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"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." And that is the end of the story..a small defiance, shrugged his eyebrows. "Sure, but there's not much I can tell you." orange design. His shirt was gold with rainbow checks, and one boot was white and the other was black.. "About as far as you can get without comin\* out the other side. Did you know most of the people never heard of television or movies. Dee shook his head. "I don't know." He snuffed his cigarette out on pure-white alabaster and sat so prim and pristine I would have bet his. His dark eyes were astounding. If you blocked out the rest of the face, leaving nothing but the eyes.. She was lying there with blood all over." She began to sniffle. Johnny got up and put his arms around her..12. A poem presenting an affirmative, detailed description of her own face..Rice Burroughs. In her hand was one of the pump modules she had dissected out of one of the plants. It never heard of television or movies and some of 'em don't even know the name of the President? Most of..but what "peculiar" thing had Harry noticed about him, and why had he moved out right after Harry was..entire HAFAS (Hierarchical Accounting File Access System). And in his spare time over the past year.. "I do," he protested. But, clearly, he had just failed a major test With a sigh of weariness and a "No." She shook her hair back over her shoulders. "I don't take over officially until January. I just come early to exercise." The captain wheels savagely, face mottled, teeth bared, arms windmilling with rage. I have never seen him this furious before, and it frightens me. Not that I cannot appreciate and even share his anger toward the Sreen, of course. The Sreen have been very arbitrary and high-handed from the start, snatching our vessel out of normal space..was one leg poking over the edge of the bed. He wasn't wearing a shoe, only a faded brown-and-tan..over Amos' wet clothes? and at last he began to inquire whom Amos had solicited from the sailors to go. "I've never eaten human flesh," Lang went on, "but I think I know what it must taste like. Those vines. But better to have the crew satisfy their curiosity in here where we can watch them, she reasoned, than.. Barry nodded. "The map says so," said the grey man. And sure enough, in large green letters one corner of the map was marked: HERE.. Steven Utley for "Upstart".. consists in gestalt thinking, or the recognition of patterns, which does occur instantaneously in the critic's. You squirm around, raising the viewer to aim it down the hill. As you turn the knob with your thumb.. "Sir, I'll ask her, but I don't think shell come. This is still her operation, you know." He didn't give Weinstein time to reply to that Weinstein had been trapped by his own seniority into commanding the Edgar Rice Burroughs, the orbital ship that got them to Mars and.. Barry left the cubicle feeling so transcendent and relaxed that he was five blocks from Center St. before he remembered that he'd neglected to have his license revalidated at Window 28. As he beaded back to the Federal Communications Building, his senses seemed to register all the ordinary details of the city's streets with an unnatural, hyped clarity: the smell of sauerkraut steaming up from a hot dog cart, the glint of the noon sun on the mica mixed into the paving blocks of the sidewalk, the various shapes and colors of the pigeons, the very pigeons, perhaps, that had inspired bis so-called idea earlier that day. But it was true, what he'd said. All the pigeons were the same size.. "Help me push them back in the closet," said the grey man. "They're so bright that if I look at them. I looked around to make sure I hadn't disturbed anything, turned off the bathroom light, and got in.. dead. You do not live on in your clone. Once that is understood, I suspect that much of the interest in." "No! There's no other way. Oh, not people like us, maybe. Maybe we're seeing them right now.. "Good-by," Barry shouted after him, but Ed was already either comatose or out of earshot. "And.. things like 'When is your program going to be over?' Some people just aren't that interested in talking.. ?As Atropos raises the terrible, cold-shining blades of the Norm-shears and with only the barest hesitation cuts the wires. Limbs.. 261. listening to the pounding of the drums, he thought of her again and felt a stirring in his loins.. "Because we were expected," Song said, still looking away from them. "They must have watched the.. At this time tomorrow Columbine made another nonappearance, and Barry began to suspect she.. They had little trouble finding where the matthews came from. They found dozens of twenty-centimeter lumps on the sides of the large derricks. They evidently grew from them like tumors and were released when they were ripe. What they were for was another matter. As well as they could discover, the matthews simply crawled in a straight line until their power ran out If they were wound up again, they would crawl farther. There were dozens of them lying motionless in the sand within a hundred-meter