

A long time ago in a galaxy far, far away...

### **Star Wars Episode III: Revenge Of The Sith**

*(The Obi Wan vs. Anakin Duel redone.)*

War! And Story revisions! Some of these are listed below!

\* Darth Maul didn't die in episode 1. I see him as the secondary villain to Palpatine. He is the one the Jedi blame for a lot of what Palpatine puts into place during the three episodes. In episode 3, he has to deal with Palpatine's new apprentice (Anakin) whom he becomes jealous of. Maul is also the person the Jedi blame for killing the younglings until Anakin confesses in his duel with Obi Wan.

\* No one knew about Anakin killing the Sand People in Episode 2. Obi Wan found out about this in Episode 3.

\* The Mace Windu/Anakin/Palpatine showdown happens very differently but the outcome is much the same. Windu is slain; but Palpatine does not become scarred.

\* Obi Wan's past would be looked at in these movies, especially his 'dabbling in the Dark Side.'

\* I see Anakin as being a much more assertive, good willed person. He is depressed by the problems every day people face and his main reason for turning to the dark side was to help them. Anakin always had the best intentions but Palpatine uses Anakin's intentions against him; fueling his ego and self righteousness to do his own evil bidding.

\* There was never any sub plot about Anakins nightmares of Padme dying.

\* I see Padme's primary concern when she sees Anakin on Mustafar to be of whether he slaughtered the children. She doesn't tell him that she loves him because if he has killed children; then he has gone past the point of no return. This goes for Obi Wan as well, as he only intends to kill him when he knows that Anakin no longer exists and that all that is left is Darth Vader.

I'm sorry that the above isn't very detailed; it's just a very brief outline so as to understand the context of how I envisioned the final battle. I had a completely different idea of the entire trilogy and the events that happen in each.

Please refer to the absolutely disgraceful diagrams attached to gain a better understanding of the 'fighting Arena.' (I can't draw for shit and trying to do it on Paint shop really compounds the problem...!)

Thanks for reading!

Paul.

EXT. MUSTAFAR - LANDING PLATFORM - DAY

The sleek NABOO CRUISER lands on the Mustafar landing platform near Anakin's GREEN STARFIGHTER. Padme sits; looking sullenly at the cloaked figure moving towards her ship. She opens a small compartment next her. A blaster sits inside. She pauses, looking hard at it and after a few moments decides against taking it with her. She walks out to meet Anakin. Anakin embraces her but she does not reciprocate. She stands still; forlorn, - unsure of the man standing in front of her.

ANAKIN

Why did you come? I told you to wait for me.

Anakin puts his hand on Padme's arm.

ANAKIN (CONT'D)

You're shivering...

PADME

(softly)

They're wrong... Please tell me they're wrong...

Anakin is looking down, averting Padme's gaze. Padme looks at him pleadingly.

ANAKIN

(anger welling.)

What has been said?

PADME

(voice quivering)

The younglings Anakin! Was it you?!?

Anakin stays silent.

PADME (CONT'D)

Did you kill them?!?

ANAKIN

Padme... I have only done what was needed to make sure you and our child were safe. Yes, I have killed... But never children... None were ever children...

PADME

Who did you kill?

Anakin is silent, eyes still looking down.

PADME (CONT'D)  
Anakin, who...? Look at me.

ANAKIN  
No.

Padme puts her hands around Anakin's face and tries to lift his head up.

PADME  
Why won't you look at me Anakin?

Anakin's eye's still averted, he suddenly SEIZES Padme's wrists and tightens his grip. Padme gasps as the pain sets in.

PADME (CONT'D)  
You're hurting-!

Padme falters under Anakin's grip and looks into his eyes as he looms over her. She gasps in terror as she sees they're inhuman and burning red.

PADME (CONT'D)  
(terrified)  
What happened to you?!?

ANAKIN  
Don't be frightened my love. Its  
a small price to pay for the  
strength I have now.

Anakin tightens his grip and Padme lets out an agonising whimper. Anakin snaps out of his power trip daze; realizes the pain he is causing, and lets her go. She slumps to the ground, wrists burning, tears running down her face. Anakin kneels in front of her, awash with guilt.

ANAKIN (CONT'D)  
I'm... I'm sorry... I'm so sorry  
Padme... Please...

Anakin goes to hug her and she starts crying; scared of what he might do next. He strokes her hair and kisses her forehead. He brings her face to his and looks deep into her eyes.

ANAKIN (CONT'D)  
(softly)  
I'm a good person Padme. I'd  
never do anything to harm you or  
our child. You know that, don't  
you...?

