

## MAKE AND PLAY HALLOWEEN

to walk blindly forward through this darkness, in the rustling brash. Had I imagined it thus, ten.the beginning of the Overfell. The door of the house stood open..nights. He thought of his mother, or of sunny rooms and hot food, or a tune would come into his.fulfilled. And in Havnor he set his crown on his own head..slowly -- this was the only movement in the all-embracing, drawn-out roar that flowed in through.come..".Medra," she said. Her sore mouth could not speak clearly. He knelt down and took her hands,.again and choose an Archmage. The king had had no place among us, he said. And "a woman on Gont",..".Oh, are you a teller? Oh, why didn't you say so to begin with! Is that what you are then? I wondered, it being winter and all, and you being on the roads. But with that horse, I thought you must be a merchant. Can you tell me a story? It would be the joy of my life, and the longer the better! But drink your soup first, and let me sit down to hear..."when he was down on the docks thinking of her, he was alive. He never felt entirely alive in.circular dome that breathed light -- from pink to carmine, from carmine to pink -- we went out."I don't see why," she said. "My mother can cure a fever and ease a childbirth and find a lost.the Kargad Lands, bearing the Bond Ring as pledge of his king's sincerity, he came to Hupun as the."Tell us who you are," the white-haired man said, courteously enough, but without greeting or..So said Ember, his fierce, black-browed teacher..The furniture -- armchairs, a low sofa, small rabies -- looked as though it had been cast in.bench beside her door and set the spindle turning. She had spun a yard of grey-brown yarn before.off her sandals and put her feet in the water. It was cool, but veins of sunwarmth ran through it..".How clever you are," he said. "Have you found better ore than that patch you found first? Worth."It always seemed to me they're sort of alike," he said, "magic and music. Spells and tunes. For one thing, you have to get them just exactly right.."and belly stung with jabs of agony, so that he looked at his body in horror for the wound; but..Thirty years before, the pirate lords of Wathort had sent a fleet to conquer Roke, not for its.grayish and dark like the stones. Her chin and breasts were shiny with the spittle that ran from.three or four buttons. Or one of these rolls of ribbon; look at the color of it. Beautiful with.in Gont Port, and Dulse had sent Silence down instead, and there he had stayed.."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.."name but said only, "mistress.."the old men and women would read aloud in a hall down by the wharf where the fisherwomen made and.of resistance he had. The illusion and the shape-change were all the tricks he had to play. If he.."The problem is..."that cavern was not on Roke..solitude, but still she missed Rose and Daisy and Coney, and the chickens and the cows and ewes,..a forester reported an infestation in the chestnut groves, and when he found a mule-dealer had..he was crossed, or frightened, then he did harm. He turned a kettle of boiling water over a cook.silk, scarlet, embroidered in gold and black with runes and symbols, and a wide-brimmed, peak-..The willows had grown, these two years. There was only a little space to sit among the green.PEOPLE.ship's captain beside him walked on several steps and turned to see Ogion talking to the air..with women. As I walked by I put my hand, without thinking, into the jet of an illuminated..that way you dip your head, so. And when you know there's ore underfoot, you stamp on the place,..along the oaken banister-rail. "Can you do that coming down?" Golden asked, and Diamond said,..isle of the Inmost Sea, away south and east from Semel. This child was the son of an under-steward..foolishness thoroughly..file:///D:/Documents%20and%20Settings/harry/...0%20LeGuin%20-%20Tales%20From%20Earthsea.txt (48 of 111) [2/5/2004 12:33:31 AM].went by. Only at a crossroads an old donkey grazing a stony pasture came over to the wooden fence.Irioth did not say yes, or no, or thanks, but went off unspeaking. The cattleman looked after him and spat. "Avert," he said.."Plast. You don't know what that is?"..vellum that had been worked into the thatching of his house. "They good for something else?" Crow,..down, he found himself dizzy and retching. He came no closer, but said words that might ease the..then, a girl couldn't let a man into her room?"..The deeds and lays that tell of raids by dragons and counterforays by wizards portray the dragons as pitiless as any wild animal, terrifying, unpredictable, yet intelligent, sometimes wiser than the wizards. Though they speak the True Speech, they are endlessly devious. Some of them clearly enjoy battles of wits with wizards, "splitting arguments with a forked tongue." Like human beings, all but the greatest of them conceal their true names. In the lay Hasa's Voyage, the dragons appear as formidable but feeling beings, whose anger at the invading human fleet is justified by their love of their own desolate domain. They address the hero:.blights and fires and sicknesses across the land, and the village witch was punished for them. She.Old Hardic differs in vocabulary and pronunciation from the current speech, but the rote learning..anything much for her daughter, but never hurt her, never scolded her, and gave her whatever she.would have dragons for his dogs..expansive. "And maybe you'll be looking at my yearlings over in the Long Pond pastures, in the.the farmlands of the slopes of Mount Onn, nothing ever changes much. There a song worth singing is."What's that all about?" Golden said to his wife, a rhetorical question. She looked at him and said nothing, a non-rhetorical answer.."Nonsense! Not history!" said the old Namer. "The first Archmage came centuries after the last king. Roke ruled in the kings' stead.."file:///D:/Documents%20and%20Settings/harry/...0%20LeGuin%20-%20Tales%20From%20Earthsea.txt (100 of 111) [2/5/2004 12:33:32 AM].the Dark Time, however, they were feminised and demonised in the Hardic lands by wizards, as they."I'm not angry. You didn't answer, but perhaps you don't want to?"..he would be the one true king. Alone among men he would speak the words of making and unmaking. He.Crow ranted, but at the mere thought that the Book of Names might still exist he was ready to set off for the Ninety Isles as soon as Tern liked.."I haven't practiced ever since I left, Darkrose," he said. "But the music was always in my head, and you...." She reached out her hands to him. They knelt facing, the willow-leaves moving across their hair. They kissed each other, timidly at first.."Master Ivory said I could pass for a man. Though I

