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nearest was open. I looked in. A large, broad-shouldered man looked in from the opposite side..the rocket straight from the forest. I was furious for a moment, but I calmed down; it was not..the music. And you.".Two days later, when they had reopened the old shaft and begun digging towards the ore, the wizard arrived. Licky had left Otter outside sitting in the sun rather than in the room in the barracks. Otter was grateful to him. He could not be wholly comfortable with his hands bound and his mouth gagged, but wind and sunlight were mighty blessings. And he could breathe deep and doze without dreams of earth stopping his mouth and nostrils, the only dreams he ever had, nights in the cell..given him for his twelfth birthday. He put it to his lips, his fingers danced, and he played a stride out of the stableyard without a word, the ugly hound she favoured trotting after her. It..She began to gasp for breath. In the red light that shone now from the crest of the mountain and..asked, fascinated, when she saw it, and when he answered with a laugh, "Rosemary," she laughed."Bregg." I heard her voice as if from a distance. I started. I had completely forgotten..There was an uncomfortable silence, as the Doorkeeper did not speak. At last a slight, bright-eyed."Get out!" she shouted. "Get away, you traitor, you foul lecher, or I'll cut the liver out of..At that the wizard whose true name was Heleth stood as still as he did, looking back at him, till the boy's gaze dropped..".Why would you come to the Marsh?" she asked. She had a right to ask, having taken him in, yet she felt a discomfort in pressing the question..an hour ago when the sun came out. Reeds brushed his legs. The mud was soft and sucking under his..showing his wares in the kitchens of the housewives and the sleepy taverns where the old men sat..balloon! I stood over him, astounded, unable even to mutter an apology. He picked himself up..But as he went back up the streets of South Port he lost her. He swore to keep her with him, to..the flowers -- and my voice failed me. She was calmly chewing the delicate petals. She looked up..old, here. We are old - the Masters..".water from the stream that ran clear and quiet ten steps from the door. She did these things in a..The witch said nothing. She knew the girl was right. Once the Master of Iria said he would or..Gift was in the dairy, having finished the evening milking. She was straining the milk and setting..or shore a timber. "Suits me," Licky said..another witch or an ordinary woman. They do not often marry men, and if they do, they are likely..few steps he doubled over and vomited on the ground..".They say," said Ayo from the shadows, "that there's an island where the rule of justice is kept."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..on Pendor. He went out with the young lord in his ship, past the Toringates and far into the West..They cursed and sneered, but believed him. He had no idea if what he said was true. It had seemed true as he said it. Perhaps he wanted to spite them. Perhaps he wanted to get rid of them..His mind wandered. "Eyelash" in the True Speech is siasa, he read, and he felt eyelashes brush his cheek in a butterfly kiss, dark lashes. He looked up startled and did not know what had touched him. Later when he tried to repeat the word, he stood dumb..as one of themselves, the good man who had found poor Otter half dead in the forest and brought..something Dulse could teach him: what went deeper than mastery. What he had learned here, on Gont..claiming lands and cities as his property. The warlords made those they conquered slaves, and..".I'm afraid..".The true name of a person is a word in the True Speech. An essential element of the talent of the witch, sorcerer, or wizard is the power to know the true name of a child and give the child that name. The knowledge can be evoked and the gift received only under certain conditions, at the right time (usually early adolescence) and in the right place (a spring, pool, or running stream)..looked at me, and reddened terribly..her bed. Nearing the house, he heard crockery breaking. The father, the drunkard, came wobbling..the weather was settled so mild, they had put up the mast and big square sail. The ship drifted..the shipwreck and the long night flight, and the grey beach led him only to the feet of sheer..When it came to teaching what he knew, he was tireless, generous, and exacting. For the first time, Medra was given a vision of magic not as a set of strange gifts and reasonless acts, but as an art and a craft, which could be known truly with long study and used rightly after long practice, though even then it would never lose its strangeness. Highdrake's mastery of spells and sorcery was not much greater than his pupil's, but he had clear in his mind the idea of something very much greater, the wholeness of knowledge. And that made him a mage..What he learned working with his father and uncle in the shipyard he could use, at least; and he..sleep with on a cold night. I'll be glad to pay you, mistress, if two coppers would suit, and my..it. "My mastery is here," the boy had said, but it went deeper than mastery. That, perhaps, was..".Keep an eye on him then, master," said the carter..thing for him to stay there, always among wizards and mages, among boys learning wizardry, all of..of?".immediately fell asleep in the artificial light of the windowless room, for what I had at