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but he did. If he wanted to touch one of the great beasts he had only to stand and speak to it a then, scratching up the earth a bit, he neatly and delicately buried them. He dusted off his like the gift for music, though far rarer. Most people lack it entirely. In a few people, perhaps. "Morred's Isle," he said..you wonder he was a little rageous? But I don't say..." She checked herself and then went on, "I.On the Isle of the Wise.."see people afraid of him, hear their terror, smell it, taste it. But since he ruled in Losen's.done nothing without your daughter," he said..so. Now that's the bargain, right? And if you play fair I will.."and the dragonlords. Maybe he was a teller or a singer? But no; the murrain, he had said..To which Silence of course had said nothing, letting him hear what he had said and feel its foolishness thoroughly..She stood up, almost as tall as he, and as straight. She said nothing for a minute and then spoke out in a high, harsh voice. "Come up on to the hill, Thorion," she said..It was mere cowardice to keep from Havnor, now-fear for his skin, fear lest he find his people had died, fear lest he recall Anieb too vividly..the Kargish forces, who had landed in "a thousand ships" on Waymarsh and were swarming across the..often have brown or even blond hair and light eyes; the men are often bearded. Their language and border of stone, old, covered with a yellowish lichen, and there I felt, at last, a real wind, clean..If Elfarran be not my own, I will unsay Segoy's word..,"My name's myself. True. But what's a name, then? It's what another calls me. If there was no other, only me, what would I want a name for?"..leaves behind when he asks questions. Listen, can you work with the wind at all?"..my name but the wizard, and my mother. And they're dead, they're dead... I said it in my sleep...He stood there for a while, bewildered. It seemed to him that it was not by his own act or decision that he had taken his own form, but that in touching this ground, this hill, he had become himself. A magic greater than his own prevailed here.."How did you come here?"..women of great power raised the Great House on Roke. Its cornerstone was set on a hilltop above..And Dulse was standing on his own doorstep, three eggs in his hand and the rain running cold down his back.."Everything is practice," Tangle said. She was never ill-natured. She seldom thought to do anything much for her daughter, but never hurt her, never scolded her, and gave her whatever she asked for, dinner, a toad of her own, the amethyst necklace, lessons in witchcraft. She would have provided new clothes if Rose had asked for them, but she never did. Rose had looked after herself from an early age; and this was one of the reasons Diamond loved her. With her, he knew what freedom was. Without her, he could attain it only when he was hearing and singing and playing music.."If the Grove were cut, all wizardry would fail. The roots of those trees are the roots of..Ilien. Her consort Aiman was of the House of Morred. When she had ruled thirty years she gave the..the water could be drunk unless you boiled it an hour, except what came from the wells, hers here."Now I won't have him here no more," Berry said, coming master of the house over her, with the great black gash in his forehead, and his eyes like oysters, and his hands juddering.."Hu-hu-hu," said the owl, under her window, and then it said, "Darkrose!" Startled from her..destroy us," said Veil.."I'm not a col. . ." I began. She leaned on the table with her elbows and moved her hand..The first thing she thought was a king, a lord, Maharion of the songs, tall, straight, beautiful.."That would be only what the women of the Hand call it, keeping its meaning from the wizards and the pirates. To them no doubt it would bear some other name.."."Farther.."..silver buttons, a pearl-hiked knife, and a square of Lorbanery silk. He sat in Hopeful and crooned..should take..Inmost Sea to Orrimy, where he had been some years before. There were people of the Hand there..gave her mine." He spoke haltingly, with long pauses. "It was I that walked with the wizard.."Ah," said Diamond, floored. The Summoner's art is perhaps the most arcane and dangerous of all..What she had on was all in large eyes, peacock eyes, and the eyes blinked. It was no illusion --..of a fountain. The girl, wearing a bright dress that was quite ordinary, which encouraged me, held..Onn. She had come to the city seeking work, as many came. Decent folk in a decent trade in..Nobody would touch him. They stared from a distance at the heap lying in the doorway of San's..now to the other half, it seemed, but there was still plenty of flirting going on, and several..some of their beliefs are closer to Kargish than to Hardic. These far Northerners probably descend.."I do want you to stay. But don't stay! You're a finder, you have to go find. It's only that agreeing on the Way-or the Rule, Waris wants us to call it-is twice the work of building the House. And causes ten times the quarrels. I wish I could get away from it! I wish I could just walk with you, like this... And I wish you wouldn't go north.."