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students learning how to do tricks of illusion from the sorcerer Hega of O; Master Hand, they.the world, there are still women of the Hand. That net hasn't broken after so many years. How was.her mother, whom nobody knew or honoured or was true to, except herself..Gelluk watched him with his inquisitive, affectionate look, and when Otter stood up, wincing and."Go to Roke," the wizard said. The boy wore shoes and a good leather vest. He could afford or earn ship's passage to the School..a wrong turning somewhere. Tall reeds rose up close beside the paths, so that if a light shone."But the Summoner fought him both in body and spirit, and called to me, and I came. Together we fought against the will that would destroy us..that was a true joy, which may be enough to ask for, after all..grew immensely wealthy..born. A good deal about Earthsea, about wizards, about Roke Island, about dragons, had begun to.wouldn't it be set down on the charts?."Has it come to this," the Namer said, "that we stand at the edge of the forest Segoy planted and talk of how to destroy one another?".away off like that.".among us, Medra. They must be settled, and they can't be settled easily. Though a little

goodwill.file:///D:/Documents%20and%20Settings/harry/D...20%20LeGuin%20-%20Tales%20From%20Earthsea.txt (7 of 111) [2/5/2004 12:33:30 AM].The witch shook her iron-grey head once. "I can't tell you." Her 'can't' did not mean 'won't'. Dragonfly waited. "It's the power, like I said. It comes just so." Rose stopped her spinning and looked up with one eye at a cloud in the west; the other looked a little northward of the sky. "You're there in the water, together, you and the child. You take away the child-name. People may go on using that name for a use-name, but it's not her name, nor ever was. So now she's not a child, and she has no name. So then you wait. You open your mind up, like. Like opening the doors of a house to the wind. So it comes. Your tongue speaks it, the name. Your breath makes it. You give it to that child, the breath, the name. You can't think of it. You let it come to you. It must come through you to her it belongs to. That's the power, the way it works. It's all like that. It's not a thing you do. You have to know how to let it do. That's all the mastery..far more numerous neighbors to the south and west..Dulse was silent for a long time, and then said, "How?".high about them, she heard a call - a horn blowing, a cry? - remote, on the very edge of hearing..you vowed to keep. She has no place here nor ever will. She can bring only confusion, dissension,.unused, and looms to be seen by the windows of some of the houses. In a little square where there."I'll see you then," said Diamond, looking big and handsome and indifferent, and walked off..The wizard's spells still bound their minds together. Otter pressed rashly forward into Gelluk's mind, seeking his true name. But he did not know where to look or how to look. A finder who did not know his craft, all he could see clearly in Gelluk's thoughts were pages of a lore-book full of meaningless words, and the vision he had described-a vast, red-walled palace where silver runes danced on the crimson pillars. But Otter could not read the book or the runes. He had never learned to read.. "Maybe with such teaching you could teach the wizards a lesson," Mead said..the earth..". "At least have a bath!" she said..thing to fight against until he could defeat it. There are many boys like that. I was one. But I.Ogion, obedient, bringing himself back to himself in the stuffy, tapestried room in Gont Port, did.and stone. You'd best go on. Farewell, Aihal. Keep the-keep the mouth open, for once, eh?". "I'd tell you mine," she said. "If that... if that's how we should begin..".poisoned. When Berry went out again, the woman came closer and said, resolute, in a low voice..The tall man in his tall hat suddenly sat down on the dirt beside Otter, quite close to him. His.everything. . ".Deed of Erreth-Akbe, which bards sing at the Long Dance of

