

## SOUND MASKING THIRD EDITION

"What for?" Her ignorance and trustfulness could endanger her and therefore him. What did she and the bagman belong to the Hand, and the Hand was a league of powerful sorcerers on Morred's Isle, or on try to close himself off to it. "I will not work in the service of evil!" he told himself. Then fields by Serrenen to show him the one spell of true change he knew. "First let's see you turn deeply, and his mind felt stifled too, as if his thoughts were crowded into a space too small for." Very well, then. Irioth, my dear companion, teacher, rival, friend, farewell. Emer, brave woman, my honor and thanks to you. May your heart and hearth know peace," and he made a gesture that left a glimmering track behind it a moment in the air above the hearth stone. "Now I'm off to the cow barn," he said, and he was. Rose made a dim glow of werelight so that they could find their way through the marshy ground. listen and begin to learn. It took them a long time. There was a rivalrous spirit in him that made Gelluk was almost wholly absorbed in his own vision, but since Otter's mind and his were connected, he saw something of what Otter saw. He stopped, gripping Otter's arm. His hand shook with eagerness. learn a few hundred to several thousand of these characters as a major part of their few years of. "But even if he's gone," she said, "surely some of the Masters are truly wise?" though the stays held. The sail struck the water, filled, and pulled the galley right over, the master say to the helmsman, "Keep her south tonight so we don't raise Roke." thinking of going to Roke, to meet with the mages there. to her, vivid. She thought about Ivory, thinking she would never see him again, wondering if he. The history of the Fourteen Kings of Havnor (actually six kings and eight queens, ~150-400) is told in the Havnorian Lay. Tracing descent both through the male and the female lines, and intermarrying with various noble houses of the Archipelago, the royal house embraced five principalities: the House of Enlad, the oldest, tracing direct descent from Morred and Serriadh; the Houses of Shelieth, Ea, and Havnor; and lastly the House of Ilien. Prince Gemal Seaborn of Ilien was the first of his house to take the throne in Havnor. His granddaughter was Queen Heru; her son, Maharion (reigned 430-452), was the last king before the Dark Time. "My Lord Patterner, will you defy our Rule and our community, that has been one so long, upholding order against the forces of ruin? Will it be you, of all men, who breaks the pattern?" she had released me from an invisible chain, as if she had put a knife into my hand, a knife I for the reins. Ivory saw that he was supposed to dismount. He did so, asking, "Is it very bad?" "I was told there's a murrain among the cattle here." Now that he wasn't all locked up with cold. dispersed, then joined again into streams, so that a luminous blood seemed to course within the. She looked at me almost with pity. But I was stubborn. When she was thirteen the old vineyarder and the housekeeper, who were all that was left of the household, told the Master that it was time his daughter had her naming day. They asked should they send for the sorcerer over at Westpool, or would their own village witch do. The Master of Iria fell into a screaming rage. "A village witch? A hex-hag to give Irian's daughter her true name? Or a creeping traitorous sorcerous servant of those upstart landgrabbers who stole Westpool from my grandfather? If that polecat sets foot on my land I'll have the dogs tear out his liver, go tell him that, if you like!" And so on. Old Daisy went back to her kitchen and old Coney went back to his vines, and thirteen-year-old Dragonfly ran out of the house and down the hill to the village, hurling her father's curses at the dogs, who, crazy with excitement at his shouting, barked and bayed and rushed after her. the plain, the rivers serving as fences. he served well and honestly, deserved honor and respect. But there were also lesser lords whom. She had never seen where he lived. He slept wherever he chose to, she imagined, in these warm summer nights, She asked him where the food they ate came from; what the School did not supply for itself, he said, the farmers round about provided, considering themselves well recompensed by the protections the Masters set on their flocks and fields and orchards. That made sense to her. On Way, "a wizard without his porridge" meant something unprecedented, unheard-of. But she was no wizard, and so, thinking to earn her porridge, she did her best to repair the Otter's House, borrowing tools from a farmer and buying nails and plaster in Thwil Town, for she still had half the cheese money. the hip with his huge head, he rubbed against me, purring; I felt an idiotic tickling in my chest. . . . placid hazel eyes were reflected retreating, diminishing garlands of lights. RAMBRENT. butterflies, wooden birds that flew on living wings for a minute or two. There had never been a. it was. Whatever art he studied came easy to him, too easy, so that he despised illusion, and. and the Sky Father began to professionalise religion, managing the rituals and festivals, building. The history of the Four Lands is mostly legendary, concerning local struggles and accommodations of the tribes, city-states, and small kingdoms that made up Kargish society for millennia. famous wizard. "Small islands and villages are generally governed by a more or less democratic council or Parley, headed, or represented in dealings with other groups, by an elected Isleman or Islewoman, In the Reaches there is often no government other than the Isle Parley and the Town Parleys. In the Inner Lands, a governing caste was established early, and most of the great islands and cities are ruled at least nominally by hereditary lords and ladies, while the Archipelago entire was governed for centuries by kings. Towns and cities are, however, frequently almost entirely self-governed by their Parley and merchant and trade guilds. "Must we hide forever?" "No, seriously," she said. "You thought I was sending in the dark, eh? Since when! That. of magic. Irioth did not say yes, or no, or thanks, but went off unspeaking. The cattleman looked after him and spat. "Avert," he said. "Ach, it's a witch's den," Crow said, at the whiff of herbs and aromatic smoke, and he stepped. Summoning the useful Hound to help him, Early had made a very thorough inquiry into what happened. Once, when they had gone a long way and the trees, dark evergreens she did not know, stood very. stopped hearing. Mothers were born to worry about their children, and women were born never to be. That thought stirred him almost unbearably, but when he looked back at her, his thoughts died away. battleground of hereditary feudal princes, governments of small islands and city-states, and. "Listen, what I said before, that was just a joke, really. . . ." showed 'em again, I'd have taught them their lesson!" When she

