

The movies alternate between past and present. It starts with Ep1 and 2, then Ep4 and Ep5, then Ep3, and concludes with Ep6. In the intro rolls, the episode subtitle name is shown, but not the episode number. The intro rolls always specify the year at the start, too. At the end of each episode is a fade in to black, with a silent black screen with blue text describing how much time has passed to the next episode before going into 'in a galaxy far far away' and the intro roll. Unlike the intro roll, the blue text is stationary like 'long ago...' and does not move. In Ep2, Barriss reveals the Sith are not gone (as believed right after Dooku died) and that there are Sith sympathizers hiding as double agents within both the Republic and Jedi Order. The hope gained in the middle of the movie is now drained, as the audience sees the enemy is seemingly unbeatable and undetectable. During Ep1 and 2, a powerful former apprentice of Obi Wan's named Vader Ashiksalo is mentioned. Vader, who resembles a large android, was thought to have died, but Anakin learns he may still be alive and gone over to the dark side, and thinks he's the one behind the bombings, having had help from Lustitia. At the end of Ep2, after Anakin watches Ahsoka walk away, the sorrowful music keeps playing as the screen fades to black. On a black screen, the music plays for 20-30secs to a close, and suddenly the screen cuts to a sinister looking planet with scary, shocking, shrill music playing throughout. Then in a dark room, Grievous, who uses few words and still sounds chilling and sophisticated despite his voice getting deeper with a raspy wheeze due to Kenobi, speaks to Sidious, who says that the Jedi Order is now unstable, and will fall very soon- it is inevitable. Sidious believes the Jedi will never be able to fully root out all the traitors within it. From the shadows, a vague outline of Vader, which resembles Darth Vader, is seen. Before this reveal, the audience only heard of Vader as a 'myth', but this proves Anakin was right in Ep2 that Vader is still alive. Sidious says with delight that Vader is finally ready to emerge out of the shadows where he hid and waited. He then orders Vader that the time is right to strike down and kill Anakin Skywalker. From his ashes, the Empire will rise.

This scene then fades to black, and sad, powerful music plays as blue text on the screen describes that the Republic has fallen and been re-assembled into the Empire, the Jedi Order has ended, and that Anakin Skywalker has met his end (it does not say he has been killed). The text fades to more text, saying that the Empire has assembled an army of new stormtroopers, who bear a resemblance to the Republic's former army, to terrorize civilians. Societies in ongoing dispute are forced to band together, generating mass hatred; an artificial stability is imposed through force that crushes any dissenters to this unnatural binding. Many fear for their lives as the Empire chooses which societies to sacrifice to bolster its own survival and reach over other societies; those who disagree with the Empire's choices have no voice to negotiate any different compromise between societies, and are executed. A rebellion has formed to oppose the Empire and destroy its massive superweapon, the Death Star, which can obliterate dissenting planets. 19 years have passed, and all hope seems to be lost... As the text begins to fade, horrified civilian screams and sounds of war gradually become louder, and the text fully fades into darkness. Suddenly, a horrified human rebel on Scarif hides from stormtroopers. Another soldier, a female Bothan, tells him it'd all be alright, and the stormtroopers can't find them here. But then, the rebel's eyes widen as a gigantic beam of light over the ocean grows bigger and bigger. He screams, not even thrashing, as the Bothan hugs him in silence with her eyes shut, knowing they will both die soon. More screams from all over the planet get louder and drown out the rebel's screams in unison, and just as the beam hits them in an explosion, an abrupt cut to black occurs. Then, the screen fades in 'long ago...', and the 'A New Hope' title crawl plays out.

At the start of the new episode, the shot in space pans down to ships over Scarif, where rebel soldiers shout to one another that they have the plans. They run through a ship to try to send the plans elsewhere, but are trapped in a corridor. From the darkness, Darth Vader emits his lightsaber and slaughters them. The plans are finally carried to the escape ship, but Leia is not shown receiving them at all. The last scene on the ship shows Darth Vader ominously looking at the escaping ship, confidently saying something akin to "There is no escape." Vader orders his troops to go into cut off the route of the ship that received the plans, and the focus is on the escaping ship. The rebels on it say they have to hurry, but it's too late, as the scene cuts to space with a huge Star Destroyer appearing immediately over the escaping rebel starship, having jumped from hyperspace. On the starship being attacked by the Destroyer, rebel soldiers frantically run to get into formation, and after a few minutes with the familiar droids, Leia is shown for the first time. The movie then plays out as usual.

