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Rogue One: A Star Wars Story

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PLOT

This is the first installment of the Star Wars Anthology series, set immediately before the events of the original Star Wars film.

Research scientist Galen Erso and his family are hiding as farmers on the planet Lah'mu. Imperial weapons developer Orson Krennic arrives to force him to complete the Death Star, a superweapon capable of destroying planets. Galen's wife Lyra is killed while their daughter Jyn escapes and is taken to safety by the Rebel extremist Saw Gerrera.

Fifteen years later, cargo pilot Bodhi Rook defects from the Empire, taking a holographic message recorded by Galen to Gerrera on the desert moon Jedha. Rebel intelligence officer Cassian Andor frees Jyn from an Imperial labor camp at Wobani before bringing her to the Rebel leader Mon Mothma, who convinces her to find and rescue Galen so the Alliance can learn more about the Death Star.

Jyn, Cassian, and reprogrammed Imperial droid K-2SO travel to Jedha, where the Empire is fighting Gerrera and his partisans. With the help of blind spiritual warrior Chirrut Îmwe and his mercenary friend Baze Malbus, Jyn makes contact with Gerrera, who has been holding Rook captive. Gerrera shows her the holographic message, in which Galen reveals he has secretly built a weakness into the Death Star and tells them to retrieve the schematics from an Imperial data bank on the planet Scarif.

On the Death Star, Krennic orders a low-powered test shot which destroys Jedha's capital. Jyn and her group take Rook and escape, but Gerrera remains to die with the city. Rook leads the group to Galen's Imperial research facility on the planet Eadu, where Jyn makes her presence known moments before Rebel bombers attack the facility. Galen is wounded and dies in his daughter's arms, before she escapes with her group on board a stolen Imperial cargo shuttle ship.

Jyn proposes a plan to steal the Death Star schematics using the Rebel fleet but fails to get approval from the Alliance Council, who think victory against the Empire is now impossible. Feeling frustrated, Jyn's group lead a small squad of Rebel volunteers to raid the databank themselves. Arriving at Scarif on the stolen Imperial ship, which Rook decides to call "Rogue One", a disguised Jyn and Cassian enter the base with K-2SO while the other Rebels attack the resident Imperial garrison as a distraction. The Rebel fleet learns of the raid and come to their support. K-2SO sacrifices himself so Jyn and Cassian can retrieve the data. Îmwe is killed after activating the master switch to allow communication with the Rebel fleet, and Malbus dies in battle shortly afterwards. Rook is killed by a grenade after informing the Rebel fleet that it must deactivate the shield surrounding the planet to allow the transmission of the schematics. Jyn and Cassian obtain the schematics, but they are ambushed by Krennic, who is eventually wounded by Cassian. Jyn transmits the schematics to the Rebel command ship. The Death Star enters orbit above Scarif, where Krennic's boss Tarkin uses another low-power shot to destroy the compromised base, killing Krennic, Cassian, and Jyn.

The Rebel fleet prepares to jump to hyperspace but not many escape Vader's flagship. Vader boards the Rebel command ship and attempts to recapture the schematics, but a small starship escapes with them on board. Princess Leia is on it and, when asked what message she has received to help the Rebellion, she replies "Hope".



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GRAMMAR

1) Many imperative structures. Please see vocabulary [Do it! / Don't do it!; Let's do it / Let's not do it!]

2) SUGGEST (recommend):

At one point, Tarkin says "I suggest we try the weapon immediately."

This is one possibility. He could have said "I suggest *that* we try the weapon...", or "I suggest *trying* the weapon". His choice of expression is curt and more forceful.

RECOMMEND works in a similar way. "I recommend (that) we take a boat out"/I recommend taking a boat out to visit the islands.

VOCABULARY

Fall back!: retreat
Roger that!: I have received, understand and will do
Get wide!: move as far as you can from whatever I am indicating
Hold off!: please do not do whatever I saw or thought
you were going to do when I saw you
Groan: a wordless complaint of pain when one has
been hit or hurt in some other way: Aliens apparently
groan differently from humans
Whisper: a very soft voice, meant to convey
information to very few people
Snort: an explosive sound made through the nose, used
to indicate disbelief, indignation, disgust or similar
Pant: breathing with short, quick, heavy breaths, maybe
after running for a long way or because of excitement
Thud: a soft-ish, heavy object hitting a hard surface –
maybe a body or a sack of coins
Hiss: a sound like air escaping, much like the letter "S".
Can also be made by a snake or an angry person, for example.
Whirr: a low, regular sound made in the air, perhaps a
bird's wings, ceiling fans, or some other mechanical
part moving through air
Murmur: a confusion of soft words, made by one or
more people
To grovel: to act extremely apologetically, perhaps even
falling to the ground, to gain favour or forgiveness
The odds: calculated or generally supposed probability
The odds: calculated or generally supposed probability of something happening
The odds: calculated or generally supposed probability