first taken..hands clapping. Dulse shivered, shuddered all over like the water of the pool..his back..".Because it would have meant only one thing..".declared to be the Empire of the Sky and the Godkings official title was All-Emperor..walked away, entering under the trees..like Ivory's. She had got her hands clean, too, and they lay flat on her thighs, long strong..The Patterner pushed four pebbles into a little curve on the sand and said, "I wish the Sparrowhawk had not gone. I wish I could read what the shadows write. But all I can hear the leaves say is change, change... Everything will change but them." He looked up into the trees again with that yearning look. The sun was setting; he stood up, bade her goodnight gently, and walked away, entering under the trees..clothes on, foul as they were from days and days of travel. There was a pair of shoes under the..standing among the armed and armored men, said, "Him. Let the others be." And to Otter he said..to tell you what Roke is like," he said. "But it would be my pleasure..".wasting cough, Birch's wife dared not trouble the wise young man about it, but sent humbly to Rose..played the man so thoroughly all day that she had half-convinced even

him. Maybe she'll fool the. For a long time nobody would touch him. He had fallen down in a fit in San's doorway. He lay there now like a dead man. But the curer from the south said he wasn't dead, and was as dangerous as an adder. San told how Otak had put a curse on Sunbright and said some awful words that made him get smaller and smaller and wail like a stick in the fire, and then all in a moment he was back in himself again, but sick as a dog, as who could blame him, and all the while there was this light around the other one, Otak, like a wavering fire, and shadows jumping, and his voice not like any human voice. A terrible thing..the silence by splashing and breathing hard. He slogged back up the path through the reeds till he and over again. For a while I watched one -- a doll almost as large as myself, a caricature with..frightened..deserted. I must have taken a wrong turn. One part of my "platform" held flattened buildings..thing in a dangerous element, vulnerable to spells and hexes. As soon as Hound came aboard the new..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..The name and office of archmage were invented by Halkel, and the Archmage of Roke was a tenth."Well, of course they do," said Rose, "that's what they're there for!".all the eastern sky he saw the foam and spittle run scarlet from her mouth. Sometimes she clutched..would be exposed to the wizards power and to the might of the fleets and armies under his command.."What's up?" said Kurremkarmerruk. "I've been reading about dragons. Not paying attention. But all the boys I had studying at the Tower left."."I'm no good there, you see, Ged," he said. "I am, here. If they'll let me do the work." He looked again at Gift, and Ged did also. She looked at them both..singer with a droning voice and a droning bagpipe was singing The Deed of the Dragonlord to a.They can, and will. And if you reveal yourself, they will punish you. And me." He put a ponderous..sparkle. His family had praised him for the trick and made him show it off to visitors; and then..Medra stayed three years with Highdrake, and when the old mage died, the Lord of Pendor asked Medra to take his place. Despite his ranting and scolding against dragon hunters, High-drake had been honored in his island, and his successor would have both honor and power. Perhaps tempted to think that he had come as near to Morred's Isle as he would ever come, Medra stayed a while longer on Pendor. He went out with the young lord in his ship, past the Toringates and far into the West Reach, to look for dragons. There was a great longing in his heart to see a dragon. But untimely storms, the evil weather of those years, drove their ship back to Ingat three times, and Medra refused to run her west again into those gales. He had learned a good deal about weatherworking since his days in a catboat on Havnor Bay..Hemlock dismissed that with a flick of his hand. "I am talking of the True Art," he said. "Now I will be frank with you. I advise you to write your parents -- I shall write them too -- informing them of your decision to go to the School on Roke, if that is what you decide; or to the Great Port, if the Mage Restive will take you on, as I think he will, with my recommendation. But I advise against visiting home. The entanglement of family, friends, and so on is precisely what you need to be free of. Now, and henceforth."."If you need to read the Mountain," his teacher had told him, "go to the Dark Pond at the top of Semere's cow pasture. You can see the ways from there. You need to find the center. See where to go in."..Only in silence the word..He was still shaken, appalled, by the ease with which Gelluk had forced him to say his name, which gave the wizard immediate and ultimate power over him. Now he had no hope of resisting Gelluk in any way. That night he had been in utter despair. But then Anieb had come into his mind: come of her own will, by her own means. He could not summon her, could not even think of her, and would not have dared to do so, since Gelluk knew his name. But she came, even when he was with the wizard, not in apparition but as a presence in his mind..to conic to the city every year or two."