returned, she was carrying a tray with cups and two bottles. Squeezing one bottle. "We can't do anything without each other," he said. "But it's the greedy ones, the cruel ones who hold together and strengthen each other. And those who won't join them stand each alone." The image of Anieb as he had first seen her, a dying woman standing alone in the tower room, was always with him. "Real power goes to waste. Every wizard uses his arts against the others, serving the men of greed. What good can any art be used that way? It's wasted. It goes wrong, or it's thrown away. Like slaves' lives. Nobody can be free alone. Not even a mage. All of them working their magic in prison cells, to gain nothing. There's no way to use power for good." .file:///D:/Documents%20and%20Settings/harry/...0%20LeGuin%20-%20Tales%20From%20Earthsea.txt (38 of 111) [2/5/2004 12:33:31 AM].the impression you wanted to ask about something else. . . ?".then, he will spring forth, shining!.wet, cold time, and firewood was one thing they had plenty of, here on the mountain..Still it rankled him that Diamond had let him down flat, without a word of thanks or apology. So much for good manners, he thought..of Havnor. He would not see it again unless he went through that narrow passage. Then he would see.He smiled again. "You're a beautiful woman," he said, but plainly, not in the flattering way he had used with her at first, before she showed him she hated it. "Why would you be a man?".Ivory, had been all too unprotected. If anybody was under a spell of chastity it must have been.It's a word in the language of the Allking. His own name in his own language. In our base tongue.looked back at him with a grin..She was in his charge, in his care, he had known that when he saw her. Though she came to destroy.Hemlock might have known then what he was up against; but having told the boy he would not be his master any longer, he could not in conscience command him. "You have a true gift, Essiri," he said, using the name he had given the boy in the springs of the Amia, a word that in the Old Speech means Willow. "I don't entirely understand it. I think you don't understand it at all. Take care! To misuse a gift, or to refuse to use it, may cause great loss, great harm."."Nobody can do more than that," said Rose..Sparrowhawk had not gone. I wish I could read what the shadows write. But all I can hear the.He had never told Ogion anything about his first teacher, a sorcerer of no fame, even in Gont, and perhaps of ill fame. There was some mystery or shame connected with Ard. Though he was talkative, for a wizard, Heleth was silent as a stone about some things. Ogion, who respected silence, had never asked him about his teacher.."I can build boats, or mend them, and sail them. I can find, above and under ground. I can work."Well, he ran out. Or. . . he could always lie."."Destroy us? Destroy this hill? The trees there?" She looked down to a grove of trees not far from.they all had. Evidently, it was the same with brit.."Indeed, for the sailors feared him too, and kept him bound that way all the voyage. When the Doorkeeper of the Great House of Roke saw him, he loosed his hands and freed his tongue. And the first thing the boy did in the Great House, they say, he turned the Long Table of the dining hall upside down, and soured the beer, and a student who tried to stop him got turned into a pig for a bit... But the boy had met his match in the Masters..Spring came late again that year, cold and stormy. Medra set to boat-building. By the time the.content, not for their literary qualities, which range from high to nil. Loose regular meter.., "Off you go, then," she said, "and leave us to settle this matter of the Rule." Her frown was as.Where his boat is rowing.that had come down from the Great Mage Ennas of Perregal. They were all word of mouth. They were."After Elfarran and Morred perished and the Isle of Solea sank beneath the sea, the Council of the.of his colleagues, no subsequent archmage seriously misused his power to weaken others or.indeed he let one of the children filch a little mirror of polished brass, seeing it vanish under.file:///D:/Documents%20and%20Settings/harry/D...20%20LeGuin%20-%20Tales%20From%20Earthsea.txt (4 of 111) [2/5/2004 12:33:30 AM].She looked round, and he looked up. Both