

"STAR WARS: THE SEQUELS AFTER THE SEQUELS"

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I. STAR WARS: THE CHOSEN ONE (EPISODE X)

1) TAGLINE:

Darkness always finds a way.

2) LOGLINE:

Ben Solo must find a way to atone for the sins of his past to fight against a hidden threat rising from a Sith Empire thought to be long gone.

3) SYNOPSIS:

Ben Solo has made the ultimate sacrifice for his Dyad, Rey. When Rey realizes what Ben has done, she feels more alone than she has in the past. The depths of her despair reach the Force's netherworld, where the Jedi of old come to her aid. They help her pull Ben from the grips of death and return him to her arms by channeling their powers into her. Luke Skywalker and Anakin Skywalker use the two legacy Skywalker lightsabers Rey used to defeat Emperor Palpatine to combat the few remaining Sith Eternals in defense of their family as the couple make their way out of Exegol. As Rey hops into the battered old X-Wing, Red Five, she realizes the Force Ghosts had returned the lightsabers to the Dyad.

Ben urges Rey to return to the Lars Homestead on Tatooine, the only home he's ever known. As a Dyad, they begin to experiment with the Force and discover new powers. As Ben and Rey practice their new abilities, they also realize the depth of their feelings for each other. They enlist the assistance of Anakin Skywalker, Luke Skywalker, and Leia Organa Solo, among other well-known Master Jedi, in their learning. They begin their journey to rebuilding the New Jedi Order on Tatooine, where they train. The Chosen One instructs and guides his grandson, the true last Skywalker, in both the Dark and Light sides of the Force. However, their training is cut short when a new threat emerges that threatens to derail their efforts.

The Resistance reluctantly accepts Ben's assistance in dealing with the consequences of the chaos he helped to create in the galaxy. The Resistance has become the only safe haven for hundreds of thousands of citizens, putting a significant strain on the resources that Generals Poe Dameron and Finn must manage. The galaxy is now dealing with instability as a result of the power vacuum left by the collapsing First Order after Exegol. However, not all

planets were able to break free from the grip of the First Order. Nothing changed for some.

With Emperor Palpatine's destruction of Kijimi, Zorii Bliss is left homeless. Her and the few survivors of Kijimi's Spice Runners sought refuge with the Resistance on Crait. Seeing Poe Dameron again has resurfaced old feelings Zorii thought were long forgotten. As the two of them struggle with these emotions, she travels to Tatooine to check on Rey. While there, she grows terrified of everything that has happened to her, to her home planet, and with Poe. She decides to flee and return to her old trade of smuggling. She travels to the planet Wobani in the hopes of resuming her spice running operations.

Ben uses Sense Echoes, a one-of-a-kind Force ability, in the room where Zorii had slept the night before. They find out where she's going and why. While he wishes to accompany Rey, she declines because she does not want anyone to know Ben is alive and has returned to the Light. Finn, who has come to Tatooine to assist in the search for Zorii, reluctantly allows Rey to take his small spacecraft to Wobani. Finn and Ben are left to fix up the Lars Homestead and get the basics up and running.

Rey arrives in Wobani to find Zorii working for the Ponta twins. The twins were the daughters of Jyn Erso and her first love, Hadder Ponta, and now run one of the galaxy's most successful smuggling rings. The bounty hunters and scoundrels present at the planet see Rey as a quick meal ticket. The First Order is made aware of the presence of a Jedi at Wobani's underground cantina, the Upturn. Ellian Zahra rises up as the new Supreme Leader, intent on destroying anything associated with Leia Organa Solo, beginning with the Resistance. They rally their remaining forces to capture Rey at the Upturn, only to discover that the scoundrels have already engaged her and Zorii Bliss. Through their Dyad Force Bond, Rey warns Ben of their impending danger. Ben and Finn board the Millennium Falcon and fly to Wobani, where they summon the Resistance for help.

Ellian receives assistance from members of the One Sith, a hidden Sith sect, during the conflict between the First Order and the Resistance on the planet Wobani. Ellian confronts Ben and Rey as the Darth Triad of Darth Nihl, Darth Talon, and Darth Maladi unleash absolute destruction on the planet using Dark Storms, a Dark side force power. Ellian is revealed to be possessed by none other than

Emperor Vitiante, having absorbed one of his living essences. Ellian now presides over a dilapidated, crumbling First Order, but the Sith reemerge in full force.

