

Act II, Scene 5
The War Room on Yavin Four

42. REBELS ARE WE (3)
(General Dodonna, Scientist, Admiral Ackbar, Leia, Rebel Chorus)

<Han, Chewbacca, Luke, C-3PO, R2-D2, and a chorus of Rebels attend as General Dodonna, a scientist, Admiral Ackbar, and Leia give a briefing.>

General Good Princess Leia provided these plans.

Dodonna: Our wildest hopes were exceeded.
 A hasty analysis says there's a chance
 The Death Star can be defeated.

Rebel Rebels we are. We come from afar
Chorus: To go into battle against the Death Star.
 Rebels are we, born to be free,
 Just like the fish in the sea.

Scientist: The Death Star is armed for a full-scale assault.
 Small fighters would face no obstruction.
 This reactor vent here is the Star's only fault.
 A direct hit would cause mass destruction.

Chorus: If during our blitz, just one missile hits
 That vent, then it would blow the Death Star to bits.
 Rebels are we, born to be free,
 Just like the fish in the sea.

Admiral The target is small, just a meter or two.
Ackbar: A near miss will not work, so your aim must be true.

Leia: If the Death Star arrives still intact at this base,
 Then all of this moon will be blasted.
 The Force will be with you, but, just in case,
 Let me say it was fun while it lasted.
 Ah . . .

Chorus: Though our odds are poor, we are very sure
 This cause is worth forfeiting our lives for.
 Rebels are we, born to be free,
 Just like the fish in the sea.

43. TAKE CARE OF YOURSELF (Luke, Han)

<Han prepares to leave. Luke approaches him.>

Luke: Han, I hear you're taking the money
And running away like a terrified bunny.
Han, what you're doing you know is not right.
The Rebels need your help in the upcoming fight.

Han: Hey kid, it's not like I'm running away.
It's just that I got a serious debt I must repay.
You know this isn't my problem, and besides,
Going up against the Death Star isn't a fight, it's suicide.

Luke: The Rebel fleet will soon take off, and I'll be gone
To fight with them, so this is goodbye. Take care of yourself,
Han.
That seems to be what you mostly do.

<Luke and R2-D2 start to exit; Han calls after Luke.>

Han: Hey, wait a minute, Luke. May the Force be with you.

<Exeunt Han and Chewbacca in the other direction.>

44. THE BATTLE (1) (Rebel 6, Rebel 7, C-3PO, Rebel 8, Rebel Chorus)

Rebel Our fleet is off and away.

Chorus: Our most courageous comrades enter the fray.
The finest pilots that can be found in the galaxy
Now risk their lives, so that one day we may all be free.
There is little time to complete our mission.
We must put the Death Star out of commission,
Or in a few minutes, when it will arrive,
It will blow us to pieces, and none will survive.
We must find a way to destroy the Death Star.
We must destroy the Death Star now.

Rebel 6: Our fleet has now reached its objective.
As predicted, the Death Star's defenses are ineffective.
But now, the TIE fighters give us a reason to worry.
They're swarming down on our fleet with unbridled fury.

44. THE BATTLE (1) (cont'd.)

- Rebel 7:** Our X-wing craft is no match for the TIE.
Their fighters are blasting us out of the sky.
They've already blown half our fighters to bits,
And sev'ral R2 units also were hit.
- C-3PO:** *<spoken> What? Oh, no! Not R2-D2!*
Oh dear, oh dear, oh dear, oh dear, whatever shall I do?
I won't forgive myself if something happens to R2.
- Rebel 8:** *<spoken> Will somebody please turn that thing off?!*
- C-3PO:** You're far too small and delicate to be out in a war.
R2-D2, what do you think they make humans for?

<A Rebel turns off C-3PO.>

Rebel 8: *<spoken> Thank you.*

Chorus: Only one ship has made it so far,
To reach the target region of the Death Star.
Alas, his missiles landed just wide of the vent,
Exploding harmlessly, barely making a dent.
Now Luke Skywalker is our final hope,
But Darth Vader's ship has come up on our scope.
Luke's nearing the target, and he must not fail,
But Lord Vader's ship is right there on his tail.
Luke must find a way to destroy the Death Star.
Luke must destroy the Death Star now.

45. THE BATTLE (2) (Luke, Vader, Han)

<Enter Luke and Vader in their ships.>

- Luke:** I'll reach the target in two minutes, at this clip,
But there's a TIE fighter fifty yards behind my ship.
I think he's drawn a bead on me.
- Vader:** My TIE fighters are ravaging the puny Rebel fleet.
We're destroying almost ev'ry Rebel fighter that we meet.
The Force is strong in this one. Only I possess the might
To defeat this one in battle, and I have him in my sights.