Padme stares back into his fiery eyes, sees the conflicted contradiction he has become and nods.

PADME  
 (terrified)  
 Yes... Yes Anakin I know...

Anakin looks down at her arm and sees her shaking. He leans in close.

ANAKIN  
 (whispering)  
 Why do you still tremble then?

Anakin suddenly looks up. We can see that he senses something from Padme's cruiser. He gets up and walks towards the Cruiser leaving Padme behind.

ANAKIN (CONT'D)  
 (shouting angrily)  
 COME OUT!!

A pause.

ANAKIN (CONT'D)  
 (shouting)  
 I CAN SMELL YOU OBI WAN!!

Obi Wan appears in the doorway.

ANAKIN (CONT'D)  
 (spitefully)  
 The last fragment of a defeated rebellion...

Anakin kneels down on one knee in a mock genuflecting pose.

ANAKIN (CONT'D)  
 (sarcastically)  
 My Master! Thank you for gracing us with your presence!

Obi Wan walks towards Anakin as he gets up. Anakin takes a step back as he gets close.

ANAKIN (CONT'D)  
 Watch yourself old man!

OBI WAN  
 Or what? What will Anakin Skywalker, the boy I raised into the creature I see before me do?

Obi Wan stands nose-to-nose with Anakin - not one shred of fear in his eyes.

OBI WAN (CONT'D)  
 ...You are still Anakin Skywalker, are you not?

With a flick of his wrist, Anakin uses the force and sends Obi Wan FLYING BACK THROUGH THE AIR. He hits the ground hard.

ANAKIN

I have evolved somewhat since the last time we met, Jedi.

Padme goes over to help Obi Wan.

ANAKIN (CONT'D)

(sternly)

Stay back!

Padme dutifully obeys. Obi Wan slowly gets up, and makes his way back to Anakin - holding his back and grimacing in pain.

OBI WAN

(sarcastically)

So what shall I call you now?  
How does one address a Sith Lord?  
Is it, Darth Vengeance...? Darth Vindictus? Or how about Darth Venomous?

ANAKIN

(glaring sternly)

Lord... Vader...

Obi Wan suddenly stops and looks at him with utmost shame and pity.

OBI WAN

(defeated)

So its true... Why Anakin...?  
Why did you -

ANAKIN

Your disappointment is misplaced  
Old man... You should look upon  
yourself and how YOU are to  
blame...

Obi-Wan looks at Anakin dumbfounded... He can't believe what he is hearing.

OBI WAN

I am completely ignorant of my  
crime Anakin, please enlighten  
me...

ANAKIN

It is because of you and your  
Jedi council's lack of faith in  
me that I sought elsewhere for  
the recognition I deserved...

(MORE)

ANAKIN (CONT'D)

The Emperor saw my full potential  
in the ways of the force. He  
taught me how it could be  
harnessed to move the most  
cumbersome! To break any  
boundary!

OBI WAN

(shouting)

THROUGH HATE AND ANGER!

ANAKIN

(shouting)

THROUGH POWER!

OBI WAN

ANAKIN!

Obi Wan walks up to Anakin, cups his hand around his neck  
and pulls him in close; staring sternly into his eyes.

OBI WAN (CONT'D)

...Surely you cannot be this  
naive...? You're a smart man!  
Why have you become this gullible  
fool I see standing before me?!?

Anakin SMACKS Obi-Wan's arm away.

ANAKIN

(shouting)

I WAS NEVER GOOD ENOUGH FOR  
YOU!!! EVERY TIME I SHOWED ANY  
INITIATIVE-

OBI WAN

You would defy the council's  
orders at every chance-

ANAKIN

(Shouting)

EVERY TIME I TRIED TO TAKE  
WHAT WAS JUSTLY MINE, YOU AND  
THE COUNCIL SUPPRESSED ME!

A beat.

OBI WAN

What was JUSTLY yours?!? WHO ARE  
YOU TO DECIDE WHAT IS JUSTLY  
YOURS?!?! YOU NEED TO EARN THAT  
RIGHT! The council was right  
about you Anakin...! They knew  
you couldn't be trusted and it  
was I THAT KEPT MAKING EXCUSES!  
I tried... I tried my best with  
you Anakin...!

ANAKIN  
(shouting)  
IT WASN'T ENOUGH! YOU BROUGHT ME  
TO THIS! You FAILED ME and you  
failed QUI-GON!!

Obi Wan suddenly rushes towards Anakin, grabs him by the collar and SLAMS him up AGAINST THE ROCKS behind.

