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They walked a half-mile or so. The Knoll rose up full in the western sun on their right. Behind them the School sprawled grey and many-roofed on its lower hill. The grove of trees towered before them now. She saw oak and willow, chestnut and ash, and tall evergreens. From the dense, sun-shot darkness of the trees a stream ran out, green-banked, with many brown trodden places where cattle and sheep went down to drink or to cross over. They had come through the stile from a pasture where fifty or sixty sheep grazed the short, bright turf, and now stood near the stream. That house," said the mage, pointing to a low, moss-ridden roof half-hidden by the afternoon shadows of the trees. "Stay tonight. You will?" Dragonfly found the village witch taking maggots out of an infected cut on a sheep's rump. The witch's use-name was Rose, like a great many women of Way and other islands of the Hardic Archipelago. People who have a secret name that holds their power the way a diamond holds light may well like their public name to be ordinary, common, like other people's names. Diamond-The bones of the earth-. "That's Roke Knoll, lad," the weatherworker said to Dragonfly, who stood beside him at the rail, soft thrilling. There was no fault, only the great innocence. No need for words. They would not. this man, I had begun to see in my mind's eye a great mountain, a broken cone, with a long, green. file:///D:/Documents%20and%20Settings/harry/...0%20LeGuin%20-%20Tales%20From%20Earthsea.txt (21 of 111) [2/5/2004 12:33:30 AM]. In the rage of his agony the Enemy raised up a great wave and sent it speeding to overwhelm the island of Solea. Elfarran knew this, as she knew the moment of Morred's death. She bade her people take to their boats; then, the poem says, "She took her small harp in her hands," and in the hour of waiting for the destroying wave that only Morred might have stilled, she made the song called The Lament for the White Enchanter. The island was drowned beneath the sea, and Elfarran with it. But her boat-cradle of willow wood, floating free, bore their child Serriadh to safety, wearing Morred's pledge, the ring that bore the Rune of Peace..you vowed to keep. She has no place here nor ever will. She can bring only confusion, dissension, "Ah, pick your nose, harp-picker," Labby said, and Tarry took offense, and people took sides, and the world was imbecile, why her blessing seemed to burn the seed in the furrows and blight the. When he added that little questioning "eh?" or "neh?" to the end of what had seemed a statement it always took her by surprise. She said nothing..compelled by him, but she was with me, and she was free. And so together we could turn his power. themselves pure." He followed him down one of the principal streets and from it into a district of small houses, the old weavers' quarter. They grew flax on Pody, and there were stone retting houses, now mostly unused, and looms to be seen by the windows of some of the houses. In a little square where there was shade from the hot sun four or five women sat spinning by a well. Children played nearby, listless with the heat, scrawny, staring without much interest at the strangers. Tern had walked there unhesitating, as if he knew where he was going. Now he stopped and greeted the women..his hand on it. "This is clever," he said. "But who is it? A newcomer, I think." He sniffed. She twisted and untwisted her fingers, not taking her eyes off me, as if with these words. and him in the room. This is my brother Berry, sir." all connected with the Old Powers. As if those Powers were to be controlled or used by any mortal. that would have kept a far more experienced wizard captive. There were men of great skill and. for such a trap, I made a clumsy leap and, in midair, felt an invisible flow of force take hold of. more quicksilver than he had, therefore he needed a finder. Finding was a base skill. Gelluk had. sold a child out of poverty to work for him, he paid them in true ivory; if they sold a child to. "I'll ask them their name," Medra said. He smiled. "If they'll tell me, they can come in. And when they think they've learned everything, they can go out again. If they can tell me my name." It took him six more days to get through the big herds in the eastern marshes. The last two days. young men. Secret meetings, inner circles. Rumors, whispers. The younger students are frightened, "When and where did we begin to go too far? What have we forgotten, turned our back on, put her face in her hands..I crossed the full width of the terrace, among S-shaped tables, under avenues of lanterns, oval doors opened at the end of the aisle, and a hollow, all-embracing roar, like that of the sea, as well as preserving-" they got to Roke and what happened there. What I can tell you is that it seems old Early is late. he felt cold, cold through, though he was sitting in the full heat of the summer's day. We are. He wanted to hurt her, to shock her out of her terrible, ignorant kindness, but what he said when. Ea and The Deed of the Young King, and at Sunreturn when he was eleven years old he sang the. Most people of the Archipelago have brown or red-brown skin, black straight hair, and dark eyes; the predominant body type is short, slender, small-boned, but fairly muscular and well-fleshed. In the East and South Reaches people tend to be taller, heavier boned, and darker. Many Southerners have very dark brown skin. Most Archipelagan men have little or no facial hair..opened, I began walking.. "What will you do?" she asked quietly.. That was a leap in the darkness. Which of them had said it? "We have to let them go," he said.. may be a matter for talk among the nine of us." then, scratching up the earth a bit, he neatly and delicately buried them. He dusted off his. He had power to raise huge waves on the sea, and to stop the tide or bring it early; and his voice could enchant whole populations, bringing all who heard him under his control. So he turned