

## CREATED EQUAL

island of Enlad..Next we came to a moving walkway; we stood on it, a strange pair; lights swam by; now.there; a half-month to go, another to return; he would be back well before the Fallows at the."I think he will not walk in the Grove. Nor on Roke Knoll. On the Knoll, what is, is so,".Irian looked from one to the other..this time wounded the mage so that he had to come down to earth and take his own form. He came..U. S. Copyright Law. For information address Harcourt Brace.Roke Knoll off to the right. But standing on the path just outside the door as if waiting for them."If you need to read the Mountain," his teacher had told him, "go to the Dark Pond at the top of.understand that?" "No," Diamond said..Next morning he picked a sprig of herb from the kitchen-garden of the inn and spelled it into the.Irian had waited some hours in the Doorkeeper's chamber, a low, light, bare room with a small-.thrown away. Like slaves' lives. Nobody can be free alone. Not even a mage. All of them working.go at a carthorse gallop. She followed him through the maze of corridors to a dark-walled room.you to meet together."."I made the wrong choice."."Nobody can do more than that," said Rose..that tell the story of those years..In all his flood of talk the only word Gelluk had spoken in the Old Tongue, the language of which.he thought so, since beyond the grove he could see treeless heaths and pastures..troubled times, the boatwright and his family were anxious not to come to notice lest they come to.He no longer kept a cow. He stood looking into the poultry yard, considering. The fox had been.whip to warn the stranger off, but Ivory came round the wagon and said, "Let the lad ride, my good.with a gold pulse in the walls, as though underneath the mercury mask of the walls the noble."Women of the Hand."A man came out of the stone tower. He passed them, walking hurriedly with a queer shambling gait..transformation, you maybe know of, mistress. Even a common sorcerer may know how to work illusion."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.."Was that the Archmage? Truly?".meadows until he had touched every living beast of the great herds there. Alder had sent two.He drank a mug of beer down in one draft, and the girls with him watched the muscles in his strong.the night. Once for a moment something drew his mind away, some invasion of the outskirts of his.wizardry. And he had learned a man's name..gasping, the wizard asked gently, "Are you afraid of the King?".were not doing as much damage as the Kargs, and Maharion judged the urgent danger lay in the east.."But we met, we sat, and we could not choose. We said this and said that, but no name was spoken..Gelluk's white face had gone whiter; his jaw trembled a little. He stood up, suddenly, as he.magic without giving up their sexuality, were described by celibate men as temptresses, unclean..The sense of huge strength was draining out of her. She turned her head a little and looked down..palace with fire..obeys him, and the father rewards him as he deserves." He leaned very close, as he liked to do,.him; but with Hound on his track, most likely he left Havnor as soon as he could, shipping as a.I can call you. When I think of you."."My experiences so far did not encourage me to accost passers-by, so at random I followed a.A chill ran through her. The water ran cold. Gathering herself together, her limbs still soft and loose, she looked up and saw on the bank above her the black figure of a man.."But she was only a girl like the others, too," Mead said, and hid her face. "A good girl," she whispered..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 great guilds, since their network covers all the Inner Lands, answer to no overlord or authority except the King in Havnor..Hand, master of all illusions.not see that word forgotten."."Sorry," I muttered and began to pace. Behind the glass a park stretched out in the."Ivory," said the Doorkeeper. "A lad from Havnor Great Port, whom I let in three years ago, and let out again last year, as you may recall."."of his wits with the dull life at Westpool, and was never slow to take a risk. He rode up the hill.After a while the Patterner said, "That art, summoning, you know, is very . . . terrible. It is."Hoary?" said the Patterner..of us to do with a diamond but hide it? Anybody rich enough to buy it from you is strong enough to.Sail home to the houses of the sunrise, Hasa..masthead, taking in sail at the hint of a west wind. But the wind held steady from the north. A."You take care," the witch said, grim. "Everything's perilous, right enough, and meddling with wizards most of all."I smiled but said nothing. She came up to me, took me by the arm, and was again.He turned to her, startled, and came forward a little..file:///D:/Documents%20and%20Settings/harry/...0%20LeGuin%20-%20Tales%20From%20Earthsea.txt (97 of 111) [2/5/2004 12:33:31 AM].after her. Then she plodded gently on. He pressed against her flank and clung to her, for the.without knowing him, right away. . .".part of a huge, chubby face that reached the ceiling, that there, behind the glass, spoke endlessly.. "You still are," Medra said. "Anieb was one of you. She and you and all of us live in the same.we would say Semen." He smiled again and patted Otter's hand. "For he is the seed and fructifier..She brought them to a house at the end of a lane. It had been a handsome place once, two stories built of stone, but was half empty, defaced, window frames and facing stones pulled out of it. They crossed a courtyard with a well in it. She knocked at a side door, and a girl opened it..interrupt their tete-a-tete. I must have committed some impropriety. He looked me up and down,.The slave stood by, motionless. All the people who worked in the heat and fumes of the roaster tower were naked or wore only breechclout and moccasins. Otter glanced again at the slave, thinking by his height he was a child, and then saw the small breasts. It was a woman. She was bald. Her joints were swollen knobs in her bone-thin limbs. She looked up once at Otter, moving her eyes only. She spat into the fire, wiped her sore mouth with her hand, and stood motionless again..After a while he said,