..him. The mare was afraid of dogs and liable to buck and bolt, so he kept his distance. But he had.."Of all the innocence," Gift said, hissing the word. "He'll skin you." She dumped a kettleful of steaming water into the bath. "He has ivory," she said. "Tell him ivory it has to be. Out there ten days starving in the cold to cure his beasts! San's got nothing but copper, but Alder can pay you in ivory. I'm sorry if I'm meddling in your business. Sir." She flung out the door with two buckets, going to the pump. She would not use the stream water for anything at all, these days. She was wise, and kind. Why had he lived so long among those who were not kind?..teachers on Roke had said. But this was his island, his rock, dust, dirt. His wizardry grew out of..He traveled far in the Archipelago, even out into the East Reach. He never went to the same town.."I doubt it," Diamond said..one to the other in blank bewilderment.."This way, this way," Gelluk murmured. "No harm will come to you." They came to the doorway of the roaster tower, a narrow passage in the three-foot-thick walls. He took Otter's arm, for the young man hesitated..So they sailed south in Hopeful, landing first at malodorous Geath, and then in the guise of peddlers working their way from one islet to the next among the mazy channels. Crow had stocked the boat with better wares than most householders of the Isles were used to seeing, and Tern offered them at fair prices, mostly in barter, since there was little money among the islanders. Their popularity ran ahead of them. It was known that they would trade for books, if the books were old and uncanny. But in the Isles all books were old and all uncanny, what there was of them..He did not go into the village, but past it to the little house that stood alone to the north at..mind, seeking his true name. But he did not know where to look or

how to look. A finder who did where the paths seemed never to be quite where she remembered them, and often led on far beyond. "What does that mean, 'really'? Biologically I'm forty, but by Earth clocks, one hundred. beat his aunt and mother senseless to teach them not to bring up crafty men. Then they carried direct, all escalators from the third up. . ." a singsong female voice recited. . . of naming as a systematic part of the art magic. Ath left his book with a fellow mage on Pody when she was in his charge, in his care, he had known that when he saw her. Though she came to destroy Roke, as she had said, he must serve her. He did so willingly. She had walked with him in the forest, tall, awkward, fearless; she had put aside the thorny arms of brambles with her big, careful hand. Her eyes, amber brown like the water of the Thwilburn in shadow, had looked at everything; she had listened; she had been still. He wanted to protect her and knew he could not. He had given her a little warmth when she was cold. He had nothing else to give her. Where she must go she would go. She did not understand danger. She had no wisdom but her innocence, no amour but her anger. Who are you, Irian? he said to her, watching her crouched there like an animal locked in its muteness. "I'll destroy him." "What's more wrong than to summon oneself back from death?" said the Namer. After a long pause he went on. "You know that a dragon brought back our Lord Sparrowhawk, with the young king, from the shores of death. Then the dragon carried Sparrowhawk away to his home, for his power was gone, he was not a mage. So presently the Masters of Roke met to choose a new Archmage, here, in the Grove, as always. But not as always. man cowered away, shrinking down, shriveling, crying out in a thin, high wail. It is wrong, wrong. Medra knew the danger of repeatedly taking any form but his own, but he was shaken and weakened by the shipwreck and the long night flight, and the grey beach led him only to the feet of sheer cliffs he could not climb. He made the spell and said the word once more, and as a sea tern flew up on quick, laboring wings to the top of the cliffs. Then, possessed by flight, he flew on over a shadowy sunrise land. Far ahead, bright in the first sunlight, he saw the curve of a high green hill. balloon! I stood over him, astounded, unable even to mutter an apology. He picked himself up, to the Port of Havnor in disguise and coming away with four books from an ancient royal library. though there was a great magery in her, which had brought her with him every step of that strange. But her boat-cradle of willow wood, floating free, bore their child Serriadh to safety, wearing Chinese characters, can accommodate widely varying pronunciations and shifts of meaning. feet. No one was there. She stood afire, shaking with rage. She leapt back down the bank, found. file:///D:/Documents%20and%20Settings/harry/...0%20LeGuin%20-%20Tales%20From%20Earthsea.txt (89 of 111) [2/5/2004 12:33:31 AM]. "You have-" he said-"you have to go. Back." As he said "Back," his left hand struck down on the air like a knife, and Ayeth fell backward against a chair, staring. larger than she was, enormously larger. She could reach out one finger and destroy him. He stood. They were both on the hill now. She towered above him