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the limited habitable land available to them. Famine is unknown and poverty seldom acute..stung by flies. He said, "Oh! I can't --!" He bolted off into the dusk beyond the lanterns hanging.isles-and beyond. People have puzzled at their choosing the empty sea for their domain, since.But Otter was intensely aware of Gelluk, both physically and as a presence of immense controlling.Ogion shook his head. He let his sending sit down in the grass near Heleth, though it did not bend."Even if I argued for you. They won't listen. The Rule of Roke forbids women to be taught any high art, any word of the Language of the Making. It's always been so. They will not listen. So they must be shown! And we'll show them, you and I. We'll teach them. You must have courage, Dragonfly. You must not weaken, and not think, "Oh, if I just beg them to let me in, they can't refuse me." They can, and will. And if you reveal yourself, they will punish you. And me." He put a ponderous emphasis on the last word, and inwardly murmured, "Avert." "I'll get the water," Tern said. He took the basin and went out to the courtyard, to the well..through greed, the other through foolishness. One had a daughter who married a merchant and tried.Dragonfly peered close at Rose's work. Rose brought out a maggot, dropped it, spat on it, and probed again. The girl leaned up against the ewe, and the ewe leaned against the girl, giving and receiving comfort. Rose extracted, dropped, and spat on the last maggot, and said, "Just hand me that bucket now." She bathed the sore with salt water. The ewe sighed deeply and suddenly walked out of the yard, heading for home. She had had enough of medicine. "Bucky!" Rose shouted. A grubby child appeared from under a bush where he had been asleep and trailed after the ewe, of whom he was nominally in charge although she was older, larger, better fed, and probably wiser than he was..incalculable. He was amazed when, not long after, she said to him, "I'll be going to the Grove.Nothing, to his mind, could be more despicable than such a betrayal of their art. So it troubled.As far as the mind goes..as pitiless as any wild animal, terrifying, unpredictable, yet intelligent, sometimes wiser than.She hesitated; she laughed. "If he wants a fife-player," she said.."That's Roke Knoll, lad," the weatherworker said to Dragonfly, who stood beside him at the rail.,Not long since, he had sent for Hound on some business, and when it was done the old man had said."He lay as if dead, cold, his heart not beating, yet he breathed. The Herbal used all his art, but could not rouse him. "He is dead," he said. "The breath will not leave him, but he is dead." So we mourned him. Then, because here was dismay among us, and all my patterns spoke of change and danger, we met to choose a new Warden of Roke, an Archmage to guide us. And in our council we set the young king in the Summoner's place. To us it seemed right that he should sit among us. Only the Changer spoke against it at first, and then agreed..bold, muddy-coated, with the sickness in it like a prickling, a tingling, a hotness in his hands.,him, like him; first they went out together. . ."almost pleading, incredulous silence, he insisted: 'You could. A woman you are, but there are ways.be no true king of Earthsea. Mortally wounded in battle against the rebel lord Gehis of the."I think what we have to do," he said without preamble, "is try to hold the fault from slipping.decide, act as a man or as a wizard against the wizard who hunted him..Grove. Enough to keep even you from being restless. Why north?" "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.."He drinks because he drinks," she said. "With some, that's all it is. I'll be in the dairy, now. I'll lock the house door. There's... there's been strangers about. You rest yourself. It's bitter out." She wanted to be sure that he stayed indoors out of harm's way, and that nobody came harassing him. Later on she would go into the village, have a word with some of the sensible people, and put a stop to this rubbishy talk, if she could..sparkle. His family had praised him for the trick and made him show it off to visitors; and then.Back in the cell room, when Licky had unleashed him and untied his gag, he said, "There's some ore.He helped her stand. He made no spell to protect or hide them. His strength had been used up. And though there was a great magery in her, which had brought her with him every step of that strange journey into the valley and tricked the wizard into saying his name, she knew no arts or spells, and had no strength left at all..by the Rule to work together and for the good of all, but each seeing a different way to do it..He looked at her, that vivid, fierce, dark face in its rough cloud of hair. She wore only her shift, and he saw the infinitely delicate, tender rise of her breasts. He drew her to him again, but though she hugged him she drew away again, frowning..Medra took her hand and put his forehead against it. Telling his story he had kept back tears. He could not do so now.."Ard. My teacher." Heleth looked up, his face unreadable, its expression possibly sly. "You didn't know that? No, I suppose I never mentioned it. But it doesn't make much difference, after all. Since we none of us have any sex, us wizards, do we? What matters is whose house we live in. It seems we may have left out a good deal worth knowing. This kind of thing-There! There again-".Bren's old dog had been. "He talks to em, and I'll swear they consider what he says. And that.She nodded..worth playing. If she ran away with him, the game was as good as won. As for the joke of it, the.So these are reports of my explorations and discoveries: tales from Earthsea for those who have.step, wiped them dry with the rag that hung on the handle of the pot, picked up the eggs, stood up.hard red wine from his last vineyard and walking his boundaries with a troop of ill-treated.,knew about Early. Not a sign of him nor from him. Maybe I could find him, they said, joking me.,then stood with my clothes in my hands, since there were no hangers; there was instead a small.There were many such isles in the Archipelago, made barren and desolate by rival wizards' blights.farewell, knowing that with the last, dying sound more than the song would end. I had not known.Hand said, "Irian, I am sorry. Ivory was my pupil. If I taught him badly, I did worse in sending.the story will have weight and make sense.."We must give what we have to give," said Medra. "If all but us are slaves, what's our freedom worth?"..city and all the east and south of Havnor. Exacting tribute from that rich domain, he spent it to.Tarry came back with his band in an hour or so, ungrateful for the respite and much the worse for.but there was more of obedience in it. Dogs were hierarchs, dividing the world into lords

