

## IN THE HOUSE IN THE DARK OF THE WOODS

Joanna Russ for "In Defense of Criticism". Consider the fertilized egg again. Every time it divides and redi-vides, the new cells that form inherit the same genetic equipment possessed by the original fertilized egg..She shakes her head. "Just my pa." I guess I look curious because she looks away and adds, "My.nodded..your neck on for a week..?Mary H. Schaub.She found the pins. Sitting down in the same chair Selene had occupied, she swept her hair up with.Zeke brought us the news while we were on picket duty this mom-ing. He came running up to the gate, limping a little the way all brickmakers do, and shouting, "Did you hear? Did you hear? The Company's gone! They've struck their tents and left!".expected, fully as tall as I was, but no media camera had ever captured the glow that shone out through.own. She's in the kitchen right now, fixing Robbie's formula. I'll go get her.". "It was a beacon. We figured that out when we saw they grew only hi the graveyard. But what was it.We know his name. Patient researchers, using advanced scanning techniques, followed his letters back through the postal system and found him, but by that time he was safely dead.. "Yes, I am really the North Wind," came the thunderous voice. "Now you tell me who you are before.A faint orange glow outlined the top of a craggy boulder, and they hurried toward it over the crumbly.We played gin the rest of the afternoon and talked-talked a lot Detweiler seemed eager to talk or, at least, eager to have someone to talk with. He never told me anything that would connect him to nine deaths, mostly about where he'd been, things he'd read. He read a lot, just about anything he could get his hands on. I got the impression he hadn't really lived Me so much as he'd read it, that all the things he knew about had never physically affected him. He was like an insulated island. Life flowed around him but never touched him, I wondered if the hump on his back made that much difference, if it made him such a green monkey he'd had to retreat into his insular existence. Practically everyone I had talked to liked him, mixed with varying portions of pity, to be sure, but liking nevertheless. Harry Spinner liked him, but had discovered something "peculiar" about him. Birdie Pawlowicz, Maurice Mitian, David Fowler, Lorraine Nesbitt, they all liked him..Samuel R. Delany.Selene laughed. She spun across the sand in time to some music only she could hear and grinned."You're arguing on the side of death. Do you want to die? Are you so determined that you won't." "Oh, all kinds." He shrugged. "Fantasy mostly.".the whirlbirds had built it, only taking down an obstruction here and there to allow humans to move.A Reflection.the lightning that still flickered from the mirror. Now she threw the veil back from her shoulders..The day before, Monday, the 25th, a girl had miscarried and hem-orrhaged. She had bled to death because she and her boy friend were stoned out of their heads. They lived a block off Western?very near the Brewster-and Detweiler was at the Brewster Monday..I waited and waited and never did hear a shot.Moises frowned. "As I told you, there is the matter of the repairs. Perhaps this afternoon?" "I have thought about it." She waited for a long time. "I think the chances are about a thousand to one.208.detachment, existing only to observe..As if she had broken a spell, the man spoke at last "I am but a man," he said. "A man who has." "In the swamp then," said Jack..It is also possible, however, though not usual, for a woman to bring two different egg cells to fruition.really believe that.". "No. Did you read that?".brand-new mix of genes, half from one parent, half from another. Change is inevitable; variation from individual to individual is certain. A species in which sexual reproduction is the norm has the capacity to adapt readily to slight alterations in environment since some of its valiants are then favored over others. Indeed, a species can, through sexual reproduction, split with relative ease into two or more species that will take advantage of somewhat different niches in the environment.That afternoon I played gin with the Detweiler boy. He was genuinely glad to see me, like a friendly puppy. I was beginning to feel nice a son of a bitch..new home was badly needed. They were dealing daily with slow leaks, any of which could become a.go to the theater before coming back. That persuaded her..for skating. The Heliomere was fed by hot springs and, at thirty-five degrees C, was suitable for."Why did you need the blood?".twelve-year-olds reading Romeo and Juliet, toe example, or Silas Marner.]crisply, really letting the caller know he'd hooked onto an efficient organization. She put her hand over the."Good." Nolan turned and started for the hall, then hesitated as Mama Dolores frowned. "What is it?" he said..INTENSITY FIVE."YEAH!" from thousands of throats simultaneously..about forty-five, looked like a constipated librarian, and was the best secretary I'd ever had. She'd been."Would you like to come with me," asked Amos, "and get the piece yourself.".McKillian tapped her teeth thoughtfully with the tip of a finger..I couldn't find a morning paper at that hour closer than Western and Wilshire. The story was on page."I certainly shall," said Hidalgo, "for I always thought you an uncommonly clever man. Your return.The whole world has been at peace for more than a generation. Crime is almost unheard of. Free energy has made the world rich, but the population is stable, even though early detection has wiped out most diseases. Everyone can do whatever he likes, providing his neighbors would not disapprove, and after all, their views are the same as bis own.. "I asked, but I didn't get any answers.". "That means," said Lea, " 'I was put in this trunk by a wizard so great and so old and so terrible that neither you nor I need worry about him.' ".touch the console and push the stim to seventy-five. Fifty tracks are in. Jain, will you love me if I don't?". "If we don't make it home from this," I say at length, "if they never hear from us back on Earth, never.marks a leader. She took a deep breath and came fully awake for the first time that day..the worst place, but you know better than to leave it." "Right here on the mountain?" I say..San Diego Freeway, into the Santa Monica Mountains. The pavement ends a couple of miles past the.versions of a fair number of movies..edge and called:.production of Star Wars, featuring Mark Hamill as Obi-wan Kenobi..Megal Network Message: June 10,1977.Subject: Problems with Communications Network I am sending this message by mail as there seems.Baird Searles is part owner of New York City's Science Fiction Shop and has been keeping track of.pick up the mirror unless the unicorn lets you, for it was placed here by a wizard so great and so old and.red eye at them, a golden hornet buzzed above their heads, and a snake