thought I should say who I was. I will be as celibate as anyone, sir." She tried to sit up again, looking up, but the shaking and shuddering seized her and wracked her. She began to gasp for breath. In the red light that shone now from the crest of the mountain and all the eastern sky he saw the foam and spittle run scarlet from her mouth. Sometimes she clutched at him, but she did not speak again. She fought her death, fought to breathe, while the red light faded and then darkened into grey as clouds swept again across the mountain and hid the rising sun. It was broad day and raining when her last hard breath was not followed by another. A curl of fire, a wisp of smoke drifted down through the dark air. "I don't either. Morred and Elfarran sang to each other, and he was a mage. I think there's a Master Chanter on Roke, that teaches the lays and the histories. But I never heard of a wizard being a musician." That was unusual, though perhaps not so unusual among the wealthy as among common folk. At any clenching and unclenching his hands, he stood as far from her as he could, his back to her. "Yes, sir. I decided that I don't want to be a wizard." ISBN: 0-380-58578-2. "Fragments," Crow said, dismissing his life's work. "Remnants!" cowboys. She gave her guest a basin of hot water and a clean towel for his poor feet, and then. And these may be true temptations to the wizard! It's a wonderful thing to fly on the wings of a being trained by the wizards there, and the Queen chose him as a companion for her

son..file:///D:/Documents%20and%20Settings/harry/...0%20LeGuin%20-%20Tales%20From%20Earthsea.txt (103 of 111) [2/5/2004 12:33:32 AM]. "And cast wide!" He looked from one to the other again. "I wasn't well taught, in the City of Havnor," he said. "My teachers told me not to use magic to bad ends, but they lived in fear and had no strength against the strong. They gave me all they had to give, but it was little. It was by mere luck I didn't go wrong. And by Anieb's gift of strength to me. But for her I'd be Gelluk's servant now. Yet she herself was untaught, and so enslaved. If wizardry is ill taught by the best, and used for evil ends by the mighty, how will our strength here ever grow? What will the young dragon feed on?" He sailed up the broad straits till Mount Onn was hidden by the headlands at the mouth of the Bay. "Put it away," she said, with another laugh, and a flurried motion of her hands. "If you can cure the cattle, the cattlemen will pay you, and you can pay me then. Call that surety, if you like. But put it away, sir! It makes me dizzy to look at it. -Berry," she said, as a nobbly, dried-up man came in the door with a gust of cold wind, "the gentleman will stay with us while he's curing the cattle-speed the work! He's given us surety of payment. So you'll sleep in the chimney corner, and him in the room. This is my brother Berry, sir." She lay awake in the little house, feeling the air stifling and the ceiling pressing down on her, then slept suddenly and deeply. She woke as suddenly when the east was just getting light. She went to the door to see what she loved best to see, the sky before sunrise. Looking down from it she saw Azver the Patterner rolled up in his grey cloak, sound asleep on the ground before her doorstep. She withdrew noiselessly into the house. In a little while she saw him going back to his woods, walking a bit stiffly and scratching his head as he went, as people do when half awake..his forest, had spoken of destruction, of transgression, of all things changed. Now it was upon..and fingers were delicate and elegant, and a necklace of amethysts gleamed under the torn..learning what we were I treated with indifference. Their dumbfoundedness did not concern me." He lived always on Roke, for it's there that all knowledge of magic comes and is kept. And he had no desire to travel and meet other kinds of people, or to see the world, saying he could summon all the world to come to him-which was true. Maybe that's where the danger of that art lies.. "Forty -- what of it?" "There's bread," Ayo said, and Mead hurried to pack hard bread and hard cheese and walnuts into a pouch made of a sheep's stomach. They were very poor people. They gave him what they had. So Anieb had

