

YES YOU CAN AND WHY YOU SHOULD

there, for I haven't a penny of copper or ivory, nor seen one for a month." If the young sorcerer was seeking experience, he did not get much at Westpool. Whenever Birch had plundered, but they send their sons west dragon hunting. In sport. As if the dragons of the West. "So, to be blunt about it, if you have this gift, Diamond, it's of no use, directly, to our. The trouble rose up in Irioth's mind as it had not done since he came to the High Marsh. He struggled against it. A man of power had come to heal the cattle, another man of power. But a sorcerer, Alder had said. Not a wizard, not a mage. Only a curer, a cattle healer. I do not need to fear him. I do not need to fear his power. I do not need his power. I must see him, to be sure, to be certain. If he does what I do here there is no harm. We can work together. If I do what he does here. If he uses only sorcery and means no harm. As I do. "I am Anieb," she whispered..style of a hundred years ago; I didn't want to. I had to admit, however, that she was right; brit was. Then from the foam bright Ea broke..Atl and Htha) "word-beings," "those who say words," and therefore could mean, or include, dragons..in Ember's hair..said, using the name he had given the boy in the springs of the Amia, a word that in the Old.your bed," she said. "There's no fire in that room. Did you meet weather, up on the mountain? They.The brave girl, the brave heart." The mare put her head down and shivered all over with relief..said, and left the room."Yes -".cattle were nearby, and went to them. The sickness was very familiar to him now. He felt it in his.the silence of the mother darkness into his mind.."But I'm not giving you anything." She was surprised.."You're singing," she said and lightly tugged at me. We walked among the tables and I.have to hire passage on a ship, she said simply, "I have the cheese money."."Yes. When there are. . . two of you."offering him something. Then she was gone.."Azver," she said. "Thank you."..of evening and saw the sky of evening through the branches and leaves of trees. An arched oak root.He stood silent in the doorway. She sat on the stone floor near the crucible, her thin body grayish and dark like the stones. Her chin and breasts were shiny with the spittle that ran from her mouth. He thought of the spring of water that had run from the broken earth..Semere's cow pasture. You can see the ways from there. You need to find the center. See where to.rock hovered in the air, and when he flipped his fingers downward it fell to earth.."I've been coming doing business here some ten years," he said, looking Irioth up and down. "A man.her ear..His head hurt again, and he whimpered and shivered, trying to draw himself together for warmth..were squatting on their haunches, heads close together, laughing. Something intense or uncanny.only by returning as you went could you be sure of coming out into the fields..He stood in the locked room in the dark and knew he would go free, because he was already free. A storm of praise ran through him.."She spoke with the other breath," Azver said..There he was well received by King Thoreg, who, after the shattering loss of his fleet, was ready to call a truce and withdraw from the occupied Hardic islands if Maharion would seek no reprisal..All rights reserved, which includes the right to reproduce this book or.the silence, in the cell in the tower. Nobody else knew what was going on. We fought. A long time.not be lonely..When he showed signs of reviving during the journey, one of them bashed him on the head, remarking.summer forest with the Patterner. That had come to an end last night. She knew it, but she did not.opened and entered a great cavern. But though the roots of Roke are the roots of all the islands,."Who are we," said the Doorkeeper, "that we refuse her without knowing what she is?".fell, because his left hip gave way with a pain that made him cry out aloud. After a while he.The spasm passed; Heleth answered, "Inside it. There at Yaved." He pointed to the knotted hills below them. "I'll go in, try to keep things from sliding around, eh? I'll find out when I'm doing it, no doubt. I think you should be getting back to yourself. Things are tightening up." He stopped again, looking as if he were in intense pain, hunched and clenched. He struggled to stand up. Unthinking, Ogion held out his hand to help him..the silken dip between her eyes, scratching her forehead at the roots of the nubbin horns..other metals, even gold, see..enough. I walked awhile. I remember that later I sat by a fountain, though perhaps it was not a.Neither of them had been on Pody. It was a sleepy southern island with a pretty old port town, Telio, built of rosy sandstone, and fields and orchards that should have been fertile. But the lords of Wathort had ruled it for a century, taxing and slave taking and wearing the land and people down. The sunny streets of Telio were sad and dirty. People lived in them as in the wilderness, in tents and lean-tos made of scraps, or shelterless. "Oh, this won't do," Crow said, disgusted, avoiding a pile of human excrement. "These creatures don't have books, Tern!". "Oh yes. You are uncommonly slow, young man, to recognize your own capacities." It was spoken.clucking and pecking around the dusty dooryard, a red, a brown, a white; a grey hen was setting.And the Old Powers of the Earth, which are manifest at Roke Knoll, the Immanent Grove, the Tombs of Atuan, the Terrenon, the Lips of Paor, and many other places, may be coeval with the world itself..Ivory smiled. He said nothing, but she knew how petty the doings of a village witch appeared to him, who had seen great deeds and powers. She sighed and spoke from her heart - "Oh, if only I wasn't a woman!".She hesitated; she laughed. "If he wants a fife-player," she said..distrust of him. She was easy with him. He meant no harm to her. She thought there was kindness in.As he came down the last slope of the mountain, he had seen houses here and there out in the."What's that all about?" Golden said to his wife, a rhetorical question. She looked at him and said nothing, a non-rhetorical answer..that carried the timber and the chestnuts over the hills to be sold. He did very well from trees,,the letters, on either side, were not visible because of their magnitude. Noiselessly I was carried.not so far as she, for he was lame..Ogion shook his head. He let his sending sit down in the grass near Heleth, though it did not bend."If he wants a party, he'll have it," she said. Their voices were alike, being in the higher.Ayo and Mead were much alike, and Otter saw in them what Anieb might have been: a short, slight.to him that neither was his wife seeing the witch anymore. For years they'd been thick as thieves,.Medra stayed three years with Highdrake, and when the old mage died, the Lord of Pendor asked.She drank her lemonade -- that's what I called the sparkling liquid, in my thoughts -- and again I."Who doesn't? I like the cheese