<Enter Han and Chewbacca in the Millennium Falcon.>

45. THE BATTLE (2) (cont'd.)

Vader: What was that? How can this be?
How could this happen to me?
I've been hit and thrown off course.
Why did I not detect that ship through the Force?

Could it be that Obi-Wan was right:
Now that he's dead, he has vastly greater might?
I cannot fight what is beyond my ken.
Curses, I have been foiled again.

<Exit Vader.>

Luke: Han Solo, what made you stay with us and fight?

Han: I don't know what came over me.

Luke: I'm glad that you did what was right.

Han:	Luke:
You're clear.	I'm clear.
No fear!	No fear!
I'll cover you from here.	I'll switch to high gear.
Take your best shot,	I'll take my shot
and get out of here.	and get out of here.

46. THE BATTLE (3) (Luke, Leia, Obi-Wan, Han)

Luke: Red five to the Rebel base,
I can see the target. I'll arrive
In just one minute, at my current pace.
I've kicked it into overdrive.

Leia: You'd better hurry, Luke, because we are
Emerging from behind the planet.
We'll then be in range of the dread Death Star
And be blown to scattered chunks of granite.

Luke: I'm powering my proton missile shooter
And activating my targeting computer.

<Enter Obi-Wan as a spirit.>

46. THE BATTLE (3) (cont'd.)

Obi-Wan:

Use the Force, Luke.
Use the Force, Luke.
Trust your feelings, as I do.
Just surrender to the Force, and
You will find your aim is true.
The Force will always protect you
and keep your hopes aflame,
So close your eyes, and trust your
feelings, and use the Force to
guide your aim.

Luke:

Ben?
Ben?
How can I be hearing you?
I saw you fall.
Can this really be true?
I believe you now. This is
more than just a game.
I'll trust my feelings now
and use the Force to
guide my aim.

<Exit Obi-Wan.>

Leia: Your computer is off, Luke. Are you okay?

Luke: Ev'rything's fine, Leia. My missiles now are away.

Han: What a shot, kid. I saw your missiles enter
The Death Star. They will explode when they get to the
center.
I won't want to be here then, so let's go.
Once we're a million miles away, we'll stop to watch the
show.

<The Death Star explodes.>

47. GRAND FINALE (Leia, C-3PO, R2-D2, Chewbacca, Han, Luke, Company)

<Han, Chewbacca, Luke, and R2-D2 rejoin Leia and all the Rebels at Rebel headquarters.>

Rebel It's done!
Chorus: We won!
The Death Star is gone!

We welcome
The new heroes of the Rebellion,
Whose true story we shall tell one
Day to our children, when they ask why we're free.

We're grateful
To those who, upon this most fateful

47. GRAND FINALE (cont'd.)

Chorus: Day, fought and destroyed the hateful
Death Star. They now inspire
Our desire
To end the Empire
And return to democracy.

We honor those who gave their lives
Fighting our enemy,
But now we celebrate all those who survived
And brought us victory.

Hooray
For the stars of this glorious day.
We sing their acclaim and pray
These heroes will endeavor
To stay forever
With us together,
And they will never
Choose to leave our quest to free the galaxy.

Leia: We recognize our new heroes
For all that they have done.
They flew in the face of fear, o-
Ver came great obstacles, and won.

The intrepid R2-D2
Into danger bravely did go
And brought the Death Star plans back to you
With his sidekick, C-3PO.

C-3PO: <spoken>
*What do you mean, "sidekick?" He's
the sidekick!
I'm the leading droid!!
Why, I've never been so insulted.
Pffth!*

R2-D2:
Bee beep bee beep
Bee beep bee beep
Bee dee bee dee bee dee beep.

Leia: Han Solo and the mighty Chewbacca
Saved me when I was held by the Empire.
Their return to battle gave Luke Skywalker
All the time he needed to fire.

Chewbacca: Raahr!

Han: <spoken> *You said it, Chewy!*

47. GRAND FINALE (cont'd.)

Leia: And Luke, it was just a few days ago,
You were a boy tending a farm.
Now you have destroyed the Death Star and so
Saved the galaxy from harm.

Chorus: Hooray
For the stars of this glorious day.
We sing their acclaim and pray
These heroes will endeavor
To stay forever
With us together,
And they will never
Choose to leave our quest to free the galaxy.

Luke: There's one more hero you forgot,
For Obi-Wan Kenobi was with me when I took my shot,
To guide me and to guide my missile. I know he was there.
You must remember that his spirit is around us ev'rywhere.

All: Dear Obi-Wan Kenobi, are you with us this hour?
Were you behind the miracle that let our freedom flower?
Do you still have the ability to make events amend their
course?
Dear Obi-Wan, we shall always believe in the power of, the
power of the Force.

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