midsummer..file:///D:/Documents%20and%20Settings/harry/Desktop/Ursula%20K.%20%20LeGuin%20-%20Tales%20From%20Earthsea.txt.His voice had become very soft, very dark..Deeds, lays, songs, and popular ballads are still composed as oral performances, mostly by.. "Is this some kind of custom?".When she said nothing, and some time had passed, he said, "In the shadow of these trees is no..There was a silence. The fire whispered..altogether. . . I was just going when you sat down..". "A NAMEDAY PARTY," said Golden. "Time for a bit of play, a bit of music and dancing, boy. Nineteen years old. Celebrate it!".dreaded and shunned, magic plays no recognized part in their society. This inability or refusal to.down, he found himself dizzy and retching. He came no closer, but said words that might ease the.young man whom he had taught to read had become his unfathomable guide..over all Havnor now for years..her bright eyes on Tern, and he nodded..for base ends, it becomes weak and noxious.... Of course, even a sorcerer gets paid. And wizards,.around her sandaled feet. She looked back at the Patterner and he still seemed a fragile being.. "And when he doesn't have any?".dragons the wing..Gelluk wore fantastic clothes, as many of his kind did in those days. A long robe of Lorbanery.witch, sorcerer, or wizard is the power to know the true name of a child and give the child that..She stopped and stared at him.. "We went farthest east," Azver said. "But do you know what the leader of an army is, in my..strong in her fear and willful in her vileness. She holds him back and hides him deep, fearing to.you were walking again among familiar trees, oak and beech and ash, chestnut and walnut and.marsh, in the cold, for days on end, and wore himself out..".There's an old pallet in the woodhouse. Air it. Don't bring mice in with it." And he stalked off..."Wait," I said. "Do you have anything to drink?".The old wizard stood there. He recollected all he knew of the names of Gont, and after a while he."No, you weren't," she whispered. "If you had been, you would know..".where the lorebooks and wordbooks were, or asleep. Hemlock was a stickler for early abed and early..And these may be true temptations to the wizard! It's a wonderful thing to fly on the wings of a..They went there together and stayed till the winter came. In the year that followed, they built a little house near the edge of the Thwilburn that runs out of the Grove, and lived there in the summers..sickly and monstrous children to the people of the isles-all these things were charged to the.tub, and she went into her room while he had his bath on the hearth. When she came out it was all.. "When he passed me," she said in a low voice, "I saw a grave..". "Shall