The end of Ep5 shows a fade to text that says "19 years ago..." and then transition to more text that provides an explanation for what has shortly happened after Ep2, to get the audience remembering that time period. At the end of Ep3, the time jump is not given again because it's obvious by this point; the text instead says something like, "As the young Skywalker grew up on Tatooine, he drew closer to his destiny. After learning the truth from Darth Vader, he now has to make the ultimate choice that decides the fate of the galaxy..."

To balance the run times of the past and present, an extra hour may be added to the present. This hour can be used to show a myriad of things about how the past changed, such as how oppressed the civilians are, regret from former anti-Jedi terrorists who thought the new Empire would be better, Ahsoka's fate, etc. So the total run time is  $(2.2 + 2.6 + 3) * 2 = 15.6$  hours.

The start scene in Ep1 does not have to end on a binary sunset, but when Anakin looks back he does gaze at the binary sunset over Shmi while the other two Jedi do not look back at it.

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During the first film, Obi Wan and Anakin discuss Obi Wan's former apprentice. After Qui Gon's death, Anakin was not immediately assigned to Obi Wan, but was in a "waiting state" with other younglings. Instead, Obi Wan was immediately assigned to this apprentice, who seemed only slightly older, but was very gifted, and was highly competitive with Anakin. The apprentice, whose name was Vader, was a fierce and driven student who was jealous of Anakin and said he wanted to find a way to beat him. Still, the two were engaged in friendly competition. However, Jedi masters had visions that Vader would help bring the fall of the Jedi Order. He was being corrupted by the dark side. Then, 2 years after Anakin arrived, Vader vanished, and it was believed he was dead. Afterwards, at the age of 11, Anakin became Obi Wan's new padawan. Vader was described as having gradually infused himself with machines to unnaturally enhance his power with the force, using forbidden tech that mimics the force.

Dooku has a very intimidating 'Dracula' aura. When Dooku confronts Anakin, Dooku explains his motives for leaving the Jedi. He mentions how Qui Gon would understand him. Anakin refutes this, but Dooku then mentions Vader, and how Vader is still alive. Anakin refutes this too, believing Dooku is trying to trick him with lies. Dooku says that the senate is corrupt, and that the Jedi rely too much on the senate to give power to the Jedi Order. Dooku says he will take power to overthrow this corruption, and rule

the galaxy into his own image as its supreme emperor. He seeks the dark side only as a means to an end, and imagines a revolution into a new system. He does not try to tell Anakin to join the dark side, however. He also does not say that both sides are being played by the same person. Since Maul does those things with Ahsoka, it's too redundant on top of both already saying that 'senate and Jedi are corrupt'.

When Anakin kills the sand people, the massacre is not shown. Afterwards, there is a scene completely void of dialogue between Anakin and Padme; it only shows their body language. So Anakin does not tell Padme he killed the women and children too, and the audience does not know either. During Ep3, Anakin is angered over how the Jedi won't let him save her from the illness, and brings up how he wasn't able to save his mother and won't make the same mistakes. Padme says she agrees with Anakin that the Jedi should not be so strict about attachments, but says they are dealing with difficult issues and that they have to look at their side of things- it is not so clear cut, and they have to think things through. But then, she senses Anakin feels heavy guilt over things he's hiding from her. When she asks him why, Anakin reveals that on Tatooine, he killed not just the men, but the women and children, too. He does not say they were like 'animals' or that he 'hates them' (that dialogue is redundant and it's far more chilling to just end on an emotionless 'and children, too'.) Padme is shocked, but tries to reason that Anakin was not in the right state of mind, and doesn't take a moral side about his actions. She's left speechless, and there is a long pause. Finally, Anakin says that he knows what he did was not right- but all the sand people were complicit with keeping human slaves to torture. None of them objected to it or tried to free her, and so they were all cuplrits in his mother's death. Padme asks Anakin how he can know that, and Anakin lashes out at her, revealing that he has lost faith in 'the middle ground' and negotiating with several sides- each side can only look at for themselves and the strongest will win, as that is the natural way of the Force. Padme expresses sorrow and betrayal that Anakin disagreed with her ideals she said before about balance with the Jedi, and then Anakin finally apologizes to the Jedi. This abrupt apology is only one or two lines, and immediately the conversation ends as Anakin shows conflicted guilt and leaves the conversation, telling Padme he must return to duty.

