

QUEST STEP NAME: The Meeting

Cutscene triggers after PC discovers **ANTONIA'S HUT** in the Dark Forest and manages to make it past all the incantations and magical traps she casted.

After successfully disarming Antonia in battle, Antonia addresses PC.

ANTONIA
(amused)
Impressive battle skills. Not good enough, I fear.

POISON UI - on.

HP artificially drops slowly from here on in the scene, until PLAYER takes ANTIDOTE.

ANTONIA
(devious)
Cowbane mist. One of my many attempts at breaking my curse. Death still refused me.

PLAYER
(weakened)
I'm not after the fountain -- I'm here because -- I need your help.

ANTONIA
(angry)
Help? How many wizards and witches have claimed to need my help when all they wanted was immortality? Do you want to know how many have died right were you stand? Death teases me as it draws near you.

PLAYER
(weakened)
Please. I'm a student at Hogwarts. Something dangerous is lurking the school hallways and Professor Sprout asked me to find you.

ANTONIA
(suspicious)
Pomona Sprout? That unruly child is a Professor now? Bright mind. Too naïve for her own good. I trust Pomona.

PLAYER
(weakened)
So you'll help us?

ANTONIA
(enigmatic)
I said I trust Pomona. I never said
I trust you. I will, however, give
you a chance to earn that trust.

Antonia throws a phial of antidote at PLAYER.

ANTONIA
(smirk)
Drink this. An antidote to the
Cowbane mist.

ANTIDOTE added to PLAYER's inventory.

[If PLAYER doesn't drink the ANTIDOTE immediately, HP keeps dropping. Once it drops past X%, a series of conditional lines trigger randomly. Below is an example of four barks:

ANTONIA
(smirk)
You hesitate? You demand my
trust but refuse to offer
yours in return. Drink.

ANTONIA
(smug)
Pride is the shortest path
darkness. Drink.

ANTONIA
(smirk)
Drink or greet Death for me.

ANTONIA
(angry)
How dare you die in front of
me. Drink. I demand it.]

[If PLAYER selects generic healing potion:

ANTONIA
(smirk)
Good try, but that won't do it. You
must take a leap of faith.]

PLAYER must select and drink the antidote on time. If they do
HP goes back up. If they don't, it's game over.

POISON UI - off.

ANTONIA
(quizzical)
Last time I visited Hogwarts, I
planted a certain root in the very
same place where I revealed my
identity to Pomona Sprout.

ANTONIA

(serious)

If you want my help, you will have to bring me the seeds of the tree that sprouted from said root.

ANTONIA

(serious)

Bring me the seeds and I will hear your plea.

END OF SCENE

UNLOCK NEXT QUEST STEP: Find Mystery Seeds