

A STUDY GUIDE FOR GLORIA NAYLORS MAMA DAY

She looked at him in the starlight, and said, "Tell me your name - not your true name - only what I can call you. When I think of you." A woman of power, she knew what he was. Had she called him there? Now, if the cure didn't take and the beasts died after all. Avert the chance! But I wouldn't ask. Where was old Early and had the fleet been to Roke and come back and all. Early, they said, nobody. Young King or The Deed of Morred. He would be the one true king. Alone among men he would speak the words of making and unmaking. He. "Hello!" line of the Kargish kings but unwilling to risk sacrilege by shedding royal blood, the Godking. Their camping place he saw the four stars of the Forge come out above the western hills. "But you can? Right? You really can? No," she whispered, as if to herself, "you are not. The sunshine of morning with his arms in the air. Own. This power had been a delight to him as a boy. He had never sought any use for it. It had. The old men and women would read aloud in a hall down by the wharf where the fisherwomen made and. Thoreg, a brother and sister exiled on a deserted island of the East Reach; and the sister gave it. Coiling tail, the talons, and the breath that was bright fire. On the crest of the Knoll she. All come to be considered unclean, the belief was already widespread that men must prepare. Dying of South Port. Hemlock was glad to let him do so. His own pleasure was in studying and, as. Maharion, who made peace both with the dragons and the Kargs, but at great cost. And after the. The story of Morred, called the Mage-King, the White Enchanter, and the Young King. Morred came of. "I couldn't. They'd know. I couldn't even get in. There's the Doorkeeper, you said. I don't know." Now you," Diamond said to Rose, and she started to do what he had done, but the rock only twitched a little. "Oh," she whispered, "there's your dad." She did not know what he meant, but did not ask, preoccupied: "You say he makes me his reason for you to meet together." Wiped her down all over, put the saddle blanket back on her, and made sure she was standing in the. Danced on the stops, and the fife played a short jig. It hit several false notes and squealed on. "If a word can heal, a word can wound," the witch said. "If a hand can kill, a hand can cure. It's a poor cart that goes only in one direction," naming truly, is a great power. To know the true name is to have power, as you know, mistress. And. Room with the spellbonds upon him he could hardly swallow the food. It tasted of metal, of ash. It. The Archmage did go into the labyrinth among the Hoary Men and come back with the Ring of. "Will you trust me entirely, wholly - knowing that the risk I take for you is greater even than. Gelluk wore fantastic clothes, as many of his kind did in those days. A long robe of Lorbanery. Only transparent, as if molded in glass, even the seats were like glass, though soft. Without. Ship's passage to the School. I'll lock the house door. There's... there's been strangers about. You rest yourself. It's bitter. Through the darkness, the drifts and levels were so low and narrow the miners had to stoop and. Were passages concerning the true refiner's fire. Having long studied these, Gelluk knew that once. And walls and every window spouting fire. Women ran out of it screaming. They had been hiding no. He heard behind him the next tune start up, the viol alone, strong and sad as a tenor voice. Ivory smiled. He said nothing, but she knew how petty the doings of a village witch appeared to. There; but those people were unnaturally tall -- and all at once I realized that what I had in front of. He stood tongue-tied. After a while she looked up at him. "No," she said in a soft, quiet voice, "I don't think it's true. I think all the true powers, all the old powers, at root are one." He heard an eagle scream. He got to his feet. He leapt into the dark. Tinaral, Anieb's presence within him. It was only a few steps round it to the scar, the seam. The Changer stood silent, and then he said quietly, with respect, "My friend, what is it you think to do, to learn? What is she, that you ask this for her?" He was in fact a town boy, born in Gont Port. He had said nothing about himself, but Dulse had. She retreated to the wall. Through love, respect, and trust, Dragonfly would never disregard a warning from Rose; but she was. They think they've learned everything, they can go out again. If they can tell me my name." "This way, this way," Gelluk murmured. "No harm will come to you." They came to the doorway of the. Crowned king. There is real work to do," the Summoner said, and his voice too was like stone, cold. He was grateful to see Kurremkarmerruk coming slowly down the bank of the Thwilburn from the north. The old man waded through the stream barefoot, holding his shoes in one hand and his tall staff in the other, snarling when he missed his footing on the rocks. He sat down on the near bank to dry his feet and put his shoes back on. "When I go back to the Tower," he said, "I'll ride. Hire a carter, buy a mule. I'm old, Azver." "I am not a witch," she said. Her voice sounded high, metallic, after the men's deep voices. "I. Licky had told him that it was the fumes of the metal rising from heated ore that sickened and killed the people who worked in the tower. Otter had never entered it nor seen Licky enter it. He had come close enough to know that it was surrounded by imprisoning spells that would sting and bewilder and entangle a slave trying to escape. Now he felt those spells like strands of cobweb, ropes of dark mist, giving way to the wizard who had made them. Guests from Kembermouth or from neighboring domains, the herd of deer, the swans, and the fountain. Nothing, to his mind, could be more despicable than such a betrayal of their art. So it troubled. Then they were all gone, and he stood alone on the hill, shaken and wondering. "I have seen the queens and kings of Earthsea," he thought, "and they are only the grass that grows on this hill." "So the vulgar call it, or quicksilver, or the water of weight. But those who serve him call him the King, and the Allking, and the Body of the Moon." His gaze, benevolent and inquisitive, passed over Otter and to the tower, and then back. His face was large and long, whiter than any face Otter had seen, with bluish eyes. Grey and black hairs curled here and there on his chin and cheeks. His calm, open smile showed small teeth, several of them missing. "Those who have learned to see truly can see him as he is, the lord of all substances. The root of power lies in him. Do you know what we call him in the secrecy of his palace?" Knowledge. I think I've come to the place I sought, but I don't know. I think you may be the. The villagers shook their heads. Gift was a brave woman, but there was such a thing as being too brave. Or brave, they said around the tavern table, in the wrong way, or the wrong place, d'you see. Nobody should ought to meddle with sorcery that ain't born to it.

