## **Spatial Ability 421**

Chapter 421 Should Be Related

Everyone had to let down their guard at some point. She would definitely be able to get An Jiuyue here once Qian Jiyun's men let down their guard.

Yan Nuo and Yan Qin's protection of An Jiuyue this time demonstrated how important she was to Qian Jiyun.

Xue Yingyue thought of this, but Ling Er did not.

She could not help but think that Old Madam thought too highly of that woman when she heard she wanted to plot against An Jiuyue and had devised several ways to do so.

"Old Madam, what if the Prince arranged for An Jiuyue to enter the residence intentionally to confuse us? Perhaps she isn't very useful, let alone attractive to him."

She had always felt that Qian Jiyun must be up to something if he suddenly brought a woman into the residence.

There were many ladies in the capital who were more beautiful, gentle, and graceful than An Jiuyue. Why did he have to bring back a woman from the countryside?

Although she was rather good-looking, her reputation was not good.

If An Jiuyue became the princess consort, outsiders would call her a bumpkin who crept out of the countryside, accusing her of lacking both learning and skill on a daily basis.

Ling Er believed Qian Jiyun would not be so kind as to allow a woman like her to ruin his reputation.

Hence, she always felt that An Jiuyue might just be a chess piece on Qian Jiyun's chessboard. Moreover, she was a chess piece that could be thrown out at any time. There was nothing to be afraid of.

"What do you know?" Xue Yingyue rolled her eyes at Ling Er and scolded her. If An Jiuyue was useless and merely a chess piece, would Yan Nuo and Yan Qin listen to her? Some things could not be accomplished by putting on a show. She had eyes and ears to observe. She was no fool, no matter how hard Qian Jiyun tried to fool her. "Keep an eye on those two little things too. We have to catch them," she urged. Although An Jiuyue was important, the two children were even more important. She had a feeling that they were the same children she had ordered to be thrown out. However, she was unsure if they were lucky enough to survive and be rescued. "Yes, Old Madam. I understand," Ling Er replied. She was not the one keeping an eye on the two children, but she would keep watch too. She also felt that the two little ones had crucial roles to play, but she did not know exactly what they were for. She could only guess that they should be related to Old Madam. After An Jiuyue returned to Qiongzhi Courtyard, Qian Jiyun learned about what had happened from Yan Nuo and Yan Qin. His gaze sharpened as he exuded an aura of hostility before quickly suppressing it. He turned to look at An Jiuyue and asked softly, "Did they hurt you?"

"No. What can they do to me?" An Jiuyue chuckled and glanced at Yan Nuo and Yan Qin.

In fact, if they hadn't arrived in time, I would've gone to Xue Yingyue's place to take a look. Unfortunately, my lovely wish was not granted.

"Mother, does the lotus lantern I made for you look good?"

Qian Yizheng asked softly, handing his mother a somewhat unsightly black lotus lantern with golden edges.

Chapter 422 Aren't You Ashamed?

"It's beautiful! Zheng'er, you're so skilled. You learned how to make lotus lanterns so quickly." An Jiuyue chuckled and patted the child's head.

She turned around and looked at Qian Yirong, still battling the lotus lantern in his hand.

"Rong'er's lotus lantern is also beautiful. You're as skilled as your brother," she said with a smile.

Qian Yirong looked up and said hesitantly, "Mother, I'm not done yet."

I haven't even finished making my lotus lantern. How does Mother know it's beautiful?

As expected, I'm not as skilled as Brother. I can't even compare when it comes to making lotus lanterns!

An Jiuyue walked over to him and said, "I can tell even if you don't finish it. I'm very capable. I can tell at a glance that Rong'er's lotus lantern is beautiful."

In fact, she was not wrong. In consideration of her eldest son's feelings, she did not add that Rong'er's lotus lantern was indeed better than Zheng'er's.

How should she describe it? Rong'er's lotus lantern was an exquisite beauty, while Zheng'er's was a rough beauty.

