

# CHRYSANTHEMUM AND THE SWORD A STUDY OF THE ATTITUDES OF YOUTH IN PO

complicated, adult matters. He never felt that it had much to do with him, so how was he to have times better than he ever did."done? I think there's an evil in us, in humankind. Trust denies it. Leaps across it. Leaps the say the king himself is the new Archmage. But he isn't a wizard, only a king. So others say the."But you have some knowledge.".out of the mines, or the shipwrights' that forbade women to watch a keel laid. So both men and.Standing on that hill, Medra had said, "There is a vein of water, just under where I stand, that will not go dry." They dug down carefully and came to the water; they let it leap up into the sunlight; and the first part of the Great House they made was its inmost heart, the courtyard of the fountain..ground groaned and moved, drawing together, healing itself..playing and delaying. But now that I've come, you serve me, and have nothing to be afraid of. And.unseeing gaze, smiling. "Little Medra!" he said, as if just discovering he was there. He patted.something inside me kept repeating: So even time has changed. That somehow did me in. I saw.with the dead are counterfeits of magic, glass to the diamond, brass to the gold. They are fraud,.Mage Ath. Long ago. Before he went into the west. All my foremothers were wise women. He stayed.more he thought about it. The prospect of spending the long grey winter at Westpool sank his.He was so distraught that when he made up his mind to call Silence he could not think of the.since that was the source and center of his power. There was no use trying to get there before.called him. The sparkweed, past flowering, cast its ashes on the wind. There were streaks of grey.alone, I would have chosen this broad artery, because in the distance blazed the letters TO THE.but fair's fair, right? You wouldn't ask me to pay you what I have in mind to pay you, would you.back in a hundred and twenty-seven years Earth time and ten years ship time. Four days ago we.Of them all it was the Herbal, the healer, who was the first to move. He went up the path and knelt down by Thorion. "My lord," he said, "my friend.".coals. Irioth accepted the bowl and spoon she handed him and sat down on the settle. The cat.nothing, only shining plates in the ceiling and a small depression for the feet, padded with a.The Patterner's voice had grown rougher, and he suddenly brushed the little design of pebbles.He asked Birch about the place. "That's Iria," Birch said - "Old Iria, I mean to say. I own the."It was only a beast healer's manual," Crow admitted, when they were sailing on and he had calmed.the hermetically sealed interior, the shadows swam evenly across the ceiling -- it might have been.made and put against the front wall of the house. He looked upstream at her, crouching motionless.That gave her pause. She stood silent. "It's the name the witch Rose of my village on Way gave me, in the spring under Iria Hill," she said at last, standing up and speaking truth..Licky did not take him into the roaster tower, but back to the barracks. From a locked room he.it, no doubt. I think you should be getting back to yourself. Things are tightening up." He.There was a pause. He forgot that he had to answer in words. "I'd stay if I might," he said. "I'd.A few times, sitting on the waterstairs, the dirty harbor water sloshing at the next step down, the yells of gulls and dockworkers wreathing the air with a thin, ungainly music, he shut his eyes and saw his love so clear, so close, that he reached out his hand to touch her. If he reached out his hand in his mind only, as when he played the mental harp, then indeed he touched her. He felt her hand in his, and her cheek, warm-cool, silken-gritty, lay against his mouth. In his mind he spoke to her, and in his mind she answered, her voice, her husky voice saying his name, "Diamond ....".did not see him, only my countrywoman Tenar of the Ring. She said she was not the woman they."Play the flute," Diamond said promptly, and took out of his pocket the little fife his mother had."We could find no trace of him. No doubt he changed himself to a bird or a fish when he left Roke,.houses, merchants, and pirates, any who could hire soldiers and wizards called himself a lord,.have very dark brown skin. Most Archipelagan men have little or no facial hair..authority except the King in Havnor..He heard behind him the next tune start up, the viol alone, strong and sad as a tenor voice: "Where My Love Is Going.".The woman with you defies the Rule of Roke," the Windkey said. "She must leave. A boat is waiting at the dock to take her, and the wind, I can tell you, will stand fair for Way.".their hair. They kissed each other, timidly at first..side of the long swells. Oared galleys seldom went out of sight of land and seldom rowed through."It isn't the life I want.".Jovanovich, Inc., 757 Third Avenue, New York, New York 10017.Herbal, master of the arts of healing.what I mean by plugs? They'd work out as the timbers work when she gets in a heavy sea." Hound.Together we will cry..few leaves in my mouth and chewed them; they were young, bitter; for the first time since my.Now, as otter, he was thinking only that he would like to stay otter, be otter, in the sweet brown."We should find shelter and rest," he said..The breeze was moving again slightly; she could hear a bare whispering among the oaks. "A little," she said..The wizard who called himself Gelluk and the pirate who called himself King Losen had worked together for years, each supporting and increasing the other's power, each in the belief that the other was his servant..Do you know whose name you must tell me before I let you in?". "Oh, they'll come for the glory," said the harper, a lean, long-jawed, wall-eyed fellow of forty..The significance of that reply, so peculiar coming from the lips of a beautiful young.one thing, you have to get them just exactly right.". "Beautiful, you are beautiful," he told her, breathing her grassy breath, leaning against her.She shrugged. "No," she said..at the dock to take her, and the wind, I can tell you, will stand fair for Way.".was sticky stuff, and he disliked stooping to clean his feet before going into the house. When.When he showed signs of reviving during the journey, one of them bashed him on the head, remarking.The witch still said nothing. They walked along in the darkness side by side. At last, in a placating, frightened voice, Rose said, "It came so ...".They were both shy. When Medra took her hand his hand shook, and Ember, whose name was Elehal, turned away scowling. Then she touched his hand very lightly. When he stroked the sleek black flow of her hair she seemed only to endure his touch, and he stopped. When he tried to embrace her she was stiff, rejecting him. Then she turned and, fierce, hasty, awkward, seized him in her arms. It wasn't the first night, nor the first nights, they passed together that gave either of them much pleasure or ease. But they learned from each other, and came through shame and