At the end of Ep2, Grievous speaks to a hooded figure, and Sidious appears for the first time, though his face cannot be seen, and he sounds different from Palpatine (though it's not supposed to be a twist that Palpatine is Sidious, as Palpatine acts very suspect despite appearing as a friendly mentor). Sidious says that Vader has great potential. In the shadows, a large figure stands, breathing heavily. Sidious says that before, he was not ready to be unleashed in the public eye, and no one could know he exists. But now, he is ready, as he feels a prophecy which unequivocally says it's inevitable that Vader will help bring the fall of the Jedi.

Vader is mentioned again during Ep2, first when Obi Wan and Anakin discuss the Shadow Collective, and also when Anakin lectures Ahsoka on following orders. A picture/hologram of him appears on screen at some point before the bombing, and Anakin is suspicious of it. Vader's skull-like android appearance bears a great resemblance to both Grievous and Darth Vader's mask. Given the evidence so far, Anakin immediately thinks Vader is the one behind the bombing, but he can't convince anyone else of it, so only he and Padme go to find him and more clues. After Ahsoka is arrested, Anakin eventually thinks Lustitia is helping Vader, so he tracks down her down, and discovers she had no idea who Vader is.

In Ep3, Anakin searches for the murder suspect, and thinks it could be Vader. When he goes to Vader, he is prepared to fight, but finds him greatly weak and dying. Vader is a large being, appearing part alien

and part android, with difficulty breathing. Vader explains that he originally believed he was a Kaleesh, a certain type of alien. He was brought to the Jedi because he was adept with the Force. But as time went on, despite quickly picking up many Force abilities early on, he found it difficult to master certain other Force abilities that came easy to others. Questioning why this was the case, Vader discovered that by enhancing himself with robotic parts and installing certain software in them, he could pick up these abilities instantly. Vader was ashamed that this was cheating and hid this from all the other Jedi. Unfortunately, the more parts he installed, the more his mind turned to crave attacking other Jedi. He did not know why this was the case. Though he never seriously injured anyone, the attacks on his own Order led the other Jedi to greatly suspect that Vader was harboring traitorous intentions, even though Vader did not have any conscious reason why and only did so out of pure instinct.

Soon, however, Vader learned the truth: he was not a Kaleesh, but an experimental droid designed by his Kaleesh maker to mimic Force users. His body would gather midichlorians stolen by interactions with other Force users, but these midichlorians would not naturally adapt to his body like they would on organic lifeforms, and instead be enslaved by various nanomachines in his body. Vader was designed to be as powerful as a Jedi master in order to slay Jedi, but he was scrapped due to severe building mistakes that meant he could never achieve such a level, leaving him incomplete. A lot of software that was already coded was meant to be installed on him, but his maker decided it was a waste to continue and so did not. His maker tried to destroy him, but Vader escaped, and found solace with the Jedi. During this run, Vader's internals were damaged, making him temporarily lose the goals of attacking Jedi. Thus, when Vader found new parts, he was able to improve himself. Vader's tech also meant he was equipped with a fake Force presence, meaning other Force users falsely believed they could sense that he was force sensitive. The more tech he upgraded, the more his original programming was repaired, and so his mind was led closer and closer to his original programming intentions, making it harder to resist the pull of needing to kill the Jedi.

After Vader learns of this, the first to discover that Vader was an android was Yoda. Yoda believed that despite not being organic, Vader could still be a Jedi, as long as his mind and heart were in the right place. Yoda taught Vader how to use his mind to overcome his instinctual programming to attack the Jedi. But soon after, the entire Jedi council picked up on him. Mace Windu, Ki al Mundi, and several other Jedi, believed that Vader should be given a chance to overcome his programming, though they were still wary of him. Others, led by Hamoff Ta, were vehemently opposed to letting a droid in as a Jedi, especially one designed to be a Jedi killer. They firmly believed one's potential to be a Jedi could only be measured by midichlorians, and those who lacked it were dangerous, lacking empathy for life. These Jedi masters went to meditate to look for answers. When they witnessed visions that he would help bring down the Jedi, Vader protested but was overruled. It is not known if their prejudice and fear biased them towards these vision interpretations.

