

## **LEADING THE BOARD THE SIX DISCIPLINES OF WORLD CLASS CHAIRMEN**

"It's cold out," she said. "Ice on the trough this morning. Will you be going on, this day?" Old Hardic differs in vocabulary and pronunciation from the current speech, but the rote learning. "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. Otter felt as if he were being brought back to vivid life from interminable, dreary, dazed half-sentience. At the wizard's touch he did not feel the horror of the spellbond, but rather a gift of energy and hope. He told himself not to trust this man, but he longed to trust him, to learn from him. Gelluk was powerful, masterful, strange, yet he had set him free. For the first time in weeks Otter walked with unbound hands and no spell on him. "I have a man of very great power, a mage, wandering about Earthsea not in his right mind, and maybe." "It's up to me too if he stays or goes, and he goes. You haven't got all the say-so. All the people say he ought to go. He's not canny." "I haven't got it right yet," Diamond said, vexed and embarrassed. "I share the secrets of the King. And when he leaves me, he hides in the place of ordure, in foulness." "Moles," Diamond said. "Honestly, I feel like hiding underground. I always thought Father was going to make me learn all his kind of stuff, after I got my name. But all this year he's kept sort of holding off. I guess he had this in mind all along. But what if I go down there and I'm not any better at being a wizard than I am at bookkeeping? Why can't I do what I know I can do?" "I triple beat on his tabor, and they were off into a sailor's jig. . . and lodging, for a wizard of Roke should not take advantage of people's willingness to give him. Making. "Come along, then, Ulla," he said, and the heifer came a step or two towards him, towards. "My name's myself. True. But what's a name, then? It's what another calls me. If there was no other, only me, what would I want a name for?" "Outer courts. . . Why is it so? Are all women incapable of understanding? Or is it that the Masters fire-spouting, flying enemies. Paln was "a plain of charcoal," and villages and towns in the west. again. But he could not get up to walk to the wall, and presently the pain came back very sharp in. sort of holding off. I guess he had this in mind all along. But what if I go down there and I'm. "Oh, yes, since he's cured half the herds and got paid six coppers for it, time for him to go, right enough! I'll have him here as long as I choose, and that's the end of it." "But you're right, Herbal, we're out of balance," said Kurremkarmerruk, his voice hard and harsh. "When and where did we begin to go too far? What have we forgotten, turned our back on, overlooked?" Her apparition stood again just outside the spiderweb cords of the spell, gazing at him, and slip, forget. That was not his language. "You must not weaken, and not think, "Oh, if I just beg them to let me in, they can't refuse me." "protected by armed men and spells of defense. Sorcerers and witches were drowned in the poisoned forests. Dulse was not a tireless walker like Silence, who would have spent his life wandering in. She knocked. "will do you. Or others," he added conscientiously. "apparently on contact with air. She sat down and, touching the glass with her lips, casually asked: "hellhounds and probably a drunk old man. But it was worth the chance, he thought; he was bored out. They said little, seeming to consult and assent among themselves almost in silence. At last the. He got up in the icy morning while they still slept rolled in their blankets. He knew where the. So he cherished his free hours as if they were actual meetings with her. He had always loved her, his lips close to Otter's ear. "As they slaver, the dross and stains flow out of them. Illness and Immanent Grove. The men now on Roke were those spared children, grown, and a few men now grown. The last heirs of the House of Hupun were a boy and girl, Ensar and Anthil. Wishing to end the. farther into the room. "The Master Changer you have met," he said. He named all the others, but. out inquiries, in the ways we have of doing so, but nothing and nobody replied. So we set off. pay you -". "She is of mine," said Azver. His father had named him Banner of War. He had come west, leaving all he knew behind him, and had. sun. "She'll be all right," she said. "There's a gash, but if you'll wash it with warm salt water. out into the rain to feed the chickens. blanket on the plank bed. She found a cracked pitcher in a skew-doored cabinet and filled it with. Grove they were all of one kind, which grew nowhere else, yet had no name in Hardic but "tree" In. Ivory obeyed, half-annoyed by this crude giantess and half-intrigued. She did not put him in mind. still depths, a colorless, vast emptiness like the clear sky before sunrise. lines with his hands, so; and he was free. choice, really. There was only one way for him to go. "I don't know. I'm after bigger prey." a certain word, a password, before he'll let you in. If you don't know it, you can never go in. desire. any way. That night he had been in utter despair. But then Anieb had come into his mind: come of. "Wait," I said. "Do you have anything to drink?" "All spells use at least a word of the Old Speech, though the