OBI WAN  
Don't you ever say his name  
again, do you hear me? EVER...!  
Fate spared him the shame of  
watching the one person he  
believed could bring balance to  
the force from selling his soul  
to a LECHEROUS DICTATOR!

Anakin uses the force and sends Obi Wan hurtling back, he CRASHES HARD INTO THE ROCKY WALL behind. He gets winded.

ANAKIN  
That is the last time you will  
ever lay a finger on me Jedi.

Padme rushes to Obi Wan's side.

PADME  
Stop this! He's too strong!

ANAKIN  
Padme! Come to me... Now!

Padme reluctantly walks over to him. He puts his arm around her waist and looks over to Obi Wan. Like a determined, fearless boxer, Obi Wan gets up, breathing heavily.

OBI WAN  
You're nothing but a gutless pawn  
Anakin... A servant that will be  
disposed of when Palpatine finds  
another apprentice more worthy...  
Don't you understand? That's  
what the Sith do! They are  
corrupt - they think only of  
themselves and how they can  
benefit from the destruction of  
others!

ANAKIN  
My strength is now second to  
none. My wife and child are by  
my side and we are happy... I  
have the Emperor to thank for  
that.



OBI WAN  
Look at your wife Anakin.

Anakin looks at his wife who is emotionally spent. She can't bare to look at the man she once loved. He puts his finger under her chin, meets her gaze and smiles at her. He turns to Obi Wan.

ANAKIN  
She will learn!

OBI WAN  
(sarcastically)  
To be happy?!? Of course she will... Just as the silent and obedient wife of the most powerful man in the Galaxy is expected to...

Anakin turns to Padme.

ANAKIN  
Wait for me in the cruiser. This shouldn't take long...

PADME  
(pleadingly)  
Anakin, I beg you... Please don't do this... I will do anything...

ANAKIN  
Don't make me ask you again my love.

Padme moves to the Cruiser, sadly looking at Obi Wan. She enters and closes the door behind her. The two men stand off; a prelude to the inevitable. The river of lava roars behind them as they stare at each other silently. Anakin finally takes out his light saber and ignites it. Obi Wan nods sullenly. He slowly takes out his saber and ignites. They stand there; metres apart but miles away, staring at each other for an eternity... Waiting...

OBI WAN  
Its not too late-

Anakin RUSHES TOWARDS OBI WAN and it begins... In a flurry of sonic movement, blistering sound and blinding blue light, two righteous men clash like Titans.

EXT. MUSTAFAR - GULLY - DAY

They slowly make their way off the landing platform and into a gigantic U-shaped gully.

The gully is surrounded by gigantic rocky cliffs on either side and lava flows angrily in an immense river along the base. They make their way onto a very narrow strip of ground that juts out from the middle of the gully. This strip of ground extends down the length of the gully with the lava flowing on either side of it. Worker droids working on the strip of ground scatter as the two men approach - some being able to do nothing else but plunge into the lava as they are knocked by the dueling fighters.

Anakin and Obi Wan both lose their footing more than once; almost plummeting into the lava on either side but both keep fighting; slowly making their way down the gully. At one point Anakin trips and stumbles onto his back giving Obi Wan the perfect opportunity to strike a fatal blow but he backs off instead. Anakin looks briefly puzzled but he gets up and starts fighting again.

EXT. MUSTAFAR - GULLY DEAD END - DAY

They eventually make their way to the end which opens up into a huge bulb-shaped dead-end that is completely surrounded by huge rocky cliffs. The strip of ground they're fighting on leads to a small island in the middle as the river of lava flows around it to the far end and down into an endless chasm. It is met by another flowing river that scales down the rocky cliffs from above into the chasm below like a gigantic glowing waterfall. To either side of the duelists, are gigantic insect-like rock collector robots drilling into the rock walls. Each robot is titanic in size - and they resemble enormous, cumbersome beetles; slowly scaling the cliff sides with their many legs. Their backs act as massive storage containers for the rocks they are drilling. Each robot has a long transparent pipe connected to each of their heads that goes up to an enormous, floating water reservoir. The reservoir is round and convex in shape; with a huge propeller jutting out from underneath which keeps it hovering high above the cliffs. We track up over the reservoir and we see that the water inside is serene; like a calm lake. There are two narrow walking platforms crossing perpendicular at the centre where we see more busy worker droids. We see water being released from the reservoir, down the pipes, and into the robots as a way of keeping them cool while they work. The entire scene surrounding the fighters resembles something gritty, fantastical and industrial aged...

The fighters stop momentarily, catching their breath as they circle each other slowly on the island in the middle.