Charging blindly into these interpretations, these Jedi decided that he must be destroyed to stop the prophecy from fulfilling. Jedi code stated that in these cases, the threat must be eliminated; this is what drew the Jedi to start a war against the separatists and Sith. In a close 7-6 style vote, they managed to convince the bare majority to side with them, and convinced them that destroying Vader would just be like destroying the CIS. He was just a droid after all- droids are not 'alive'. The majority of those who voted yes felt pity for Vader, yet could not go against what they believed was the righteous code. These council members did not directly confront Vader, but sent a special ops team of Jedi assassins to deal with him, believing they had no obligation to confront one who was just a droid by themselves.

Vader was attacked without a fair trial- as droids, being seen as just tools, did not have the rights to have a trial- and they believed he was dead. The Jedi Council voted again to keep this a secret. Not even Obi Wan knew what had transpired, and thought Vader was killed during a mission gone wrong- that is, until hints of his existence appeared during Episode 2, uncovered by Anakin when he went to the archives Palpatine gave him access to. Anakin did not know anything else about Vader from these files, other than 'he's likely alive'.

Obi Wan is part of the current council, but he was not on it when Vader was voted to be executed. The council votes to cover-up Vader's fate and not tell anyone else, even new council members. This is because they meditated and sensed revealing this information would do more harm than good. Reluctantly, they had to take what they believed to be the less destructive but more shady route. Obi Wan is also kept in the dark about many things from a "wing" of the Jedi Order that includes many Jedi and some of the members of the council. This rogue section does not conduct anything illegal to the Jedi Code, and speaks in half truths, not informing the rest of the council of its choices. Hamoff Ta "leads" this unofficial section, which is only loosely connected of supporters of the ideology, but he is not their official leader, he is only looked up to to take initiative. Yoda clashes with this group a lot. Sidious uses this inner conflict to sew discord into the Jedi Order, weakening their ability to trust one another.

When the Jedi left, thinking Vader could not have survived such destruction, the components needed to keep Vader conscious were failing. These components required siphoning midichlorians from others to keep running. The Jedi who killed him were disgusted by these parasitic creations and destroyed them. Vader was struggling to keep midichlorians on him, and eventually found the only one who could sustain his life: Darth Sidious. Sidious told him of a way to harvest midichlorians from fallen Jedi. Vader was too weak to fight these Jedi, and was forced to use stealthy means to kill them in secret and have their dying selves be in a secluded locations where he could drain them as they died. Sidious kept Vader hidden from the Jedi, as if the Jedi knew of Vader's existence, they would seek to destroy him and thus keep the prophecy from being fulfilled.

In the shadows, Vader worked as a silent puppeteer, using his knowledge of the Jedi to infiltrate them and maneuver them to unfavorable circumstances. He never attacked them, only putting things in motion that would lead to their death. However, the more he siphoned their midichlorians, the more his body became more tolerant, and he needed more and more just to weakly function. His robotic body, which was malfunctioning due to the damage inflicted upon it by the Jedi, created mimic 'antibodies' to fight midichlorians, killing those that were too weak, and these antibodies got stronger and stronger until they killed incredibly powerful midichlorians. Eventually, the midichlorians he obtained from fallen Jedi did nothing to heal him. Sidious told Vader that there was a way he could rid himself of this struggle- by killing the one who had midichlorians far stronger than all others, Anakin Skywalker. If he got Anakin's midichlorians, he would be free from needing to siphon from others ever again.

Vader was troubled by this. What would his former master, Obi Wan, think? Vader watched Anakin from afar. He came to respect how, unlike others, he treated droids with respect. Vader also wanted to beat Anakin in a fair fight, and was ashamed how he became so weak now. He did not want to use underhanded methods to kill his former competitor, and sought to regain his strength to fight him one day. But he never could do so. Sidious noticed this, and gleefully goaded him that he was "too weak, too full of guilt" against the very Jedi who tried to end his life. And thus he did not deserve to live. In actuality, Sidious knew Vader could never kill Anakin- the dark lord even planned preventive measures

to stop Vader from setting anything in motion that would harm the potential sith lord- and wanted Vader instead to confront Anakin because he wanted the Skywalker to see just how corrupt the Jedi were.