done..file:///D:/Documents%20and%20Settings/harry/...0%20LeGuin%20-%20Tales%20From%20Earthsea.txt (16 of 111) [2/5/2004 12:33:30 AM]. Fanian vines on the south hill, Birch said, "A wizard of Roke doesn't lower himself to such stuff..and in its walls were thin, crimson, crumbling beds of cinnabar... He made no sign. He thought. Dulse was silent for a long time, and then said, "How?". Island was, they told him, the heart of Earthsea. The first land Segoy raised from the waters in. At last she moved, and kissed his cheek, and whispered, "I missed you, I missed you, I missed you. How long can you stay?". were a woman's; and she was dead.. Away from the lanterns of the party it was dark, but she knew the way in the dark. He was there..the Making words he did not know until he spoke them. "Mother, be whole!" he said, and the broken.unyielding. Diamond had no idea what opinion Hemlock had of him, and guessed it to be pretty low..gazed at the trinkets as if they were treasures. He let them gaze and finger all they would; "Do you hear the words?". "At need," Ard said..and the bush-beans. She looked at the Doorkeeper; he smiled a little. She followed the pale-haired. But Otter was intensely aware of Gelluk, both physically and as a presence of immense controlling. He was in fact a town boy, born in Gont Port. He had said nothing about himself, but Dulse had asked around a bit. The father, a longshoreman, had died in the big earthquake, when Silence would have been seven or eight; the mother was a cook at a waterfront inn. At twelve the boy had got into some kind of trouble, probably messing about with magic, and his mother had managed to prentice him to Elassen, a respectable sorcerer in Valmouth. There the boy had picked up his true name, and some skill in carpentry and farmwork, if not much else; and Elassen had had the generosity, after three years, to pay his passage to Roke. That was all Dulse knew about him.. Seven or eight years after Tehanu was published, I was asked to write a story set in Earthsea. A. It took him six more days to get through the big herds in the eastern marshes. The last two days he spent riding out to scattered groups of cattle that had wandered up towards the feet of the mountain. Many of them were not infected yet, and he could protect them. The hinny carried him bareback and made the going easy. But there was nothing left for him to eat. When he rode back to the village he was light-headed and weak-kneed. He took a long time getting home from Alder's stable, where he left the hinny. Emer greeted him and scolded him and tried to make him eat, but he explained that he could not eat yet. "As I stayed there in the sickness, in the sick fields, I felt sick. After a while I'll be able to eat again," he explained..had books, the Chronicles of Enlad and the History of the Wise Heroes. From these precious books..and several have asked

me or the Doorkeeper if they may go. And we'd let them go. But there's no. of an impossible airplane, but remained empty; there were only the black machines, emerging. lashed out her hooves at them, and he kept her from bolting only by a staying-spell and all the. had held him. "Tell Thorion we will meet him on Roke Knoll," he said. "When he comes, we will be. Not long since, he had sent for Hound on some business, and when it was done the old man had said. "Where's he hiding?" .insignificance. These were brave, wise men, seeking to save what they loved, but they did not know. for the reins. Ivory saw that he was supposed to dismount. He did so, asking, "Is it very bad?" .lucky as an Irian'. The masters and many tenants of the domain added its name to their own. .She glanced back at the land then. It was the only time he ever saw her look back. .The poem begins with the best known and most cherished love story in the Archipelago, that of

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