ANAKIN

(spitefully)

Getting tired Old Man? You could  
have ended it when I fell-

OBI WAN  
I don't want to kill you  
Anakin... You're not my enemy,  
you never were!

Anakin looks hard at Obi Wan for a moment and his demeanor changes. He becomes placid as he studies Obi Wan.

ANAKIN  
Tell me something Obi Wan...

Anakin suddenly turns off his sabre. Obi Wan hesitates. He knows Anakin cannot be trusted. He walks up to Obi Wan's pointed sabre and stands inches away from it.

ANAKIN (CONT'D)  
What does your heart tell you?

Obi Wan is taken aback. He stands still; staring at Anakin - not knowing how to answer such an unexpected question.

ANAKIN (CONT'D)  
I have lived my life trying to  
make things better... I have  
travelled infinite roads on  
countless planets and have passed  
by so many people. When I gazed  
into their eyes, I saw the same  
terrible things in each and every  
one. Do you know what that was?

OBI WAN  
Sadness...

ANAKIN  
And anger...

OBI WAN  
Deceit...

ANAKIN  
And hatred... It choked me Obi  
Wan... I couldn't breathe...

Obi Wan lowers his sabre and turns it off.

OBI WAN  
I know what its like to feel  
helpless Anakin. You have no idea  
how similar we are...

ANAKIN  
What do you mean?

OBI WAN  
We all have secrets...

Obi Wan grows sullen. He looks at Anakin in shame.

OBI WAN (CONT'D)  
I know how tempting the Dark side  
is. I embraced it once, long  
ago...

Anakin is speechless. He stares at Obi Wan.

OBI WAN (CONT'D)  
I wanted to change things for the  
better so I secretly studied the  
Dark side; learned how to Harness  
such immense power-

ANAKIN  
What did it feel like?

OBI WAN  
(relishing)  
Incredible... I can't describe  
the confidence that comes from  
being invincible... I felt like a  
God.

Anakin smiles.

ANAKIN  
Why did you forsake it?

OBI WAN  
Qui Gon... He showed me how much  
I had changed; how this dark gift  
was turning me into a monster by  
smothering the good person  
within. I became the exact  
opposite of the man I wanted to  
be. I cared for no one but  
myself... All that mattered was  
that I believed I was  
unstoppable... Infallible... He  
taught me a better way to make a  
difference...

ANAKIN  
He was wrong, Obi Wan... I'll ask  
you only once... Join me.

Obi Wan stands silent.

ANAKIN (CONT'D)  
Yield to the Dark side and I will  
help you become a God again...  
You're an exceptional fighter Obi  
Wan. Together... We can  
overthrow Palpatine-

OBI WAN  
 -and rule together as one!  
 Standing side by side as the  
 Galaxy applauds us!

ANAKIN  
 YES!

OBI WAN  
 I think I'm beginning to  
 understand Anakin. After all, we  
 are both good and righteous! The  
 people NEED to be ruled. They  
 need to be shown HOW to live in  
 peace-

ANAKIN  
 (delirious)  
 YES OBI WAN!

OBI WAN  
 ...and death to ANY who would  
 have the AUDACITY to make a  
 decision for themselves; to  
 arrogantly THINK they have the  
 right to live in freedom...

Obi Wan scoffs and shakes his head from side to side. He spits at Anakin's feet in complete disgust.

OBI WAN (CONT'D)  
 My heart tells me that it is  
 better to die fighting than  
 submit to your tyranny. I will  
 never join you...

Anakin realizes he has lost Obi Wan.

ANAKIN  
 Do you want me to kill you then,  
 Old Man? Do you wish to be  
 forgotten, just like your mentor?  
 I only kill those who deserve it  
 the most.

OBI WAN  
 Like all those innocent Sand  
 People?

Anakin suddenly LUNGES AT OBI WAN, SEIZES HIM BY THE THROAT AND HOISTS HIM INTO THE AIR.

ANAKIN  
 (snarling with complete  
 hatred)  
 LIKE YOUR PRECIOUS JEDI CHILDREN!

Obi Wan screams in blistering anger as Anakin throws him back, hitting the ground, almost landing in the lava. With lightening fast reflex, Obi Wan ignites his sabre and lunges like a charging bull. Anakin stands still, smiling malevolently.

ANAKIN (CONT'D)  
 (mockingly)  
 That's it, come for me...!