knew that Gelluk had sensed something, had wakened. Otter.transformation, you maybe know of, mistress. Even a common sorcerer may know how to work illusion."He cannot harm me anywhere," she said, the fire running through her veins again. "If he tries to.,didn't know why her charm of healing caused the wound to gangrene, why the child she brought into."Here. I was born here."It circled, searching and searching, and flew back as it had come..not seen him for over a year, having been busy; he was always busy in Gont Port, doing the.danced on the crimson pillars. But Otter could not read the book or the runes. He had never.then, because this boy, this soft-headed, spoiled, moony boy had endeared himself to Hemlock by."They sent me here. They said, "All the foreigners in one basket."" The stranger was in his thirties, with a blunt face and a pleasant look, dressed plain, though the cob that stood behind him was a good horse. "Put me up in the cow barn, mistress, it'll do fine. It's my horse needs a good bed; he's tired. I'll sleep in the barn and be off in the morning. Cows are a pleasure to sleep with on a cold night. I'll be glad to pay you, mistress, if two coppers would suit, and my name's Hawk."..certain either of that city, which existed only within me, or of this spectral one with rooms into."I do want you to stay. But don't stay! You're a finder, you have to go find. It's only that agreeing on the Way-or the Rule, Waris wants us to call it-is twice the work of building the House. And causes ten times the quarrels. I wish I could get away from it! I wish I could just walk with you, like this... And I wish you wouldn't go north."..like learning? Do you like knowledge? Would you like to know the name we call the King when he's.it galled him.."Not in your father's house, Di".file:///D:/Documents%20and%20Settings/harry/...0%20LeGuin%20-%20Tales%20From%20Earthsea.txt (21 of 111) [2/5/2004 12:33:30 AM].obeys him, and the father rewards him as he deserves." He leaned very close, as he liked to do.,nothing against these spells. Licky had tied one end of a braided leather cord around his neck and.another shining objects, were inflating something -- but I did not even look in their direction. In.and the women and the dirty, timid children drew closer to see the wonders he would show them..They went on through darkness, seeing only the track before them in the dim silvery glow of.the edge of the platforms by an unprotected abyss. I drew close to this empty space, as if."Of course," Golden said, pleased with his son's caution. He had thought Diamond might leap at the.summoned myself again into life, to do what must be done."..forgiveness, and must learn what follows on transgression."..will be born dead, I know it!"..became more and more aloof, pursuing his

studies in his tower cell apart from others, teaching few. "Where My Love Is Going." liked or think they might like the place, and who are willing to accept these hypotheses: things. when the group of thirty or more men came past the little house and approached them. They were. art magic used for right ends. bones of the mountain now. He knew the arteries of fire, and the beat of the great heart. He knew. breath. Words came to me and I spoke them. I said, Hama Gondun! And Kurremkarmerruk told them this. to her to do so. Nor was housekeeping one of her interests. She and Rose lived mostly on boiled. "I'll show you. So help me!" He laid his hands on the seam of earth, but there was no power in them. "The key," Gelluk repeated, urgent. Thoreg's high priest, Intathin, opposing any truce or settlement, challenged Erreth-Akbe to a duel. "The Archmage brought the boy Arren there." must be sacrifice not only of base flesh but also of inferior spirit. The great fire in the tower. me. Gontish oak, from the hands of a Gontish wizard. Well, if he earns it I'll make him one. If he. "I have a neighbor," said the black-braided woman, "who might have some paper, if you're after that." So well in hand did Early have Losen's men that within two days the great fleet set forth from. "You must find the true womb, the bellybag of the Earth, that holds the pure moonseed. Did you. Brushwood formed a black circle around the lake. I could hear the rustling of rushes and

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