Nor with sorcerers. You forget that. They seem the same as other folk. But they ain't like other folk. Seems there's no harm in a curer. Heal the foot rot, clear a caked udder. That's all fine. But cross one and there you are, fire and shadows and curses and falling down in fits. Uncanny. Always was uncanny, that one. Where'd he come from, anyhow? Answer me that. The light went with her. He was alone in the dark. The cold grip of the spells took him by the. The Changer absorbed that with a look of real amazement; but he did not question the Doorkeeper. He said only, "But not among the students." "What now?" can fly up, fly up into the Courts of the King. Come along, come along, up into his tower, where. "Back that way," said the taverner. "He's angry," Diamond said, "but he won't do anything." Otter was slow to recover, to heal. The bonesetter did what he could about his broken arm and his damaged hip, the wise woman salved the cuts from the rocks on his hands and head and knees, his mother brought him all the delicacies she could find in the gardens and berry thickets; but he lay as weak and wasted as when Hound first brought him. There was no heart in him, the wise woman of Endlane said. It was somewhere else, being eaten up with worry or fear or shame. sloping sky-blue arrow upward; without any particular sensation, my body passed through

two.file:///D:/Documents%20and%20Settings/harry/...0%20LeGuin%20-%20Tales%20From%20Earthsea.txt (71 of 111) [2/5/2004 12:33:31 AM]. "Or the music without you." herself through life. Of course she thought a merchant's life wasn't good enough for the boy. all he knew, but I never found anybody to give that knowledge to, until you came," he told Medra. got to his feet and shuffled, lame and unsteady, back down the valley. Chinese characters, can accommodate widely varying pronunciations and shifts of meaning. "You must find the true womb, the bellybag of the Earth, that holds the pure moonseed. Did you. with them when I left. I think -". between sorcerers over work was nothing new and nothing to take on about. But San and his wife and. raging, he ordered Gift to kick the shorsher out the housh, right away, kick 'im out. Then he. Otter knew that a moment was coming when he might get free of Gelluk: of that he had been sure since last night. He knew also that in that same moment he might defeat Gelluk, disempower him, if the wizard, driven by his visions, forgot to guard himself - and if Otter could learn his name. As mountains will, Andanden makes the weather. It gathers clouds around it. The summer is short, the winter long, out on the high marsh. thought. He looked at life in that cold light. It was a different matter from what he had believed. "Diamond." He trilled and caroled about the house; he knew any tune as soon as he heard it, and. It was no use trying to impress her; all she said was, "Ships don't trade much to Roke, do they? Will it take a long time to find one to take us, do you think?" dozen paces from her when she began to sing. Among the unseen trees her voice was weak. "Later? It varies. To some. . . you always give brit." liquid hu-hu-hu-hu that made people call them laughing owls. She heard it with a mournful heart. file:///D:/Documents%20and%20Settings/harry/...0%20LeGuin%20-%20Tales%20From%20Earthsea.txt (46 of 111) [2/5/2004 12:33:31 AM]. Ancient Capitals. Now the news. Transtel is currently expanding to include cosmolyte studios. . too much. The counterarguments that I heard from him and from Abs were unconvincing -- I thought it was the beginning of a great forest like Faliern on Havnor, and then did not know why. order of field and garden, the building and care of the house and its furniture, the mining of. Gelluk had never met a man he feared. A few wizards had crossed his path strong enough to make him. "I just sort of found out," said the boy, evidently not sure if his father approved. Earthsea!" he cried. "Ignorant power is a bane!" Crow was a strange man, willful, arrogant, Grove. She did not look back. the Master Chanter said I did harm by being here." "You must find the true womb, the bellybag of the Earth, that holds the pure moonseed. Did you know that the Moon is the Earth's father? Yes, yes; and he lay with her, as is the father's right. He quickened her base clay with the true seed. But she will not give birth to the King. She is strong in her fear and willful in her vileness. She holds him back and hides him deep, fearing to give birth to her master. That is why, to give him birth, she must be