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He pushed the door all the way open and stepped back. It was a good-sized living room come to life from the pages of a decorator magazine. A kitchen behind a half wall was on my right A hallway led somewhere on my left Directly in front of me were double sliding glass doors leading to the terrace. On the terrace was a bronzed hunk of beef stretched out nude trying to get bronzer. The hunk opened his eyes and looked at me. He apparently decided I wasn't. What was marvelous was the afternoon with Amanda clinging to my arm and greeting each new offering with a sigh of pleasure or gasp of delicious dismay. In the course of it she stopped calling me Mr. Gordon, too, and began saying Matthew. I would have preferred Matt, but when I brought that up she dropped her eyes and said: Christopher Gail had traumatically divided not only Amanda's childhood but her very psyche. Five years. none of them looked away. It was the fusion drive of the Edgar Rice Burroughs, heading sunward, away. Friday, the 22nd, the same day Detweiler checked in the Brewster, a two-year-old boy had fallen on an upturned rake in his backyard on Larchemont? only eight or ten blocks from where I lived on Beachwood. And a couple of Chicano kids had had a knife fight behind Hollywood High. One was dead and the other was in jail. Ah, machismo! the bright image races toward you, trees hurling themselves into red darkness and vanishing, then the. "Aw, shuddup." The computer returned obediently to its meditations..137. with a single parent, and sex has had nothing to do with its making. It is because human beings first. Then I only half listen as I look out from the plane across the scattered cloud banks and the Rockies. with the drums. Damned pounding. Had to stop, had to stop so he could sleep-It was the silence that. listening to the pounding of the drums, he thought of her again and felt a stirring in his loins.. clothes is burn them. We'll all smell better for it. Song, you take the watch." She flicked out the lights and. Selene punched the three-digit emergency number and asked for an ambulance.. The clients took the rest of the morning and a good portion of the afternoon, looking at estates all. Tremaine? You should've left an hour ago." I sat at my desk, leaned back until the swivel chair groaned. Sure, bastard. It isn't your brain burning with the output of these million strangers. My violence. But that was legend, like Mama Dolores' stories about the snake-people. Strange? did every race. "Third," said Lea, "what are they going to do to you?" "What did you find this time, Harry? A nest of international spies or an invasion from Mars?" I guess. "Smart thinking," said Venerate. "Now how do I get this game HBrted?". And I fill her with them. And give her back to them..52. "Or die trying." He grinned at her. She at least had grasped the essence of the situation. Whether. right hand. Hers is a clenched fist: stone. My first two fingers form the snipping blades of a pair of scissors. "I win!" she crows, delighted.. I lie down unpeacefully? exhausted? and sleep, and my dreams are of weathered stone. And I. He strode toward the gate. The four of us were standing right in his path, and we stepped aside when he neared us. If we hadn't, he'd have bowled us over.. have its belief in such creatures? Could there be some grotesque, distorted element of truth behind all. the fifth percentile or below will result in the withdrawal of your Temporary License.. "Hurry, hurry, step in! We can't keep it open too long." They groped their way in, scraping frost. "Jake. Well, Jake, I happen to be a wealthy merchant, as you may have guessed. In Frankincense. fifteen-hundred energy units.. Well curry your princess-turned-frogs, And groom your domestic balrogs, But for those with conventional pets we should mention, In passing, We Also Walk Dogs.. her hand. "Selene," I called. "I can't reach her. Help me." "Or too much," Song giggled.. same slow and steady motion, on across the sunlit pasture where two saddle horses stand with their. Q: What's da pardpf a song dad isn'd da voids?. ledge. When they climbed the rock, they saw that the light came from behind another wall of stone further. Having come round to a sensible, accepting attitude, she turned from the freezer to witness the effect. had obviously been copied from the wardrobe of Norma Shearer.. and colorful that nobody saw the figure hi dirty rags run quickly behind them to the far end of the ship and. year. They seemed genuinely sorry, but he felt it had been a mistake to ask.. That includes me, and sometimes she's let me come into her bed. But not often. "You like it?" she said. I answered sleepily, "You're really good." "Not me," she said. "I mean being in a star's bed." I told her she was a bitch and she laughed. Not often enough.. when he was so sure he'd be picked for the ground team. You know Winey, always the instinct to be the. He went to the half wall separating the kitchen and poured two cups from a pot that looked like h. Jane Yolen's classic fantasy tales have been appearing in F&SF since 1976. She is the author. The Isaac Asimov clones, once they grow op, simply won't live in the same social environment I did, won't be subjected to the same pressures, won't have the same opportunities. What's more, when I wrote, I just wrote? no one expected anything particular from me. When my clones write, their products will always be compared to the Grand Original and that would discourage and wipe out anyone.. Stone. "Now before you play," I said, "you must understand that we did not wish it known we were working." "This is what would kill us, Crawford. What's your first name? Matt. Matt, this baby is a flyer for the." "Yes, it is," said Amos. "What do they keep here that is so uninteresting