

Higher by an inch is a Mountain/Support; Lower by an inch is

Water/Wealth. (高一寸是山, 低一寸是水)

This statement is vague (for that matter, all texts in Chinese are vague) and therefore created unnecessary interpretation of such by many. It is logic that a rear support must be higher and a water element must be at the lower area. The above statement serves to tell you only that the support is higher than the front, nothing more than this simple explanation. Many read things and translate texts directly and resulted confusion. For those educated westerners, please read and see thing in the eastern manner and do not take for granted. But that does not mean that you can translate things willingly without in-depth knowledge or findings. Ancient Chinese did things in rational and logical manner as well.

There are differences between the western and eastern mindsets and paradigm. Anything that cannot be seen is not scientific. The western approach and paradigm are based only on 'vivid' or 'naked' evidences while the ancient Chinese were based upon the subtle evidences that beyond our naked eyes can comprehend call 'enlightenment'. Ancient Chinese treated everything, hill, mountain, river, ocean, plants, and building with life force energies. They do see and touch things differently. A Chinese doctor will feel where the pressure points are in a patient rather than 'see' where the pressure points are. However, when such person is dead so do the pressure points. Nevertheless 'In god we trust', but can you see god? What a contraction of life! Can you see winds? You can only feel the wind flow and 'know' the existence.

Feng Shui study is about cumulating and sustaining positive or kind energies, embracing Yang and Kind elements while avoiding the negative ones. Natural catastrophe like flood, typhoon, forest fire, and the intruders of other human beings as well as wild animals resulted in a need to have a safe residential. At the same time to fulfill our essential need is to avoid hunger.

The intellectual of human kind reacted quickly to environmental changes and adapt well with such transition. The search to avoid hunger is acronym with searching for source of water, and the search for better living environment resulted in building a 'safe home' with four walls surroundings the inhabitant that protect them from gusty wind and wild animals. Such evolution includes improving the human quality of life. Feng Shui definitely plays an important role in the process. The architectures of ancient Chinese buildings were strong evidences of Feng Shui evolution in China.

The ancient Chinese long understand the relationship of cosmic energy, earth's natural energy and human energy. The Interaction among these created a living atmosphere and Feng Shui serves to strike a balance and make the fullest out of this.