Vader questioned if this was just part of his programming. After all, his maker made him obsessed with fighting. Did he only feel this way just because he wanted to fight Anakin? Or did he truly feel the draw of the light? Vader mentions how he is reflecting how pathetic and evil he was for stealing midichlorians from dying Jedi, and believes he can never be redeemed; he has chosen his path, and rather than fall back on it, it is more honorable to finish walking it. He tells Anakin that he led the Jedi to find him, because he was to be on his deathbed at any moment, and wanted one last meeting. It is not stated why Vader wanted Anakin to meet him. Did he want Anakin to know the truth that the Jedi Council covered up? Did he want to trick Anakin to meet him so he could fight him and steal his midichlorians? It is left to interpretation.

Vader does not let Anakin respond with an answer to any of these dilemmas. Just when Anakin's guard is down as he's trying to answer Vader's moral questions in his own mind, Vader attacks him with the last of his strength. Vader is ferocious and imposing, and initially he is powerful, but none of his blows are able to get past Anakin's defenses. Vader tells the Skywalker that he was trained to never let his guard down, and should have known better. As they fight, Vader quickly gets more and more exhausted. Anakin does not even go on the offense. Vader stumbles; there is an opening, and Anakin tenses in a rage as he's ready to strike Vader down, but he stops right before striking. He realizes that Vader is at the last threads of his life. With the insight of a mechanic, he notices Vader's circuits are broken beyond repair now. As Vader succumbs to death, he imparts crucial information about who the Sith lord is. Chillingly, these were exact words spoken by Palpatine to him; before, they sounded encouraging and warm before but now they are haunting. Since there is only one person who would use those cryptic words, the suspect is clear: it's Palpatine.

Anakin is in disbelief. He thinks Vader is lying at first. The scenes with Yoda, Obi Wan and Ahsoka on the battlefield then occur. Maul tries to get Ahsoka to join him to take down Darth Sidious, but he does not tell her who Sidious is, only saying he'll reveal his true identity if she joins him. After Ahsoka captures Maul, the scene with Anakin speaking with Palpatine occurs. Palpatine senses that Vader has told Anakin- all according to plan- and tells Anakin that he knows how to use his knowledge of the dark side to save Padme. This finally makes Anakin admit, after much denial, that Palpatine is the Sith Lord.

Anakin does not find hundreds of cases of Jedi corruption. He does skim over a few articles about corruption in the Jedi, and how several Jedi in recent times recorded conflicted feelings about the sacrifices the Jedi made in war rather than be peacekeepers, but these do not phase him that much, and he only sees around 5 of these. Instead, more akin to the dark side, Anakin is more affected by personal issues, rather than those that concern the 'greater good'. It is not numerous cases of Jedi corruption that would change his mind, but a few impactful ones that were close to him. When he tells what he's learned to Padme, she tries to convince him that most of the Jedi are still good, and Anakin does acknowledge this but deep down cannot help but think they are complicit by being part of the same organization. There were only 6 main events that led Anakin to fully distrust the Jedi: 1) Ahsoka's unfair trial with Senate intervention (the majority of the Senate/military wanted Ahsoka gone while Palpatine claimed to be neutral and was the one who allowed Ahsoka to make her case that Barriss was the traitor), 2) Barriss's speech about the Jedi as warmongers, 3) Vader's past, 4) their refusal to let him save

Padme, 5) their 'no attachments code' that potentially led to the death of his mother, 6) Mace Windu's hypocrisy over fair trials.

Windu's hypocrisy is especially potent because one of the many reasons Windu tells Anakin he cannot be a Master yet is because Anakin killed Dooku, who was an unarmed defeated combatant. Killing Dooku prevented the Republic from learning valuable information, and thus Windu believed Anakin still needed more trials to prove he would not act rashly. When Windu defeats Sidious, he does not think Sidious is genuinely disarmed, so he thinks his case is different from Anakin's. But Anakin does not see this, and does not try to reason from Windu's point of view why Windu wants to kill Sidious without trial. Anakin completely ignores all the good the Jedi have done in order to convince himself of his own pre-conceived biases: that all the Jedi are totally wrong, just because they did a few things that hurt him. If Anakin felt any conflict in this, he would hesitate killing a Jedi to save Padme, which could be his downfall. He needed the Jedi gone to learn dark side techniques without disturbance. He could never risk negotiating with the Jedi; they could not be trusted to redeem for their sins, and revolution was the only way.

