and chase her out of the Alchemist Guild Headquarters.

If that really happened, she would be in trouble.

But if she were to leave dejectedly like this on her own, she wouldn't be resigned to it. It just wasn't her character to give up even before she even tried.

Moreover, if Feng Xiaoyan had set her mind on scheming against her, she would not let her leave so easily.

Huang Yueli's thoughts kept racing in her mind and unknowingly, she stretched out her hand and touched a stalk of Pearl Lotus next to her.

The instance when her slender long fingers touched the pink petals, the stalk of Pearl Lotus suddenly swayed and gave off a weak glow.

Huang Yueli saw this sight from the corner of her eye and was stunned momentarily, thinking that she might have seen it wrongly.

She thought about it again and couldn't stop herself from touching it again.

This time, it was even more apparent. Just as her fingers were just an inch away from the petals, this stalk of Drought Land Pearl Lotus obviously slanted towards her, as though it wanted to lean against her fingers.

And at the moment when Huang Yueli touched it, a warm feeling was felt coming from the tips of her fingers.

This stalk of Drought Land Pearl Lotus originally was dispirited and listless as though it would wither any moment but at the moment when Huang Yueli touched it, it suddenly gave off a dim glow as the petals also started to blossom.

As though it had been injected with a powerful life source.

The Pearl Lotus flower petals swayed gently, giving Huang Yueli an illusion as though it was rubbing itself against her fingers, acting coy towards her.

"What kind of situation is this..."

Huang Yueli had a fright and abruptly retracted her fingers.

As she retreated, the Pearl Lotus swayed greatly towards her direction, as though it wanted to chase up to her.

But Huang Yueli retreated swiftly and it totally couldn't chase up to her.

That poor little lotus flower swayed a few times and slowly hung down its petals, resuming back the initial frail look.

## **Chapter 1976: Earth attribute ninth grade talent (2)**

Never in her wildest dream had Huang Yueli ever dreamt about such a scenario happening, hence her eyes widened greatly in astonishment.

After a moment later, she turned around and shifted a few steps as she stooped down next to another stalk of Pearl Lotus and carefully stretched out her fingers, touching the petals.

This stalk of Drought Land Pearl Lotus was in the worst shape in the entire medicine farm and it was almost withering. But its reaction was exactly the same as the previous stalk.

After being touched by Huang Yueli, the surroundings of the entire stump of plant was slowly enveloped with a faint glow. Moreover the stem which was already dangling started to stand upright once again as the shrivelled petals instantly came back to life.

"This, this, this... what's going on? Have I seen a living ghost??"



Huang Yueli took a look at the Pearl Lotus in front of her and looked at her fingers, not really believing that this actually happened.

She stretched out her hand and touched every single stalk of Drought Land Pearl Lotus in the medicine farm, to discover that every stalk had similar reaction.

But for those lotuses which were in a dire state of withering had a more intense reaction towards her. On the contrary, those stalks of Pearl Lotuses which originally had flourishing branches and leaves and petals which were tender and beautiful, also started to give off a slight glow the instant she touched them.

Huang Yueli had already started to calm down and also realised that the situation earlier wasn't an exception, nor was there any special situation. Instead... she seemed to have the ability to affect the growing of these Pearl Lotuses.

But, why was it like this?

She should be an ordinary person who didn't have any innate talent, nor cultivation right?

Even though she had merely glanced through the <<Understanding Medicinal Herbs>> medical book, but it just took casual thinking to know that this sort of matter wasn't something which could be done easily by anyone. It should be something which someone with extremely special innate talent could do.

By the time Huang Yueli finished "harassing" all the stalks, she raised her head and took a look to find that the sky had already turned pitch dark.

She was too engrossed in this shocking new discovery hence she totally didn't realise the time which had flown by. The other Pill Masters in the medicine farms all didn't remind her, hence it resulted in her being left alone in the medicine farm.

For safety's sake, she didn't dare to continue staying there, hence she pulled open the fence to her medicine farm and hurried back to her own room.

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On the second day morning, Huang Yueli went back to the study room where they had previously gathered.

Yesterday's situation made her too surprised and she thought over it for an entire night but still wasn't sure what was going on hence she could only return to check on the medical books to see if she could find an answer here.

There were plenty of medical books which were kept in the study room and it was all open to public to refer to hence there were only extremely common medical books here. But this, to Huang Yueli, was already enough.

Huang Yueli found an elementary grade book <<Guide to Refining Pills>> as she casually started to flip through it.

After flipping through a few pages, she suddenly cried out a "Yi" sound and her attention was attracted by a few paragraphs of tiny words.

“... the main element which determines pill refining innate talent, depends on the Pill Master’s own Earth and Fire attribute innate talent.”