..file:///D:/Documents%20and%20Settings/harry/...0%20LeGuin%20-%20Tales%20From%20Earthsea.txt (58 of 111) [2/5/2004 12:33:31 AM]..the East and South Reaches people tend to be taller, heavier boned, and darker. Many Southerners."Will you come with me?" the Patterner said to Irian..Six to seven hundred years ago a sky-god religion began to spread across the islands, a development of the worship of the Twin Gods Atwah and Wuluah, originally heroes of a desert saga from Hur-at-Hur. A Sky Father was added as head of the pantheon, and a priestly caste developed to lead the rites. Without suppressing the worship of the Old Powers, the priests of the Twin Gods and the Sky Father began to professionalise religion, managing the rituals and festivals, building increasingly costly temples, and controlling public ceremonies such as marriages, funerals, and the installation of officials.."That's a formality. We senior sorcerers may carry a staff when we're on Roke's business. Which I..The daughter of "the wise king Thoreg" rescued Erreth-Akbe from this trance or imprisoning spell..It was far more convenient to him that Losen should be king than that he himself should rule Havnor openly. Men of arms didn't trust men of craft and didn't like to serve them. No matter what a mage's powers, unless he was as mighty as the Enemy of Morred, he couldn't hold armies and fleets together if the soldiers and sailors chose not to obey. People were in the habit of fearing and obeying Losen, an old habit now, and well learned. They credited him with the powers he had had of bold strategy, firm leadership, and utter cruelty; and they credited him with powers he had never had, such as mastery over the wizards who served him..What he found on Roke was both less and more than the hope and rumor he had sought so long. Roke."Nais. . .".like I'm the water finder and you're my wand, see? You lead on. And if you want to go this way or..The donkey leaned its head hard against his hand so that he would go on scratching the place just above its eyes and below its ears. When he did so, it flicked its long right ear. So when he parted from the donkey he took the right hand of the crossroad, though it looked as if it would lead back to the hill; and soon enough he came among houses, and then onto a street that brought him down at last into the town at the head of the bay..lucky as an Irian'. The masters and many tenants of the domain added its name to their own..Erreth-Akbe, sailing into the bay "with sails worn transparent by the eastern winds," could not pause to "embrace his heart's brother or greet his home." Taking dragon form himself, he flew to battle with Orm over Mount Onn. "Flame and fire in the midnight air" could be seen from the palace in Havnor. They flew north, Erreth-Akbe in pursuit. Over the sea near Taon, Orm turned again and this time wounded the

mage so that he had to come down to earth and take his own form. He came, with the dragon now following him, to the Old Island, Ea, the first land Segoy raised from the sea. On that sacred and powerful soil, he and Orm met. Ceasing their battle, they spoke as equals, agreeing to end the enmity of their races. "I'll show you. Dog can't track till he's had the scent." "Let me in, mother," he whispered in the tongue that was as old as the hill. The ground shivered a little and opened. Her mother, whom nobody knew or honoured or was true to, except herself, around one another, in groups of six, eight, blocking the way across the entire thoroughfare, came. There were no wizards serving Losen now except Early and a couple of humble sorcerers. Early had obeyed, your majesty." He summoned his wizards, and the mage Early came, bowing low. "Make me walk!" "Havnor like an arrow of fire." (Dragons are generally referred to both in Hardic and Kargish as a wizard, as Halkel defined the term, was a man who received his staff from a teacher, himself a wizard, who had taken special responsibility for his training. It was usually the Archmage who gave a student his staff and made him wizard. This kind of teaching and succession occurred elsewhere than Roke—notably on Paln—but the Masters of Roke came to regard with suspicion a student of anyone not trained on Roke. "If it hasn't rusted shut," Dulse added, apart with the palm of his hand, half a tun barrels. That's ours," Ivory said, and the ship's master said, "Bound for Hort Town," and lay entangled. They entered death's land together. This was a hotel, not the Prometheus. I remembered it all: the labyrinths of the station, the had her name and with it the power to make her do whatever he wanted, days ago, weeks ago, with a. In a busy street leading down to the busy wharfs of Gont Port, the wizard Ogion stopped short. The "She can lodge in the town," the Changer said, with some relief. Dulse knew no transformation that was irrevocable, no spell that could not be unsaid, except the. file:///D:/Documents%20and%20Settings/harry/...0%20LeGuin%20-%20Tales%20From%20Earthsea.txt (37 of 111) [2/5/2004 12:33:31 AM]. through that door, even for a moment, what a sweet revenge it would be! and crouched down by the enormous, hunching roots of a willow that leaned out over the water. The. They walked without light except for the faint werelight Gelluk sent before them. They went through long-disused levels, yet the wizard seemed to know every step, or perhaps he did not know the way and was wandering without heed. He talked, turning sometimes to Otter to guide him or warn him, then going on, talking on. 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?"