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change for Galee, change for outer rasts, Makra," babbled the speaker; the carriage stopped, then only in dark the light, "Lord Thorion has returned from death to save us all," the Windkey said, fiercely and clearly. "He.Telio, in the twilight, beside the wall of stones..you're here, it adds up, you see. It adds up. Well! But listen here, did you just run off from the.were passages concerning the true refiner's fire. Having long studied these, Gelluk knew that once.the hearths in Thwil Town. They listened to the wind blow and the rain beat or the silence of the.and was dumbstruck. Above the amphitheater-like sunken dial of the stop rose a multistory.They came to the house in Boatwright Street after dark. They kicked the door in, and Hound,.were a woman's; and she was dead..Roke lives on its great past, defended by a thousand spells against the present day. And inside.the law?"..practices of wizards and witches, and all too often rightly so.."She took my cup away," the Master of Iria said to the stranger, whining like a puppy, while his.He stopped and felt the dirt under his feet. He was barefoot, as usual. When he was a student on Roke, he had worn shoes. But he had come back home to Gont, to Re Albi, with his wizard's staff, and kicked his shoes off. He stood still and felt the dust and rock of the cliff-top path under his feet, and the cliffs under that, and the roots of the island in the dark under that. In the dark under the waters all islands touched and were one. So his teacher Ard had said, and so his teachers on Roke had said. But this was his island, his rock, dust, dirt. His wizardry grew out of it. "My mastery is here," the boy had said, but it went deeper than mastery. That, perhaps, was something Dulse could teach him: what went deeper than mastery. What he had learned here, on Gont, before he ever went to Roke..bottom, as I had thought; I was actually high up, about forty floors above the bands of the.If Elfarran be not my own, I will unsay Segoy's word,."If you share his power he won't harm you. To fear a power, to fight a power, is very dangerous. To love power and to share it is the royal way. Look. Watch what I do." Gelluk held up the pouch into which he had put the few drops of quicksilver. His eye always on Otter's eye, he unsealed the pouch, lifted it to his lips, and drank its contents. He opened his smiling mouth so that Otter could see the silver drops pooling on his tongue before he swallowed.."Take your shoes off," she said, "they're soaking. Come in then." She stood aside and said, "Come.of pearly minerals surrounded the mouths of the caves; in these people sat, legs dangling; small."A nose, now, is a useful thing, a salable thing," Hound went on. "Not that I'm looking for.descending from high above, the base of one of those enormous columns that had astonished me.work for us they'll kill you," he said. "Losen can't have fellows like you on the loose. You'd.TERMINAL PARK..the stems of the grass where it stepped or sat. "I've done nothing but set the city in a panic, ".The Doorkeeper came back and said, "Come, Irian, and meet the Masters of Roke." Her heart began to go at a carthorse gallop. She followed him through the maze of corridors to a dark-walled room with a row of high pointed windows. A group of men stood there, and every one of them turned to look at her as she came into the room..came by and said to his parents, "Let Otter come to me in the evenings after work. He should learn.Irioth's head drooped as if in utter weariness. All tension and passion had gone out of his body..When the city was in order again, and the ships had all come back, and the walls were being rebuilt, Ogion escaped from praise and went up into the hills above Gont Port. He found the queer little valley called Trimmer's Dell, the true name of which in the language of the Making was Yaved, as Ogion's true name was Aihal. He walked about there all one day, as if seeking something. In the evening he lay down on the ground and talked to it. "You should have told me, I could have said goodbye," he said. He wept once, and his tears fell on the dry dirt among the grass-stems and made little spots of mud, little sticky spots..they were true wizardry or mere witchery, as they said on Roke. Matters he certainly had never.them nights, brooding on where and how he might extend his empire.."He wanted me to go to the College on Roke to study with the Master Summoner. He was going to send.And it is no small honor to be invited by a wizard to be his student or apprentice. Hemlock, who.dances, races, sacrifices, carvings, songs, music, and silence. Worship was both casual and."Here. I was born here."..from such scraps and fragments, and though it will be an airy quilt, half made of hearsay and half.Erreth-Akbe's next challenger was a mage called the Firelord, whose power was so great that he.right, then, though the word "change" rang and rang in his head..The wizard who called himself Gelluk and the pirate who called himself King Losen had worked.When she woke, the Master Patterner was sitting nearby, and a basket was on the grass between them..did not count the levels passed; more and more people, who stopped in front of enamel boxes that.business. It has to be cultivated on its own terms, and kept under control -- learned and.High Marsh..her hand on it. Everybody gasped and muttered, "Avert! Avert!" except Tawny's youngest daughter,."I said I'd see to his beasts at... at the pasture between the rivers, was it?" he said, getting anxious, the hunted look coming back into him, and he got up from the settle..which wasn't much more than a cupboard built onto the corner of the house. Her room was behind the."But what is there to tell?" she said reluctantly. "Is it really true that in your day, back.My teacher had no staff, Dulse thought, and at the same moment thought, He wants his staff from me. Gontish oak, from the hands of a Gontish wizard. Well, if he earns it I'll make him one. If he can keep his mouth closed. And I'll leave him my lore-books. If he can clean out a henhouse, and understand the Glosses of Danemer, and keep his mouth closed..immediately fell asleep in the artificial light of the windowless room, for what I had at first taken."What will you have us call you? ".The wind blew, the long grass nodded in the wind. Summer was getting on and the grass was dry now,.,matter of Roke, There was some strength in him or with him. Yet it was hard for Early to fear a.after it the dragons ceased their hostilities for a while, it is certain that Orm survived it, and.Crow was delighted to get a water-stained bestiary from the time of Akambar in return for five silver buttons, a pearl-hiked knife, and a square of Lorbanery silk. He sat in Hopeful and crooned over the antique descriptions of harikki and otak and icebear. But Tern went ashore on every isle, showing his wares in the kitchens of the housewives and the sleepy taverns where the old men sat. Sometimes he idly made a fist and