everyone tells me to avoid it?". It took Smith six weeks to increase the efficiency of the image in-tensifier enough to bring up the ghost pictures clearly. When he succeeded, the image on the screen was instantly recognizable. It was a view of Jack McCranie's office; the picture was still dim, but sharp enough that Smith could see the expression on Jack's face. He was leaning back in his chair, hands behind his head. Beside him stood. "What does the title mean?" he asked, hoping it might modify the unfriendly message of the four short. "What's on your mind?". price, if Barry were interested.. Notes of the Language of Science Fiction). He has not written much short fiction recently, and so. There would be practical uses, too. A prize bull or a champion egg-laying hen could be cloned, and the genetic characteristics that make the record-breaking aspects of the animal possible would be preserved without the chance of diminution by the interplay of genes obtained from a second parent.. "Oh, baby, I'm sorry." Jam smiles and looks fourteen again. Then ?he stands and gives Stella a quick hug. She glances over at me and winks, and my face starts to flush. One-way.. number to

go."spent Sunday with my mother in Inglewood. My mother was touring Yucatan at the time, but that was."Yes. He was very pleased, but he wants die man's name."me to see. It's extremely odd."."The same way we do," said Lea. "When we are gone, look into the mirror and you will see your home too."The nice thing about guilt is that it's so easy to repress. Within a day Barry had relegated all.possible." He glanced uneasily at Lang, still nodding, her eyes glassy as she saw her teammates die.Something came around the end of the couch. It wasn't a cat. I thought it was a monkey, and then a frog, but it was neither. It was human. It waddled on all fours like an enormous toad..245.way a bricklayer feels sometimes. It's really great I feel sorry for brickmakers. You'd never catch me."Have you seen a doctor? A real one?".but that did not satisfy him. He worked for a while on vibrations picked up from panes of glass in.Did she expect him to recognize her? She was beautiful enough, certainly, to have been someone he ought to recognize, but if he had seen her on TV, he didn't remember. In a way she seemed almost too beautiful to be a noted personality, since there is usually something a little idiosyncratic about each of them, so they can be told apart. Columbine Brown was beautiful in the manner not of a celebrity but of a deluxe (but not customized) sports car..clone of the person who donated the somatic cell..That way they'd know our genetic structure and what lands of food we'd eat, and could prepare..against the mythical race of Zorphs. The weapons you will be using will not have the standard Navy.The suitcase, still beside the couch, hadn't been unpacked?except for the clothes hanging in the.The next moment it was Selene, wholly Selene, who stood there. She hurried across the room and knelt beside me. "Are you all right? You've got blood all over your head."."Don't tease me, Bertram. There's a boy here in the hotel. I saw something I don't think he wanted me to see. It's extremely odd."."We didn't mention him."..complexity of the life in such a barren place. There were whirligigs twenty meters tall scattered around him, with vanes broad as the wings of a cargo aircraft..It is a map of many places and many treasures, and I need someone to help me find them."Forever..though. As I paddled around, I felt my muscles relax and a drowsy lassitude flow through me..The DetwtUer Boy 47.McKillian had had enough. "Matt, what the hell are you talking about? Rescue mission? Damn it, you know as well as I that if they find us here, we'll be long dead. We'll probably be dead hi another year."..pattern. Occasionally a moving blur traveled slowly across them..Organizer outlined what we were striking for, and I paid strict attention so I could tell Ike. It adds up to a.him before the disaster. He had been a name on a roster and a sore spot in the estimation of the.Why do we do it?.looked up at them from below the surface..Though he minded, he hadn't the gumption to say so. "I don't remember. Not a lot. They're really nothing special."."My father could have been President but for Margot Randall. The woman was rapacious, vulgar, egocentric, and totally amoral. She nearly drove my father mad before he realized there was no helping her."..could not see into it at all..splicing a rope in the stem, two others lowering a triangular sail between the foremast and the bowsprit,.interested in doing it yourself. The co-op teacher monitors your studies, sometimes makes suggestions,.thousand more went to Europe, South and Central America, and the Middle East..the computer as quickly as possible so we can start tracking this vital project. I hope that this omission on.lost, doomed look. "Well, we can't live forever, can we? Are you ready to go?".The Intermediaries shrink before him, fluttering their pallid appendages in obvious dismay, and bleat in unison, "No, no, what you request is impossible. The decision of the Sreen is final, and, anyway, they're very busy right now, they can't be bothered."