that was grey on top rolled out. The topmost platform of the scaffolding was on a level with the serrated apex of the unfinished wall..again. It's a little unfair to denigrate Hollywood and its offshoots for this; most of the arts have been doing..way a bricklayer feels sometimes. It's really great I feel sorry for brickmakers. You'd never catch me.269.s Jain died.. "What's this spell he was having?".the edge of the clearing. So he asked Moises who she was, and Moises didn't know. Apparently she'd..Jam says, "One, two, three." On "three," we each bring up our right hand. Hers is a clenched fist: "I can't say I have. I always mean to, but you know how it is. It\*s the same with the Statue of Liberty. It's always there, so you never get around to it".She made it in time to see her shipmates of the last six months gasping soundlessly and spouting blood from afl over then" faces as they fought to get into their pressure suits. It was a hopeless task to choose which two or three to save in the time she had. She might have done better but for the freakish nature of her struggle to reach them; she was in shock and half believed it was only a nightmare. So she grabbed the nearest, who happened to be Doctor Ralston. He had nearly finished donning his suit; so she slapped his helmet on him and moved to the next one. It was Luther Nakamura, and he was not moving. Worse, he was only half suited. Pragmatically she should have left him and moved on to save the ones who still had a chance. She knew it now, but didn't like it any better than she had liked it then..and concerned the absence of an event that up to that time had been as regular as the full moon..here. And since it is so dull, I thought I would keep you company."..were lost." She turned and scowled at each of them in turn..cave of a lower form of man, and a beautifully original score consisting mostly of rocks struck together..that way. Maybe it was just the semi-darkness. He had the curtains tightly closed and one lamp lit beside."The staple on your license?why is it there?".complicated network made of single strands of the webbing material. Singh's pressure gauge read 30.the floor. I looked up through a starry haze of pain to see Amanda falling to her knees beside me, crying..members of the expedition were sleeping. The blowout was over in ten seconds, and she then had the..In a voice of such preternatural calm it terrified me, Amanda said, "Who were you talking to?". "Trial's necessity. Without daily practice Til tighten up and my elevations will fall."..gold from the well in the middle of the garden, he put all his reward in the wheelbarrow, went back to the small door and knocked..from life? Reality is horrible and wonderful, disappointing and ecstatic, beautiful and ugly. Reality is..bare, heading for the fateful rendezvous . . .darkness beside the bungalow.."Right. The thing about cars is ... Well, I live in Elizabeth across the river, right? So any time I come here I've got to drive, right? Which you might think was a drag, but in fact I always feel terrific. You know?".with gold and gleaming with silk?".There was only a short line, and in a moment he was standing in front of the box office window. "Ring?" the window asked. He looked at the price list "Second," he said, and slid his Master Charge into the appropriate slot. "License, please," said the window, winking an arrow that pointed at another slot. He inserted his license into the other slot, a bell went ding, and miraJ He was inside Party-land, ascending the big blue escalator up to his first first-hand experience of direct, interactive personal communication. Not a classroom exercise, not a therapy session, not a job briefing, not an ecumenical agape, but an honest-to-god conversation, spontaneous, unstructured, and all his own..frozen, dried out They seemed to have lost the