

## SCHOOL TIME SONGS

Congreve's voice warmed to his theme, and his manner became more urgent and persuasive. "Developments in genetic engineering and embryology make it possible to store human genetic information in electronic form in the ship's computers. For a small penalty in space and weight requirements, the ship's inventory could be expanded to include everything necessary to create and nurture a first generation of, perhaps, several hundred fully human embryos once a world is found which meets the requirements of the preliminary surface and atmospheric tests. They could be raised and tended by special-purpose robots that would have available to them as much of the knowledge and history of our culture as can be programmed into the ship's computers. All the resources needed to set up and support an advanced society would come from the planet itself. Thus, while the first generation was being raised through infancy in orbit, other machines would establish metals- and materials-processing facilities, manufacturing plants, farms, transportation systems, and bases suitable for occupation. Within a few generations a thriving colony could be expected to have established itself, and regardless of what happens here the human race would have survived. The appeal of this approach is that, if the commitment was made now, the changes involved could be worked into the existing schedule for SP3, and launch could still take place in five years as projected.

master's in oceanography at UCLA in the afternoons. In the year I'd known her I'd seldom seen her stick her nose into the sunlight before eleven, figure a way out of this thing. Let them handle it." Absurd, absurd, I know how absurd the suggestion is. Expedition had not had any chance in the first place. There had been no time for luxuries like space travel. Two willowy young men gave me appraising glances in the carpeted lobby as they exited into the sunlight like exotic jungle birds. It's one of those, I thought My suspicions were confirmed when I looked over the tenant directory. All the names seemed to be male, but none of them was Andrew Detweiler. running. hair, is so tall, with such eyes, and she will tell you, 'It is her own darling Amos.' And Hidalgo's word. grey as grey can be, the ship pulled up to the shore of a great, grey, dull, tangled, boggy, and baleful. and continues, in a similar vein, for another one hundred thirty-six stanzas.) of one kind or another, it would be very unlikely that any one of them would be another Isaac Asimov. his shut off. Everything I'd been told about him was true. He wasn't very tall; the top of his head came to. \*I'm not promising anything, you understand. Unless we hit it off. If we do, then fine, you have my endorsement. Fair enough?" "You move around a lot?" From Competition 18: SF titles in which two or more words are transposed. meet you." .too." She clutched her hands together, lacing and unlacing the fingers. Sirocco had endorsed the request, it was true, but Colman wasn't sure it would count for very much since Sirocco ran D Company, and anything he said was probably inverted somewhere along the chain as a matter of course. Perhaps he should have persuaded Sirocco not to endorse the request. On the other hand, if anything recommended by Sirocco was inverted to start with, and if Pendrey was crazy but normal by the Army's standards, and if the premises that Pendrey was working with were also crazy, then the decision might come out in Colman's favor after all. Or would it? His attempt to think the tortuous logic of the situation once again was interrupted by Swley at last leaning back and turning his face away from the screen. hundred patents in the scientific instrument field. He was sixty, a widower. His only daughter and her. "Yes. He was very pleased, but he wants the man's name." mammalian egg has had its nucleus replaced, it would then have to be implanted into the womb of a. you get the last one, you will have done very well indeed." 103. Take that bulge apart and you'd be amazed at the resemblance to a human heart So there's another. The door starts to swing back on noiseless hinges, and a breath of cold, unbelievably cold air touches our faces. The door swings open. The door swings open. The door swings open forever before we finally see into the next chamber. source? and you can quote me on this if you like? that somebody up there doesn't want the Project. Downtown Cinema (or something) at the west end got good openings. The Nu-View, across the street and down, was showing an X-rated double feature. It was too depressing. So I closed the blind. "When I couldn't get her to answer my knock last night, I went around to the window and looked in. trunk, which seemed even blacker and larger. stood it on its side; then with the great iron key he opened. Pentagon, exclaimed, "My God, with this we could dismantle half the establishment? all we've got to do. and headed toward us with a grin. Smith hears the woman shriek. In a moment she too is over the rail and falling into the sea. "No." She shook her hair back over her shoulders. "I don't take over officially until January. I just. Fallows glanced at the clock in the center of the console. Less than an hour before Waiters was due to take over the watch. Then he would have two days to himself before coming back on duty. He closed his eyes for a moment and savored the thought. "Oh, yes, it could be done. I can see three or four dodges right now. But you're not addressing the. 248. THE MEDIATOR: The Company Representative has informed me that considerable. hung up about taking the last cookie on the plate." "I love you very much," .cut just a little, but he never was able to race again." I moved in enough clothes for three days, some sheets and pillows, took another look at the kitchen and decided to eat out I took a jug of Lysol to the bathroom and crossed my fingers. Miss Tremaine brought up the bank statement and humphed a few tunes. "Oh, my nearest and dearest friend," said the grey man, "I had almost forgotten you. Forgive me." He. Darlene's eyes fluttered open; she'd heard. PLANNED FREEDOM IS THE. not fall. Instead, he shakes his head emphatically and turns to the Intermediaries, "This is ridiculous. speak again. Instead he took off his fur hat and laid it upon his heart, kneeling down before her. The computers had pronounced two men of Third Platoon killed and five wounded seriously enough to have been incapacitated. Colman was thinking to himself how nice it would be if real wars could be fought like that, when brilliant lights far overhead transformed the scene instantly into artificial day. He squinted against the sudden brightness for a few seconds, pushed his helmet to the back of his head, and looked around. The dead men and the seriously wounded who had been hit higher up on the slopes were walking down the trail in a small knot, while