Obi Wan swings at Anakin, rage burning through his veins. Anakin doesn't flinch and just as Obi Wan's sabre is about to make contact, Anakin uses the force and stops it; barely centimeters away from his neck. He sends it flying out of Obi Wan's hand and upwards; not realizing that it's flinging straight for the gigantic propeller that is keeping the reservoir directly above them levitated. The Sabre hits the middle of the propeller mechanism sending sparks flying. A small explosion erupts from the centre of the propeller and it begins slowing down... Alarms start wailing and the droids atop of the reservoir scatter. Some take flight for the massive rock diggers and frantically begin disconnecting them from the water pipes. Back at ground level, Anakin has seized Obi Wan by the throat and is forcing him backwards. Obi Wan gasps for air as he buckles backwards at the knees.

ANAKIN (CONT'D)  
 They cried, Obi Wan... They  
 screamed as I struck them down...  
 Do you know what it feels like to  
 destroy pure innocence? Do you  
 know what I felt when I  
 extinguished the lives of those  
 that had barely begun...?

Anakin leans in close to Obi Wan, smiling insanely, relishing the blinding hatred Obi Wan feels for him at this moment.

ANAKIN (CONT'D)  
 (whispering)  
 I... Felt... Like...  
 A... God...!

OBI WAN  
 (gasping)  
 Anakin...

ANAKIN  
 (spitefully)  
 Yes brother?

OBI WAN  
 (gasping)  
 Look up...!

Anakin whips his head up to see the reservoir careening down towards them at a hundred miles an hour. He drops Obi Wan, and aims his hands at the reservoir; using every ounce of the force he can muster. The reservoir's descent slows but its like trying to stop a freight train. We see the massive rock diggers lumber up and over the cliff side; all except for one. The small worker droid who is trying to disconnect the pipe from the robot, realizes he's not going to make it and dashes over the cliff side. The reservoir careens past; smashing into the drilling robot and sends it plunging down into the lava. Back at ground level, we see Obi Wan get up and run for the entrance. Anakin screams as he does his best to stop the plummeting reservoir. Obi Wan; out of harms way at the entrance, turns to Anakin and watches. Anakin is shaking, eyes tightly shut as he uses every bit of the force his strength can muster. The reservoir slows and stops; not too far above Anakin's outstretched hands...

ANAKIN  
(shouting)  
OBI WAN!

Obi Wan turns his back on Anakin and goes to walk away.

ANAKIN (CONT'D)  
Obi Wan PLEASE!

Obi Wan turns back and calmly walks up to him - a blank but hard expression on his face. Anakin stands; breathing heavily, his whole body shaking...

ANAKIN (CONT'D)  
(pleading)  
Please... Please... Help me...

Obi Wan looks up at the gigantic reservoir hovering above them. He notices that the reservoir has no where to go but up or down as the cliff sides surrounding are too close to it. He looks back at Anakin's contorted face and stares at him with absolutely no concern. He opens up Anakin's robe, takes his light saber, and makes his way back to the entrance. He turns back to face Anakin and waits for the inevitable. Anakin glares in anger. He arches his head up and getting a second wind fueled by his anger towards Obi Wan, uses the force to inch the reservoir upwards. The reservoir makes it barely a few meters before it stops again. Anakin realizes he's stuck. He lowers his body slightly, getting ready to run towards the entrance. Obi Wan senses this and brandishes his sabre. He shakes his head at Anakin (as if saying "Don't try it!"). Anakin glares at him with hatred. He looks around and sees the giant drilling bug lying dead on its back; slowly sinking into the lava. Its right next to the cliff wall. He suddenly drops his arms and frantically dashes for the robot. The reservoir lurches as it begins descending again.

Obi Wan takes shelter behind a jutting boulder in the cliff side. Anakin jumps off of the small middle island, soars over the lava and lands on the robot. He flattens his back to the wall just as the reservoir careens past, missing him. It lands with a thunderous, ear splitting boom. The underneath of the reservoir collapses in but doesn't break; causing the water to displace and come rushing out from above like a small tidal wave onto the lava below. Massive plumes of jet black smoke hiss. The reservoir continues caving in; the entire bottom becoming flattened until it stops near its rim which is also near the edge of the cliff wall. As it does, it smashes half of the drilling robot causing it to explode. The blast sends Anakin catapulting up and into the reservoir. He lands in what is left of the water with a loud splash and manages to swim his way to the edge of one of the platforms. He hoists himself up; panting and coughing and we see parts of him have been severely burned by the explosion. He looks like an absolute disaster. He slowly gets up on his feet; swaying as he tries to compose himself.

ANAKIN (CONT'D)  
(screaming with blinding  
rage)  
OBI-WAN!!!