On Mustafar, Anakin tells Obi Wan that he knew what happened to Vader. He does not go into detail, only saying the Jedi betrayed him. Obi Wan tells Anakin that they should have calmly discussed this beforehand, but exclaims that it is too late now- Anakin is an unflinching extremist at this point and cannot believe that Obi Wan would want to discuss such a black and white issue when it's clear to him that the Jedi were the ones who killed Vader. They all voted to be complicit in his death. He then claims how, unlike the Jedi, he has brought peace to his new empire. Anakin did not seek to bring harmony to all; after listening to Vader, he was convinced that the only natural path for the Force was to let each being fight for themselves, and the strongest will survive. This was true "freedom"- no traditional code restrictions that require one to sacrifice for the greater good. Though the Empire was a controlling and oppressive Force, Anakin believed that it was a natural victor to impose its will. If any other entity was stronger, they would be able to overthrow the Empire and impose their own will onto others. Anakin was not loyal to just the Empire, but to any being that 'deserved' to have power to do whatever they wanted with it. The Jedi, he thought, were unnaturally imposing rules that preventing such competition from occurring in the way they should. There was no middle ground to have compromises; such deals were weak and unstable. If there were two starving horses journeying towards a town and limited food, feeding both could make neither strong enough to survive the journey. But sacrificing one to give all the food to the other could make at least one horse be able to survive. This is why he "deals in absolutes".

Anakin and Obi Wan said farewell to one another as Obi Wan went to Utapau. Right after this, Anakin found a signal that lead him to Vader; this was orchestrated by Sidious, as Sidious needed Obi Wan to be gone when Anakin met with Vader and learned the chancellor he was spying on was truly the Sith Lord (which Anakin had been denying all this time). None of the actors knew they were being played by Sidious, as the dark lord did not give explicit orders to anyone to do these things.

When Anakin kneels to Sidious, he is not given a name, as he is not worthy to be a Sith yet. After Anakin is reborn in a cyborg body, Sidious tells him that Padme has died. Anakin recklessly attacks him at first, but submits to Force lightening. Sidious then tells him that he is not his enemy; the Jedi were the ones who killed Padme by preventing him from learning how to use the cure in time (Sidious claims he himself is unable to use the technique, he only knows how to learn it, and Anakin was needed to actually learn it). Once Anakin agrees, Sidious then searches through Anakin's thoughts, and is pleased that he

knows what he wants to be called. Sidious then christens him as Darth Vader. Since the original Vader had a sleek, black exterior made of an extremely rare material that was hard to find but extremely resilient in combat, one can theorize that Sidious smelted and reshaped Vader's body into Darth Vader's cybernetic armor.

Vader was built by the same maker as Grievous. Grievous was not originally a Kaleesh, but was a android stitched like Frankenstein from organic parts (unlike Vader who was completely artificial) that other Kaleesh did not know was a droid. Grievous's tech was improved upon from Vader's; however, it was still not good enough. When his maker wanted to get rid of him like he did with Vader, Grievous kills his maker. Grievous disguises himself as a Kaleesh, but soon realizes he can obtain more power by unleashing his cybernetic side, so without hesitation he enhances himself to become more like an android. None of this backstory is explicitly stated, but from clues about Grievous, the audience can piece together this as a theory. In Ep2, while Maul and Obi Wan both fight Grievous, they do not team up. Any time Grievous is briefly out of the picture, Maul starts attacking Obi Wan again. Obi Wan somehow uses this 3-way fight to his advantage to trick Grievous and puncture his lungs.

In Ep3, Padme does say she has twins. However, she never names them on screen. It is not shown who the second twin is given to, though Bail is present throughout, and it's known Bail is senator on Alderaan. The other twin's name is first given in Ep3 when Beru asks Obi Wan what his name is, and Obi Wan says that his mother named him Luke. Then in Ep6, Luke realizes he has a twin, and it's Leia. Luke tells Leia that he feels, from the force, their mother named them. Leia does not remember her mother, but through the Force senses that she was very beautiful and kind.