then turned his hand over opening the palm, but nobody here returned the sign..But for some decades the kings of Hupun had been in conflict with the high priest and his.Of late, entering always deeper into the mysteries of a certain lore-book brought back from the Isle of Way by one of Losen's raiders, Gelluk had become indifferent to most of the arts he had learned or had discovered for himself. The book convinced him that all of them were only shadows or hints of a greater mastery. As one true element controlled all substances, one true knowledge contained all others.

Approaching ever closer to that mastery, he understood that the crafts of wizards were as crude and false as Losen's title and rule. When he was one with the true element, he would be the one true king. Alone among men he would speak the words of making and unmaking. He would have dragons for his dogs.. "And how do you know it didn't?".practice magic puts the Kargs at a disadvantage with the Archipelagans in almost every respect,..more or less concealed violence) and deified by the priests of Awabath. The Four Lands were.quick woman, with a round face and clear eyes, and a mass of dark hair, not straight like most.Then Losen cursed and cried, and his slaves brought him wine, and the mage went out, bowing, and checking as he went to be sure that the spell of paralysis was holding..Irian looked down at the ground. After a long time she said, clearing her throat, not looking up.. "We went farthest east," Azver said. "But do you know what the leader of an army is, in my.jolting between them and the drowsy carter, and the drowsy summer hills and fields slipping.In the doorkeeper's box, which was like a giant's overturned bathtub, sat a robot..She pondered - conversation with her was often a slow business - and said, "Rose always said I had power, but she didn't know what kind. And I ... I know I do, but I don't know what it is.".Yet he spoke as a friend. Why? said Otter's look. Hound answered it..gift, you know.".Irian had waited some hours in the Doorkeeper's chamber, a low, light, bare room with a small-.one in a hundred, it is a latent, cultivable talent. In a very few people it is manifest without.Golden owned the mill that cut the oak boards for the ships they built in Havnor South Port and Havnor Great Port; he owned the biggest chestnut groves; he owned the carts and hired the carters that carried the timber and the chestnuts over the hills to be sold. He did very well from trees, and when his son was born, the mother said, "We could call him Chestnut, or Oak, maybe?" But the father said, "Diamond," diamond being in his estimation the one thing more precious than gold..went back down the south road as soon as he'd gulped a pint of beer at the tavern, telling them.Money was a problem. The girl thought, of course, that he as a great wizard would snap his fingers.and the women and the dirty, timid children drew closer to see the wonders he would show them..The hillside in front of him trembled, writhed, and opened. A gash in it deepened, widened. Water sprang up out of it and ran across the wizard's feet..as ever..the flare and dazzle of the flames. "Evil spirits that work for the King become clean," he said,.bit... But the boy had met his match in the

Masters..file:///D:/Documents%20and%20Settings/harry/...0%20LeGuin%20-%20Tales%20From%20Earthsea.txt (108 of 111) [2/5/2004 12:33:32 AM].similar to my sweater but with a full, inflated collar sat sideways at a table, a glass in his hand,.Erreth-Akbe's next challenger was a mage called the Firelord, whose power was so great that he lengthened a day by five hours, though he could not, as he had sworn to do, stop the sun at noon and banish darkness from the islands forever. The Firelord took dragon form to fight Erreth-Akbe, but was defeated at last, at the cost of the forests and cities of Ilien, which he set afire as he fought..The door closed. It was silent except for the whisper of the fire..told you. Sir.. "Sitting with old Ferny. She died this afternoon, Mother will be there all night. But how did you get here?". "And the wizard in South Port didn't teach you how to make it work?".farewell, knowing that with the last, dying sound more than the song would end. I had not known."Of course," he said, his smile growing brilliant. "But witches aren't always chaste, are they?.will be yours," he said, with an open laugh, so that Losen stared at him in a kind of horror,.in front of large, glowing windows and the fiery letters ALCARON HOTEL.. "You're terrific." She seemed calmer, but still she did not sit. "Then why were you so.craft and power, even if that wizard was mad. If he had any hope it was to play on his madness..So said Ember, his fierce, black-browed teacher..The Patterner never came to her much before noon, so she had the mornings free. She was used to.trembled. What a world, I thought, what a world this is!.He had not known how tired he was until he came to haven. He spent all that day drowsing before the fire with the grey cat, while Gift went in and out at her work, offering him food several times-poor, coarse food, but he ate it all, slowly, valuing it. Come evening the brother went off, and she said with a sigh, "He'll run up a whole new line of credit at the tavern on the strength of us having a lodger. Not that it's your fault.. "I couldn't. They'd know. I couldn't even get in. There's the Doorkeeper, you said. I don't know the word to say to him..have great gifts?".one eye; pills of some kind? No. A vial? It had no cork, no stopper. What was it for? What were.shoes off his feet, and left him sleeping. She went to look at the other one. He looked feverish.. "And what was I supposed to feel?".with his ideas, he had no thought beyond them. He was not aware of Otter at all except as a part

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