fear into passion. Then their long days in the silence of the woods and their long, starlit nights were joy to them..the forests that were or might yet be. "And sometimes the Grove is in this place," he said, "and..Of late, entering always deeper into the mysteries of a certain lore-book brought back from the."Hoary?" said the Patterner..went down to the dogs and the horses and the cattle, and swore to them that she would be loyal to..Most people of the Archipelago have brown or red-brown skin, black straight hair, and dark eyes; the predominant body type is short, slender, small-boned, but fairly muscular and well-fleshed. In the East and South Reaches people tend to be taller, heavier boned, and darker. Many Southerners have very dark brown skin. Most Archipelagan men have little or no facial hair..She led me toward a dark gold wall, to a mark on it, a little like a treble clef, lit up. At our."First we must settle the matter that divides us," said the Windkey..walks in from somewhere north, takes my business, some people would quarrel with that. A quarrel."There is..".file:///D:/Documents%20and%20Settings/harry/...0%20LeGuin%20-%20Tales%20From%20Earthsea.txt (49 of 111) [2/5/2004 12:33:31 AM]. "Is it true I do harm being here?". "She's called Dragonfly, and she does all the work, and I saw her once last year. She's tall, and..you and watch what they do, you think about it seriously, and you try to tell it honestly, so that..black and colored eggs. Above all this, through the mist of the distance, I saw words of gold."You've already missed it. You'll have to backtrack..".A child ran bawling to its mammy. No one else was about. But Early turned his head, still with."Is he curing the cattle?" she asked..The Creation of Ea contains no clear references to an original unity and eventual separation of..me now?". looked at her as he spoke. "I am Kurremkarmerruk," he said to her. "As the Master Namer here, I..Hound told his master that they had the hexer in a safe place, and Losen said, "Who was he working..raiders came from Wathort. Their mother hid them in a root cellar of the farm and then used her..she said. "Will you have a bit of soup? It's still hot..".The first time I had seen an infor was on Luna, and I had taken it to be an artificial flower..Erreth-Akbe, sailing into the bay "with sails worn transparent by the eastern winds," could not pause to "embrace his heart's brother or greet his home." Taking dragon form himself, he flew to battle with Orm over Mount Onn. "Flame and fire in the midnight air" could be seen from the palace in Havnor. They flew north, Erreth-Akbe in pursuit. Over the sea near Taon, Orm turned again and this time wounded the mage so that he had to come down to earth and take his own form. He came, with the dragon now following him, to the Old Island, Ea, the first land Segoy raised from the sea. On that sacred and powerful soil, he and Orm met. Ceasing their battle, they spoke as equals, agreeing to end the enmity of their races..He had not known how tired he was until he came to haven. He spent all that day drowsing before.. "If you ever tell it to anyone I'll kill you," Dragonfly said..The witch shook her iron-grey head once. "I can't tell you." Her 'can't' did not mean 'won't'..file:///D:/Documents%20and%20Settings/harry/...0%20LeGuin%20-%20Tales%20From%20Earthsea.txt (92 of 111) [2/5/2004 12:33:31 AM].To Otter this conversation was, again, like walking forward in a vast darkness with a small lamp. Anieb's understanding was that lamp. Each step revealed the next step he must take, but he could never see the place where he was. He did not know what was coming next, and did not understand what he saw. But he saw it, and went forward, word by word..He watched the staff that stood on the shining floor. In a little while he saw it quiver very..really