

## KLEMENS KRUMMAUER PHILOSOPH UND SCHUSTER ZU BR NN

"May I come in and talk to you about him?" That must be where you got your gift of gab. You must have kissed the Blarney stone. "Our eyes it had become a thunderbolt? a thunderbolt cast heavenward by a madman in a magnificent, if. "If I might be able to-" and snug in the apartment in Trenton, she couldn't begin to know what he'd gone through for her ideas (among which is the idea that art ought not to be political), then such neutrality simply doesn't exist.<sup>124</sup> we go through the positions. Her breathing grows a little ragged; that is all. And yet she is more. Her camp was anything but orderly. No one would get the impression that any care had been taken in the haphazard arrangement of dome, lander, crawlers, crawler tracks, and scattered equipment it had grown, as all human base camps seem to grow, without pattern. He was reminded of the footprints around Tranquillity Base, though on a much larger scale..drink. The spirit of celebration, the rejoicing at finding these people here past any hope; one could hardly..or fried figs? I said baked fish..She swooped toward her ankles with the knife. The long skirt of her dress hung in the way. Before she could pick up the hem, her left hand stiffened..<sup>189</sup>From Competition 14: SF "What's the question" jokes.Neither of us sleeps much the rest of the night. Sometime before dawn I doze briefly and awaken from a nightmare. I am disoriented and can't remember the entirety of the dream, but I do remember hard wires and soft flows of electrons. My eyes suddenly focus and I see her face inches away from mine. Somehow she knows what I am thinking. "Whose turn is it?" she says. The antenna..Something came around the end of the couch. It wasn't a cat. I thought it was a monkey, and then a frog, but it was neither. It was human. It waddled on all fours like an enormous toad..funny and libelous. Detweiler proved quickly to be the best player, but Johnny, to my surprise, was no..She turned. "For my sake? Matthew, please don't lie to me again." There were tears in her voice..the small and large screens for F&SF for many years. If you've ever been confused by the many different..out. So, sadly, he picked up a small wheelbarrow lying on top of a bill of rubies and began to fill his..She smiled. "Wonderful." "About a day," Crawford said. "You have to destroy them to get out of them. The plastic strips don't cut well, but there's another specialized animal that eats that type of plastic. It's recycled into the system. If you want to suit up, you just grab a whirlbird and hold onto its tail and throw it. It starts spinning as it flies, and wraps the end product around you. It takes some practice, but it works. The stuff sticks to itself, but not to us. So you spin several layers, letting each one dry, then hook up an airberry, and you're inflated and insulated,"..perhaps they expected their own reflections. But they saw neither. Instead, the face of a beautiful girl.IN CONCERT."I have a plan," said Amos, who could think very quickly when he had to. "Simply do as I say."..trained Lou to fly this thing? And he almost cracked it up as it was. I ... ah, nuts. It isn't possible."<sup>26</sup>its topmost one. There was a purposefulness about his mien that had been lacking on his previous visit; a..before he was due; as compensation, he was redelivered into another man's body, with all sorts of..A tremor of heartfelt emotion colored her lovely contralto voice as she said, "Oh Jesus, what am I going..the direction of the couple chained together on the blue settee..What was marvelous was the afternoon with Amanda clinging to my arm and greeting each new offering with a sigh of pleasure or gasp of delicious dismay. In the course of it she stopped calling me Mr. Gordon, too, and began saying Matthew. I would have preferred Matt, but when I brought that up she dropped her eyes and said:..Examples of sf titles that have been retranslated back into English after..The next morning I staggered out of bed at 6 A.M. I took a cold shower, shaved, dressed, and put Murine in my eyes. They still felt Eke Td washed them in rubber cement. Mrs. Bloomfeld had kept me up until two the night before, doing all the night spots in Santa Monica with some dude I hadn't identified yet. When they checked into a motel, I went home and went to bed..<sup>?</sup>Janet E. Pearson..the other by the feet, and they only paused long enough to get the mirror from the clearing, which the..well-known?even to non-football fans. She wouldn't tell me how she got it, just smirked and looked.\*Tm big and I'm cold and I'm blustery. . . ." <sup>255</sup>."But if she knows?" I began, then, as her light went out entirely, said, \*Tm sorry; I didn't mean to upset you. I was just curious. . . ."..to fill out the second form on the spot After a wait of less than ten minutes, his number lighted up on the..by THOMAS M. DISCH..was deliberately avoiding him. He decided to give her one last chance. He left a message with the.."There have been (tho' I should not confess)..That's okay," she said. "I'm sure you'd have done just the same for me."..Barry's chair just sat there, glued to the spot, while they nattered knowledgeably on. He wished he were..(the future of the arts) and background (an artist's colony called Aventine). The tales are..supposedly humorous complications. I didn't think it was very funny then, and I didn't think it was very.."Shut up. But we were wrong. I read in your resume that you were quite a student of survival. What's your honest assessment of our chances?" "Haven't you done enough?" I sighed. "When I called you, I didn't mean for you to push her like that. Couldn't you guess what she might do? We'll call my psychiatrist friend and have her help bring Amanda back." "You'll stay right here," Lang barked, "We know there's not enough power in them to hurt the ship,"..My father could have been President but for Margot Randall. The woman was rapacious, vulgar, wrote, I just wrote?no one expected anything particular from me. When my clones write, their products..ends of the console. I consciously will my fingers to loosen..Crawford did, and began to see the novelty of it. He tried hi vain to think of some mechanism hi an animal or plant of Earthly origin that turned and kept on turning forever. He could not..She dug into her ID folder, which was made of the same velvet as her dress, and took out her.."Then what are the treasures?" Amos asked, full of curiosity.."See?" she said. "Cinderella B. Johnson. It was my mother's idea. My mother had a really weird."..Selene," I hissed. "What are you doing here?"..edge of the frostcap. The limb of the planet reappears; he floats like a glider over the dark surface tinted."About two months..<sup>?</sup>He held up his hands then, and a deerskin unrolled from them. With a swift, savage movement, he tacked it to the door with his knife. The hooves did not quite touch the ground..vessel out of normal space, scooping it up and stuffing it into the maw of their own craft, establishing.."Don't think of them as ideas then,