The Sith unleash their wrath on the galaxy, leaving Ben and Rey, as well as the Resistance, unable to combat the Sith's growing threat. The Sith work quickly to break the gangsters' grip on Coruscant and make examples of the survivors that instill terror throughout the galaxy. The two groups battle for control of the planet. Ellian considers the planet to be eradicated from any opposition after millions are killed. The Resistance, in shambles after the Battle of Wobani, is unable to assist in defense of Coruscant, leaving Ben feeling responsible and frustrated. Rey aids in soothing his rage, and the two devise a plan with the help of Poe Dameron, Finn, and the Force Ghosts.

But, among the chaos, Ben and Rey decide to marry and start a life together as more than just a Dyad in the Force. The couple has begun construction on a new Jedi temple on Tatooine. Rey surprises Ben by announcing that they are expecting their first child together. Ben sees images of his father, Han Solo, at the moment Leia told him that they are expecting a child. Han's reaction was full of joy. Ben smiles as he recalls that moment with Leia. The Skywalkers join them in their celebration.

Ellian Zahra discovers Emperor Vitiante's second essence in a small child on a desolate Dark-side world, who had accidentally absorbed it from a discarded artifact he encountered. The child has erratic powers, and his eyes glow with the Sith essence that inhabits him. Ellian grins wickedly as she murders the family absorbing the essence, killing the child as well. It's clear she is beginning to crack under the pressure of Emperor Vitiante's essences, due to the fact that she is not naturally Force-sensitive. Her eyes glow with Sith fire, and her last word, uttered in reverent whispers, is "Skywalker".

II. STAR WARS: THE SKYWALKER LEGACY (EPISODE XI)

1) TAGLINE:

Victory gives the false illusion of peace.

2) LOGLINE:

Ben Solo and Rey must work together in order to prevent Ellian Zahra from secretly seducing their eldest child to the Dark side in order to resurrect Emperor Vitiante.

3) SYNOPSIS:

After ten years, the galaxy is on the verge of being completely subjugated to the new Sith Empire. The Jedi are more needed than ever before. Ben and Rey are the proud parents of three children. A precocious, skeptical, introverted boy, age 10, named Dante, who struggles with his intense emotions. A daughter Lucia, age 8, who is strong-willed, friendly, idyllic, and optimistic like her mother. And lastly their youngest daughter Serene, age 5, who is much like her mother having a compassionate heart and also like her father in her emotional depth. The three children have become the center of their father's life, embracing fatherhood fully. And, despite his ongoing struggle with the guilt of his former self, Kylo Ren, Ben continues to fight evil alongside his wife, Rey. The Dyad has honed their Force skills and lightsaber combat fluidity to a masterful level by working together. The Skywalkers continue to guide and shape Ben and Rey's actions as Jedi Masters.

Ben and Rey have aided in the liberation of many of the enslaved children abducted by the First Order, now known solely as the Sith Empire. They have finished constructing a new Jedi Temple on Tatooine from the ruins of the Hutt Palace. Many freed Force-sensitives have chosen to expand their knowledge there. In addition, they have been training adults who have come to them on their own to become Jedi. Finn, one of their friends, is among them. Finn is still co-General of the Resistance with Poe Dameron, but he is becoming increasingly drawn to the Jedi Order. This causes a rift between the best friends. It also causes friction between Finn and Rose Tico, who believes the Resistance is of the utmost importance and that Finn should devote all of his focus to it.

The Resistance has spent the last few years working to rebuild the Republic. A New Republic was formed, and a new Mega-class ship was built out of Mon Cala to operate as the Republic's floating capital. Maz Kanata is now serving as interim Chancellor of the new Republic, something she never thought she'd do. She agreed to work toward establishing a stable government out of necessity. She was one of the few people with the required power, influence, and political clout to fill those shoes. She collaborates with Generals

Poe Dameron and Finn. Poe disagrees with her belief that the Resistance should be absorbed as the new Republic's official military arm.

Ben and Rey's New Jedi Order has adopted new principles in how they recruit younglings to train in their temple. It is a decision they must make, and parents are kept involved in their children's lives. The Solo children were all given the same option, but Dante Solo, the eldest, chose not to join the Order. In stark contrast, Lucia Solo, is just finishing her initiate training and excels in Light Side Force powers. Serene Solo, the youngest, possesses great Force power and is torn between joining the Order and remaining under her parents' tutelage. Serene and Dante are extremely close and frequently train together. Dante enjoys teaching Serene how to use her Dark Side abilities and encourages his sister to keep it a secret from their parents and Lucia.

