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come sit with Heleth in the little house at Re Albi and listen and be still. Heleth was an old. After a while he said, "I could chase an etymology on the brink of doom ... But I think, Azver." "He told me what it's like," Dragonfly said. "You walk up through the town, Thwil Town. There's a." "I've been thinking about it," she said, hurried and earnest. "Couldn't I just tell them who I am? labyrinth, the deepest pits filled with unmoving water. "Never was much silver, and the from horseback; yet he felt short, he felt small..hill, into the terrible ground under him, gone. He was no wizard, only a man like the others..Speech means Willow. "I don't entirely understand it. I think you don't understand it at all. Take fighting against them, and at last crying out one other word. Then the man Ayeth crouched there..file:///D:/Documents%20and%20Settings/harry/...0%20LeGuin%20-%20Tales%20From%20Earthsea.txt (10 of 111) [2/5/2004 12:33:30 AM]. "What was your errand in O Port?". was a behavior pattern characteristic of a stalwart such as myself, assigned an appropriate serial. The voices of the mages talking were like the voices of the stream running. The stream said its words and they said theirs, but none of them were the right words..stories, I became (somewhat) more systematic and methodical, and put my knowledge of the peoples.cousins while they rebuilt their burned house as best they could. They welcomed him with.He watched the staff that stood on the shining floor. In a little while he saw it quiver very slightly, a shiver, a tremble..straight, unmoved. The city shuddered and stood still. It was Ogion who stopped the earthquake..all the workers at Adapt, knew better -- that we were decidedly different. This differentness was.Back in the winter she had sent to him night after night. She had learned her mother's spell of."Oh, sir," she said, and he knew he had done wrong.."No, you weren't," she whispered. "If you had been, you would know.."the darkness remained. Once it lightened a little into a twilight in which he could dimly see. He."On the polyduct," said the man. "Which is your switch?".They were not far inside the Grove, and still beside the stream, when Irian stopped, turned aside..water, illuminated from inside by colored floodlights? No -- vertical tunnels of glass through.He could not see the woman any more. He was alone in the room, standing free..It circled, searching and searching, and flew back as it had come..sought. And they found no one, nothing. So Lebannen judged it to be a prophecy yet to be."But you're right, Herbal, we're out of balance," said Kurremkarmerruk, his voice hard and harsh. "When and where did we begin to go too far? What have we forgotten, turned our back on, overlooked?".locked in its muteness..the silken dip between her eyes, scratching her forehead at the roots of the nubbin horns..So they sailed south in Hopeful, landing first at malodorous Geath, and then in the guise of.He had half-consciously dreaded that Diamond would triumph over him, asserting his power right.In a busy street leading down to the busy wharfs of Gont Port, the wizard Ogion stopped short. The ship's captain beside him walked on several steps and turned to see Ogion talking to the air.."She's Irian of Westpool's mare. You're the wizard, then?". "She's very sick, Rush," the girl said. She looked again at Tern. "You're not a healer?" It was an accusation.."There is a wall," the Herbal said..which the poem was first spoken.-- I felt a number of amused stares, or so it seemed to me. I quickly turned away and walked.when he was seven or eight he had lost the hang of it and never could do it again.."You're a curer?". "I don't know," he said..bring about an event. To write such a rune is to act. The power of the action varies with the.whispered..him; he had the lead. But Early could follow the lead, and if his own powers were not enough he.he said, stuck Tern's nose into a book till he could read it. "Illiterate wizards are the curse of.happened. I believe this isn't very different from what historians of the so-called real world do..the words this night in his room in the barracks, he discerned another possible meaning in them..scholar by the age of twelve. About that time the midwife who had helped his mother at his birth.haste..Ordinary Hardic, for matters of government or business or personal messages or to record history, tales, and songs, is written in the characters properly called Hardic runes. Most Archipelagans learn a few hundred to several thousand of these characters as a major part of their few years of schooling. Spoken or written, Hardic is useless for casting spells..asked around a bit. The father, a longshoreman, had died in the big earthquake, when Silence would.walked down to find an inn near the docks. Dragonfly looked about at the sights of the city in a.Irian drew a deep breath and looked at him eye to eye as they sat there. ""Only in dark the light,"" she said.."You're crazy," she said, very angry. It was a sweet anger. Why could not more anger be sweet?.In the early darkness of a winter day, a traveler stood at the windswept crossing of two paths, neither very promising, mere cattle tracks among the reeds, and looked for some sign of the way he should take..arms and snug about the hips, was talking with a blonde girl who had her back against the bowl.itself felt, assuring complete safety. The platform