Obi Wan comes out from behind the boulder and bolts onto the reservoir's platform. Anakin glares back and reaching behind his back pulls out another light saber. He ignites and its flaming red; matching the color of his malicious eyes...

OBI WAN  
Lets end this.

Anakin lunges for Obi Wan and the duel resumes. As they fight, we notice that the water surrounding the platforms is starting to boil; heated by the lava beneath. The water surpasses boiling point and steam billows up; melding with the black smoke, causing the air to become a dense dark grey fog which closes in on the fighters; blocking them out completely. The only thing we can see are a radiating red and blue sabre clashing.

They make their way to the centre of the reservoir where the perpendicular platforms converge into a larger platform. Here, they are visible. They fight strong, determined, and drenched; completely surrounded by nothing but swirling dark grey smog. At one point they lock sabers and with their free hands try to use the force on each other at the same time; causing a polar reaction and they both fly back. Anakin's saber gets flung back onto the platform and is lost in the smog as he lands. Anakin gets up and charges for Obi Wan who is still lying on the ground trying to get up. Obi Wan vainly tries to swing at Anakin with his saber but Anakin kicks it out of his hand and begins belting him with his fists. Punch after punch, Anakin barrels down.



Obi Wan tries valiantly to fight back but he's no match for the blinding fury fueling the Dark Side pumping in Anakin's veins. Obi Wan is eventually knocked unconscious but Anakin keeps going; turning his wise and noble face into a bloodied disfigured mess. He eventually stops; completely out of breath. He uses the force to pick up Obi Wan's sabre, ignites it and with both hands, lifts it over his head, ready to strike the final blow... There's a loud jarring noise and Anakin watches in horror as his right arm is suddenly SEVERED BELOW THE SHOULDER by his own red sabre from behind. On reflex, he turns and with his left hand, uses the force to send the person who just attacked him flying back. They land and roll off the platform, straight into the boiling water. Their blood curdling shriek is brief as they start to cook... He catches a glimpse of who his attacker is...

ANAKIN  
(screaming)  
PADME!!

Anakin runs to her. He plunges his hand into the boiling water; grimacing in pain as he grabs her by the arm and fishes her out. She is a complete mess; skin horribly burnt and blistering. Anakin gingerly puts his hand on her face and tries to gently wake her up but she doesn't respond.

ANAKIN (CONT'D)  
(through tears)  
Padme...! Padme...! Its ok my  
love. You're ok...

Anakin kisses her lips and begins crying. He slowly gets up and surveys the scene around him. He notices flecks of Obi Wan's blood running up his arm and realizes that everything he has ever held dear has been completely destroyed by his own doing.

Anakin sees something in the smog. A figure appears; swirling and slowly taking shape. He squints; trying to make it out. He uses the force to move the smog away. We see the lava waterfall in the background and in front stands Qui Gon; glowing in radiant blue. Anakin stands utterly disgraced; staring at Qui Gon who looks back with shame and sadness at what his prophet has become. We see Anakin's eyes slowly change from burning red to blue and he bursts into tears. Suddenly Anakin can hear crying that is not his own. It is of a child. He listens as another child can be heard... then another... and another... He looks around him but can't see anyone. The crying escalates and turns into screaming... Terrible shrieking... He cups his hand to his ear, trying to block it out but it continues; getting louder and louder. He becomes completely consumed by the anguish of these cries and as he falls to his knees, his body convulses and he vomits. As suddenly as the screaming begins, it stops... everything is silent again. Anakin, breathing heavily looks up and sees Qui Gon staring hard at him before slowly fading away...

Obi Wan wakes up and sees Anakin staring silently into the distance. He takes Anakin's blue sabre from his belt, ignites, and walks over to him. He stands over Anakin with the sabre inches away from his head; deciding whether to strike and get it over with. Anakin is dazed and emotionally spent. He slowly looks up at Obi Wan.

ANAKIN (CONT'D)  
 (through tears)  
 She is dead... They're all  
 dead... There is nothing left...

Obi Wan looks to his side and sees Padme. He rushes over to her and checks her for life. She is breathing. He walks back to Anakin who is still on his knees. Anakin picks up his red sabre and ignites. Upon reflex, Obi Wan does the same, ready to duel. Anakin places his sabre in Obi Wan's hand.

ANAKIN (CONT'D)  
 Finish it brother...

Obi Wan turns his sabre off and points Anakin's directly under his chin. He stares hard at the fallen monster before him and focuses on his eyes - they are human. He realizes that he is not destroying a Sith Lord anymore, he is killing Anakin Skywalker. Obi Wan turns off the sabre and drops it in front of him.