Morred's people against him. Crying out that their king had betrayed them, the villagers of Enlad destroyed their own cities and fields; sailors sank their ships; and his soldiers, obeying the Enemy's spells, fought one another in bloody and ruinous battles.. The beginning of the first stanza is quoted in Tehanu: In return he told Veil and Ember about the mines of Samory, and the wizard Gelluk, and Anieb the slave.. Otter away.. the use of a gift of power, he thought, if not to get out of a trap?. and flew.. vision to intention, from longing to planning. Veil was always cautious, warning of dangers. White-. "You're crazy," she said, very angry. It was a sweet anger. Why could not more anger be sweet?. She took the path to the old house. When his ears stopped ringing he stole after her, hoping the charm was working and that this was only her particularly uncouth way of leading him at last to her bed. Nearing the house, he

heard crockery breaking. The father, the drunkard, came wobbling out looking scared and confused, followed by Dragonfly's loud, harsh voice - "Out of the house, you drunken, crawling traitor! You foul, shameless lecher!".songs seem to have been moved not so much by greed as by anger, a sense of having been cheated.. "He's not too well," she said, speaking low. "He was curing the cattle away out east over the marsh, in the cold, for days on end, and wore himself out." "Come" she said, "before you fall asleep there," and he followed her obediently to Berry's room.,softly forward, her slave oarsmen sleeping on their benches, the free men of her crew all asleep.lenses?) -- suddenly disappeared; his seat expanded at the sides, which rose and joined to form a.down the path. He had not been standing there until the other mage said 'Ah." Irian stared from.That would be unwise," he said, with a good imitation of the Master Changer's terse solemnity. "If need be, I'll do it, of course. But you'll find wizards very sparing of the great spells. For good reason." "When he gets himself a girl," Golden said, in answer to whatever it was she had been saying, "he'll be all squared away. Living with the wizards, you know, the way they are, it set him back a bit. Don't worry about Diamond. He'll know what he wants when he sees it!".the Bond Rune or Rune of Peace, believed to be a guarantee of peaceful and righteous rule. "Let."In six minutes. Would you care for something to eat? There is no need to hurry. You can.Suddenly she looked at me, her cheeks darkened, it was a blush..certainty that was like a tiny lamp held in his hands in a maze of caverns underground. He kept.been more than two hundred..He named the Masters, Hand and Herbal, Summoner and Patterner, Windkey and Chanter, and the Namer, and the Changer. "The Changers and the Summoner's are very perilous arts," he said. "Changing, or transformation, you maybe know of, mistress. Even a common sorcerer may know how to work illusion changes, turning one thing into another thing for a little while, or taking on a semblance not his own. Have you seen that?".anger..can't go with her- Can't you go there?" She broke away from Rush, looking again at Tern. "You can.He was only a little sorcerer, a cheating healer with a few sorry spells. Or so he seemed. What if.small, bulging bottle. She poured me a drink. It had alcohol in it -- not much -- but there was.invasion. Venway, Torheven and the Torikles, Spevy, Perregal, and parts of Gont were under Kargish.wood as the plane ran down the silky oak board. Some noise or movement roused him. He looked up."There's people all over these parts, and maybe beyond, who think, as you said, that nobody can be wise alone. So these people try to hold to each other. And so that's why we're called the Hand, or the women of the Hand, though we're not women only. But it serves to call ourselves women, for the great folk don't look for women to work together. Or to have thoughts about such things as rule or misrule. Or to have any powers."a wrong turning somewhere. Tall reeds rose up close beside the paths, so that if a light shone.could not save one, not one, not the one who saved me," he said. "Nothing I know could have set.He never swore-men of power do not swear, it is not safe-but he cleared his throat with a coughing."They'll use a sorcerer and then ill-mouth him for his usefulness," she said. "It's not just."Later he knew he should never have let the boy leave the house. He had underestimated Diamond's willpower, or the strength of the spell the girl had laid on him. Their conversation was in the morning; Hemlock went back to the ancient cantrip he was annotating; it was not till supper time that he thought about his pupil, and not until he had eaten supper alone that he admitted that Diamond had run away..She lay awake in the little house, feeling the air stifling and the ceiling pressing down on her, then slept suddenly and deeply. She woke as suddenly when the east was just getting light. She went to the door to see what she loved best to see, the sky before sunrise. Looking down from it she saw Azver the Patterner rolled up in his grey cloak, sound asleep on the ground before her doorstep. She withdrew noiselessly into the house. In a little while she saw him going back to his woods, walking a bit stiffly and scratching his head as he went, as people do when half awake..So said Ember, his fierce, black-browed teacher..a man called Early, who would have liked to find the young upstart who defeated his master Gelluk..with you drawing you to the particular attention of the Master Summoner."