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"They show me what I should do," Irioth said, "and who I am. They know my name. But they never say. the butterfly fell to the ground, a fragment of brick..stood there. "What can I do for you?" he said. He did not smile, but his voice was pleasant.. "Do you know his name?" The Hardic language of the Archipelago, the Osskili tongue of Osskil, and the Kargish tongue, are all remote descendants of the Old Speech. None of these languages serves for the making of spells of magic..like summoning the dead," and Rose made the hand-sign to avert the danger spoken of..walked down it. The four men followed her.. "If it hasn't rusted shut," Dulse added..nothing but bone and shadow. As Tern came close she tried to sit up and to speak. Her daughter. "She's Irian of Westpool's mare. You're the wizard, then?"..can we not find the balance?" "I swear that. . ." "So," she said.. "Come back," the Windkey said to the men..the West Reach, Selidor. There, on the outer beach, both exhausted, they faced each other and..dragons the wing..like I'm the water finder and you're my wand, see? You lead on. And if you want to go this way or. "You're there in the water, together, you and the child. You take away the child-name. People may." But on Roke, they learn to use power well, not for harm, not for gain..and over terrified, gasping for breath, and never able to think coherently. It was utterly dark..After a while he said, "I could chase an etymology on the brink of doom ... But I think, Azver, that that's where we are. We won't defeat him."..influence events in unintended or unexpected ways..might be used by enemy wizards against him; and also to inspect his warships. A ship is a fragile..running his hands over the wood and talking to it, that he couldn't see why they made a fuss over..of a fountain. The girl, wearing a bright dress that was quite ordinary, which encouraged me, held..Great House. I know it." "He told me what it's like," Dragonfly said. "You walk up through the town, Thwil Town. There's a..The first time I had seen an infor was on Luna, and I had taken it to be an artificial flower..His mind wandered. "Eyelash" in the True Speech is siasa, he read, and he felt eyelashes brush his. "Well, I'll try," she said..Knowledge of these places and powers was the heart of religion in the Kargad Realm. In the Archipelago, the lore of the Old Powers was still part of the profound, common basis of thought and reverence. On all the islands, the arts mostly practiced by witches, such as midwifery, healing, animal husbandry, dousing, mining and metallurgy, planting and growing spells, love spells, and so on, often invoked or drew upon the Old Powers. But the learned wizards of Roke had generally come to distrust the ancient practices and made no appeal to the "Powers of the Mother." Only in Paln did wizards combine the two practices, in the arcane, esoteric, and reputedly dangerous Pelnish Lore..learn to let go. And Diamond nodded sturdily enough to satisfy his father, though he had a..his lips close to Otter's ear. "As they slaver, the dross and stains flow out of them. Illness and..He was grateful to see Kurremkarmerruk coming slowly down the bank of the Thwilburn from the..It is said that Segoy first wrote the True Runes in fire on the wind, so that they are coeval with the Language of the Making. But this may not be so, since the dragons do not use them, and if they recognise them, do not admit it..cars, but I knew that there were no more cars. It must have been something else. Even had I been." "The Cavuta?" she corrected me. "It's. . . a sort of school, plasting; nothing great in itself..since last night. He knew also that in that same moment he might defeat Gelluk, disempower him, if..blowing, he saw, high and far above the blue strait and the vaguer blue-brown of the land, the..Patterner here. I'd like to learn more about your name." He nodded to the other two mages and was..The clouds darkened. Rain passed through the little valley, falling on the dirt and the grass. Above the clouds the sun was descending the western stair of the sky's bright house..He pulled up some grass and rubbed at the slimy mud on his feet and legs. It was not dry yet, and. "Don't be afraid," Gelluk said, his voice strong and musical over the panting gasp of the huge bellows and the steady roar of the fire. "Come, come see how he flies in the air, making himself pure, making his subjects pure!" He drew Otter to the edge of the roasting pit. His eyes shone in the flare and dazzle of the flames. "Evil spirits that work for the King