In Ep6, Yoda tells Luke that after careful reflection, he and Obi Wan have realized the great many flaws of the old Jedi order. He regrets not working hard enough to overturn some of the order's voting decisions, perhaps by motioning to change the fundamental system itself or their past actions, such as going into war. He does not mention any specifics; he doesn't tell Luke about the real Vader or Ahsoka. However, he knows Anakin's beliefs are too extremist. Anakin is too rash, not willing to listen to anyone else. He fears the middle ground, believing it leads to destruction. As such, many of the other Jedi also held fearful beliefs that made them extremist on the opposite end. These extremist views were what led the Jedi to go full circle into the fringes of the dark side. Only the light side- the calm, middle ground that rationally thought things through instead of relying on paranoia- could regain "balance".

Yoda and Obi Wan tell Luke that he must confront Vader. They do not say he must be killed, but tell Luke that if he does not consider this option, then all hope is lost. They also do not give a clear answer to Luke about what to do with Darth Vader- they avoid the question, saying Luke must find the answer within himself, to consider the old teachings passed on for generations, but also to listen to his own heart and not rely on others to command him. This is another point of view of the balance. Thus, when Luke prepares to confront Vader, he is slightly unsure at first. But quickly, he reflects on what he has learned, and decides unflinchingly that he must try to redeem his father first.

Darth Vader was turned by Luke because Luke fought for the greater good but took the middle ground, not being a dogmatic puppet of the Jedi. But this was not the only reason, as Ahsoka did this somewhat too. The main reason was that unlike all others besides Padme, Luke never lost faith in his redemption. Everyone else believed that Vader was too far gone. This is why he could only follow Sidious after committing the sins against the Jedi. Most importantly, he thought no one can be redeemed- the Jedi could not be redeemed after committing just a few mistakes, and Anakin could not be redeemed after



just one impulsive decision to join Sidious- but Luke showed him otherwise. It is not so much that Luke used reason to convince Vader to leave the ideals that the Jedi's greater good philosophy was corrupt, but that Luke was willing to put his trust in one individual, even if it risked the greater good, while still making a compromise to fight for the greater good.

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Anakin is very concerned with treating droids well. R2 first appears when Anakin is about to leave Shmi in Ep1, and moments later Shmi tells C3-P0, her house droid, to accompany Anakin. C3-P0 was not created by Anakin, but he does tinker with him to make him function better around the house. The appearance of R2 to comfort Anakin and later C3-P0 who says that 'Shmi will be alright' are the first familiar characters for the audience, as these two droids are present in all episodes, being something like narrators.

During Ep1, many beings treat droids very badly, mainly due to how the CIS uses them as merciless, unthinking soldiers. Anakin is angered by this and this causes him to scuffle with many people. Many refer to how droids can't be force sensitive, and Anakin does not want to listen to them. A few scenes also show him showing concern for alien animal wildlife, though they are not the primary focus in the movies. When Anakin and Ahsoka are on the run, there is a moment where R2 is kidnapped. One unimportant character tells Anakin to let him go because he's a droid, but Anakin refuses, and goes to save R2. This leads Anakin to finding Qui Gon's virtual messages.

When Anakin and Ahsoka run from Cad Bane, they fly a starship to the technologically conflicted moon. On this moon, there are more pristine cities with smooth, silky technology. However, as this tech moves to less habitable areas, signs of nature and tech fighting are seen, and scrapyards of junk tech similar to that on Tatooine are more prominent as it mixes with the swamps and jungles. This symbolizes the interaction between nature and machine, later shown in Darth Vader.

Padme is also very adept with tech; this was not part of her original character, but adds a new layer of depth to her, and also shows why Anakin connects to her so well. Like Anakin, Padme is seen tinkering with droids and new tech a lot, creating innovative tools which greatly aid their missions. It's her quick thinking with tech that allows Anakin to gain the advantage over Cad Bane and win the fight battle in space over Naboo. Ahsoka and Padme are also sympathetic to droids.