The two approaches were very different, but both lanterns were quite beautiful. They also reflected the two children's completely different personalities. Qian Yizheng looked at the big picture and did not sweat the details. On the other hand, Qian Yirong pursued meticulousness in everything. This was evident by the fact that he was better at calculating their family finances than she was. "Mother, you can chat with Uncle Qian. I'll help Rong'er make the lotus lantern." Qian Yizheng sensibly took his lotus lantern and walked over to his brother. "Go away!" Qian Yirong glanced at his older brother. Then, he subconsciously glanced at his brother's lotus lantern, which he despised. "I want to make beautiful lotus lanterns. Brother, don't disturb me." He was sure his lotus lantern would change if it passed through his brother's hands. It would definitely turn into an abnormal lamp again!

Hence, he decided to hide quickly to prevent his brother from touching his lotus lantern.

"Your lotus lantern is so ugly, but you still want to teach me? Aren't you ashamed?"

"How is it ugly?" Qian Yizheng looked down at the lotus lantern in his hand and retorted.

How is it ugly? It's just a little crooked, but you can still tell it's a lotus lantern!

Qian Yirong could not help but ask, "How is it not ugly? Is this a lotus flower? Are you making chrysanthemums?"
Qian Yizheng was silent.
Chrysanthemums! How are they chrysanthemums? I can tell they're lotus flowers at a glance!
He lowered his voice and shouted at his younger brother, "I think you're the one making chrysanthemum lanterns!"
An Jiuyue and Qian Jiyun chuckled as they listened to their conversation. They sat down at the stone table.
"I wanted to go to the old witch's courtyard, but I couldn't." An Jiuyue pursed her lips and glanced at Yan Nuo and Yan Qin.
They were walking out and did not hear her. If they did, they would definitely shout that they were wronged.
They had no idea what their mistress was thinking—they had no idea she wanted to go to the poisonous cave. What was there to see? She might fall into Xue Yingyue's trap!
"That woman is very vicious," Qian Jiyun reminded her.
An Jiuyue raised her eyebrows and asked, "How so? Does she have poisonous snakes in her courtyard?"
Chapter 423 Send Her a Knife
She had heard from Wei Na that there were indeed unknown creatures in Xue Yingyue's courtyard. Perhaps even the servants in her courtyard did not know.
"How do you know that?"

Qian Jiyun was surprised. There were indeed venomous snakes in Xue Yingyue's courtyard, and they only listened to her orders. Even he had discovered them by accident.

He did not know that Xue Yingyue, once a servant who washed their feet, could rear venomous snakes and make them listen to her orders.

"Wei Na said that. It didn't specify what they were, but it said they smelled foul," An Jiuyue replied.

She assumed a stinky thing like that had to be a living creature. What else could it be but venomous snakes?

"I didn't expect that old witch to raise venomous snakes. She's indeed a vicious woman."

"She used those venomous snakes to deal with many servants in the residence who disobeyed her," Qian Jiyun said.

More than half of Xue Yingyue's people in the Prince Zhanyun Residence were recruited through her unknown means. Of course, this could not affect the foundation of the residence.

Xue Yingyue only had some influence on the surface.

"Try not to interact with her as much as possible. She probably has more than just those venomous snakes," he reminded An Jiuyue seriously.

Even he did not know what Xue Yingyue had. He had never really seen it. He only had a vague inkling.

"What kind of animals does she like the most?" An Jiuyue asked.

Venomous snakes? That's not possible. How can everyone live seeing Xue Yingyue holding a venomous snake all day long?

"Fox," Qian Jiyun uttered. "She used to raise a red fox. I killed it myself because it would bite someone and release a lethal venom."
After that incident, Xue Yingyue no longer cared about what others thought. She openly opposed him and even wanted to expand her power in the Prince Zhanyun Residence to compete with him.
Unfortunately, it was only a beautiful dream.
An Jiuyue placed a hand on the stone table and propped her chin on her hand.
"She likes foxes? Should I send her a fox?" she asked Qian Jiyun.
Qian Jiyun was quiet.
Send her a fox? I want to send Xue Yingyue a knife!
"Are you sure?" he asked.
"Yes." An Jiuyue nodded.
Then, she took out a white paper from the Points Mall in front of him. There was a beautiful white fox drawn on it.
"Do you see this? Drop a drop of your blood on this painting, and the white fox on it will come out. We can communicate with it, and it'll only listen to you in the future.
"Of course, you can plant it somewhere intentionally and let it help you find out what you want to know. What do you think?"