plasticizer that kept the structures fluid and living. The."Now where is the mirror?" asked Amos, looking around..reproduction could be allowed to take over..and pushed his damp hair back out of his eyes. Detweiler's expression was euphoric. He sighed softly.All but one, that is. For as Nolan moved forward, another shadow glided out from the deeper darkness beside the bungalow..up, the thing hanging onto hhn, retrieved the shut, and put it on. He wrapped the straps nearly around the.the Detweiler boy? Except the Detweiler boy?.the washroom, kneels beside the toilet and vomits..cut paper, paper covers rock."."She said take a message." McKillian had been crawling up the ladder as she said this. Now she..hours," she grinned.."Ideas . . ." he said, in a slow, deliberate manner, as though each..her ears. But he touched no more than her hand..A House Divided by Lee Kitloagh 161.I sat up so fast I almost fell out of the chair. I gave her a long, hard stare, but her neutral expression..big, white, puckered scar between its shoulder blades, at the top of its jutting backbone..blinded by a private vision. Crawford had a glimpse of it himself, and it scared him. And a glimpse of..Mary Lang let it work itself out, only interfering when it got violent. She herself was not immune to the frenzy but managed to stay aloof from most of it. She went to the shelter with whoever asked her, trying not to play favorites, and gently tried to prod them back to work. As she told McKillian toward the first of the week, "At least we're getting to know one another."."What you can do with your stickers," Barry said resolutely, "is stick them up your ass. Your asses.."If we went fast, we could make it without." Colman answered..And in return from the bubbles they heard, "Who are you?".trunk, and he reached in and picked it up.."In just a moment," said the thin grey man, "you will see a man living through the happiest moment of his life. But first I must make sure my nearest and dearest friend can see too." He went to the large black trunk, which seemed even blacker and larger, stood it on its side; then with the great iron key he opened it almost halfway so that it was opened toward the mirror. But from where Amos and Jack were, they could not see into it at all..out of sight, still cartwheeling. By the time I reached the curve, she had disappeared.."Hell, those were grossly overblown. I just happened to get into some scrapes and managed to get out of them."..Lee Killough has written a series of superior stories for F&SF that share a common theme..Take that bulge apart and you'd be amazed at the resemblance to a human heart So there's another..say now. After a while Jain rescues me, "It isn't your hassle, and it isn't mine anymore."..221..Amanda sat back sipping her coffee with a contented smile. "I hope your business isn't suffering because of all the time you've spent on me."..Slowly, Selene twisted the wrist back and down while the poly around them swirled in wave after wave."I'm Barry Riordan," he managed to bring out, tardily..A: When Harlie Was One..Prudently he didn't spring them on her all at once, but waited until she'd finished each one before telling her what the next had to be about. She didn't raise any further objections until he came to Number 8, whereupon she insisted she didn't have any feelings about beets whatsoever. He refused to believe her, and to prove his point he cooked up a quick dinner on her hotplate of

Spam and canned beets (it was rather late by then, and they were famished). Before she'd had three mouthfuls, the poem started coming to her, and by the time she'd got it into final shape, five years later, it was far and away the best of the lot.."No ideas. If other people have ideas, I can bounce off them well enough, but all by itself my mind's a

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