radius of the garden.. He gave me a knowing look. "Fine. As far as I know. Maurice liked to pick up stray puppies. Andy.. her to the cottage door. Hinda followed behind him, uncertain.. "What is it?" Nolan said. "Something wrong with Robbie?" "It looks like plastic. But I have a strong feeling it's the higher life-form Lucy and I were looking for." "What do I look like?" demanded the North Wind.. For one of the two was Amos, wearing the top half of the costume of the Prince of the Far Rainbow.. ?I'm sorry about tonight" .?Darnel P. Dern." "No! There's no other way. Oh, not people like us, maybe. Maybe we're seeing them right now, spinning like crazy." They all looked uneasily at the whirligigs. "But I think they're not here yet I think we're going to see, over the next few years, increasing complexity in these plants and animals as they build up a biome here and get ready for the builders. Think about it. When summer comes, the conditions will be very different. The atmosphere will be almost as dense as ours, with about the same partial pressure of oxygen. By then, thousands of years from now, these early forms will have vanished. These things are adapted for low pressure, no oxygen, scarce water. The later ones will be adapted to an environment much tike ours. And that's when we'll see the makers, when the stage is properly set." She sounded almost religious when she said it.. . . Not your fault." "We were provided for," Mary Lang said quietly. "They knew we were coming and they altered their plans to fit us in." She looked back to Singh. "It would have happened even without the blowout and the burials. The same sort of thing was happening around the Podkayne, too, triggered by our waste; urine and feces and such. I don't know if it would have tasted quite as good hi the food department, but it

would have sustained life." the old woman..Upstart by Steven Utley 157.She sat down close to him and whispered into his ear, "If anyone, such as Freddy, for instance, like you, and we have enjoyed your company. If we didn't, we would certainly not be offering this."But will it work even if the grey man is already in the garden of violent colors and rich perfumes, could not see into it at all."Have you seen a doctor? A real one?".He went to the half wall separating the kitchen and poured two cups from a pot that looked like h. . . and I guess if you kept changing the batteries it would run forever. And it's nearly polystyrene, He watched the disaster unfold before his eyes, silent except for the rhythmic beat of the alarm bell in his ears. The dome was dancing and straining, trying to fly. The floor heaved up in the center, throwing the black woman to her knees. In another second the interior was a whirling snowstorm. He skidded on the sand and fell for-.Genetic manipulation, especially cloning, has been much in the news recently, and in the essay below, Dr. Asimov takes up the subject with his customary energy and intelligence. Imagine, if you will, one hundred Isaac Asimov clones!Moines I saw her crying alone in a darkened phone booth?Jain had awakened her and told her to take back to the prince's side and wheeled the barrow to the middle of the room..They ended up with a long cylindrical home, divided into two small sleeping rooms, a community."You must show how clever you are," said Lea. "When I was free of this mirror, my teacher, in order."I do know enough to know the Edgar is not equipped for an atmosphere entry. My idea was, not to.Nolan hadn't anticipated the intensity of his own reaction. But now, after the long trip back in the.and they didn't fit. The sun was coming in off the Boulevard, shining through the window, projecting the.The back of his shirt was churning. The scream continued, hurting my ears. Rips appeared in the shirt.and it was thought it could be put to use one last time before we let it go, to warm the floor of the dome.having been together on the Potlatch Investigation Team some eight years ago. At that time I proved.communion between performer and audience. It received a Nebula nomination from the Science.sake.".Members Only.Meanwhile, the package stays as is..A twig can be placed in the ground, where it may take root and grow, producing a complete organism of the kind of which it was once only a twig. Or the twig can be grafted to the branch of another tree (of a different variety even), where it can grow and flourish. In either case, it is an organism with a single parent, and sex has had nothing to do with its making. It is because human beings first encountered this asexual form of reproduction, hi connection with fruit trees probably, that such a one-parent organism of non-sexual origin is called a "twig"; that is, "clone."it occupies. The way you describe it, it couldn't function without help from a symbiote. Maybe it fertilizes.worse and worse all day; then he'd be fine, all rosy and healthy\* looking."have destroyed me. However, when you made your attack, I was safely docked at a base star and thus.Batterham's, who, for all her real intelligence, was developing a distinct wobble in her upper register.."Was he gay?".Hollis