think of them as questions. \*doorman so he wouldn't have to wait out in the cold..bare, heading for the fateful rendezvous . . .not lack for use. Productive work suffered as the five of them frantically ran through all the possible. Singh stood up. He was moved, but did not trust himself to show fit adequately. So he sounded rather abrupt, though polite..tunes, then swooped down upon them, grabbing them up and setting them on his shoulders. Amos and. Tales of A Moribund Bird, HARLAN ELLISON.us. With rationing, maybe a year and a half. That's assuming all the supply capsules reach us all right. In. Nocturnal and Diurnal Animals, ROGER ZELAZNY R Is for Spaceship, RAY BRADBURY The Tin Men Go to Sleep, ISAAC ASIMOV All Animals Are Vegetables, CLIFFORD SIMAK.gave no sign. Finally he stopped pacing, climbed back into his palanquin and closed the curtains, and his.crushed and pulpy thing sprawled shapelessly beside the rocker, its sightless eyes bulging from the."I do know enough to know the Edgar is not equipped for an atmosphere entry. My idea was, not to bring down the whole ship but only what's aboard the ship that we need. Which is a pilot. Might that be possible?"the light they could not see the ceiling or the far wall. The fires themselves burned in huge scooped out.It neither faltered nor slowed. Any moment now, it seemed, it would pass through the invisible Gateway and disappear. It was high enough: it had to. But it didn't. For, all of a sudden, a great hand emerged from the firmament, reached down and seized the tiny shaft A mighty thumb pressed it between two mighty fingers. There was a distant snap!, barely audible above the wind. Then the hand withdrew, and the broken arrow fell back to earth and landed at the King's feet.To be sure, if cloning is overdone, the evolutionary advantage of sexual reproduction is to some extent neutralized, and we might end up with a species in which genetic variability is too narrow for long-term survival.."I can understand the drink," he said, carefully. "Ethanol is a simple compound and could fit into many different chemistries. But it's hard to believe that you've survived eating the food these plants produced for you." "I love you very much,".chuckled..My curiosity reared up again. The gossip columnists speculated a great deal about how Amanda and Selene managed their dual existence, but because neither personality gave interviews on the subject, it had to remain only speculation. The custody decision, however, was public knowledge. January to June had gone to Margot Randall, July to December to the Senator. It sounded like the alters might still divide then\* year that way. But rather than distress Amanda further by asking about it, I bit my tongue and hurried out to get the lease from my secretary..look. "How fun." .She shook her head, eyes hooded and expressionless, and then Nolan remembered that she didn't.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..I will?when the authors keep politics out of their stories. But they never do; in fact, it seems absolutely impossible to write anything without immediately making all sorts of assumptions about what human nature is, what good and bad behavior consists of, what men ought to be, what women ought to be, which states of mind and character are valuable, which are the opposite, and so on. Once fiction gets beyond the level of minimal technical competence, a reviewer must address these judgments of value. Generally, readers don't notice the presence of familiar value judgments in stories, but do notice (and object to) unfamiliar ones as "political." Hence arises the insistence (in itself a very vehement, political judgment) that art and politics have nothing to do with one another, that artists ought to be "above" politics, and that a critic making political comments about fiction is importing something foreign into an essentially neutral area. But if "politics" means the relations of power that obtain between groups of people, and the way these are concretely embodied in personal relations, social institutions, and received ideas (among which is the idea that art ought not to be political), then such neutrality simply doesn't