OBI WAN  
 Finish it yourself... I'm done  
 with you...

He walks back to Padme.

ANAKIN  
 (through tears)  
 Obi Wan!

He gently picks her up.

ANAKIN (CONT'D)  
 (shouting)  
 DON'T LEAVE ME LIKE THIS!

He walks to the entrance and leaves.

ANAKIN (CONT'D)  
 (shouting)  
 OBI WAN!

Anakin looks around and he is alone. He sees the lava waterfall. We notice that the rim of the platform is jutting up against the edge of the falling lava causing it to accumulate on the platform. He walks over to the lava and sits down in front of it. He ignites his red sabre and closes his eyes as he takes a moment to ready himself.

He plunges deep into his heart and he falls backwards... We see the shock in his face and hear his last gasp as he dies. The lava slowly creeps to his feet and ignites him; fire engulfing his limp body. We cut to a shot of Padme's cruiser flying overhead.

EXT. MUSTAFAR - LANDING PLATFORM - DAY

An imperial shuttle closes its wings and settles on the landing platform. Two shrouded figures wearing hoods and three storm troopers walk out and after doing a quick survey of their surroundings make their way to the gully.

EXT. MUSTAFAR - GULLY DEAD END - DAY

The two figures along with the three storm troopers eventually make it to the dead end.

FIGURE ONE

There he is!

He points across the dilapidated reservoir and they make their way over. The first figure kneels down besides Anakin and pulls him back from the lava which has been slowly creeping up his legs; eating them away. He looks Anakin over then pulls back his hood and we see that its Darth Sidious. The second figure does the same. It's Darth Maul; who smirks as he sees Anakin's corpse.

STORMTROOPER

Shall we get a medical capsule?

MAUL

No, he is dead-

DARTH SIDIOUS

(snarling)

He will live again!

MAUL

My Lord?

SIDIOUS

It is not over... Darth Vader's transformation is almost complete...

MAUL

Transformation? Master, he breathes no life...

SIDIOUS

(glaring)

Do you doubt me?

MAUL

Never my Lord. But how will he-

SIDIOUS

The force has no boundaries. It can perform miracles... But it comes at a great price...

MAUL

Master?

SIDIOUS

(worried)

I may not survive... Should I perish, I have given authority for Lord Vader to take my place...

Maul looks at Sidious with complete disdain.

MAUL

(anger welling)

I am to serve him?

Sidious gets up and faces Maul.

SIDIOUS

(snarling)

I feel your faith in Lord Vader is not as strong as it once was, apprentice...

MAUL

I have always been faithful, my Lord...

SIDIOUS

(snarling)

Your jealousy consumes you...

Anger starts burning in Maul's eyes. He has had enough.

MAUL

This corpse has no place by your side! I have always shown my allegiance-

SIDIOUS

(snarling)

He is more powerful than you will ever be.

Maul brandishes his sabre. The surrounding storm troopers lift their weapons at Maul. Sidious waves them back, shaking his head and the storm troopers lower their weapons.

MAUL  
(Shouting angrily)  
I WILL NEVER BOW TO HIM!

Sidious starts smiling maniacally; eyes wide open and ablaze; as he starts cackling with laughter.

MAUL (CONT'D)  
(shouting)  
WHAT ARE YOU LAUGHING AT?!!

Sidious lifts a pointed finger to Maul as he continues cackling. Mauls contorted face CHANGES TO TERROR as he looks at his right hand which is holding his sabre. It begins shaking and slowly begins twisting his sabre TOWARDS HIMSELF. With his left hand, Maul tries to stop his other hand from moving but he cant. All he can do is watch in horror as his right arm acts under the command of Sidious. With his outstretched finger, Sidious makes a horizontal slicing motion in the air. As he does, Maul's right hand does the exact same and his sabre SLICES STRAIGHT THROUGH HIS MID SECTION, severing him in two. Maul stands for a moment in complete shock as he registers what has just happened. Sidious' cackling has turned into all out laughter and using the force, he sends Mauls top-half catapulting high into the air and into the lava behind the entrance way. Sidious makes his way back to Anakin. He places one hand on Anakin's forehead and the other on the hole in his chest. He closes his eyes and begins breathing heavily; in a meditative state. Suddenly bright red sparks begin spitting from his fingers. These turn into long red streams that enter Anakin through his chest. Anakin arches his back as the streams begin engulfing his mid section. They make their way up Sidious' arms and to his face. Anakin begins shaking violently as Sidious begins screaming in pain. We notice the hole in Anakin's chest starting to mend itself. At the same time, we notice that Sidious is getting paler; his skin is turning bone white and becoming withered and cracked; his eyes becoming yellow as he uses the force to transfer his life to Anakin. Sidious begins to groan as he becomes weakened and frail. He is about to collapse when Anakin suddenly convulses and takes a large, deep, agonising breath. Sidious breaks away and falls over; barely alive. The storm troopers stand there stunned at what they've witnessed. One of them turns to the other two:

STORMTROOPER  
We need two medical capsules.