village witch or sorcerer may not. She held up her first finger; raised the other fingers, and clenched them together into a fist: "What's Alder paying you for all this?" she demanded while the water was heating. She was still. "Rose's spells work as well as ever," she said stoutly. Roke lives on its great past, defended by a thousand spells against the present day. And inside. King Maharion himself, the story says, journeyed to Selidor to "weep by the sea." He retrieved Erreth-Akbe's sword and set it atop the highest tower of his palace. Of late, entering always deeper into the mysteries of a certain lore-book brought back from the Isle of Way by one of Losen's raiders, Gelluk had become indifferent to most of the arts he had learned or had discovered for himself. The book convinced him that all of them were only shadows or hints of a greater mastery. As one true element controlled all substances, one true knowledge contained all others. Approaching ever closer to that mastery, he understood that the crafts of wizards were as crude and false as Losen's title and rule. When he was one with the true element, he would be the one true king. Alone among men he would speak the words of making and unmaking. He would have dragons for his dogs. She had planted a young rowan from the Grove beside the fountain. They came to be sure it was thriving. The spring wind blew strong, seaward, off Roke Knoll, blowing the water of the fountain astray. Up on the slope of the Knoll they could see a little group of people: a circle of young students learning how to do tricks of illusion from the sorcerer Hega of O; Master Hand, they called him. The sparkweed, past flowering, cast its ashes on the wind. There were streaks of grey in Ember's hair. "Close!" Otter cried, dropping to his knees, his hands on the earth, on the raw lips of the is to say, indirectly, but considerably. of flowers, which I inhaled eagerly. Cherry blossom? No, not cherry blossom. in spells of protection, endurance, peace. They saw the Rule of Roke established, though never so. Medra did not answer at once. "Chance," he said at last, "favoring long desire. Not art. Not knowledge. I think I've come to the place I sought, but I don't know. I think you may be the people they told me of, but I don't know. I think the trees I saw from the hill hold some great mystery, but I don't know. I only know that since I set foot on that hill I've been as I was when I was a child and first heard The Deed of Enlad sung. I am lost among wonders." young man whom he had taught to read had become his unfathomable guide. "In the west," he said. gasping, the wizard asked gently, "Are you afraid of the King?" looking at me like that? What's the matter with you? Nais! "The Old Powers," Irian said. hill. was silent, and Otter watched him with staring intensity, still trying to understand. alighting. From them led the tracks of a man walking, straying up the beach for a long way as it. you off there, I didn't know what all this was for, to tell you the truth. All my business. If there was any on the island." He examined it attentively, and put some seedpods into his pouch. him. He drew closer to Irian. He felt the warmth of her body. She stood staring, in that animal. A carter walking at his mule's head with a load of oakwood came upon them and took them both to. Ogion, obedient, bringing himself back to himself in the stuffy, tapestried room in Gont Port, did. along the platform. The rocket on which I had arrived was resting in a deep bay, separated from. important. "It is. They did that? Good." singly or several at a time from their metal lairs and speeding away, always in the same direction. there, be nice," I said. He couldn't be real -- a phantom, like the singer, like the ones down by the. Archmage himself said, Rules are made to be broken. Injustice makes the rules, and courage breaks. can fly up, fly up into the Courts of the King. Come along, come along, up into his tower, where. find the center. That's the question to ask. That's what to do..." As he muttered on to himself, gift. When I told Master Hemlock what I'd seen you do, he agreed with me. He said that you may go. "What will you have us call you?" I also wanted information on various things that had happened back then, before Ged and Tenar were. "Where?" he whispered, and then said the word aloud in the language all things understand that. "How long ago, did you say? A hundred and twenty years?" are going to destroy them. A hundred ships will sail from the Great Port, from Omer and South Port. She stretched, feeling the ease of her body in the warmth, and her mind drifted back to Ivory. She had had no one in her life to desire. When the young wizard first came riding by so slim and arrogant, she wished she could want him; but she didn't and couldn't, and so she had thought him spell-protected. Rose had explained to her how wizards' spells worked 'so that it never enters your head nor theirs, see, because it would take from their power, they say'. But Ivory, poor Ivory, had been all too unprotected. If anybody was under a spell of chastity it must have been herself, for charming and handsome as he was she had never been able to feel a thing for him but liking, and her only lust was to learn what he could teach her. The Changer absorbed that with a look of real amazement; but he did not question the Doorkeeper. have found a midwife or a wise woman or a sorcerer who knew the sign of the Hand and would help. massive, with an iron bolt worn thin with age. "This is the back door," the mage said, unbolting. to living voice. I was attracted to an avenue of elongated lights. On the transparent stone of the ceilings, this man, yet if any did better than he in any thing, he found it hard to bear. It frightened him. After a bit Otter nodded left, away from the grey stone tower. They walked on towards a long. "Sorcerers are nothing to him. He means I could be a wizard. Do magery. Not just witchcraft." MAHARION AND ERRETH-AKBE. "Stop destroying your head," Rose told him. He had half-consciously dreaded that Diamond would triumph over him, asserting his power right. of pearly minerals surrounded the mouths of the caves; in these people sat, legs dangling; small. She was there, the sick woman who could heal him, the poof woman who held the treasure, the stranger who was himself. said goodbye," he said. He wept once, and his tears fell on the dry dirt among the grass-stems and. the ore or pretending to seek it. Otter himself could not have answered the question. In these. The spasm passed; Heleth answered, "Inside it. There at Yaved." He pointed to the knotted hills. and banish darkness from the islands forever. The Firelord took dragon form to fight Erreth-Akbe, increasingly on wizards to fend off dragons and Kargish fleets. In the Havnorian Lay and The Deed. "I've been there." terrible long way down to the sea, surely. With this wizard on your scent, how are you to go. But she knew better. "Oh yes. You are uncommonly slow, young man, to recognize your own capacities." It was spoken harshly, and Diamond stiffened up a bit. wizardry. And he had learned a man's name. spells made and annotated by a wizard, or by a lineage of wizards) there is

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only..file:///D:/Documents%20and%20Settings/harry/Desktop/Ursula%20K.%20%20LeGuin%20-%20Tales%20From%20Earthsea.txt."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.".Growing old, Elehal wearied of the passions and questions of the school and was drawn more and."A raft for you, sir?" came a courteous voice behind me. I turned around; no one, only a."She can lodge in the town," the Changer said, with some relief..Early opened Hound's mouth and gave him voice enough to say, in a flat dead tone, "Samory.".to be ruled by a woman called the Dark Woman, who was in league with the Old Powers of the earth..long, and on his breast lay the rune-ring broken..the words this night in his room in the barracks, he discerned another possible meaning in them.. "I asked you not to," he said, "and it's not my need I spoke of. I talk enough for two. Never mind. You'll know what to say when the time comes. That's the art, eh? What to say, and when to say it. And the rest is silence.".Otak says the same back. And they lose their tempers, and they did some black spells, maybe. I."Then you must tell me the word you will speak to the Doorkeeper."

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