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The Star Wars' popularity results from, beyond its archetypal appeal and special effects, truths that deeply resonate with all audiences. Viewers just know they, too, possess something of the "force" within themselves.

So, how much of the Star Wars' human science is real and how did George Lucas know it?

Artists like Lucas frequently are ahead of scientists in uncovering the realities of the universe. Remember the 1870's book Around the World in Eighty Days; Jules Verne's imagined balloon voyage finally happened this year in less than one-fourth his predicted time. The question is now whether such artists know something ahead of other humans, but why and how.

The Star Wars' concept of "Jedi knowing' is rooted in the reality of the Universal Field of Consciousness. Through their inner senses, the Iedi (and all other conscious beings) communicate with each other and the whole through this informational field. (When Jedi sense other beings, the reciprocal nature of consciousness means if those beings were alert they could sense the Jedi in return.) The Star Wars' subtle energy "force" that "surrounds and penetrates us and binds us together" is real and can be concentrated and used in martial arts and psychokinetic acts.

This "force" is known around the world by at least 52 labels, including chi, ki, prana, orgone, manna, ether, biofield, and zero-point energy.

Obi-Wan-Kenobi was incorrect when he said the "force" is created by all living beings. The reverse appears to be true: Matter and energy are formed from the subtle energy by conscious intent. Science labels the intermediate or subtle body created by conscious intent a morphogenic field (like the ghostly beings who counsel Luke). It is correct for Master Yoda to say "the force is always with you," even though it cannot maintain one's material existence forever.

The inner senses are the means through which one being perceives the presence of another, as in Skywalker feeling the presence of Vadar on the Death Star. Anyone can potentially sense any



other (as in remote viewing), but it is easier where the subtle energy connection is stronger (when beings are related or share some kind of emotional bond). But the inner senses perceive more than just the presence of another. Lucas received spe-

cific ideas from the Universal Field of Consciousness, and his character Vadar does the same when he telepathically learns the existence of Luke's twin sister Leia by reading his

The Jedi idea that one already knows the wisdom one needs is also a reality of the Universal Field of Consciousness. The mind of conscious beings is not totally shaped by external forces as conventional science has taught us. All selfaware beings recognize they are part of a larger whole, with an inherent grasp of what is good for all. Only perceived powerful beings, controlling the focus of personal experience, can

wisdom. This means people turn to the "dark" only under painful or pleasurable extremes. Therefore, efforts to "force people to do the right thing" end up with the opposite effect. (Criminal justice and education experts should take heed.)

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With the "force" (application of conscious intent to the subtle energy field) Obi-Wan, Luke, and Darth Vadar could move others, override the minds of unthinking guards, and make lethal use of a light saber. In the scientific laboratory actions such as these are known as psychokinesis, hypnosis, and pushing chi. Milder versions of them can be activated by almost any experimenter's conscious efforts. Highly trained or spontaneously energized people replicate them in much stronger forms. Science and human practice will one day catch up with Lucas' insights into the "Force."

Every conscious being is a potential Jedi knight. In real life, each person must consciously seek balance between these positive and negative polarities.

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