..down. I saw alternating layers of darkness, and the cross sections of ceilings; white with reddish.Her thin voice was hidden by the many-voiced rain sweeping over the hills and through the trees.."A group of young men," said the Herbal, breathless, as he came to them. "Thorion's army. Coming."Will you trust me entirely, wholly - knowing that the risk I take for you is greater even than.the forests of Gont Mountain if he could; but he had been born in Re Albi and knew the roads and.with eagerness..The Patterner never came to her much before noon, so she had the mornings free. She was used to solitude, but still she missed Rose and Daisy and Coney, and the chickens and the cows and ewes, and the rowdy, foolish dogs, and all the work she did at home trying to keep Old Iria together and put food on the table. So she worked away unhurriedly every morning till she saw the mage come out from the trees with his sunlight-coloured hair shining in the sunlight..sweeps half manned, Medra's staying spell half spoken, when the witchwind struck..do that, sir, I'll do your things with mine," she said.."Now you," Diamond said to Rose, and she started to do what he had done, but the rock only.usually in a mixture of Hardic runic writing and True Runes. Of a lore-book (a compilation of.center of pilgrimage from the earliest recorded times, and the kings of Atuan and later of Hupun."Master Hand," said the Doorkeeper, "she asked to enter as a student, and I saw no reason to deny her." "Will you trust me entirely, wholly - knowing that the risk I take for you is greater even than your risk in this venture?" "What brought you here, Azver?" the Namer asked. "I've often thought of asking you. A long, long.as if he had the power to."What he found on Roke was both less and more than the hope and rumor he had sought so long. Roke.For Golden looked on the Art Magic with genuine humility as something quite beyond him -- not a mere toy, such as music or tale-telling, but a practical business, which his business could never quite equal. And he was, though he wouldn't have put it that way, afraid of wizards. A bit contemptuous of sorcerers, with their sleights and illusions and gibble-gabble, but afraid of wizards..women of the Hand, who are forgotten everywhere else in the world, even on Roke, but remembered.training..turn a mouse into a pigeon and set it flying round the great kitchens of the Lord of Ark. And if.holiest place was a cavern and standing stones in the desert of Atuan, called the Tombs. It was a.Dulse knew no transformation that was

irrevocable, no spell that could not be unsaid, except the. Knowledge of these places and powers was the heart of religion in the Kargad Realm. In the. "Well, this boy did learn at last to tame his anger and control his power. And a very great power it was. Whatever art he studied came easy to him, too easy, so that he despised illusion, and weatherworking, and even healing, because they held no fear, no challenge to him. He saw no virtue in himself for his mastery of them. So, after the Archmage Nemmerle had given him his name, the boy set his will on the great and dangerous art of summoning. And he studied with the Master of that art for a long time..exploitation. The land outlasts the empires. The conquerors may leave desert where there was.were challenged by Irioth. His gift was as great as Thorion's, I think. He used it to use men, to."No," she said, "only me... But there's a great deal of seeking and finding to be done in the Grove. Enough to keep even you from being restless. Why north?".Deeds, lays, songs, and popular ballads are still composed as oral performances, mostly by professional singers. New works of any general interest are soon written down as broadsheets or put in compilations..They greeted him, and Azver took the word - "Come into the Grove, Master Windkey," he said, "and.growl, like a bear. A moment later a thunderclap rolled off the hidden upper slopes of Gont."Is he curing the cattle?" she asked..had found a ship to take him back to Havnor. He had told her he'd never go back to Westpool; the.down into the dark, his scarlet cloak billowing up, the werelight round him like a falling star..liquid -- not beer, with its virulent, greenish glint -- and young people, boys and girls, arms.those black machines. I was puzzled by this blackout, no doubt intentional, as well as by the.friend the wise woman up to hex 'em away. Or aren't you friends anymore?". "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..mouth and her long, lean arms, the words spoken awry then, spoken truly now..saw that his companion was in distress, and said, "I'll get you out of here. Fetch a carter from.The deeds and lays that tell of raids by dragons and counterforays by wizards portray the dragons as pitiless as any wild animal, terrifying, unpredictable, yet intelligent, sometimes wiser than the wizards. Though they speak the True Speech, they are endlessly devious. Some of them clearly enjoy battles of wits with wizards, "splitting arguments with a forked tongue." Like human beings, all but the greatest of them conceal their true names. In the lay Hasa's Voyage, the dragons appear as formidable but feeling beings, whose anger at the invading human fleet is justified by their love of their own desolate domain. They address the hero:.In Losen's service was a man who called himself Hound, because, as he said, he had a nose for.shepherds there. A year ago last spring. That wizard they spoke of came there, casting spells..Listening to him, Medra thought of how he and Anieb had walked in the dark and rain by the faint.they think they've learned everything, they can go out again. If they can tell me my name." He broke free, stood up, stooping; neither of them could stand straight in the low cabin. Clenching and unclenching his hands, he stood as far from her as he could, his back to her..ribbon up to her black braid. "And I wish I had something for you!".He looked at her and said nothing..She sat on a while by the Thwilburn. She was troubled by what he had told her and by her thoughts.As they were talking with her master a wagon drew up on the dock and began to unload six familiar.file:///D:/Documents%20and%20Settings/harry/...%20LeGuin%20-%20Tales%20From%20Earthsea.txt (84 of 111) [2/5/2004 12:33:31 AM]. "But why-?". Chanter urged them on. They'll be along soon." "Well, why can't you do it all? The magic and the music, anyhow? You can always hire a

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