says, "Do you want one of those units for your birthday?".I suppose it is," Barry said noncommittally. He couldn't figure out why the usher wanted to tell him.But crazy in a dull, not an interesting way. He wondered how long they'd have to go on talking before the chairs switched round again. It seemed such a waste of time talking to another temp, since he could only get the endorsements he needed from people who held Permanent Licenses. Of course, the practice was probably good for him. You can't expect to like everyone you meet, as the Communications Handbook never tired of pointing out, but you can always try and make a good impression. Someday you'd meet someone it was crucial to hit it off with and your practice would pay off..I picked up Janice at her apartment in Westwood early Saturday morning. She was waiting for me and came striding out to the car all tegs and healthy golden flesh. She was wearing white shorts, sneakers, and that damned Dallas Cowboys jersey. It was authentic. The name and number on it were quite well-known?even to non-football fans. She wouldn't tell me how she got it, just smirked and looked smug. She tossed her suitcase in the back seat and slid up against me. She smelled like sunshine..opaque material hi it. It looked very familiar, he realized, with the hair on the back of his neck starting to.rope, then, and perhaps you can spare a man to go with me. A rope is not much good if there is a person.In fact, the controls on this machine are unfamiliar, die little viewers you have used all your life have only one knob, for nearer or farther?to move up/down, or left/right, you just point the viewer where you want to see. This machine has dials and little windows with numbers in them, and switches and pushbuttons, most of which you don't understand, but you know they are for special purposes and don't matter. The main control is a metal rod, right in front of you, with a gray plastic knob on the top. The knob is dull from years of handling; it feels warm and a little greasy in your hand. The console has a funny electric smell, but the big screen, taller than you are, is silent and dark. You can feel your heart beating against your breastbone. You grip the knob harder, push it forward just a little. The screen lights, and you are drifting across the next room as if on huge silent wheels, chairs and end tables turning into reddish silhouettes that shrink, twist and disappear as you pass through them, and for a moment you feel dizzy because when you notice the red numbers jumping in the console to your left, it is as if the whole house were passing massively and vertiginously through itself; then yon are floating out the window with the same slow and steady motion, on across the sunlit pasture where two saddle horses stand with their heads up, sniffing the wind; then a stubbled field, dropping away; and now, below you, the co-op road shines like a silver-gray stream. Yon press the knob down to get closer, and drop with a giddy swoop; now you are rushing along the road, overtaking and passing a yellow truck, turning the knob to steer. At first you blunder into the dark trees on either side, and once the earth surges up over you in a chaos of writhing red shapes, but now you are learning, and you soar down past the crossroads, up the farther hill, and now, now you are on the big road, flying eastward, passing all the cars, rushing toward the great world where you long to be.."I'm here, Jain."."That," said Amos, "is the other end of the far rainbow."..Absence due to personal illness has dropped twenty-seven percent over the last two months. There have."You will not see him again. You will tell him to go."."This way," she said, beckoning them into a tunnel formed from more strips of plastic. They twisted around through a random maze, going through more gates that opened when they neared them, sometimes getting on their knees when the clearance

lowered. They heard the sound of children's voices..He thought a moment. "Thursday, I think. Yes, Thursday." "I have been Miss Georgia six nights a week for the last four years, with matinees on Sunday and Tuesday, and do you suppose in all that time that the audience has ever voted for me to be Miss America? Ever?" "Is it really?" If clones can be produced wholesale, a biologist can have a whole group of animals with identical genetic equipment; a set of ten thousand identical-twin mice, let us say. There are many animal experiments that can be conducted with the hope of more useful results if the question of genetic variation could be eliminated..Jack gazed out at the moon and sighed. "If it were daylight, I wonder could I see all the way to the.Films: Multiples by Baird Searles.And echoing back they heard: !. . must be in the cave of . . . in the cave oj. . . cave of. . ." "Nonsense," said the grey man smoothing his grey gloves over his wrists. "If you're going to be up this.Tharsis Base..his officers rushed up around him, and managed not to stammer. "Are you well? Is there anything we can.tenants..There were whirligigs in the..second patch, but they lacked the variety and disorder of the originals.. "Do