She handed the paper to Qian Jiyun.
Qian Jiyun reached out and took the paper with the white fox on it.
"Good, of course!" he thought to himself as he planned how to deliver this white fox to Xue Yingyue. However, he could not deliver it openly.
"Jiuyue, thank you."
He had many things he wanted to know from Xue Yingyue. It would be great if he could find out from this white fox.
However, why would An Jiuyue suddenly ask him to send a white fox to Xue Yingyue?
Chapter 424 Points Shop
He looked at An Jiuyue inquiringly.
"Don't look at me. I've investigated Xue Yingyue. She has very good backing. I can't even find out how many of them she has. It's obvious how well-hidden they are."
She came up with this idea because she wanted to know who was backing Xue Yingyue.
However, if Qian Jiyun had said Xue Yingyue liked other animals like cats or dogs, she could have gotten them too. They were similar, but white foxes were more expensive.
"Will this white fox expose itself?" Qian Jiyun asked.
He knew that Warrior-Servant One and Warrior-Servant Two did not need to eat. If the white fox did not need to eat either, Xue Yingyue would soon notice.



"Master, do you want to check it yourself? You may know what it is," it suggested.

An Jiuyue immediately studied the Points Shop Jade. She fiddled with it and soon knew what it was.

"So there's something like this?"

To put it bluntly, the Points Mall rewarded her with this Points Shop Jade because she had accumulated enough points. And the prize was indeed impressive!

It could be used to connect to other shops through the Points Mall.

In other words, no matter where her shop was located, she could use her space to stock up on more goods or withdraw money whenever she wanted.

As for the shop assistants, she could hire high-level effigies from the Points Mall or buy them.

"Wei Na, is the space trying to expand? It even lets me open shops outside. Isn't that impressive?" she asked Wei Na.

"Impressive!" Wei Na exclaimed.

It was indeed impressive. However, it would be truly incredible if Wei Na could enter and leave the space freely one day.

Unfortunately, Wei Na did not know if this wish could be fulfilled.

Wei Na asked, "Master, where do you want to set up this shop? I think the capital of Daqing Kingdom is a good place. This is the most prosperous place in Daqing Kingdom. Business will definitely be good."

Chapter 425 I Feel Like I've Been Scammed

Moreover, she could not stay in the capital forever. She had to return to the southern border—that was her home.

She could open a shop here to obtain information whenever she wanted in the future. She would not have to spend so much effort sending information back and forth.

Wei Na thought it was a good idea, but An Jiuyue shook her head when she heard its suggestion.

"No."

She had obtained her first Point Shop Jade and would definitely earn several more. Since she would be rewarded with one if she had a certain number of points, she might have a second Point Shop Jade before she returned to the southern border.

Hence, she was not in a hurry to open a shop in the capital. She needed to thoroughly consider where she would open this shop.

"Let me think about where I should open the shop. The capital... Maybe next time."

With that, she returned the Point Shop Jade to the Points Mall. She left the Points Mall and continued looking at Qian Jiyun.

"Pay more attention to the old witch. Also, shouldn't you straighten Yan Qin out?"

When she compared Ding Nuo Academy's Secret Network with Yan Qin's, she wondered if Yan Qin had been lax in commanding his. She would not have thought so if she had not gone to Ding Nuo Academy.

It was indeed time to rectify this seriously. Otherwise, this source of news might become inaccurate.

"Mhm." Qian Jiyun nodded in understanding.

He would be in the capital during this time. He would not directly take over the Secret Network, but he had to correct Yan Qin's methods. An Jiuyue asked, "Do you want me to find someone to coach Yan Qin? Because he is still young, he will not consider certain things. Elders can teach him more." Of course, she would not force him if he said no. After all, outsiders should not interfere with the Secret Network. However, she did not expect Qian Jiyun to nod without hesitation. "Then I'll have to trouble you for this." An Jiuyue remained silent. I only mentioned it casually. I don't actually want to help. I feel like I've been scammed, right? "I'll ask the fifth elder of the Shang'er Clan to come. He and Elder Ding Nuo established the Shang Secret Network together, so he's more knowledgeable." Since she had already offered, she could not take it back. "Okay." Qian Jiyun nodded. "Jiuyue, I'll teach you how to make lotus lanterns. How about that?" "Hm?" An Jiuyue was a little confused. Why did he suddenly mention lotus lanterns?