making. There's an interest to it. And I'm strong. All I fear is getting old, when I can't lift the buckets and the molds." She showed him her round, muscular arm, making a fist and smiling. "Pretty good for fifty years old!" she said. It was silly to boast, but she was proud of her strong arms, her energy and skill..should take..kind of a situation being dangerous, in a palace. Then I went about to friends of mine and asked.earthy taste of the onion was good, and he ate it all..Again he paused. All at once he looked straight at Otter, who froze in terror thinking the wizard."They put something into the blood, I think."..The cowboys were discussing whether or not it was safe to eat the meat of a steer dead of

the.file:///D:/Documents%20and%20Settings/harry/...0%20LeGuin%20-%20Tales%20From%20Earthsea.txt (74 of 111) [2/5/2004 12:33:31 AM].He asked Birch about the place. "That's Iria," Birch said - "Old Iria, I mean to say. I own the house by rights. But after a century of feuds and fights over it, my granddad let the place go to settle the quarrel. Though the Master there would still be quarrelling with me if he didn't keep too drunk to talk. Haven't seen the old man for years. He had a daughter, I think."..itself, and yet again in the vile place he waits for me to come and take him up and cleanse him as.Hire a carter, buy a mule. I'm old, Azver."..knows it has real power, power of life and death, over the person. Often a true name is never."I just sort of found out," said the boy, evidently not sure if his father approved..Something happened. I heard raised voices. I leaned out of my seat. Several rows in front.darkness of the trees a stream ran out, green-banked, with many brown trodden places where cattle.gone still. Not a fly buzzed..spared him he would tell them all about the Hand, and Roke, and the great mages of Roke..From time to time in the years since then, Dulse remembered how he hadn't lost his temper when Silence asked about keeping goats; and each time the memory gave him a quiet satisfaction, like that of finishing the last bite of a perfectly ripe pear.."Stand!" he said to it in its language, and let go of it. It stood as if he had driven it into a socket..Since the name of the person is the person, in the most literal and absolute sense, anyone who knows it has real power, power of life and death, over the person. Often a true name is never known to anybody but the giver and to the owner, who both keep it secret all their life. The power to give the true name and the imperative to keep it secret are one. True names have been betrayed, but never by the name giver..file:///D:/Documents%20and%20Settings/harry/...0%20LeGuin%20-%20Tales%20From%20Earthsea.txt (14 of 111) [2/5/2004 12:33:30 AM].file:///D:/Documents%20and%20Settings/harry/D...20%20LeGuin%20-%20Tales%20From%20Earthsea.txt (7 of 111) [2/5/2004 12:33:30 AM].So the pattern of the years was set for Tern. In the late spring he would go out in Hopeful,.brave. Or brave, they said around the tavern table, in the wrong way, or the wrong place, d'you."It hasn't been changed," he said, but he knew that was not what she meant. "I'm sorry," he said. "If I stayed a month, if I stayed the winter, would that use it up? I should have a place to stay, while I work with the beasts."..file:///D:/Documents%20and%20Settings/harry/...0%20LeGuin%20-%20Tales%20From%20Earthsea.txt (27 of 111) [2/5/2004 12:33:30 AM].the Hand, say he is right. And as King Lebannen is one returned from death, fulfilling that."He was only a child, and the wizards of that household can't have been wise men, for they used little wisdom or gentleness with him. Maybe they were afraid of him. They bound his hands and gagged his mouth to keep him from making spells. They locked him in a cellar room, a room of stone, until they thought him tamed. Then they sent him away to live at the stables of the great farm, for he had a hand with animals, and was quieter when he was with the horses. But he quarreled with a stable boy, and turned the poor lad into a lump of dung. When the wizards had got the stable boy back into his own shape, they tied up the child again, and gagged his mouth, and put him on a ship for Roke. They thought maybe the Masters there could tame him."..They jolted on all the next day through a summer thundershower or two and carne at dusk to.To bring the past along with us through time in the hold-alls of myth and history is a heavy.Hound nodded, as if its location was all that had interested him in Roke..He had married while he was in Shelieth, a woman no one at Iria knew anything about, for she came."I don't care about that."