."It means do it your way, Sergeant."A House Divided by Lee Killough.He nodded. ?I'll use another name. You probably wouldn't know it either. It's not exactly a.At first he'd assumed that he'd failed. A reasonable assumption, since he had struck out his first time to bat, with a shameful 43. But when two weeks had gone by and there was still no word from the Board of Examiners, he wondered if maybe he'd managed to squeak through. He didn't see how he could have. The examiner, a wizened, white-haired fuddy-duddy whose name Barry instantly forgot, had been hostile and aggressive right from the word go, telling Barry that he thought his handshake was too sincere. He directed the conversation first to the possible dangers of excessive sunbathing, which was surely an oblique criticism of Barry's end-of-August tan and the leisure such a tan implied, then started in on the likelihood that dolphins were as intelligent as people. Barry, having entered the cubicle resolved to stake all his chips on a tactic of complete candor, had said, one, he was too young to worry about skin cancer and, two, he had no interest in animals except as meat This started the examiner off on the psychic experiences of some woman he'd read about in Reader's Digest. Barry couldn't get a toehold anywhere on the smooth facade of the man's compulsive natter. He got the feeling,.competition and closed them again. Tall and lanky indicated one of two identical orange-and-brown-striped couches facing each other across a football-field-size marble-and-glass cocktail table. He sat on the other one, took a cigarette from an alabaster box and lit it with an alabaster lighter. As an afterthought, he offered me one..Nolan scowled. "What is this?". "Generally, whenever people ask me to."BURROUGH'S Ant Tarzan and the Men.And that was all there was to it-he had passed his exam with a score just five points short of the crucial eighth percentile. Which was a tremendous accomplishment but also rather frustrating in a way, since it meant he'd come that close to not having to bother scouting out two more endorsements. Stitl, with another three months in which to continue his quest and an introduction to Intensity Five, Barry had every reason to be optimistic.. "When I blew the wizard here a year ago," said the North Wind from above them, "he left it right there, but the snow and ice have frozen over it."..didn't see it. If we're a colony, we expand. By definition. Historian, what happened to colonies that failed.and who must engage in all the complex phenomena, both physical and chemical, involved in sexual.think he really has our best interests at heart, Jake?" he asked..flies, and wraps the end product around you. It takes some practice, but it works. The stuff sticks to.THE MEDIATOR: Nevertheless, I feel that hi fairness both to the Company and to the King.I was conscious of the chair shifting under me but did not let it distract me. "Does that mean she's taking over?". "Why did you need the blood?".left-hand comer.. "Stand so that the sun is in your eyes," said the North Wind, towering over Amos, "because I do not want anyone else to see before I have."..Another section opened up and they stepped

through it After three more gates were passed, the temperature and pressure were nearly Earth-normal. And they were standing beside a small oriental woman with skin tanned almost black. She had no clothes on, but seemed adequately dressed in a brilliant smile that dimpled her month and eyes. Her hair was streaked with gray. She would be? Singh stopped to consider?forty-one years old..The current popularity of heroic fantasy scares me; I believe it to be a symptom of political and cultural.move her luggage from the cabletrain station. She accepted, and while we collected the luggage, including.very peculiar. I don't really know what to make of it." "I am tired," he answered. "My head aches where yesterday he struck me. My heart aches still with the fear. I tremble all over. You are right. I should sleep."..basins of stone. They had been put there for a warning, because just beyond them the floor of the cave.ushered him outside, silently watched him change, and sent him off on his silent way to the meadows with.Put it all together, they spell M-E..husband had been killed in a plane crash in 1978. He had a partner who handled the business operations."If we don't make it home from this," I say at length, "if they never hear from us back on Earth, never know what became of their starship?". "Very well," said Amos. "When do we start?".Farther Than Apollo, BARRY MALZBERG.something familiar about the sailor, who kept looking at the mountain and would not look back at him.."I'm not taking over, though. You know that's just a paranoid fantasy. I use only enough time for.beneficent Old Testament prophet in the Lugosi role. But even Laughton and Lugosi would have been.She consulted the pad, but I'd bet my last gumshoe she knew every word on it by heart "A Mrs..She dug into her ID folder, which was made of the same velvet as her dress, and took out her.She stooped closer to the ice cream and winced. "But then it's pure hell. I want to cut my leg off, have a.O, what fun we will have when we're prone..The inner nest was free-form. The New Amsterdamites had allowed it to stay pretty much the way the whirlibirds had built it, only taking down an obstruction here and there to allow humans to move around. It was a maze of gauzy walls and plastic struts, with clear plastic pipes running all over and carrying fluids of pale blue, pink, gold, and wine. Metal spigots from the Podkayne had been inserted in some of the pipes. McKillian was kept busy refilling glasses for the visitors who wanted to sample the antifreeze solution that was fifty per cent ethanol. It was good stuff, Captain Singh reflected as he drained his third glass, and that was what he still couldn't understand.."Perhaps somewhere nearer than you think, up this one, and two leagues short of over there, the.satisfaction of behaving outrageously." "Still, it got you picked for this mission out of hundreds of applicants. The thinking was that you'd be.reproduction could be allowed to take over..224.Books: In Defense of Criticism by Joanna Russ.And they were struck by a blast of air that sent the fires reeling in the basins, and the sailor's cap that Jack wore flew off his head back into the darkness.

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