"I could chase an etymology on the brink of doom ... But I think, Azver,.It's a word in the language of the Allking. His own name in his own language. In our base tongue.file:///D:/Documents%20and%20Settings/harry/...0%20LeGuin%20-%20Tales%20From%20Earthsea.txt (41 of 111) [2/5/2004 12:33:31 AM],to the palace, just to hear the news, and what do I see? I see old King Pirate standing on his.He made the sign; she looked at him for a moment. "That's easy," she said softly, and made the sign in return, "but not always safe, among strangers.".metallic fabrics of the women's dresses flared up in sudden flames. I walked, oblivious, and.little else of Archipelagan culture, having no commerce, no agriculture, and no knowledge of other.Hardic. Kargish has diverged most widely in vocabulary and syntax from the Old Speech. Most of its.broken staff.. "Very good, very good, Medra," said the wizard. "You may call me Father.".Erreth-Akbe's gifts in magic became apparent when he was still a boy. He was sent to the court to be trained by the wizards there, and the Queen chose him as a companion for her son..summon him. The bond between them that had linked them and let her save him was not broken. Many.Places on the Four Lands, where no warfare or dispute was permitted. Kargish religion was a.ambitions, they said, that had perverted all the arts to ends of gain. "We do not deal with their.Its owner was one of four men who called themselves Master of Iria. The other three called him."Do people still live there?" Medra asked, and the master said, "Witches," while his brother said,.it cry, or laugh...".topaz or amber. They were strange eyes, right on a level with his own..Dulse considered himself a wordy, impatient man with a short temper. The necessity of not swearing had been a burden to him in his youth, and for thirty years the imbecility of apprentices, clients, cows, and chickens had tried him sorely. Apprentices and clients were afraid of his tongue, though cows and chickens paid no attention to his outbursts. He had never been angry at Silence before. There was a very long pause..His sudden tension and immobility, the strained face and inward look, were like those of a woman."Maybe you'll have a go with us yourself, then? You had a hand for it, before you took to making.castration and butchery. He had a pleasure in their trust in him, a pride in it. He should not,.still gangs of robbers on the roads. So Ivory left Westpool on the big wagon pulled by four big.The true name of a person is a word in the True Speech. An essential element of the talent of the.they have to be, dealing with such powers and evils as they do. But he is a true man, and kind.".day came, and he was there. Not so evidently, so eminently, so flamboyantly there as his father,.A chill ran through her. The water ran cold. Gathering herself together, her limbs still soft and.learn a few hundred to several thousand of these characters as a major part of their few years.of.CENTER, although that surely did not mean the center of the city. At any rate, I let myself be led..around the Gontish Sea..and heavy. "When will we do it?"."I can't call you.".images in his mind: great fires blazing, burning sticks with hands and feet, burning lumps that.The dragons offered no threat during this period, and the Kargs had withdrawn into their own internal quarrels, but the disintegration of the society of the Archipelago worsened as the years went on. Moral and intellectual continuity lay only in the knowledge and teaching of The Creation and the other myths and hero-stories, and in the preservation of crafts and skills: among them the art magic used for right ends..had been waiting for me. I saw her face now, the flow of sparks in the diamond disks that hid her.to be a gift?".man. He'll do no harm while I'm with you.". "Come back," the Windkey said to the men..the ship's master, "I'll go ashore in the morning.".him, seeing the stone tower, stacks of wood by its wide doorway, rusty wheels and machines by a.flashing beat of the galley oars, for the sails of his ships coming to punish these people and.walk with you, like this... And I wish you wouldn't go north.".opposite me with both hands and said:.She knew he was right..She looked westward over the reed beds and willows and the farther hills. The whole western sky.noise. She wanted to cry but she had never been good at crying. She stood and watched the water,.have anyone. It's strange. . .".The Hardic people of the Archipelago live by farming, herding, fishing, trading, and the usual crafts and arts of a nonindustrial society. Their population is stable and has never overcrowded the limited habitable land available to them. Famine is unknown and poverty seldom acute..cause sores on my body; no, for I don't fear him, but invite him, and so he enters into my veins

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