exist Fiction which isn't openly polemical or didactic is nonetheless chock-full of politics. If beauty in fiction bears any relation to truth (as Matthew Arnold thought), then the human (including social and political) truth of a piece of fiction matters, for aesthetic reasons. To apply rigid, stupid, narrow, political standards to fiction is bad because the standards are rigid, stupid, and narrow, not because they are political. For an example of (to my mind) profound, searching, brilliant, political criticism, see Jean-Paul Sartre's Saint Genet..long-term survival..He wrote down the coordinates for the plane crash in which his daughter and her husband had died, but never used them..for him. "I wasn't lagging at you, young man," she told him, taking the same coolly aggrieved tone she'd.He gestured her back. Nina's smile faded and she made a sound in her throat, a little gasp of."So. We have a thing here that eats plastic. And seems to be made of plastic, into the bargain. Any.separate organism with its genetic characteristics fixed and unique..Her laugh is easy and unstrained now. "Kid games. Did you do the usual things when you were a kid, babe?" .swamp..sex but prevents conversation and understanding."On the com circuit the tech yells: "Idiot! I'm already reading ninety. Ninety, damn it. There's still one.it to produce these messages as a practical joke. If this is the case, correct the situation immediately and.shed their skins, and for a time they are fresh and clean before the scales grow again. It is then that they.have mine before me:..She sighed in relief. "Gordy, you're a friend. Well meet again."..The Isaac Asimov clones, once they grow op, simply won't live in the same social environment I did, won't be subjected to the same pressures, won't have the same opportunities. What's more, when I wrote, I just wrote?no one expected anything particular from me. When my clones write, their products will always be compared to the Grand Original and that would discourage and wipe out anyone..link between performer and audience. Just one glorified feedback transceiver: pick up the empathic load."Well, there's no doubt that you have a definite communications problem. But I think it's a problem.I scooted up in bed and leaned against the headboard. Janke snorted into the pillow and opened one eye, pinning me with it "I dkta't mean to wake you," I said..experiments that can be conducted with the hope of more useful results if the question of genetic variation.Nolan blinked as he recognized her standing there and staring up at him. There was no mistaking the.them, she looked just like an ancient centurion in a movie about the Roman Empire.."Best indecent proposition Fve had all week." .regular intervals. Some of the labels curled up and detached themselves after twenty-six hours without.171.because the promise held out by heroic fantasy?the promise of escape into a wonderful

Other."I think so," Lang said. "It was so little water, though. You know we didn't want to waste it; we condensed it out until the air we exhausted was dry as a bone."us.".Nolan glanced up quickly. "What's the matter?" he said..garden, he put all his reward in the wheelbarrow, went back to the small door and knocked..?Doris McElfresh.maintain your energy supply. Any Zorphs in your sector will attack you and each attack will use up some."How?"/ Of the great Sherlock Holmes / With their Y chromosome\*-)\* and brought the house down again. But you may, by now, be asking yourself, "What's a clone?" It's been in the news a great deal lately, but recognizing a word and knowing what it represents can be two different things. So let's go into the matter-The word "clone" is Greek, exactly as it stands, provided you spell it in Greek letters, and it means "twig.".1931 is worth mentioning. That is Frankenstein: The True Story. Coscripted by Christopher Isherwood,."Since ... I was a kid." He grinned. "You think it was one of those brews the old witch-woman gave me caused it? Maybe I could sue for malpractice."."Sounds all right to me," Lang assured her. "It'll do for a working theory. Now what about airborne.254

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