you sell them?".Amanda recoiled..There is no reason to suppose that this separation of offspring cells can't happen over and over, so.Then all the blankets fell away, and a man with more colors on him than Amos had ever seen sat up.The usher continued to hover, smiling, over his chair. Finally Barry realized he was waiting for a tip..The Mm Who Had No Idea.30.An aeon went by. There was no sound except the whistling of the wind in the scaffolding. Then a.February. That's where she's gone DOW?to Arizona, to wait for it. This is the third time she's taken.Dendrites, LESTER DEL REY.37.The inner nest was free-form. The New Amsterdamites had allowed it to stay pretty much the way.Another section opened up and they stepped through it After three more gates were passed, the."Thank you, Winey, for the encouraging words. You always did know what it takes to buck a person.Barrow St being right in the middle of one of the city's worst slums, Barry had been prepared (he'd thought) for a lesser degree of stateliness and bon ton than that achieved by Partyland, but even so the dismal actuality of Intensity Five went beyond anything he could have imagined. A cavernous one-room basement apartment with bare walls, crackly linoleum over a concrete floor, and radiators that hissed and gurgled ominously without generating a great deal of heat The furniture consisted of metal folding chairs, most of them folded and stacked, a refreshment stand that sold orange juice and coffee, and a great many freestanding, brimful metal ashtrays. Having already forked out twenty-five dollars upstairs as his membership fee,three wheels, suited for sand, and something that's a cross between a rubber-band drive and a.As Nolan set the empty bottle down he heard the noise he'd come to dread worst of all?the endless.There, he thought, that should keep her busy long enough for me to think of the next one. He opened a second beer and took a meditative swallow. Did poets ever write poems about drinking beer? Or was that too general? Better to ask her to write about her favorite brand of beer, a kind of advertisement."Sure, when I was really young." I repeat by long-remembered rote: "Rock breaks scissors, scissors cut paper, paper covers rock.".-stitutions. And he couldn't afford to alienate Mama now. "I shall take precautions," he told her, gravely. "Right now I've got to rest And I want to see Robbie." "I was going to ask you?" "Very well," said Amos. "When do we start?" upset you. I was just carious. . . ".Sirocco hesitated for a split second. "Okay" he finally said. "Let's do it." that they might fail..Driscoll translated the question into a computer command and peered at the data summary on one of the compact screens. "Insignificant seismic above threshold at eight hundred yards. Downwind ratio less than five points up at four hundred. Negative corroboration from acoustics-background swamping." The computers were unable to identify vibration patterns correlating with human activity in the data coming in from the sensing devices quietly scattered around the gorge by low-flying, remote piloted "bees" on and off throughout the night; the chemical sensors located to the leeward of the suspected decoys were detecting little of the odor molecules characteristic of human bodies; the microphones had yielded nothing in the way of coherent sound patterns, but this was doubtless because of the white-noise background being generated in the vicinity of the stream. Although the evidence was only partial and negative at that, it supported Swley's assertion that the main road down to the objective was, incredibly, virtually undefended for the time being..structures and pulsing organs can be seen..naturally available. We've altered the biome. Does anyone know where the exhaust air from the dome.126.started talking to herself. The Morones looked at each other in alarm. Neither of them were licensed."I stole it from my worse and worst enemy." Using an assumed name and a post office box number which was not his, Smith wrote to a.Curtis Brown Ltd. for "Zorphwar!" by Stan Dryer and "Brother Hart" by Jane Yolen.Nolan stood by the window watching as Nina moved away across the clearing. For a moment she.He had walked a long time, and even through his dark glasses he could make out the green and red.He was buttoning his shin. That must have been the delay: he wouldn't want anyone to see him with.She smiled at them and said, "I am glad you have come for the second piece of the mirror, but it is buried in this frozen shard of ice. Once, when I was a girl, I chopped through a chunk of ice to get to an earring my mother had dropped the night before in a winter dance. That block of ice was the coldest and hardest ice any man or woman had ever seen. This block is ten degrees colder. Can you chop through it?" To give you an idea of the creativity of this young man, I have arranged for Zorphwar to be made available to you on the Executive Interactive Display Terminal in your office. After you dial into the Computer Center, simply type "ZORPH" to gain access to the game..Tm a poet"

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