She turned around and looked at the two little ones, still working hard with their lotus lanterns. Then

she turned back to look at Qian Jiyun and raised her eyebrows.

"Sure, teach me."
How could she possibly not know how to make a lotus lantern?
However, she could not reject him since he wanted to teach her. She had nothing to do anyway, so she decided to play with the two children.
The sky was not yet completely dark in the evening.
People had already gathered around the Bi River embankment, also known as the Moonlight Lotus embankment. It always had the largest crowd in the suburbs, and this was especially true today.
Various small stalls had been set up near it, mostly selling lotus lanterns. Only a few people like Qian Jiyun made lotus lanterns themselves.
Chapter 426 The Heart to Earn Money
Moreover, the stalls sold all kinds of lotus lanterns. They looked much better than self-made ones, and many young men and women liked to buy them.
Qian Jiyun and An Jiuyue each carried a child and sat by a tea stall. There was a pot of tea on the table, and they were drinking tea leisurely.
"I told you we came too early, but you didn't believe me," she snapped at Qian Jiyun.
She had already told him no one ever released lotus lanterns in broad daylight. They arrived too early, and there wasn't even a lotus lantern in the lotus pond.

"It's my first time here, so I wasn't sure how many people there would be," Qian Jiyun explained with a smile.

He wanted to spend more time with An Jiuyue outside. He did not expect to see so many people here. It was crowded.

They finally found a tea stall and ordered a pot of tea. They even paid the stall owner to sit there for a while longer. Otherwise, they'd be crammed into the crowd.

"Uncle Qian, there are so many people here." Qian Yizheng stared at the crowd with his big eyes.

There are so many people. Is everyone so free? Why are they all here to release lotus lanterns?

"Mother, I think we'll earn a lot of money if we open a lotus lantern stall here, right?" Qian Yirong's big eyes sparkled as he stared at the stall beside him.

The lotus lanterns sold at the stall were not as beautiful as his.

However, the stall owner sold many of them quickly. He was dazzled by the amount of money earned.

He was also skilled at making lotus lanterns. The lotus lanterns he made were not inferior to them. Would he earn a lot of money if he had his own stall?

He could not help but think about it.

"Pfft!" An Jiuyue spat out her tea.

This child probably doesn't care about anything else except money, right?

"Rong'er, you're still too young. You'll be kidnapped if you really set up a stall," she reminded her son softly as she wiped the corners of her mouth with a handkerchief.



How will he be a grown-up next year? He's still a child. Is she just appeasing him, or is she really intending to allow him to do that?

An Jiuyue shrugged at him, thinking that they might be back at the southern border by this time next year.

She wasn't sure if they would make it in time for the Lotus Lantern Festival next year. Allowing the child to fantasize about it was fine, right?

Chapter 427 Really Good at Hiding

He was looking for Qian Jiyun and An Jiuyue. He had wanted to go to the Prince Zhan Yun Residence to invite them to the Moonlight Lotus Pond together, but he was too late.

Qian Jiyun and An Jiuyue had already set off when they arrived at the residence.

Hence, he hurriedly chased after them. He was curious to see how the woman said to have made Qian Jiyun lose his mind over lust looked.

"Cousin, don't be anxious. The Moonlight Lotus Pond is only so big. They must be sitting somewhere nearby. We'll definitely be able to find them if we search carefully," Yu Yan'er persuaded softly next to him.

She had no choice. Her father had even used Gong Cheng to help her get closer to him. She wondered if the Gong family would be angry with her father if they found out that he had made use of their son.

Now that the arrow had been nocked, she had no choice but to fire it. If she could not get closer to Qian Jiyun, Prince Zhan Yun, she would not be able to explain herself to her father. Her life would be very difficult in the future.

Although she did not care, her mother did. She did not want her mother to cry all day and give her a headache.

"I'm not in a hurry." Gong Cheng chuckled.

He did not have to look for Qian Jiyun—he was here to release the lotus lanterns! If he could not find Qian Jiyun, he would just go home.

Would he not be able to find him if he went to the Prince Zhan Yun Residence tomorrow or the day after?

"Let's search again. I wonder where that person is hiding," he muttered, still wanting to look for him.