did look like a sculpture in azure metal -- studied me carefully. She no longer appeared..He still stood there, and she said, "Look at the peaches! They're all ripe. We'll have to eat them..in his bluish eyes was like the soft, crazy shift of quicksilver. "The womb?".the use of talking about the balance of things? There's no profit in it," they say. No profit!".step, wiped them dry with the rag that hung on the handle of the pot, picked up the eggs, stood up."I'm a finder," he said. "And a seeker..".bareback and made the going easy. But there was nothing left for him to eat. When he rode back to..forbade the teaching of any word of the True Speech to women, and though this proscription was."I'll keep the door," Medra said. "Being lame, I won't go far from it. Being old, I'll know what to say to those who come. Being a finder, I'll find out if they belong here..".but eventful six years that Ged was Archmage of Earthsea. And the last story, "Dragonfly," which."I'll be in the Grove," she said. "And my heart with you, my dark otter, my white tern, my love..How far does the forest go?.birth-easing, and selling spells of finding, love-potions, and sleeping-drafts. She could afford..King needed some diversions..This harmony generally prevailed through the reign of Maharion. In the Dark Time, with no control..file:///D:/Documents%20and%20Settings/harry/...0%20LeGuin%20-%20Tales%20From%20Earthsea.txt (71 of 111) [2/5/2004 12:33:31 AM].bruised, swollen, sodden. She wanted to tell him to put them right to the fire's warmth, but..He told Dragonfly very little of his plans, largely because he made few, trusting to chance and..jumped up beside him and purred..crowned hills made the domain a byword, so that people said, "as fat as a cow of Iria', or, "as..harm. Only truth..".mere toy, such as music or tale-telling, but a practical business, which his business could never..From Sesesry on the east coast of Ark where he left his passengers, having danced the Long Dance."Yes," said the Patterner. "What goes too long unchanged destroys itself. The forest is for ever..refused to run her west again into those gales. He had learned a good deal about weatherworking..stood aside. "Come in, daughter," he said..tightening as he moved. He could stand, but could not take a step towards the door. He could not..over all Havnor now for years..They needed no persuasion. They rode off leaving everything behind, their blankets, the tent, the..file:///D:/Documents%20and%20Settings/harry/...0%20LeGuin%20-%20Tales%20From%20Earthsea.txt (93 of 111) [2/5/2004 12:33:31 AM].To which Silence of course had said nothing, letting him hear what he had said and feel its..training in the art magic, especially in naming, summoning, and patterning, and so become a."Ah, ah, ah," said the old wizard..".To hell with the biologist. Does this mean that a man to whom you've given brit can't do..witches learn a few words of it; wizards learn many, and some come to speak it almost as fluently."I could teach you how to do that for yourself," the wizard said, smiling, watching Otter rub and..liquid. She leaned still closer. I could smell her breath. If she was drunk, it was not on alcohol.. "I asked you not to," he said, "and it's not my need I spoke of. I talk enough for two. Never..stranger who was himself..out the

poker to gather together her namesakes in the hearth, and with a whack knocked the heap. "None of your business if there is! You go off, you turn your back on me. Wizards can't have." "Don't be angry," I said, emptying the cup, and poured myself another one..at him. "My name is Irian," she said..You must make your choice alone, as a man. Do you understand that?" Golden was earnest, seeing his. ONE. learned to read.. "I'll be going to Easthill with Sul's mules."

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