“In this, the Earth attributed innate talent’s main use is reflected on the affinity towards medicinal herbs. The higher the practitioner’s earth attribute innate talent is, the higher the affinity. No matter if it is in planting, harvesting or handling medicinal herbs, one would be able to preserve the medicinal characteristics of the medicinal herb. Especially for practitioners whose Earth attribute innate talent are of ninth grade upper talent, it might even influence the medicinal herbs growth situation and for some powerful Earth attributed practitioners, are able to bring withered plants back to life after they have reached ninth stage realm...”

### **Chapter 1977: Earth attribute ninth grade talent (3)**

The later text analysed in detail on the different grades of Earth attribute innate talent and the degree of influence it had on handling medicinal herbs.

There were a total of ten over pages within that voluminous book.

But Huang Yueli’s reading speed was very swift. She merely spent ten over breaths’ time and had already finished all of it.

After reading it, she frowned because not only did the puzzlement in her mind not get resolved, instead, it added many more suspicions.

If she was really an outstanding Earth attribute practitioner, then looking at this, it would perfectly explain the scenario which happened in the medicine farm yesterday.

Because, that scenario was exactly the same as what was described in the book.

But unfortunately, she wasn’t any Pill Master and neither did she have any outstanding Earth attribute innate talent, or she didn’t even have any bit of innate talent in her at all because there was practically no Profound Energy fluctuations within her body at all!

Under such circumstances, how was she able to influence those Pearl Lotuses growth so easily?

Moreover, from the content in this <<Guide to Refining Pills>>, to be able to reach yesterday’s standard, the practitioner must have ninth grade Earth attribute innate talent in order to do that!

Moreover, according to the book’s description, ninth grade talent also required a bit of time before they were able to make the stalk revive a portion of its life source, totally unlike her yesterday. Just merely touching the petals and it immediately took effect, simply like setting up a poke and seeing the shadow immediately!

This..... was considered as what kind of situation?

Huang Yueli held on to the book and racked her brains but still wasn’t able to get an answer out of it.

She searched the book rack and skimmed through the majority of the books which were related to this but still wasn’t able to find the answer she wanted.

In the end, she had no choice but to give up.

“Forget it, anyway from the current situation, this should be good news! This book <<Basic Understanding to Medicinal Herbs Harvesting>> says, Pill Masters who have high innate talent in Earth attribute will find it easier to harvest the medicinal herbs than other people. Although I don’t know what situation I am in, but since I have such a great influence towards these medicinal herbs, then when I’m harvesting the medicinal herbs, I should.... have a bit of advantage?”

Huang Yueli used the book and knocked on her own head as she pouted.

“Forget it, just have a try first! It’s better than not doing anything, and being chased out dejectedly!”

But although she said that, she didn’t immediately try it out.

There was a fixed quota to the total number of Drought Land Pearl Lotus in the medicine farm and if she picked it randomly, the rate of damage would be very high and it would be disadvantageous to her final verdict.

Because of this, Huang Yueli decided to practice her hand in picking first and after she had grasped the professional technique, she would then take action officially.

Luckily, although the Drought Land Pearl Lotus was hard to take care of, but it wasn’t an especially rare medicinal herb hence it was recorded in <<Basic Understanding to Medicinal Herbs Harvesting>>.

Huang Yueli hurriedly flipped the book to it’s related page and sprawled on the table as she seriously started to study the contents.

“Oooh, so it’s so particular when it comes to harvesting medicinal herbs.... I really didn’t know until I read up on it, on one look...”

She mumbled and was engrossed in it as she didn’t notice the door to the study room being pushed open and someone walking right in.

“Yo, so you’re hiding here? I was just saying why we hadn’t seen you appear in the medicine farm for the entire day and thought that you had already backed out of the difficult situation, preparing to scam out from Divine Doctor Dai’s small courtyard! So you’re here reading books? Hahaha, it’s just too funny, surely you won’t think that just because you have a good memory, just looking at a few books and you’d be able to pass this round of assessment?”

Shu Yali laughed exaggeratedly.

#### **Chapter 1978: Earth attribute ninth grade talent (4)**

When Huang Yueli heard her talking, she frowned slightly but in the end she didn’t bother to raise her head as she continued to bury it into the pile of books, without any intention to bother about Shu Yali.

Shu Yali was totally ignored and the fire in her heart flared up as she shot up next to her.

Lowering her head to take a look, she saw the medical book in Huang Yueli’s hands and her smile widened.

“<<Basic Understanding to Medicinal Herbs Harvesting>>?? Hahahaha, it’s so amusing, you’re actually reading this kind of book! You don’t even know such basic harvesting method, do you think that you are

really able to complete your task? Clasp the Buddha's feet when danger arises, no one does it like you! To tell you the truth, the Drought Land Pearl Lotus's picking method is very complex and most Pill Masters have to practice for over a month in order to get it. You have only just started to read the book, there's not enough time at all!"