He did not have to meet An Jiuyue. Yan Nuo had told him that Qian Jiyun did not even bring a guard with him when he left. He was the one driving the carriage.

How could he not be worried? This was the capital. Many people wanted Prince Zhan Yun dead.

"This person is really good at hiding. I'm so angry!" He placed his hands on his hips and exhaled heavily.

"Okay, let's search again."

Chapter 428 Sworn Brother

Yu Yan'er nodded and followed Gong Cheng. She did not even remember what Qian Jiyun looked like. Although she had seen him before, she only saw him from afar. How could she even know him well?

She had to see Qian Jiyun today. Otherwise, she would not be able to explain herself when she returned.

"Yan'er, did you come here today because you fancy some young master?" Gong Cheng looked at Yu Yan'er and asked half-jokingly.

Although he and Yu Yan'er were cousins, they were actually not related by blood, let alone feeling any kinship.

Yu Yan'er's mother was the eldest sister of his father's concubine, who got along better with his mother.

He rarely met Yu Yan'er and did not have much of a relationship with her.

He did not expect Yu Yan'er to take the initiative to talk to him. He had a feeling something was going on. However, he knew what Yu Yan'er was like. She was not utilitarian, so he allowed her to follow him.

"No way." Yu Yan'er lowered her head and denied it.

She had no interest in any young master. Her father merely wanted her to like one.

"I just wanted to come here to take a look. Father used to be strict with me, so I never came here to release lotus lanterns," she said faintly.

Gong Cheng thought about it and agreed. Lord Yu was strict with her, but that was also because Yu Yan'er was a young lady and his only daughter from his legal wife.

"Let's go. Let's search again. If we really can't find him, forget it," he said and continued searching.

Soon, they found Qian Jiyun holding a child in his arms and pouring tea for the lady opposite him.

"Tsk!" He clicked his tongue.

No wonder he could not find him. He did not expect Qian Jiyun to be carrying a child!

Even if he had seen him, he would not have assumed that the person carrying a child was Qian Jiyun. He had seen him before, but he didn't recognize Qian Jiyun!

"Yan'er, come here. He's over there."



"I heard from Yan Nuo that you didn't even bring a guard with you. It's too dangerous, so I chased after you quickly. This must be Miss An. My name is Gong Cheng. I'm Second Brother's sworn brother. I'm the sixth brother."

Chapter 429 Harassing Hand

He looked at An Jiuyue and introduced himself.

In any case, he did not expect his second brother to introduce them to each other. Qian Jiyun had been back for two days, but he had never asked them out for a meal.

He probably wants to keep a mistress in his love nest. I can't let him have his way!

Qian Jiyun turned around and looked at Gong Cheng. He was furious and wanted to beat him up.

He had even sent away his younger sister, who had wanted to come along. He wanted to bond with An Jiuyue and bring the children with them. But he saw something he did not want to see!

"Do you have nothing else to do?" He looked at Gong Cheng with a dark expression.

"I don't." Gong Cheng shook his head innocently.

"It's Lotus Lantern Festival today. Even if you have something to do, you should squeeze out some time, right? I saw Fifth Brother Xia over there just now."

He had really seen Fifth Brother Xia. There was a lady beside him, and they were chatting and laughing.

However, he saw Fifth Brother Xia every day and had seen the ladies around him before, so he did not go over to join in the fun. Instead, he was in a hurry to look for his second brother, Qian Jiyun.

He finally found him after searching for a long time.

"Second Brother, whose children are these? They're so cute." He reached out to pinch the tender face of the child in Qian Jiyun's arms. "Get lost!" Qian Jiyun slapped Gong Cheng's harassing hand away rudely. You want to touch my child? Are you looking for a beating? Gong Cheng gasped and looked down at the back of his hand. It was red. "Second Brother, aren't you too ruthless? Are you still my biological brother?" "You're not biologically related in the first place, right?" Qian Yizheng blinked his large, confused eyes and looked at Gong Cheng, then at Uncle Qian. They looked too different. Besides, he knew Aunt Yiyun was Uncle Qian's only younger sister. Where did this younger brother come from? He had also said that they were sworn brothers. They were definitely not biologically related. "Tsk!" Gong Cheng clicked his tongue and looked at Qian Yizheng. This child is really not cute! What's he doing telling the truth? So what if we're not biologically related? I'm not exaggerating my relationship with Second Brother Qian. We're really close! Compared to Eldest Brother Yan and Fifth Brother Xia, I'm really close to Second Brother Qian!