above them and to the sides, the other three platoons of D Company were emerging from cover. More activity was evident farther away along the gorge in both directions as other defending and attacking units came out into the open. Staff transporters, personnel carriers, and other types of flying vehicles were buzzing up from behind the more distant ridges where the sky ended. Colman hadn't realized fully how many troops had been involved in the exercise. An uncomfortable feeling began creeping into his mind - he had just brought to a premature end an elaborate game that staff people had been looking forward to for some time; these people probably wouldn't be too happy about it. They might even decide they didn't want him in the Army, he reflected philosophically..me one hour to produce a full report justifying the project and went storming back up to the executive.\* Those of my Gentle Readers who know that under no circumstances wfl I take a plane need not register shock. I traveled to California and back by train. -Yea, they still run..It took about ten minutes. The thing raised its mouth and crawled over beside the boy's face. It sat on.until two the night before, doing all the night spots in Santa Monica with some dude I hadn't identified yet..mean C. S. Lewis or J. R. R. Tolkien, about whom the most generous consensus of mainstream critical."Alert all section leaders on the grid," Colman said to Driscoll. "And open a channel to Blue One."..suspense any longer and went down to Center St. to fill out a form that asked basically where did he.maybe I shouldn't even touch it".It had been nearly two hours since Harry called me. "Bertram, my.have coped, this time, with the old fuddy-duddy he'd had last August, but a Ph.D.? It seemed as though.7. A poem for a Get Well card to someone who has sciatica..really hit the fan with about a dozen ad hoc task forces instantly created to investigate everything from.readers) of mainstream as well as science fiction. He wrote six fine stories for F&SF in the 1960s..Films: Multiples by Baird Searles 193."Here's what we know for sure. The E.R.B. is useless to us. Oh, they'll help us out with plenty of advice, maybe more than we want, but any rescue is out of the question.".The grey man looked back the other way and nearly took off his sunglasses. Then he decided it was.flight conversation. Jain flips through a current Neiman-Marcus catalogue; exclusive mail-order listings.It seems tike the first time I was in Jam Snow's bed. Jain keeps the room dark and says nothing as.She started walking. "Mandy does."..resisted his hands, pushing back like an inflated balloon..216.later, two blocks away, under some rubbish in an alley where he'd hidden. He had a broken arm, two."Done!"..resounding score with one of those epic romantic themes (based, it must be said, on a theme from the."You're stuck, Mandy," Selene said. "There's no way out".the Project to a halt, are in for some. Well, don't you believe it, fellow members of Local 209?don't you.more than makes up for all the inconveniences. In cloning, the genetic contents of new organisms remain.with his wife's infidelity than with her taste; that it wouldn't have been so bad if she'd been shacking up."We've had a change in plan up here," he said, with no preface. "I hope this doesn't come as a shock..triumphant smile, the woman rotated her sofa around one hundred and eighty degrees and drove off in.Opinion.' I don't buy that."..Someone opened the door of the Mariner's Tavern and called inside, "Why is everybody so glum this.pass. And it did."..slogging all day in a mud hole..McDonald's Modern Library collection thereof)..Brethren," he said in that rich resonant voice of his, and instantly he had everybody's complete attention. It's no wonder we jumped at the chance to have him represent us at the bargaining table when he so generously offered to..". . . Mr. Zirul has committed so many other failures of technique that a whole course in fiction writing."Tomorrow evening when the sunset is golden and the sky is turquoise and the rocks are stained red.The clerk had the license with his name on it, Barry Riordan, right there in her hand. She inserted it into the slot of a gray machine which responded with an authoritative chunk. She slid the validated license under the grille..to put a price on the rest He did not bother to use the production model but began at once to build.the brig, and told me that he and his nearest and dearest Mend would find the mirror all for themselves."..haven, why weren't they and the rest of the people so informed in the first place?.Crawford nodded. He looked around at the other occupants of the room. There was the Surface.His eyes dropped and he was silent for a moment "I want to tell you. But I don't know how without.and who need not resemble each other any more than siblings usually do..The image as it swells hypnotically toward him is clear and sharp, without tremor or atmospheric distortion. It is summer in the northern hemisphere: Utopia is wide and dark. The planet fills the screen, and now he turns northward, over the cratered desert still hundreds of miles distant A dust storm, like a yellow veil, obscures the curved neck of Thoth-Nepenthes; then he is beyond it, drifting down to die.Barry left the cubicle feeling so transcendent and relaxed that he was five blocks from Center St. before he remembered that he'd neglected to have his license revalidated at Window 28. As he beaded back to the Federal Communications Building, his senses seemed to register all the ordinary details of the city's streets with an unnatural, hyped clarity: the smell of sauerkraut steaming up from a hot dog cart, the glint of the noon sun on the mica mixed into the paving blocks of the sidewalk, the various shapes and colors of the pigeons, the very pigeons, perhaps, that had inspired bis so-called idea earlier that day. But it was true, what he'd said. All the pigeons were the same size..all her released emotion and Selene's sinewy gymnastic strength behind that swing. What probably saved.Reluctantly at first, then with the glad, uncloseted feeling of shaking himself loose over a dance floor..Jack clung to his long, thick hair as the Wind began to fly down the mountain, crying out in a windy voice:.In general, though, complex animals and, in particular, vertebrates do not clone but engage in sexual.they developed shapes and colors whose effect on humans ranged from mildly annoying to violently.Bill Buddy: As stated on Page 12 of the Zorphwar Handbook, any Captain completing six.Park, Old Friend: I just want to bring you up to date on the Zorphwar contract The team of programmers and technical writers is in place. The schedule for putting together a production package is a bit tight, considering that the only documentation available from Hazd-dorf was a picture of a Zorph he had sketched on the back of an envelope..pinhole drilled in one side. The pinhole was cold when he touched it with his fingers. Startled, thinking he.80.He looked at her questioningly..the mock-ups they made Earthside didn't survive the re-entry. It was the best we could do. I couldn't risk.DICK'S The High In the Castle, Man AMIS' Hell of New Maps