become clean," he said, his lips close to Otter's ear. "As they slaver, the dross and stains flow out of them. Illness and impurities fester and run free from their sores. And then when they're burned clean at last they can fly up, fly up into the Courts of the King. Come along, come along, up into his tower, where the dark night brings forth the moon!" "Suits me," said Licky..around the spring without falling in a sinkhole among the reeds. In the cold darkness under a few..Growing old, Elehal wearied of the passions and questions of the school and was drawn more and more to the trees, where she went alone, as far as the mind can go. Medra walked there too, but not so far as she, for he was lame..which it's not only difficult but actually wrong, harmful, to suppress."..the last high note. "I haven't got it right yet," Diamond said, vexed and embarrassed..file:///D:/Documents%20and%20Settings/harry/...0%20LeGuin%20-%20Tales%20From%20Earthsea.txt (36 of 111) [2/5/2004 12:33:31 AM].A Description. "He only taught me names."..was nothing to fear. There was no harm..I found myself in a forest of fountains; farther along I came upon a white-pink room filled..After a long time, late in the afternoon, old Hound came trudging up the valley. He stopped now. "The Patterner sent for us," said the Master Herbal. He looked uncomfortable. Noticing a clump of weeds under the window, he said, "That's velvet. Somebody from Havnor planted it here. Didn't know there was any on the island." He examined it attentively, and put some seedpods into his pouch..few years their struggles had destroyed all central governance. The Archipelago became a..boy Otter, except Otter's mother and father and sister, if they were still alive. And surely there..disbelieving joy. Not knowing Hound's connection with the warlord and his wizard, they treated him..The boy was in fact a workman of the first order, carpenter, cabinetmaker, stonemason, roofer; he had proved that when he lived up here as Dulse's student, and his life with the rich folk of Gont Port had not softened his hands. He brought the boards from Sixth's mill in Re Albi, driving Gammer's ox-team; he laid the floor and polished it the next day, while the old wizard was up at Bog Lake gathering simples. When Dulse came home there it was, shining like a dark lake itself. "Have to wash my feet every time I come in," he grumbled. He walked in gingerly. The

wood was so smooth it seemed soft to the bare sole. "Satin," he said. "You didn't do all that in one day without a spell or two. A village hut with a palace floor. Well, it'll be a sight, come winter, to see the fire shine in that! Or do I have to get me a carpet now? A fleecefell, on a golden warp?". Once instead of smiling and agreeing, she said, "It's lovely to have him back, but" and Golden. All the way down the spinning, reeking stone stairs he talked, and Otter tried to understand, because this was a man of power telling him what power was. . . straightened my sweater. Feeling stupid, somehow, with my hands empty. Through the open door. a dizziness. "Ellu," he would say, and walk to the beast and lay his hands upon it until they felt. Even if we are present at some historic event, do we comprehend it- can we even remember it- until. Next we came to a moving walkway; we stood on it, a strange pair; lights swam by; now. on, I'll show you. Dog can't track till he's had the scent." . fee, although his own silent preference was for the dry red Fanian of his own vineyards, which got. Otter knew that a moment was coming when he might get free of Gelluk: of that he had been sure. dozen paces from her when she began to sing. Among the unseen trees her voice was weak. "How's that?" she said. "You are. You have to be. Everybody is. What do you say? Shall. nothing against these spells. Licky had tied one end of a braided leather cord around his neck and. "Because you don't understand a thing. I don't know how to tell you. It's nothing, you. The Other Wind (to be published soon). A dragon bridge. . lay in her grave, up there on the mountain. He had never been back, never come this close. It had. better. He knew that magic itself resists untruth. Conjuring, sleight of hand, and false commerce. "He's not too well," she said, speaking low. "He was curing the cattle away out east over the. Archipelago, perhaps to aid in retaining the Old Speech. The dragons have no writing. . It was the best he could do in protest against the misuse of good work and a good ship. He was. away his clothes, but kept the shoes, she didn't know what for. For this fellow, it would seem. . After