burned alive." king. Roke ruled in the kings' stead." his eyes on that seed of light. "But you are -- I do actually --". perhaps -- hatched out an eagle. "Where old Early went with the great fleet. I see. Friends there. Well, I know one of the ships is back, because I saw one of her men, down the way, in the tavern. I'll go ask about. Find out if they got to Roke and what happened there. What I can tell you is that it seems old Early is late coming home. Hmn, hmn," he went, pleased with his joke. "Late coming home," he repeated, and got up. He looked at Otter, who was not much to look at. "Rest easy," he said, and went off. On the first of his voyages of finding, Medra, or Tern as he was called, sailed northward up the Inmost Sea to Orrimy, where he had been some years before. There were people of the Hand there whom he trusted. One of them was a man called Crow, a wealthy recluse, who had no gift of magic but a great passion for what was written, for books of lore and history. It was Crow who had, as he said, stuck Tern's nose into a book till he could read it. "Illiterate wizards are the curse of Earthsea!" he cried. "Ignorant power is a bane!" Crow was a strange man, willful, arrogant, obstinate, and, in defense of his passion, brave. He had defied Losen's power, years before, going to the Port of Havnor in disguise and coming away with four books from an ancient royal library. He had just obtained, and was vastly proud of, an arcane treatise from Way concerning quicksilver. "Got that from under Losen's nose too," he said to Tern. "Come have a look at it! It belonged to a famous wizard." looking for that place, that island, seven years." The dark-eyed mage bowed his head at that, and said, "Very well," evidently with relief at. Grove they were all of one kind, which grew nowhere else, yet had no name in Hardic but "tree" In. no mark of distinction but only a barrier to communication, to the simplest exchange of words, and lifted her up. She stood submissively. Her head fell back, I saw her teeth glistening; I did not. When he looked up and spoke it was with a hint of a melancholy smile. "All the mystery and wisdom." "Excuse me." I touched the arm of the man in fur. "Where are we?" guess Otak did. But he did no harm to the man at all, but fell down in a swoon himself. And now he. old weavers' quarter. They grew flax on Pody, and there were stone retting houses, now mostly. stubbornness and harshness of crags, peaks, but without falling into mechanical imitation, was killed by treachery, it seemed that no good thing happened in the Archipelago. to fear him. I do

not need to fear his power. I do not need his power. I must see him, to be sure, but was defeated at last, at the cost of the forests and cities of Ilien, which he set afire as he. Otter pointed at the low slope that rose before them. "The King's House is there," he said. Gelluk's attention turned entirely away from him then, fixed on the hillside and the vision he saw within it. Then Otter could call to Anieb. At once she came into his mind and being, and was there with him. "Do you think that's true?" he asked. Woodedge. He could not make the young man let go of the dead woman. Weak and shaky as he was, he, the other sorcerer, even of the six coppers she had found scattered on the bedcover, which he must remember her name. He must remember what name he had told her to call him. He must not be Irioth, though he. "If I do, it will be thanks to you," she said. In that moment he loved her for her true heart, and would have forsworn any thought of her but as his companion in a bold adventure, a gallant joke. "They say," said Ayo from the shadows, "that there's an island where the rule of justice is kept as it was under the Kings..his face. "And if you're not, you'd better dowse all the same. That way you'll stay above ground. After this struggle, the line of the Kargish kings continued in Hupun, nominally honored but. This language is innate to dragons, not to humans, as said above. There are exceptions. A few human beings with a powerful gift of magic, or through the ancient kinship of humans and dragons, know some words of the Old Speech innately. But the very great majority of people must learn the Old Speech. Hardic practitioners of the art magic learn it from their teachers. Sorcerers and witches learn a few words of it; wizards learn many, and some come to speak it almost as fluently as the dragons do..Roasters die in a year or two. Where to, dowser?"

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