and more. Her eyes were closed, but suddenly the whites shone from underneath her lashes; I bent. was Irioth. Maybe in time he would be another man. No; that was wrong; he must be this man.

This file:///D:/Documents%20and%20Settings/harry/...0%20LeGuin%20-%20Tales%20From%20Earthsea.txt (28 of 111) [2/5/2004 12:33:30 AM]. The Doorkeeper looked at her for what seemed a long time. Then it is your name," he said. "But. "But the Summoner fought him both in body and spirit, and called to me, and I came. Together we. which wasn't much more than a cupboard built onto the corner of the house. Her room was behind the. I will unmake the islands, the white waves will whelm all. "Better stay here." their camping place he saw the four stars of the Forge come out above the western hills. It looked very old. It had been rebuilt and rebuilt again, but not for a long time. Nor had anyone lived in it for a long time, from the feel of it. But it was a pleasant feeling, as if those who had slept there had slept peacefully. As for decrepit walls, mice, cobwebs, and scant furniture, none of that was new to Irian. She found a bald broom and swept out a bit. She unrolled her blanket on the plank bed. She found a cracked pitcher in a skew-doored cabinet and filled it with water from the stream that ran clear and quiet ten steps from the door. She did these things in a kind of trance, and having done them, sat down in the grass with her back against the house wall, which held the heat of the sun, and fell asleep. Early never disregarded any triviality Hound mentioned, because so many of them had proved not to file:///D:/Documents%20and%20Settings/harry/...0%20LeGuin%20-%20Tales%20From%20Earthsea.txt (80 of 111) [2/5/2004 12:33:31 AM]. "Thank you for these and the shoes," he said, and thanking her for the gift, remembered her use-name but said only, "mistress." changes, turning one thing into another thing for a little while, or taking on a semblance not his. stretched his leg, nursing the torn place, and looked up at the woman. "It would take a long time. Indeed Otter was unsure whether the wizard meant the pirate or the quicksilver, but he risked a. THE DARK TIME, THE HAND, AND ROKE SCHOOL. "Why do you say nothing?" I asked. I had to clear my throat. leave us the air-sea, the unknown, the utmost.... "I am not, after all, a wild animal. Don't be angry, but. . . it seems to me that you've all. They went on through darkness, seeing only the track before them in the dim silvery glow of werelight shot through by silver lines of rain. When she stumbled he caught her arm. After that they went on pressed close side by side for comfort and for the little warmth. They walked slower, and yet slower, but they walked on. There was no sound but the sound of the rain falling from the black sky, and the little kissing squelch of their sodden feet in the mud and wet grass of the track. She had no wish to explore for herself. The peacefulness of the place called for stillness, watching, listening; and she knew how tricky the paths were, and that the Grove was, as the Patterner put it, "bigger inside than outside". She sat down in a patch of sun-dappled shade and watched the shadows of the leaves play across the ground. The oakmast was deep; though she had never seen wild swine in the wood, she saw their tracks here. For a moment she caught the scent of a fox. Her thoughts moved as quietly and easily as the breeze moved in the warm light. was some sniggering and shushing. "How could he not want to?" "I told him," Golden said, "that I had seen you, with a turn of your hand and a single word. "I don't care what's "allowed", he said, with a frown she had never seen on his face. The. all a judgment on his son. straight, unmoved. The city shuddered and stood still. It was Ogion who stopped the earthquake. He let that sink in for a while, and then continued softly, "And to work the spell of semblance on. The Doorkeeper caught up with her as she came to a cross-corridor and stood not knowing which way to take. "This way," he said, falling into step beside her, and after a while, "This way," and so they came quite soon to a door. It was not made of horn and ivory. It was uncarved oak, black and massive, with an iron bolt worn thin with age. "This is the back door," the mage said, unbolting it. "Media's Gate, they used to call it. I keep both doors." He opened it. The brightness of the day dazzled Irian's eyes. When she could see clearly she saw a path leading from the door through the gardens and the fields beyond them; beyond the fields were the high trees, and the swell of Roke Knoll off to the right. But standing on the path just outside the door as if waiting for them was the pale-haired man with narrow eyes. After Golden had gone out, she found her son in the counting-room going through ledgers. She looked at the pages. Long, long lists of names and numbers, debts and credits, profits and losses. oval doors opened at the end of the aisle, and a hollow, all-embracing roar, like that of the sea. "I'll give you some. . . angehen, is that all right? But you don't know what it is, do you?" an eye for beauty, and liked to look at the old house dreaming away in the dappled light of the. There's no truth in this tale but one, which is that indeed one of the first Masters of Roke opened and entered a great cavern. But though the roots of Roke are the roots of all the islands, that cavern was not on Roke. woman repeated, "I won't have it! Don't let that touch me." I did not see the face of the speaker. stableyard, off across the hill, on the path that went around it halfway up. One of the dogs, her. then, he will spring forth, shining! Golden owned the mill that cut the oak boards for the ships they built in Havnor South Port and. "Very good, very good, Medra," said the wizard. "You may call me Father." "I thought you were on your toes. . .". saddled mule. "Master Alder says Master Otak can ride her, it being a ten-twelve miles out to the. freedom than most village women and less need to fear abuse. Many pledge "witch-troth" with file:///D:/Documents%20and%20Settings/harry/...0%20LeGuin%20-%20Tales%20From%20Earthsea.txt (24 of 111) [2/5/2004 12:33:30 AM]. Morred and Elfarran married, and the poem describes their reign as a brief golden age, the foundation and touchstone of ethic and governance thereafter. A long shudder went through her as she stood facing him. She felt herself larger than he was. sarcophagi. What did they do in them? But such things I encountered all the time, and tried not to. "Irian," he said, and now her name came easily, sweet and cool as spring water in his dry mouth. would have the boy call him Father. He recalled that he had intended to find out his true name. Wathort. Maybe that man, too, had thought he could do no harm. "How do you know of that House?" "I know you don't." "Why so, Tern?" "But I will come, master!" he said. And then after a pause, "How soon?" And after a longer pause, reason to frighten them. They were not men. four mages stood on the path. She blushed a little. This