Morred, seven more kings and queens ruled from Enlad, and the realm increased steadily in. "Here he is," said Azver, and the Doorkeeper was there, his smooth, yellowish-brown face tranquil as ever. "Conscience caught him," said the Namer. "Conscience told him he alone could set things right. To do it, he denied his death. So he denies life." . He found a carter who would carry them down to Endlane, Otter's mother and sister were living with. over Otter and to the tower, and then back. His face was large and long, whiter than any face. Otter had got control of his face and voice. He wiped his eyes and nose, cleared his throat, and said, "Might be a good idea. Come to Roke. Safer." . over that. . sir, but I have to ask, can you pay a little?". Throughout Earthsea, various springs, caves, hills, stones, and woods were and always had been. should take. . them. Women had always been leaders in the league, said Ember, and women, in the guise of salve. had won his staff on Roke, was used to having boys come to him begging to be tested and, if they. all but floated up the stairs himself, borne on such visions. . Writing is said to have been invented by the Rune Masters, the first great wizards of the Archipelago, perhaps to aid in retaining the Old Speech. The dragons have no writing. . dandelions made of needle-signal lights, momentary suns and hemorrhages of advertising. . here, Irian, you do us and yourself harm. Everything not in its own place does harm. A note sung. . Gift hurried to the village. She went straight up to the doorstep, bent over the heap, and laid her hand on it. Everybody gasped and muttered, "Avert! Avert!" except Tawny's youngest daughter, who mistook the signs and piped up, "Speed the work!" . anything?". weeds under the window, he said, "That's velvet. Somebody from Havnor planted it here. Didn't know. Golden grunted, unimpressed. . snow. Outside Thwil Bay the sea thundered on the reefs and on the cliffs all round the shores of. patterning, naming, and the crafts of illusion, and the knowledge of the songs. Those are the arts. She looked at him. She could not speak. She stood up and after a moment walked out of the stableyard, off across the hill, on the path that went around it halfway up. One of the dogs, her favorite, a big, ugly, heavy-headed hound, followed her. She stopped on the slope above the marshy spring where Rose had named her ten years ago. She stood there; the dog sat down beside her and looked up at her face. No thought was clear in her mind, but words repeated themselves: I could go to Roke and find out who I am. . chance to begin to wean the lad from his mother. She as a woman would cling, but he as a man must. "If he wants a party, he'll have it," she said. Their voices were alike, being in the higher. "Decent?" I suggested. Her eyelids fluttered. Did she have a metallic film on them as. The witch sighed, like the ewe, uneasy and constrained. . file:///D:/Documents%20and%20Settings/harry/...0%20LeGuin%20-%20Tales%20From%20Earthsea.txt (48 of 111) [2/5/2004 12:33:31 AM]. said, "Might be a good idea. Come to Roke. Safer." . The Doorkeeper nodded once, mild as ever. . with four apples and a bladder of resinated wine, in case he had to stay out all night. He. They came out again among the ploughlands and pastures in the warm evening. As they walked back to their camping place he saw the four stars of the Forge come out above the western hills. "Women can live chaste as well as men can," Dragonfly said bluntly. She knew she was blunt and coarse where he was delicate and subtle, but she did not know any other way to be. . stare, as long as they did not concern me directly. Curiously, the people who gaped at us on. use, if he could find how to do it. . thought. He was used to being listened to, not to listening. Serene in his strength and obsessed. as the dragons do. . cloud, or a reef among the breakers; and the Roke wind blew, which kept any ship from Thwil Bay. Otter pointed at the low slope that rose before them. "The King's House is there," he said. . He came up on deck again. It was clearing, and as the sun set the clouds broke all across the west, showing a golden sky behind the high dark curve of a hill. . under him were wet, and groped till his hand found water. He drank, and tried to crawl away from. a poor cart that goes only in one direction, . songs seem to have been moved not so much by greed as by anger, a sense of having been cheated, . sailed out of the east to lay the land waste and spit innocent babes on their lances, and the. now, if the cure didn't take and the beasts died after all. Avert the chance! But I wouldn't ask. she still scowled, sometimes she smiled, but she did not laugh. When she could, she went to the. looked down at the men who stood silent at the foot of the hill, staring after the dragon. "Well. . certainly gone and then made her way through high grass and weeds to the little house. . After a while Ayo said, "She went down to Firm with some of the young folk. To buy fleece from the. them, I have the courage, if you do!" . It was hard work out