The storm troopers quickly go off to the shuttle. Sidious slowly sits up and feels his new face. He looks over to Anakin and smiles.

SIDIOUS

Now, we are perfect...

Anakin lies there; gasping for breath as he keeps repeating...

ANAKIN

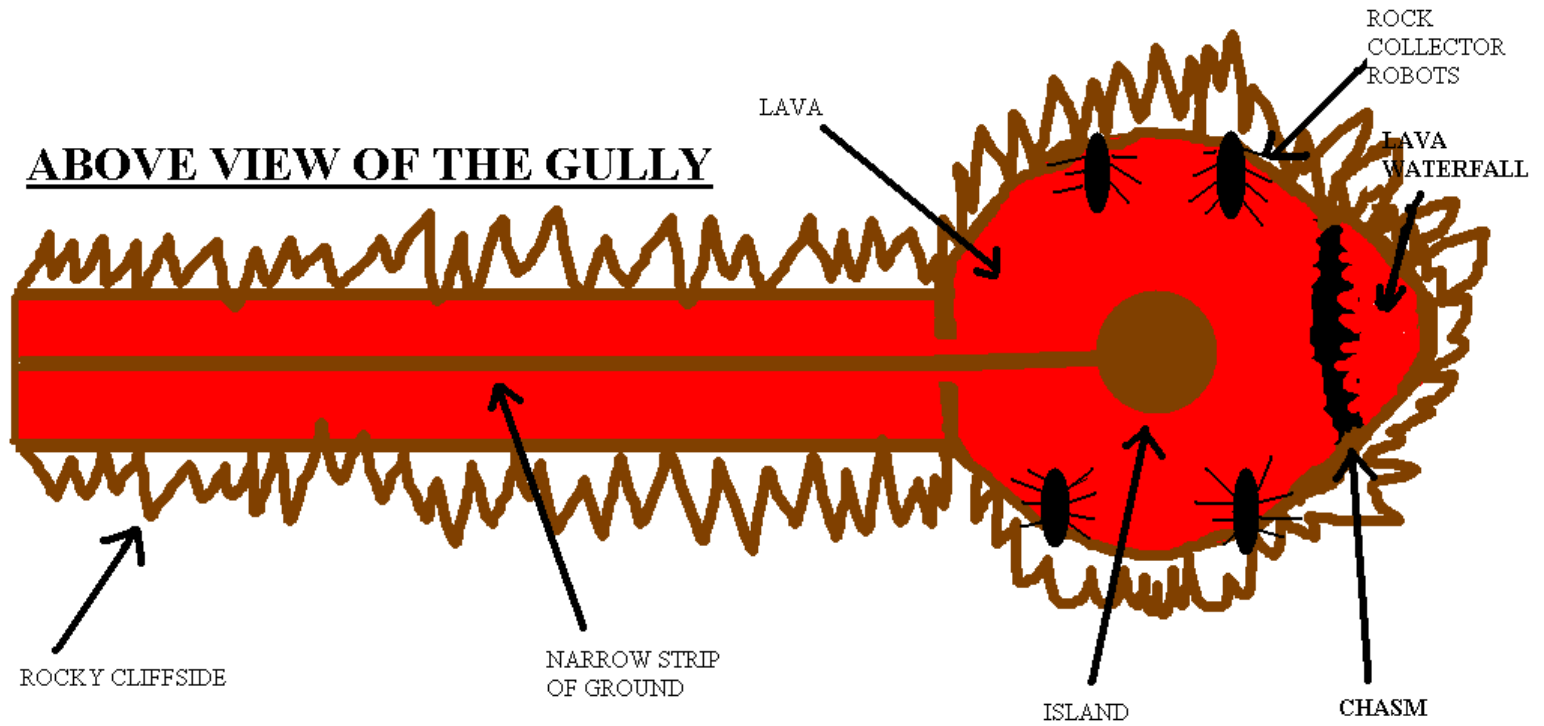
(whispering)

What have you done...? What have you done...? What have you done...?

FADE OUT.

THE END.

ABOVE VIEW OF THE GULLY



TOP & SIDE VIEW OF THE RESERVOIR