The Jedi who have been in hiding for decades begin to feel compelled to join the New Jedi Order led by Rey and Ben Solo. Cal Kestis, a Jedi Master in his own right, is one such Jedi. He has mentored a number of Jedi Knights, including his own daughter Ilyana. Cal is married to Merrin, the Dathomirian Dark Witch who accompanied him on the Stinger Mantis years ago. Along with Ilyana, they also have a son, Victus, a talented Zabrak warrior who lacks Force sensitivity.

Cal Kestis recruits Finn as a Padawan, albeit on a part-time basis. Cal encourages Finn to follow his Jedi calling, but only at his own pace. He does tell Finn that the call will become too loud to ignore at some point, and he will have to make the difficult decision of continuing his training and becoming a Jedi Knight or remaining as Co-General of the Resistance. Finn believes the Resistance would benefit more from joining Maz Kanata's new military, which would allow them to garner more funding. He'd feel better about leaving his post if they could accomplish that. Cal agrees with his rationale, promising to help however he can.

The new Supreme Leader, Ellian Zahra, searches the galaxy for the living essences of the former Emperor Vitiante. She has managed to reform the world of Korriban into the center of her Sith Empire with the help of Darth Maladi's unique Dark Science gifts. She makes moves to take over the trade routes, shipbuilding worlds, and Muunilinst, the galaxy's financial center, with Darth Talon in charge of those

efforts. The Muuns do not take the Sith Empire's assertion of dominance over their planet lightly and seek the Resistance's aid.

The Resistance, backed financially by the Muuns, bolsters their military forces in order to drive the Sith Empire off the planet. Finn favors an alliance with the New Republic rather than the Muuns, but Poe disagrees. When the two Generals clash, Finn is forced to decide and ends up leaving the Resistance. The Battle of Muunilinst becomes the first show of force for both the Resistance and the New Jedi Order. Ellian realizes that the tide has shifted in favor of an empowered Resistance and growing Jedi Order forcing her to re-evaluate her tactics. The Muuns successfully oust the Sith from their planet, but they have shown their hand and now regard the Resistance as their personal military, which irritates Poe Dameron. Finn was completely right.

Poe seeks the support of Maz Kanata and the New Republic in order to prevent the Muuns from seizing control of the Resistance. Maz agrees to help but urges the General to take her and Finn's advice more seriously and to officially join the New Republic. Poe, on the other hand, has reservations. On the issue, he seeks the advice of Zorii and Rose. While Zorii thinks that allying with the New Republic is a good idea, Rose believes that it is best to remain separate in case history repeats itself.

Ellian, channeling Emperor Vitiante, summons a young Dante Solo via the Force. She travels to the planet Dagobah, where she awaits the boy's arrival. Dante sneaks out to meet her, intrigued, conflicted, and unaware of the danger she poses. Ellian smiles wickedly as he lands his ship. "Young Solo, I've been waiting for you," she says as they meet.

III. STAR WARS: THE SITH RISE (EPISODE XII)

1) TAGLINE:

Darkness rises and Light to meet it.

2) LOGLINE:

Lucia Solo must face the heartbreaking truth of Emperor Vitiante's complete physical return in order to prevent the galaxy from enslavement by the ultimate power of the Dark Side.

3) SYNOPSIS:

Nearly ten years later, Supreme Leader Ellian Zahra has discovered the last of Emperor Vitiante's living essences, making it critical to find a living vessel strong enough to contain all of Vitiante's power – one with an exceptionally high midichlorian count. Ellian has hidden the vessels containing these essences on the planet Korriban in cryogenic stasis, which Dark Scientists use to preserve sentient beings. It goes without saying that these beings were forced to be in this state. Vitiante considers Dante Solo, the only male Skywalker heir at age 19, to be the ideal vessel, with a total midichlorian count of 44,000 for all the Solo children.

For many years, the Emperor, through Ellian, has secretly been mentoring a young Dante in the Dark side's powers, urging him not to succumb to the pressures of becoming a Jedi like his famous family, but to forge his own path. The Emperor uses this manipulative technique to twist Dante's thoughts about his family for his own purposes. Dante has grown very powerful with his Dark side abilities in recent years, and he rarely uses any of his Light side abilities – a fact that has increasingly worried his mother, Rey. Ben Solo, his father, is ambivalent about his son's affinity with the Dark side and simply dismisses it as part of the Skywalker nature.