we go?" he said to the cowboy, who set off at once with a wave to Gift and a snort from his little mare. The curer followed. The hinny had a smooth, long-legged walk, and her whiteness shone in the morning light. Gift thought it was like seeing a prince ride oft, like something out of a tale, the mounted figures that walked through bright mist across the vague dun of the winter fields, and faded into the light, and were gone. Her use-name had been Flag, the blue iris of the springs. Her mother and aunt called her Flag when battleground of hereditary feudal princes, governments of small islands and city-states, and Veil, with her gentle voice and smile, was implacable. She told Medra that though she had her, and the cat dreaming, and the fire flickering. He had come over the dead mountain on black life in the Archipelago seems to resemble that of nonindustrial peoples elsewhere, there are. She looked round, and he looked up. Both knew that Gelluk had sensed something, had wakened. Otter breasts and festered eyes, who spat the spittle that ran from her poisoned mouth, and wiped her. Neither of them had been on Pody. It was a sleepy southern island with a pretty old port town. Irioth came up onto the doorstep. He did not go in, but spoke in the open door. "Master San, it's Gelluk pressed close beside him, often taking his arm. "This way," he said several times. "Yes, it was definitely the better plan to be honest. What Master did you speak of?" "She's called Dragonfly, and she does all the work, and I saw her once last year. She's tall, and as beautiful as a flowering tree," said the youngest daughter, Rose, who was busy crowding a lifetime of keen observation into the fourteen years that were all she was going to have for it. She broke off, coughing. Her mother shot an anguished, yearning glance at the wizard. Surely he would hear that cough, this time? He smiled at young Rose, and the mother's heart lifted. Surely he wouldn't smile so if Rose's cough was anything serious? Its eggs and rear the drakelets. The small, barren islets of the farthest West Reach suffice for fellow that's been here before, from the south coast, and so San hired him. You work for me and spells made and annotated by a wizard, or by a lineage of wizards) there is usually one copy only. There was always another meaning in the words of this lore. Perhaps the book was saying that there only because it had a weatherworker of its own aboard, who raised a wave to swamp the stolen boat. throne the first year of history. By this system, "present time" in the account you are reading is. Then that was gone and he stood facing the witch-girl. Her look of accusation slowly changed. She put her face in her hands. than I, did this for me. Standing in front of me was a girl, perhaps twenty years old, in something broke free, straightening herself, pushing back her lank wet hair. Thank you," she said. "I was. Two long curves appeared on the Doorkeeper's cheeks, enclosing the slow upturn of his smile. The Changer's face remained stern, but he blinked, and after a little thought said, "I'm sure - yes - it was definitely the better plan to be honest. What Master did you speak of?" Mage Ath. Long ago. Before he went into the west. All my foremothers were wise women. He stayed. I'll destroy him." The sense of huge strength was draining out of her. She turned her head a little and looked down, surprised to see her own brown arm, her rolled-up sleeve, the grass springing cool and green around her sandaled feet. She looked back at the Patterner and he still seemed a fragile being. She pitied and honoured him. She wanted to warn him of the peril he was in. But no words came to her at all. She turned round and went back to the streambank by the little falls. There she sank down on her haunches and hid her face in her arms, shutting him out, shutting the world out. grass, his heart had been easy. He was expectant, full of a sense of great strangeness, but not. "You didn't set a price?" share the secrets of the King. And when he leaves me, he hides in the place of ordure, in foulness. "What are you saying, Nais? What about pilots? And various rescue workers? And those. He had been walking almost asleep. The pallor of the werelight had faded, drowned in a fainter. "Not in the School," the Doorkeeper said, smiling. clearly know its meaning. Great spells are made wholly in the Old Speech, and are understood as. At first he was overwhelmed with fierce fantasies of power and revenge: he would free the slaves, mind. No one, no matter how strong or wise or great, can rightly own and use another. sorcerer, Alder had said. Not a wizard, not a mage. Only a curer, a cattle healer. I do not need. she was not an inexperienced girl, she was a wise woman, a mage, she who walked in the Immanent. "Where are you going?" a warm alto answered immediately. there, right there in the village or the town, not off in the warlord's castle or fort, not there; walking with Licky; sitting with Gelluk; the slaves, the fire, the stone stairs winding up. ago, the rich man of that town was a merchant called Golden. He stood silent in the doorway. She sat on the stone floor near the crucible, her thin body grayish and dark like the stones. Her chin and breasts were shiny with the spittle that ran from her mouth. He thought of the spring of water that had run from the broken earth. as a woman is of a man, a strange, even threatening, unknown man, then I wouldn't have given a. He had lost something and had to find it. He did not know what he had lost, but it was in the fiery tower, the place where stone stairs went up among smoke and fumes. He had to go there. He got to his feet and shuffled, lame and unsteady, back down the valley. On maps of the Archipelago, the island Solea is signified by a white space or a whirlpool. than careless. Plagues and famines, the failure of springs of water, summers with no rain and knelt to look at some small plant or fungus on the forest floor. grim-faced old Namer. them, not keeping them secret each to himself, as the wizards do. was weakened then. Gelluk stood tense and trembling, still at a loss. "Turres," he said, after a time, almost in a beast he touched is standing yet, and hale. Ten days he spent out there in the wind and the rain. to here? I want them. Then I'll see to him. Silence before. There was a very long pause. file:///D:/Documents%20and%20Settings/harry/D...20%20LeGuin%20-%20Tales%20From%20Earthsea.txt (6 of 111) [2/5/2004 12:33:30 AM]. had a keen, hard face, with long black brows. The Equilibrium," she said, accepting all he said in its simplest sense, as always. starved. There was little satisfaction in ruling Havnor, a land of beggars and poor farmers. What. They cursed and sneered, but believed him. He had no idea if what he said was true. It had seemed vellum that had been worked into the thatching of his house. "They good for something else?" Crow. Summoning the useful Hound to help him, Early had made a very thorough inquiry into what happened. "Irian," he said, and now her name came easily, sweet and cool as spring water in his dry mouth. "Irian, here's what you must do to enter the Great House..." The roasting pit took up

the center of a huge domed chamber. Hurrying, sticklike figures black against the blaze shoveled and reshoveled ore onto logs kept in a roaring blaze by great bellows, while others brought fresh logs and worked the bellows sleeves. From the apex of the dome a spiral of chambers rose up into the tower through smoke and fumes. In those chambers, Licky had told him, the vapor of the quicksilver was trapped and condensed, reheated and recondensed, till in the topmost vault the pure metal ran down into a stone trough or bowl-only a drop or two a day, he said, from the low-grade ores they were roasting now.

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