truly hung in the air, not supported by anything..Maharion and Erreth-Akbe became "hearts brothers." They spent ten years together fighting the.safest? But while he was thinking about it, Losen's men, used to wizard's tricks, drugged his food.Under Roke's steadily growing influence, wizardry was shaped into a coherent body of knowledge, its use increasingly controlled by moral and political purpose. Wizards trained at the school went to other islands of the Archipelago to work against warlords, pirates, and feuding nobles, preventing raids and forays, imposing penalties and settlements, enforcing boundaries, and protecting individuals, farms, towns, cities, and shipping, until social order was re-established. In the early years they were sent to enforce peace; increasingly they were called on to maintain it. While the throne in Havnor remained empty, for over two hundred years Roke School served effectively as the central government of the Archipelago..before her massive, actual presence..from pain. It was all part of the great principle, perfectly clear once seen. He was sure he was.preventing raids and forays, imposing penalties and settlements, enforcing boundaries, and.too..know it! This is no place for a man like that. Whoever he is, is none of our business, but why did..turned away scowling. Then she touched his hand very lightly. When he stroked the sleek black flow.They came forward on their knees, face to face, their arms straight down and their hands joined. They

kissed each other all over their faces. To Rose's lips Diamond's face was smooth and full as a plum, with just a hint of prickliness above the lip and jawline, where he had taken to shaving recently. To Diamond's lips Rose's face was soft as silk, with just a hint of grittiness on one cheek, which she had rubbed with a dirty hand. They moved a little closer so that their breasts and bellies touched, though their hands stayed down by their sides. They went on kissing. The boy's drop-jawed stare irritated Hemlock, though he knew it shouldn't. Wizards are used to overweening confidence in the young of their kind. They expect modesty to come later, if at all. "I said Roke," Hemlock said in a tone that said he was unused to having to repeat himself. And then, because this boy, this soft-headed, spoiled, moony boy had endeared himself to Hemlock by his uncomplaining patience, he took pity on him and said, "You should either go to Roke or find a wizard to teach you what you need. Of course you need what I can teach you. You need the names. The art begins and ends in naming. But that's not your gift. You have a poor memory for words. You must train it diligently. However, it's clear that you do have capacities, and that they need cultivation and discipline, which another man can give you better than I can." So does modesty breed modesty, sometimes, even in unlikely places. "If you were to go to Roke, I'd send a letter with you drawing you to the particular attention of the Master Summoner." fierce as ever, but her voice was seldom as harsh as this when she spoke to him. fluff that became more and more transparent as it descended. Her slim, lovely belly was like a woods, walking a bit stiffly and scratching his head as he went, as people do when half awake. unmoving; her arms hung as if she had forgotten she had them, as if she now had nothing but a. Ember parted from him with only a "Good night." "Breathe, breathe, breathe," Gelluk said, laughing, and Otter tried not to hold his breath as they entered the tower. Maharion's mage-counselor and inseparable friend was a commoner and "fatherless man," a village. "They didn't punish him, but kept his wild powers bound with spells until they could make him. And the boy must have a staff. Why had Nemmerle let him leave Roke without one, empty-handed as a. at him, but she did not speak again. She fought her death, fought to breathe, while the red light. Tangle might be able to tell him if his son in fact showed promise, had a talent for magery...but. The dark-eyed mage bowed his head at that, and said, "Very well," evidently with relief at. She got him onto his bed, pulled the shoes off his feet, and left him sleeping. Berry came in late and drunker than usual, so that he fell and gashed his forehead on the andiron. Bleeding and raging, he ordered Gift to kick the shorsher out the housh, right away, kick 'im out. Then he vomited into the ashes and fell asleep on the hearth. She hauled him onto his pallet, pulled his shoes off his feet, and left him sleeping. She went to look at the other one. He looked feverish, and she put her hand on his forehead. He opened his eyes, looking straight into hers without expression. "Emer," he said, and closed his eyes again. and parts of islands, parts of ships, parts of the human body. The words never made sense, never. wise, eh?" he said. "Maybe the Doorkeeper." He looked at her now, not glancing but squarely, his. home truths. "You changed yourself?" beyond comprehension and he was nothing at all. He woke from those dreams shaken and shamed. In. He saw her now more clearly than he had seen her in the tower. He saw her more clearly than he had. another shining objects, were inflating something -- but I did not even look in their direction. In. "What will you have us call you?" "I spoke your true name. It's not what I thought it would be. And I don't feel easy about it. As if I'd left something unfinished. But it is your name. If it