Dante's two younger sisters, Lucia Solo, 17, and Serene Solo, 14, are equally gifted with the Force as their brother. Lucia is nearing the end of her training and will become a Jedi Knight, whereas Serene is just beginning her journey as a Padawan. Rey is concerned about Dante, whose behavior has become increasingly erratic. Dante struggles with his immense powers and appears to lose control on a regular basis. Despite his close relationship with his sister Serene, he has occasionally scared her with his Dark Side abilities. He lashes out in destructive bursts destroying entire buildings and often inadvertently injuring others. One such incident saw his sister Serene hurt by his own hand. His sister's terrified expression as she realizes what he's done breaks his heart. Dante decides to leave the Jedi and Tatooine to protect his family from himself. Rey and Ben, no longer able to dismiss it as "Skywalker nature," seek advice from Anakin Skywalker, Luke Skywalker, Leia Organa Solo, Grand Master Yoda, Obi-wan Kenobi, and others. Anakin shows real concern about his great grandson, which breaks Ben's heart.

Lucia has trained under both Ilyana Kestis and Finn, who has advanced to the rank of Jedi Knight. Cal Kestis, Merrin, Rey, and Ben Solo are among the Grand Masters of the New Jedi Order, which has grown to include over 300 initiates, Padawans, and Jedi Knights. Victus Kestis is now the General of the New Jedi Order Militia, which is in charge of security on Tatooine and other Jedi-centric worlds in order to defend against frequent Sith Empire attacks.

Serene has a strong emotional connection with her older brother and believes he can be saved. Lucia resents her brother's actions, disgusted by the thought that he failed to learn the lessons of his family's history. The discord between the sisters widens over time. Serene is determined to save her brother from the fate that befell her father and great grandfather, whereas Lucia believes Dante is beyond redemption. As days pass slowly, Ben and Rey become more distraught, withdrawing from active duty to focus on saving Dante. Luke and Leia console them both, and Anakin suggests that Serene be permitted to seek out Dante because they are Force Bonded. He thinks she might be able to get through to him.

Serene heads over to Dagobah, with Ben, Rey, and Finn in tow. There she meets with Dante to plead with him. It proves futile when Dante, convinced he could turn his sister, offers her a place by his side, and is rejected. Serene is faithfully planted in the Light side of the Force and she is confronted with the hard fact that her beloved brother may be lost forever. Serene's heart breaks as she severs the Force Bond with her brother permanently. Dante, pushed over the edge, attacks his younger sister. To save Serene Solo, Ben, Rey, and Finn must confront a very powerful Dante Solo. Dante nearly defeats all four of them, severely injuring Serene.

Maz Kanata has been formally elected as the permanent Chancellor of the New Republic for an eight-year term. She has two years to complete her term. Senator Norra Wexley appears poised to be elected as the next Chancellor once Maz's term expires. General Poe Dameron has remained in his position as the Resistance has officially joined the New Republic. Poe had fought tooth and nail for the changes he felt were necessary to ensure the events of the past did not resurface with this New Republic, even at the expense of some of his most loyal troops like Rose Tico. The galaxy is gradually rebuilding the new Republic by electing senators from each world, but the Sith Empire remains a

dominant and perplexing force of power in the galaxy, garnishing submission through fear and oppression. When one world is liberated, another is conquered by the Sith Empire. Poe describes it as a cat-and-mouse game that has been going on for over a decade. But all of that is about to change, and the New Republic will be forced to flee for their survival.

Emperor Vitiante believes Dante, now 20, is ready to absorb all of his living essences. Ellian Zahra and the other beings who held them perish as a result of this act. Worlds crumble in the face of Dante Solo's newfound power as the reborn Emperor Vitiante. Anakin Skywalker meets with Ben and Rey to inform them that they must end Emperor Vitiante's reign, which means the death of their son. In agony and anger at their family's legacy, Luke and Leia agree with Anakin. Ben's despair and guilt are palpable as Rey consoles her husband. He believes it is karma for everything he has done as his former self, Kylo Ren. Ben and Rey are unsure if they have the will to do what needs to be done.

Dante's powers are unrivaled as we witness the galaxy's planets being subjugated one by one. Emperor Vitiante was the most powerful Sith to ever live over 4,000 years ago, and as Dante Solo, he is just as powerful, if not more so, today. As Dante reigns supreme, the galaxy is bathed in a sea of murder and blood. Lucia is promoted to Jedi Knight, and at her knighting ceremony, she vows to do the unthinkable: kill her brother. Serene sobs at her sister's promise, but she sees no other option. She mourns with her mother and father for the brother she once knew. On a newly rebuilt Coruscant, a red-skinned, Sith-tattooed Dante sits on the throne of the Sith Empire, his eyes glowing with Sith fire. Darth Talon and Darth Maladi are standing to his right and left, respectively. A new Sith has emerged.