Hence, there was no need to talk about whether they were biological brothers. It was enough if he felt

they were.

"Little thing, where did you come from?" he asked.
"You're the thing."
It was not Qian Yizheng who spoke this time, but Qian Yirong, who was in An Jiuyue's arms.
How dare he call my brother a "thing"! I can't tolerate this!
"What are you saying, child? Who are you calling a 'thing'?" Gong Cheng glared at Qian Yirong.
"So?" Qian Yirong raised his eyebrows and looked at Gong Cheng sideways.
"Uncle Qian, he actually said he's not a thing?" He looked at Qian Jiyun and reminded him softly in surprise.
"Pfft!" An Jiuyue laughed out loud.
Gong Cheng was the youngest of Qian Jiyun's brothers and was always bullied. Even Zheng'er and Rong'er were now bullying him.
Gong Cheng was shocked.
He's already insulting me! Where did Second Brother get these two children? Intolerable! I can't tolerate this! If I do, how will I live my life in the future?
Chapter 430 Give Me Some Face, Right?
But so what if he could not tolerate it? With Qian Jiyun and An Jiuyue each carrying one of the children, he did not dare do anything. If he did, Qian Jiyun would definitely fight him to the death!

He had to endure his anger!
"Cousin, is this Prince Zhan Yun?"
Gong Cheng gritted his teeth and did not know what to do. While Qian Jiyun ignored him, Yu Yan'er came forward to get Gong Cheng out of a fix.
She reached out and tugged at Gong Cheng's sleeve. "Did you come to the Moonlight Lotus Pond to look for him?"
Gong Cheng took a deep breath and glanced at Yu Yan'er before looking at Qian Jiyun.
"Second Brother, this is my cousin, Yu Yan'er, the eldest daughter of Grand Preceptor Yu. You should have met her before, right? Yan'er, this is Prince Zhan Yun, my second brother. You can also call him Second Brother Qian—"
"Sixth Brother Gong, I only have one younger sister, Yiyun. I don't want another younger sister."
Before Gong Cheng could finish his introduction, Qian Jiyun rudely interrupted him. He glanced coldly at Yu Yan'er, who stared at him with gentle eyes.
Gong Cheng was still acting like a child after so many years.
He still thought he was amazing after others took advantage of him. Did he think a woman like Yu Yan'er was here to back him up?
"Second Brother, what are you talking about? Yan'er is my cousin, after all."
Gong Cheng frowned unhappily when he heard Qian Jiyun's rude reply. He felt extremely uncomfortable.

Since when did Qian Jiyun not give me face? I brought her here. Even if she's not my biological cousin, he should give me some face, right? I won't expect Qian Jiyun to say anything nice, but isn't this too much? "I really didn't know you had a cousin with the surname Yu," Qian Jiyun continued coldly. As for Yu Yan'er, Qian Jiyun did not even look her in the eye. He did not know if Gong Cheng was really stupid or just pretending to be stupid. How could he introduce other girls to him in front of his wife? Even if An Jiuyue was not here, when had he ever looked at another woman? Eldest Brother Yan and the others would never do something like this. Only a fool like Gong Liu would. Since Qian Jiyun had been curt, An Jiuyue saw no need to be polite either. She glanced at Yu Yan'er and asked him, "Who is this?" "She's from Grand Preceptor Yu's residence. She should be from Lord Gong's concubine's sister's family. I don't know her," Qian Jiyun replied. "Ahem!" An Jiuyue coughed lightly. Qian Jiyun had told her on the way to the capital about a few close brothers who had grown up with him and helped him a lot.

He had emphasized that Gong Liu was the eldest son of Lord Gong's family.

However, the eldest son brought his mother's love rival's niece to wander around and even took her to Qian Jiyun?

How stupid was he to not understand what was going on?

Yu Yan'er's eyes were glued to Qian Jiyun, her intentions clear in her eyes. Anyone would have figured out what was going on, right?

She looked at Gong Cheng as if he were the silly son of a landlord.