Weapons D6 / Ezras lightsaber



Name: Ezra's lightsaber
Type: Melee Weapon / Stun Pistol
Scale: Character
Skill: Lightsaber; Lightsaber / Blaster: Blaster Pistol
Ammo: 100
Cost: Unavailable for sale
Availability: 4, X
Difficulty: Moderate
Range: 3-10/30/120 (Pistol)
Damage: 5D / 5D (stun)

Description: Ezra's lightsaber was the personal, prototype lightsaber of Ezra Bridger, a Padawan and rebel who lived in the years prior to the Battle of Yavin. Bridger spent several weeks building his lightsaber after receiving a kyber crystal in the Jedi Temple on Lothal. The weapon, which was built out of spare parts donated by fellow members of the Ghost's crew, was a lightsaber-blaster hybrid. When in lightsaber mode, the weapon had an adjustable blade and could be used in combat. Blaster mode was set to stun and was built as a result of Bridger's lack of skill in deflecting blaster fire with his blade. After being rescued, Kanan Jarrus borrowed this weapon to fight the Grand Inquisitor, using it and his own lightsaber to defeat the Inquisitor. Darth Vader would destroy this weapon in a duel with Ezra Bridger during the mission to Malachor. Bridger later replaced his lightsaber with a green-bladed one.

Ezra Bridger, a Padawan who trained as a Jedi in the years following the destruction of the Jedi Order, built his own lightsaber when he was 15, four years prior to the Battle of Yavin. The weapon was a lightsaber-blaster hybrid, allowing him to engage in lightsaber combat as well as firefights. The lightsaber blade was light and swift, which complemented Bridger's speed and size. The blaster component was built as a result of Bridger's lack of skill at deflecting blaster bolts with his blade. Blaster mode, which required disengaging the lightsaber blade because the powerpack could not handle both at once, fired stun blasts at an enemy, giving Bridger time to escape dangerous situations. Members of the Jedi Order would never have built such a weapon, and although some wayward Jedi did use blasters, they were never condoned by the Jedi Council. However, Bridger was not a typical Jedi and valued surviving dangerous encounters over Jedi traditions. Additionally, using a lightsaber in the era of the Galactic Empire drew too much attention, so Bridger only did so as a last resort. The built-in blaster function gave him the ability to engage in combat without revealing his identity, and it provided an advantage in confrontations that other Jedi would not have. The design and utilitarian appearance also made it much less likely to be recognized as a lightsaber.

Specifications

At the heart of the lightsaber was a kyber crystal, which Bridger received in the Jedi Temple on Lothal. The crystal was attuned to the powers of the Force. In addition to the crystal, the lightsaber was built out of a number of parts from different members of the rebel crew of the Ghost. Kanan Jarrus, Bridger's master, had spare lightsaber parts that he had found over the previous fifteen years. Sabine Wren, a fellow crew member, donated modulation circuits and an energy gate. C1-10P, an astromech droid nicknamed Chopper, donated a power cell. Hera Syndulla, the owner and pilot of the Ghost, likewise provided additional technology based on Bridger's specifications. Those specifications included a blade emitter shroud, handgrip ridges, a blade length adjuster, an activator, and a blaster barrel. Several parts were also secretly acquired from Garazeb Orrelios's supplies.

The unconventional double-bar design was necessary because the outer bar contained the blaster components. This design was unusual and unproven and posed some risk of a short-circuit at crucial moments. As Ezra had to learn how to build the entire assembly through trial and error, the blaster component was designed to be easily removed to facilitate maintenance and repairs. It also had a low-power setting to avoid injuring a sparring partner during practice. In this mode, the blade had a different shade of blue, and made a noticeably higher-pitched humming noise than usual. The lightsaber was also designed such that its kyber crystal was easily removable.

History

Five years before the Battle of Yavin, Bridger — then a street orphan on Lothal — joined the crew of the Ghost after learning that he was Force-sensitive. As a result, he agreed to be trained as a Jedi by Kanan Jarrus, a former Padawan who escaped the destruction of the Jedi Order. The two trained together, and Bridger's powers with the Force grew quickly. Later, on the fifteenth anniversary of the rise of the Galactic Empire, Bridger accidentally tapped into the dark side of the Force to save Jarrus from the Jedi hunter known as the Grand Inquisitor.

Sometime after escaping, Jarrus led Bridger to a Jedi Temple on Lothal, where Bridger's readiness to be trained as a Jedi was put through a series of tests. During the tests, Bridger had to overcome his fear of abandonment, and in doing so was guided by Jedi Master Yoda, who communed with Bridger from afar. The boy passed his tests and was given a kyber crystal from within the temple, which signaled he was ready to construct his own lightsaber. After several weeks of trial and error, using spare parts and technology from other members of the crew, Bridger assembled his lightsaber and presented it to his master before igniting it for the first time in front of the crew.

Kanan trained Ezra to use the lightsaber in combat, sometimes throwing rocks for Ezra to deflect. In total, Ezra missed 328 of the rocks thrown at him. When first in battle, Ezra usually used the lightsaber's blaster. He soon began to use his weapon like lightsaber during later missions. During the mission to rescue Kanan, the lightsaber played a major role in the defeat of the Empire's Grand Inquisitor. Ezra loaned his lightsaber to Kanan, as his Master's own lightsaber had been taken from him by the Inquisitor. During the battle, Ezra managed to take Kanan's lightsaber from the Inquisitor to help fight him. Kanan used both Ezra's lightsaber and his own to defeat the Inquisitor after Ezra was knocked out.

During the Mission to Malachor, Kanan received a message from C1-10P that a TIE fighter was heading toward them, while Ezra was discovering the secret of the Sith temple. Ezra encountered the Sith Lord Darth Vader who had arrived to claim the temple's power for his master. During the duel that followed between them, Vader outmaneuvered Ezra by slashing at his lightsaber, destroying it immediately. Before Vader could strike Ezra down, Ahsoka Tano intervened.

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