"Moreover speaking, you don't even have a single bit of Earth attribute innate talent so even if you managed to drill the method right in, you aren't able to preserve much medicinal effects of the Drought Land Pearl Lotus, which is an entire waste of time! When you ruin Divine Doctor Dai's medicinal herb, you will be finished!"

"So I'd advise you, stop tormenting yourself and leave sooner!"

Shu Yali looked as though she was bemoaning the state of the universe and pitying the fate of mankind as she kept on persuading her.

At this moment, the other Pill Masters were also returning consecutively to the study room for their afternoon rest and when they heard her words, they crowded around out of curiosity.

When they saw the book in Huang Yueli's hands, the crowd silently shook their heads.

Everyone felt that although what Shu Yali said was a little too mean, but it was still reasonable.

"If Young Miss Bai was allocated the lower first or second level lower grade medicinal herbs, she might successfully pick a few stalks to submit the task but unfortunately it was the sixth levelled medicinal herb Drought Land Lotus Pearl..."

"Speaking of this, Young Miss Bai is really unlucky! The Drought Land Pearl Lotus which she was allocated seems to be the highest among our batch and as an ordinary person, there's no way she is able to complete the harvesting!"

"Actually there's no meaning in her staying around forcibly. The steward already said, there will only be one who will be able to stay behind to formally become the apprentice and even if she could barely pick some stalks of medicinal herbs, the medicinal effect couldn't possibly be compared to genuine Pill Masters so elimination is definitely, so why waste the extra effort?"

"She's probably not reconciled... but even if she's not reconciled, surely she's not able to change her own innate talent?"

The Pill Masters were discussing on this and none of them thought well of Huang Yueli.

It was no wonder because logically, there was no point in working hard in Huang Yueli's situation, even if she entered the medicine farm, she would only be trampling those medicinal herbs!

Moreover speaking, she hadn't even learnt the method of harvesting and with such little time, just casually thinking about it and one would know that it's impossible for her to complete the task given by the steward.

However, not bothering about what outsiders said, Huang Yueli remained composed as she flipped her medicinal book, totally oblivious to the people around as she turned a deaf ear to the clamouring around her.

When the crowd saw her not responding, they slowly lost interest and changed the topic.

Only Shu Yali would occasionally look towards Huang Yeuli as her lips would curl up into a sneer occasionally, as she silently chanted in her heart.

“Really haven’t seen anyone who courts disaster like this! Your tears won’t drop until you see the coffin! Wait till you trample Divine Doctor Dai’s medicinal herbs and are chased out of the Guild then you’d know his prowess! When Divine Doctor Dai’s temper flares up, even Divine Doctor Liu will not be able to protect you. By then you won’t even have the chance to cry!”

Not too long later, after the noon break, the Pill Masters all started to leave.

### **Chapter 1979: Earth attribute ninth grade talent (5)**

After everyone left, Huang Yueli leaned against the back of the chair as she stared at the picture on the page from afar, with a profound expression on her face.

After a while, she stretched out her finger and drew a circle in the air.

Following that, her fair beautiful finger danced around in mid-air, drawing out different shapes and at the same time, she even silently chanted a mnemonic chant as the posture of her hand kept on changing.

Her actions were strangely smooth and fluid as her ten fingers started dancing, resembling a fluttering butterfly’s wing which was extremely pleasing to the eye.

Very soon, a complete set of action was completed.

Huang Yueli’s fingers curled lightly as she mumbled, “Should be like this? When this ends, I should use Profound Energy to cast out the incantation gesture and wait for the Pearl Lotus petals to completely open before picking the entire stalk out from the stem position, preserving each petal’s completeness so as to assure medication effectiveness.”

She repeated the actions once again but midway through that, she stopped.

“Strange, according to the book, the difficulty of this set of actions is very high and in order to master it, even for Pill Masters with great innate talent, they have to spend at least a month’s time... but it seems as though there’s not much difficulty? Is the book wrong or have I done it wrongly and had not discovered it myself? Ai, without a Master’s guidance, this is really a headache...”

Huang Yueli frowned bitterly.

She didn’t know that when she was refining armaments in the past, there were plenty of complex hand gestures to complete and because of that, this set of action was rather similar so she had already grasped the basics.

Because no matter if it was refining pills or armaments, the motive in utilising hand gestures were all the same, which is to adjust the Profound Energy in their meridians through hand gestures while combining it with the outer environment’s Heaven and Earth Profound Qi, communication between both internal and external forces to influence the refining of metals or medicinal herbs.

Huang Yueli couldn't remember all these but merely using her own ability to complete these actions.

Because of her past foundation plus the fact that she had an innate shocking memory, these actions were done extremely smoothly.