There are many references to futuristic tech components and scraps, not just entire, already-built pieces of tech and ships. These interesting intermediate things give a sense of mystery and potential to the tech, just like Lucasart's Droid Works. Each component has a very interesting design and name, as well as different ways to use them for different functions. But at their core they are also junkyard-like; only very few are organic and fluid. There is an emphasis on aesthetics such as 'credits' and a myriad of beeping+humming noises, battery packs, electricity, mostly gold/bronze/silver metal but with some colorful components and metals.

When Anakin encounters Dooku in the first battle of Ep2, Anakin says he's grown twice as strong from last time. Dooku then cuts off Anakin's second hand. Afterwards, using the rudimentary knowledge she's picked up, Ahsoka fixes up a makeshift droid to quickly give Anakin a second mechanical hand. Anakin

then tells C3-P0 how bad it is to have 2 mechanical hands and wonders how the droid functions; C3-P0 feels offended by this and tries to retort back.

Luke is slightly annoyed at droids too, but it's clear he is far more sympathetic to them than others. Unlike many, he shows great concern for R2 during scenes such as on Dagobah. This demonstrates that he followed the same path as Anakin to have compassion for beings stereotyped as being less than others.

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In Ep2, Ahsoka and Barriss fight in a strange place that farms a strange type of "light", as if this more tangible light is like a material from a natural source and is not artificially generated. This blackish area alternates between very light and very dark contrasts. The light is more orange/golden, resembling a mixture of sand, water, sparks, and electricity, not pure white. This area is very much like a technologically advanced but rusty mining/construction site, but no rocks are mined, only various light materials. No droids are seen either, only tall, haunting lifeless and faceless machines that echo ambient sounds like whales. At some points, nothing can be seen, until the machines transporting light illuminate things again for a short time.

During Order 66, a pack of Jedi accompanies Ahsoka as she flees from the clones, bounty hunters and anti-Jedi terrorist assassins wielding curved red laser knives (though they can't use the Force). A few of these are slightly familiar faces (not as familiar as say Shaak Ti to the audience) though most are strangers, but they are quickly given basic personalities, short backstories and simple relationships with one another as soon as they appear. Perhaps change Aayla's fate to have her join Ahsoka on the run; then another Twi'lek Jedi is the one who has Aayla's original death and dies on Felucia. This makes the audience more invested in their survival. The Jedi group are taken out one by one, like the ship crew on Alien or people in a horror movie, so it feels like a genuine survival run. Ahsoka and Rex are the last two surviving members of the group, then something splits them off from one another, and Rex is not seen again; his fate is ambiguous. Soon afterwards, Ahsoka locates Plo Koon, hoping he's still alive. But when she gets to him, he is near death and dies. Then, Ahsoka finds Obi Wan and Yoda.

Ahsoka's fate may be similar to Maul's in Ep3. Instead of appearing at Padme's funeral or with Qui Gon's force ghost when Yoda and Obi Wan meet with him, she may last be seen fighting the huge army of clones/hunters at the Jedi temple to give Yoda and Obi Wan the chance to escape (after she contacts Anakin through the Force). Afterwards, she may never appear again, and her and Maul's fate would be left ambiguous. OR she can appear again in Ep3, and then appear again at the end of Ep6. Perhaps there's a celebration montage at the end of Ep6 over different planets and Ahsoka shows up. But this feels weird because then she did nothing during Luke's journey.

At the end of Ep6, Luke creates a makeshift memorial out of cherished possessions from many fallen characters, such as Uncle Owen and Aunt Beru, and also several Jedi prominently featured before such as Plo Koon. Leia asks what these are and Luke explains he found them hidden in a safe location, being led to it by the Force. Despite never knowing these Jedi, he felt a connection to them. While Ahsoka is seen nowhere during Luke's timeline, it's heavily implied she found these and led Luke to them. Most notably is none of these memorial items are associated with Ahsoka, suggesting she's still alive. Luke

also never meets Qui Gon or hear his name, but when Yoda says he learned of the Order's flaws, it's implied this is what Qui Gon's force ghost helped him with, as Qui Gon's force ghost appears at the end of Ep 3 (his first appearance since Ep 1's introduction scene).

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The anti-Jedi terrorists are not separatists; they have different goals than them, and only ally with them to fight a common enemy. That's why after Order 66, when the separatists are ended, the anti-Jedi terrorists don't care and cheer for the end of the Jedi.