

# Plum Blossom Yijing 梅花易數

Shao Yong 邵雍 (1011-1077) created the Plum Blossom Yijing 梅花易數 after seeing two birds fighting on the branch of a Plum Blossom Tree. The branch was weak and broke, and one part fell to the floor. Shao Yang thought this was unusual and decided to make a Gua.

## Original Gua

To make his Original Gua: he used the Year, Month, Day and Time.

Year of the Dragon (Chen Year 辰年 - 5), 12 Month, 17th day, 3-5pm (Shen Time 申時 - 9)

## Upper Gua

He added Year, Month, Day and then divided the answer by 8 and using the remainder he found the prenatal number for the Upper Gua:

$$5+12+17 = 34$$

$$34/8 \text{ remainder} = 2 = \text{Tui 兌}$$



Lake

## Lower Gua

He added Year, Month, Day and Time then divided the answer by 8 and using the remainder he found the prenatal number for the Lower Gua:

$$5+12+17+9 = 43$$

$$43/8 \text{ remainder} = 3 = \text{Li 離}$$

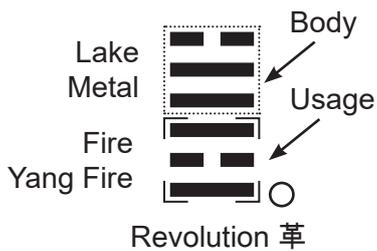


Fire

## Change Gua

To make his Change Gua he added Year, Month, Day and Time then divided the answer by 6 and using the remainder he found the which yell to change:  $5+12+17+9 = 43$   $43/6 \text{ remainder} = 1$

### Original Gua



### Share Gua

He made the Share Gua



Meeting Someone 姤

### Change Gua



Good Feeling 咸

## Shao Yong's Prediction

Shao Yong predicated that the following night, a gardener, who was an old man, would hear a noise. He would think there was a thief in the garden and go to investigate. The gardener would burst in and shout at the thief, however in the garden was just a young girl enjoying looking at the beautiful plum blossom tree. The gardener would scare the young girl so much she would fall and hurt her bottom.

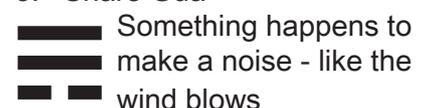
### 1. Original Gua

Metal is melted by fire. This means the body is controlled by the usage - this is not good luck

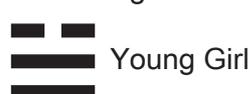
### 2. Share Gua



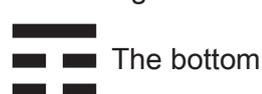
### 3. Share Gua



### 4. Change Gua



### 5. Change Gua



Shao Yong used these Gua to make a prediction and this method is now known as Plum Blossom Yijing.