The only flaw was that her meridians were being sealed and even if it was through hand gestures, there was no way she could mobilize the Profound Energy within her body. But what made her surprised was that after she struck out the incantation gestures, she was able to successfully mobilise Heaven and Earth's Profound Qi.

"Eh? So I can mobilize Heaven and Earth Profound Qi! But why can't I absorb it into my body? Why am I unable to absorb Profound Qi?"

Huang Yeuli frowned for a while and didn't answer her own question.

Moreover, she had something more important right now, so she must put these doubts aside for the time being.

She spent an entire day to repeatedly memorise various harvesting methods in the <<Basic Understanding to Medicinal Herbs Harvesting>> book, mastering all of it.

The third day was the last day which the steward had requested to submit the medicinal herbs.

Early in the morning, Huang Yueli rushed over to the rear mountain's medicine farm and started her harvesting job.

Not only her, the other Pill Masters also appeared at their own medicine farms.

Because the morning's air was the cleanest and the sunlight was not at its strongest. There were also dew from night time which had not been absorbed so this timing was most suitable in the entire day to harvest medicinal herbs and no one wanted to miss it.

When the Pill Masters saw Huang Yueli appearing, they were apparently extremely astonished.

But as the cut off time was about to reach, everyone hurried with the job in their own hands, and no one had any spare time to take notice of Huang Yueli.

### **Chapter 1980: Earth attribute ninth grade talent (6)**

Huang Yueli came to an area where a large quantity of Drought Land Pearl Lotus was planted within the medicine farm and squatted down as she stretched out her "demonic claws" towards the first stalk of Lotus.

She first stretched out her hand and gently caressed the tender flower petals on the Pearl Lotus, as though she was comforting it.

Within a blink of an eye, the originally floppy Drought Land Pearl Lotus straightened its stem and swayed in the early morning breeze, seemingly more energetic than before.

Huang Yueli then tickled the pistil and stem, making the petals blossom a little more.

After that, she took in a huge breath, "Alright, now I'm going to verify what results I achieved from yesterday's training!"

Saying that, she stretched out her fingers and silently chanted the incantation gestures as she demonstrated the harvesting method which she just learnt yesterday.

A set of complex movements appeared agilely in between her slender long fingers.

If Shu Yali or anyone else saw that, their jaws would absolutely drop right onto the ground!

Because she was demonstrating the skills so aptly and unconstrained with ease. As compared to those pill refining geniuses who had been through rigorous training like them, she was not inferior to them in any aspects at all! Totally unlike the performance of a beginner.

But as there was no one around but Huang Yueli herself, she silently completed her hand gestures and then pushed it out lightly.

The Earth attribute Profound Qi in the air was led by her hand gestures, as it fell softly onto the Drought Land Pearl Lotus petals surroundings.

Huang Yueli caught the exact moment and swiftly hooked her fingers, as she picked the entire stalk of Pearl Lotus.

Moreover, her strength was just nice, not too light nor too heavy. She picked the inflorescence which was required to be used for the medicine as well as the leaves and stem on the lower part, not causing any damage to it at all.

Huang Yueli's hands propped up the first stalk of Drought Land Pearl Lotus which she picked personally.

On seeing the Lotus in her palms with a sparking and translucent colour, each petal was the size of a pearl size, as it gracefully smoothed out towards its surroundings, looking extremely dainty. There were no signs of this stalk of Pearl Lotus which looked extremely frail and about to wither at any moment in time, just not too long ago.

Huang Yueli admired it for a short while and hurriedly retrieved a jade box from her sleeve, as she carefully placed the Pearl Lotus into it, and covered the lid tightly.

As the medicinal herb was picked from the stem, the life force would quickly diminish and the medicinal effects would also lessen as time flew past.

In order to avoid such scenario affecting Divine Doctor Dai from refining medicine, the steward gave each of the prospective apprentices a specialised jade box to store the medicinal herb.

This jade box had underwent a special method of refining and along with the specialised sealing array on the exterior part, it would greatly decrease the speed of the medicinal effects being lost, and was also one of the necessary equipment which Pill Masters must bring along when they're out harvesting medicinal herbs.

Her first time harvesting, was a complete success.

This gave Huang Yueli a great boost of confidence.

Her face revealed a delighted smile, “Looks like it’s not too difficult! Hearing those Pill Masters exaggerating as though harvesting medicinal herbs was that difficult.... Seems like they are intentionally trying to scare me!”

If these words were heard by Shu Yali, she would absolutely faint from crying!

The many years of skill which she had practiced diligently, was something which others did not even think highly of, and to be despised in such a manner..... this was really, comparing humans would die while comparing goods would only result in it being thrown away!

With the first experience, Huang Yueli’s actions became even more confident and was even more resolute.

Not too long later, she already harvested several stalks of Pearl Lotus, moreover the speed of her picking became faster and faster.