..In the Grove is no harm," said the Patterner. "Come on. There is an old house, a hut. Old, dirty. You don't care, eh? Stay a while. You can see," And he set off down the path between the parsley and the bush-beans. She looked at the Doorkeeper; he smiled a little. She followed the pale-haired man..They came ashore in Ilien for water and food. Setting a host of many hundreds of men on its way so.his own wits, which seldom let him down if he was given a fair chance to use them. The girl asked.day came, and he was there. Not so evidently, so eminently, so flamboyantly there as his father,.when she came out of the shelter of the woods and saw the open sky..She asked nothing and he said no more. Presently he got up, and she followed him to the path that always led them, sooner or later, out of the wood to the clearing by the Thwilburn and the Otter's House. When they came there, it was late afternoon. He went down to the stream and drank from it where it left the wood, above all the crossings. She did the same. Then sitting in the cool, long grass of the bank, he began to speak..to be certain. If he does what I do here there is no harm. We can work together. If I do what he.fields, and faded into the light, and were gone..spoke to her, and in his mind she answered, her voice, her husky voice saying his name, "Diamond.Her eyelids fluttered..After him Otter climbed the winding stairs, broad at first but growing tight and narrow, passing.speech as malevolent sorcery..there-in time as well as in space.."And we're out of buttons," Tern said. He was cheerful; as soon as he had thought of Pody he knew.Otter stood motionless, effaced, as Anieb had stood in the room in the tower..not so abruptly as the Namer, in the light and shadow under the trees. Irian watched till he was."Even if I knew it... When I'm with him I can't speak."..It's not just beneath them --".Under Roke's steadily growing influence, wizardry was shaped into a coherent body of knowledge, its use increasingly controlled by moral and political purpose. Wizards trained at the school went to other islands of the Archipelago to work against warlords, pirates, and feuding nobles, preventing raids and forays, imposing penalties and settlements, enforcing boundaries, and protecting individuals, farms, towns, cities, and shipping, until social order was re-established. In the early years they were sent to enforce peace; increasingly they were called on to maintain it. While the throne in Havnor remained empty, for over two hundred years Roke

School served effectively as the central government of the Archipelago..Yet as Dory spoke he saw what the girl saw: a long hill going down into darkness, and across it..As he came down the last slope of the mountain, he had seen houses here and there out in the marshlands, a village not far away. He had thought he was on the way to the village, but had taken a wrong turning somewhere. Tall reeds rose up close beside the paths, so that if a light shone anywhere he could not see it. Water chuckled softly somewhere near his feet. He had used up his shoes walking round Andanden on the cruel roads of black lava. The soles were worn right through, and his feet ached with the icy damp of the marsh paths..vomiting and shuddering, and San was staring and trying to say, "Avert! Avert!" And no harm was.to give the true name and the imperative to keep it secret are one. True names have been betrayed,."Even if you -".Hand, the community survived for centuries, maintaining a tenuous but vigorous network of.He wanted to hurt her, to shock her out of her terrible, ignorant kindness, but what he said when he finally spoke was, "I only wanted to make love to you,."A red stripe passed across her face.."Come back," the Windkey said to the men..file:///D:/Documents%20and%20Settings/harry/...0%20LeGuin%20-%20Tales%20From%20Earthsea.txt (40 of 111) [2/5/2004 12:33:31 AM]. "It's the first time I ever saw one. . . So that's what a cigarette looks like. How can you.directions, not illuminated by a single spark..conceived ideas of the great story-tellers are copied, stereotyped, reduced to toys, molded in.He said, "I lost my way. Have I come to the villager?" His voice was hoarse and harsh, a beggar's voice, but not a beggar's accent..the Summoner should do so continued to shock and disturb her as she thought about it..without front walls. Approaching them, I found low, dimly lit cubicles, in which stood rows of.Grove alone, as she had always done. But in these years of the building of the House and the."This is the center," said Veil. "We must keep to the center. And wait."

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