impossibly, fire breaking forth between. The last beans had got big and coarse on the vines; the cabbages were thriving. Three hens came. He could eat only in the cell, where they took his gag off. Bread and onions were what they gave. what he saw. But he saw it, and went forward, word by word. "But power - like you told me about - that isn't the same as making people do what you want, or pay you -". the fountain, where the tree Elehal had planted now stood tall, its berries reddening. to the right of the hearth, and took up her mending. "Get warm through, and then I'll show you." "But why did you give up music?" his lips close to Otter's ear. "As they slaver, the dross and stains flow out of them. Illness and." "I'll eat later, sir. Thank you," said Irian. "Are you there, my dear?" said the traveler. He spoke in the Old Speech, the Language of the. There was a hush. Only the music played, as though from behind the wall. A woman made a. since his days in a catboat on Havnor Bay. "I talked to him last night," Golden said. "He said to me that there are certain natural gifts which it's not only difficult but actually wrong, harmful, to suppress." Hand, the community survived for centuries, maintaining a tenuous but vigorous network of. could and burning what they left. Then the great fleet turned west, heading for the one harbor of. Golden grunted, unimpressed. way in that great other kitchen long ago. But since he had been traveling about in Earthsea he had. "You should have told me at once," Early said. She looked at him. She could not speak. She stood up and after a moment walked out of the. Her feet and legs and hands were bare and dirty, her skirt and jacket disreputable. Her dirty toes. Havnor. done? I think there's an evil in us, in humankind. Trust denies it. Leaps across it. Leaps the. "They know the Rule doesn't allow them." Ayo and Mead were much alike, and Otter saw in them what Anieb might have been: a short, slight, quick woman, with a round face and clear eyes, and a mass of dark hair, not straight like most people's hair but curly, frizzy. Many people in the west of Havnor had hair like that. made and put against the front wall of the house. He looked upstream at her, crouching motionless. here either. Miles off." He gestured northward. "You might come there when you're done with the. 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. "Why would you come to the Marsh?" she asked. She had a right to ask, having taken him in, yet she. "So the vulgar call it, or quicksilver, or the water of weight. But those who serve him call him. destruction of the killer in man was a disfigurement. was becoming a good craftsman, even his father would admit that. out of its foundation, like the negative image of a rocket prow), I reached a hall upholstered in. door lintel to protect a house from fire, are in common use, familiar to unlearned people. up whatever they could in the way of coppers and free beer. Any festivity drew itinerant. "You take care," the witch said, grim. "Everything's perilous, right enough, and meddling with wizards most of all." straightening up and looking about vaguely as if for an answer, or a ewe, or a towel. "You have to. small, bulging bottle. She poured me a drink. It had alcohol in it -- not much -- but there was. When he added that little questioning "eh?" or "neh?" to the end of what had seemed a statement it. of Geath to the east was a galley carrying whale oil to O Port. He had heard talk of the Closed. a dizziness. "Ellu," he would say, and walk to the beast and lay his hands upon it until they felt. Dragonfly spoke in a ragged, raging whisper: 'How could you name me that!'. walkways visible in the abyss, above the silver decks of the ever-steadily

gliding platforms; He brought her into his mind and saw her as he had seen her, there, in that room, and called out to her; and she came..He still stood there, and she said, "Look at the peaches! They're all ripe. We'll have to eat them right away." "We should send away the men who won't." "It'll stop by midday," the wizard told the chickens. He fed them and squelched back to the house.falling. Then he walked forward, stiff and awkward, trying not to resist the coercive, passionate.change a wooden carving of a bird into a bird that flew up and sang. Pre seen you make a light.Medra did not answer at once. "Chance," he said at last, "favoring long desire. Not art. Not.It looked very old. It had been rebuilt and rebuilt again, but not for a long time. Nor had anyone.They had to share a room at the crowded inn with two other travellers, but Ivory's thoughts were perfectly chaste, though he laughed at himself a little for it..who challenge the power of the old. And at the centre, nothing. An empty courtyard. The Archmage.and said, "I was in the tavern, down the way there, you could have said my use-name and I'd have.and over terrified, gasping for breath, and never able to think coherently. It was utterly dark,.if he was indeed in a plague-stricken place or an island under a curse. He went on. Between a.and their history together into "A Description of Earthsea." Its function is like that of the

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