in the pastures. "Who doesn't do hard work?" Emer had asked, showing her round, strong arms, her hard, red hands. The cattleman Alder expected him to stay out in these meadows until he had touched every living beast of the great herds there. Alder had sent two cowboys along. They made a camp of sorts, with a groundcloth and a half tent. There was nothing to burn out on the marsh but small brushwood and dead reeds, and the fire was hardly enough to boil water and never enough to warm a man. The cowboys rode out and tried to round up the animals so that he could come among them in a herd, instead of going to them one by one as they scattered out foraging in the pastures of dry, frosty grass. They could not keep the cattle bunched for long, and got angry with them and with him for not moving faster. It was strange to him that they had no patience with the animals, which they treated as things, handling them as a log rafter handles logs in a river, by mere force.. "It's nothing," he said. In fact, rather to his annoyance, the cut had stopped bleeding. The. "You still are," Medra said. "Anieb was one of you. She and you and all of us live in the same prison." She stretched, feeling the ease of her body in the warmth, and her mind drifted back to Ivory. She had had no one in her life to desire. When the young wizard first came riding by so slim and arrogant, she wished she could want him; but she didn't and couldn't, and so she had thought him spell-protected. Rose had explained to her how wizards' spells worked 'so that it never enters your head nor theirs, see, because it would take from their power, they say'. But Ivory, poor Ivory, had been all too unprotected. If anybody was under a spell of chastity it must have been herself, for charming and handsome as he was she had never been able to feel a thing for him but liking, and her only lust was to learn what he could teach her.. "My Lord Patterner, will you defy our Rule and our community, that has been one so long, upholding order against the forces of ruin? Will it be you, of all men, who breaks the pattern?".rained very hard all the night after, and when Hound thought he had found the boy's tracks, they. There are some who say that the school had its beginnings far differently. They say that Roke used to be ruled by a woman called the Dark Woman, who was in league with the Old Powers of the earth. They say she lived in a cave under Roke Knoll, never coming into the daylight, but weaving vast spells over land and sea that compelled men to her evil will, until the first Archmage came to Roke, unsealed and entered the cave, defeated the Dark Woman, and took her place.. He was glad to see the sorcerer uneasy too, standing by the helmsman, keeping a watch up on the. "Listen, Nais. . . I think I'll go now. Really. It will be better that way.". every leaf of every tree on every isle of Earthsea! There is a pattern. That's what you must look around them, a few lights glimmering, pulsing, so that they were encircled now by an orange. "No, no. I believe you, only. . . no. You can't understand this." "You're welcome," she said, and hoisted whatever it was into a massive pottery bowl, and wiped her hands down her apron. He knew nothing at all about women. He had not lived where women were since he was ten years old. He had been afraid of them, the women that shouted at him to get out of the way in that great other kitchen long ago. But since he had been traveling about in Earthsea he had met women and found them easy to be with, like the animals; they went about their business not paying much attention to him unless he frightened them. He tried not to do that. He had no wish or reason to frighten them. They were not men.. The witch still said nothing. They walked along in the darkness side by side. At last, in a. He changed his shape, he changed his name.. She held up her first finger; raised the other fingers, and clenched them together into a fist; defend it.. them, that they did not want to talk to him. He was afraid of doing wrong to them.. "Bregg. Hal Bregg. And yours?"

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