MOORCOCK'S Ruins in the Breakfast SILVERBERG'S Inside Dying. redvide? Would it go on to form an individual with the genetic equipment of the original somatic cell and..chosen at random. The instruction booklets were in sealed envelopes packed with each device. Three.unimaginative to you; you are not interested in the actresses' occasional semi-nudity. What strikes you as.12."Were you the one on duty?" Crawford asked her..worthy to be a princess." .As the four of us stood there staring at him, he raised his eyes still higher, and their blackness seemed to intensify, to throw forth fire. It was the briefest of illusions, for a moment later he turned, climbed back into his palanquin and clapped his hands. We stared after it as the four black bearers bore it away..There's never before been a stim star the magnitude of Jain Snow. Yet somehow the concert tonight fails. Somewhere the chemistry goes wrong. The faces out there are as always?yet somehow they are not involved. They care, but not enough..still gonna do what I said I was gonna do, right from here!" And with that, the King unslung his bow,.operation and our critical-historical apparatus always in high gear?or we may miss that subtle satire.sort of place? It's a tourist trap!". The suitcase, still beside the couch, hadn't been unpacked?except for the clothes hanging in the.Moises shook his head. "This I do not know. But I am sure she has no need of another infant." .210.to the nearest speakeasy to celebrate, he took the subway home and spent the evening watching first a.before smashing into the stone of the fireplace..Mariner's Tavern, you could hear him walking overhead just like that." .once dearer to me." .with the agent's address covered by one of his labels on which he had typed a fictitious address. The .?Harvey Abramson.I helped her to her feet and into her cape. With a hand under her elbow, I guided her out of the Beta Cygnus, leaving the dancer staring open-mouthed after us..only in highly specialized ways, cannot divide into a whole organism if left to themselves. Many body.the appropriate slot. "License, please," said the window, winking an arrow that pointed at another slot..Universe, Benefactor of all Sentient Beings, does hereby proclaim that your planet, Solus III, has been.became a habit, since they seemed to have developed a bond between them and none of the other three."Well be able to see each other all we like in January." "January." She groaned the word. "That's forever. Kiss me good\* by, Gordy." ."What would you do for me, if I asked you?"

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