betrays you, then that's the truth of it." Rose hesitated and then spoke less angrily, more coldly: "If you want the power to betray me, Irian, I'll give you that. My name is Etaudis." Her apparition stood again just outside the spiderweb cords of the spell, gazing at him, and. bubbles, the blue set to work, angelic, modest, collected, but somehow sanctimonious, as if. before the staggers begin. And those not struck yet, he says he can keep it off em. So the. the farmlands of the slopes of Mount Onn, nothing ever changes much. There a song worth singing is. in the summer weather, and Tern told Mote to put a bit of magewind into their sail, so that they. or the Wandlord, had paid court to Elfarran. Unforgiving and determined to possess her, in the few. looking at me like that? What's the matter with you? Nais! ".sleep with on a cold night. I'll be glad to pay you, mistress, if two coppers would suit, and my. pursued him from the east to the west of Enlad in a trail of ruin. On the Plains of Enlad, meeting. "The key," Gelluk repeated, urgent. "Is she hurt?" the woman said. "Oh, the traitorous vermin!" She was stroking down the mare's right foreleg. Her hands came away covered with blood-streaked horse sweat. "There, there," she said. The brave girl, the brave heart." The mare put her head down and shivered all over with relief. "What did you keep her standing there in the middle of the dogs for?" the woman demanded furiously. She was kneeling at the horse's leg, looking up at Ivory who was looking down at her from horseback; yet he felt short, he felt small. lay entangled. They entered death's land together. the West Reach, Selidor. There, on the outer beach, both exhausted, they faced each other and. He never swore-men of power do not swear, it is not safe-but he cleared his throat with a coughing. fell, because his left hip gave way with a pain that made him cry out aloud. After a while he. despise him for taking such things seriously, maybe knowing they would not understand them, fountain in a silver basin sprang up in the centre of the table, and when the Master and his. "I heard -" she said, and could not say what she had heard. At first he was overwhelmed with fierce fantasies of power and revenge: he would free the slaves, equal, one greater. There was birth. When the Lord of the Western Land came to his domain near them, not keeping them secret each to himself, as the wizards do. about the floor, about Silence. Had he been out walking on the path above the Overfell? No, that. "My mother was born in Endlane, round by Faliern Forest," Otter said. "Do you know that town? the arts of magic." "Somebody's been coming around," he said, incredulous that she could turn against him. "Who's been after you?" "Why did you break your Rule for me? Was it fair to me, who can never be what you are?" business of the lords and people, never a chance to walk in the forests on the mountainside or to. though it meant he would have his hands tied behind him and his mouth gagged and a leash buckled. set off up the rough path round the hillside to an old stone and brick stableyard, empty of. "I did fly." So he cherished his free hours as if they were actual meetings with her. He had always loved her, but had not understood that he loved her beyond anyone and anything. When he

was with her, even when he was down on the docks thinking of her, he was alive. He never felt entirely alive in Master Hemlock's house and presence. He felt a little dead. Not dead, but a little dead.. "Di," she said, and he looked up. His face was still round and a bit peachy, though the bones were heavier and the eyes were melancholy.. Look, Medra. Look!. Not a door opened in the narrow street. Nobody looked out to see what the noise was. Not till long. down, he found himself dizzy and retching. He came no closer, but said words that might ease the. "Only in some very, very old tales. Before the gods were. Before men were. Before men were men., The summer ended too soon that year. Rain came early; snow fell in autumn even as far south as. None of the mages answered him. In the silence, the men with him murmured, and a voice among them. the Gate open because he held the Mountain still." They praised his modesty and did not listen to. Otter could not speak; she had spoken through him, using his voice, which sounded thick and faint.. a certain word, a password, before he'll let you in. If you don't know it, you can never go in.. streamlined table strutting on comically bowed legs; it moved forward, glasses of sparkling. sending, and knew that it was a true spell. She had sent him her touch, her voice saying his name.. summers.. They needed no persuasion. They rode off leaving everything behind, their blankets, the tent, the. stylized conches were shooting forth, while above them raced the words INFOR INFOR

INFOR. file:///D:/Documents%20and%20Settings/harry/...0%20LeGuin%20-%20Tales%20From%20Earthsea.txt (74 of 111) [2/5/2004 12:33:31 AM]. IV. Irian. 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.. because they didn't stop to ask questions, but sent wizard's fire at our ships, and came alongside. The weather was fair for once: a following wind, a blue sky lively with little white clouds, the mild sunlight of late spring. They made good way from Geath. Late in the afternoon he heard the master say to the helmsman, "Keep her south tonight so we don't raise Roke."

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