was a contest, then, a foe worth fighting! Early took a step backward and then, smiling..Since the coronation of King Lebannen and the restoration of the High Courts and Councils in Havnor Great Port, Roke has remained without an archmage. It appears that this office, not originally part of the governance of the school or of the Archipelago, is no longer useful or appropriate, and that Ged, whom many call the greatest of the arch-mages, may have been the last..then, a girl couldn't let a man into her room?".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..file:///D:/Documents%20and%20Settings/harry/...0%20LeGuin%20-%20Tales%20From%20Earthsea.txt (71 of 111) [2/5/2004 12:33:31 AM].Immanent Grove. The men now on Roke were those spared children, grown, and a few men now grown.They are five against us," said the Herbal.. "She taught me.".Dulse considered himself a wordy, impatient man with a short temper. The necessity of not swearing..year's leaf by her hand..Roke Island, the Bay of Thwil. Early knew of the harbor from the maps in Havnor, and knew there..paying much attention to him unless he frightened them. He tried not to do that. He had no wish or..However the Division came about, from the beginning of historical time human beings have lived in..he was ten years old. He had been afraid of them, the women that shouted at him to get out of the..mouth, froze in readiness..never came to Roke Island, never saw it, sailed right through where the sea charts said was an..All the people of the Archipelago and the Reaches share the Hardic language and culture with local variations. The Raft People of the far South West Reach retain the great annual celebrations, but little else of Archipelagan culture, having no commerce, no agriculture, and no knowledge of other peoples.. "You might have a bit of linen, though, mistress? woven, or thread? Linen of Pody is the best-so I've heard as far as Havnor. And I can tell the quality of what you're spinning. A beautiful thread it is." Crow watched his companion with amusement and some disdain; he himself could bargain for a book very shrewdly, but nattering with common women about buttons and thread was beneath him. "Let me just open this up," Tern was saying as he spread his pack out on the cobbles, and the women and the dirty, timid children drew closer to see the wonders he would show them. "Woven cloth we're looking for, and the undyed thread, and other things too-buttons we're short of. If you had any of horn or bone, maybe? I'd trade one of these little velvet caps here for three or four buttons. Or one of these rolls of ribbon; look at the color of it. Beautiful with your hair, mistress! Or paper, or books. Our masters in Orrimy are seeking such things, if you had any put away, maybe.".the bed. She was Anieb..They walked past the roaster tower, past the old shaft and the new one, on into the long valley..That was all right, for she had done the same for Otter's elder sister, and so his parents sent..the trees. "Stay tonight. You will?".She was looking down at her hands, clasped now on her knees. In the faint reddish glow of

the..file:///D:/Documents%20and%20Settings/harry/...0%20LeGuin%20-%20Tales%20From%20Earthsea.txt (103 of 111) [2/5/2004 12:33:32 AM]. "The Patterner sent for us," said the Master Herbal. He looked uncomfortable. Noticing a clump of..power in Losen's pay. Hound did not consider himself to be one of them. "All I have is a nose," he..Weatherworkers used to carry a leather sack in which they said they kept the winds, untying it to..She stared. "But I thought you'd tell it to me - the password.".lions. . .great fleet to destroy it. He was destroyed, and his fleet scattered.

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