

FIGHT SABER

JEDI LIGHTSABER COMBAT

cho sun is a serious but non-lethal defensive move against an aggressive assailant, typical of Kenobi's chosen lightsaber discipline Form III.

Cut Off Weapon Arm

cho sun ["cho sun"]

Cho sun (dismembering), cutting off an opponent's entire weapon arm, is a move lacking the precision and elegance of *cho mai*, but *cho sun* is the move most often necessary under surprise combat conditions or where no chances can be taken.

Otherwise Maim

cho mok ["cho mock"]

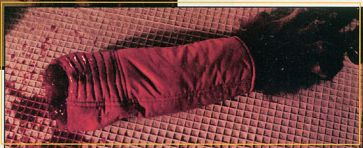
Cho mok (maim) describes the cutting off of an opponent's leg or (in the case of non-humans) other limb or appendage such as *lekku* (head-tails).

Obi-wan Kenobi resorted to *sai tok* to kill Darth Maul, a brutal move that arose partly from Obi-wan's rage at Maul's murder of Qui-Gon Jinn.

Cut Body in Half

sai tok ["sai tok"]

Jedi consider the bisection of a living opponent's body a form of butchery, a desecration to be avoided if possible. The savage extreme of *sai tok* is thus normally used only against battle droids. We see Qui-Gon Jinn and Obi-Wan Kenobi deliver *sai tok* to many battle droids in Episodes I and II. *Sai tok* represents a potentially Sith-like desire to destroy one's enemy, whereas the Jedi goal even in combat is an inner focus on defeating the



Behead

sai cha ["sigh cha"]

Sai cha, from the ancient words for "separate" and "head," describes the chilling Jedi ability to behead an opponent in a flash of the lightsaber. Jedi commit *sai cha* only when battle is at its most deadly serious and threatening, or when an opponent is considered extremely dangerous even to a fully trained Jedi.

danger of opponents rather than hating them and wishing utter destruction upon them.

THE POWER OF THE DARK SIDE

Red crystals are ordinarily unsuitable for lightsabers, since they are less stable than the customary green and blue crystals Jedi use for the blade generators. In their lightsabers. However, red crystals glow in their lightsabers when energized by the dark side of the Force. When energized in this way, red "Sith" crystals can actually produce a stronger blade that has the rare potential to "break the blade" of Jedi lightsabers, overloading the energy matrix and instantly burning out the saber of the unfortunate opponent. This rarely happens, but it is a known and frightening possibility in combat.