



I smell a Plot Hole

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Minbari



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#5 adamgnome

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Peacekeeper



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For starters, no one actually stated he was DEAD. Yes he was shot, in the stomach, not any major organ. People have been shot in that area before and survived. He may go into shock and pass out...etc., but there's still time to save him. Also people have been known to survive for hours after being shot, especially when shot where little William Adama was.

The show ended just after that scene, and they showed no more of the Adamas. Guess we'll have to wait for the final episode of *Caprica*, to see all the ties and hope they didn't make a cliffhanger, as would be what most TV series do for a season finale. Especially since the last episode was made, before they decided to cancel the show.

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Returnee

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It may be out there but i feel this is something that may not be so outrageous. As of ep 17, you have 2 brilliant ppl working on making a flesh body. Who knows? And like i said in the ep 17 thread, its all speculation until next week and as long as you keep that in mind....

#9 LemonBar

Sleestak



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It's a lame attempt at a shock moment in many ways, but foremost because they spent so little time on fake Willie in the first place that we don't gave a flip about him.

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#11 Macster

Peacekeeper



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Posted 25 November 2010 - 08:02 PM

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Regarding the bolded part of this post, a gunshot wound to the stomach is very deadly. Depending on the organ perforated it can lead to death in mere minutes. If by mere chance the major organs are missed, then one might survive if they can get pretty quick medical attention before he or she bleeds out. Do people survive a "gut shot?" Of course they do, but to say it isn't "fatal" with the clear implication that such a shot isn't a serious problem is ridiculous.

#12 CaproCaine

Peacekeeper



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Posted 25 November 2010 - 11:27 PM

Spoiler:

"There Be Dragons"

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Gate_Boarder is lurking here . and lurking there. As usual we have lost some 'refugees' in the Kaos .. Some are at GateWorld. and GateFans .. May the gods be with the Galactica and walk with you always .. This Board will be leaving me as a 'Peacekeeper' - and I wouldn't have it any other way.

#13 yongjin02

Returnee

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I could honestly care less about the timeline or canon. Give me a good story, and I'll forgive all that. But Young Fake William is a lazy, pointless diversion that no one seriously interested in good writing and drama would have entertained for a moment, let alone actually filmed. There's a reason Caprica is now cancelled folks. The curtain has been pulled back, and we can all see the man behind it.

He was never the great and powerful Oz.

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I've always felt the finale of BSG was a cheap ending to an otherwise great series. I also think Caprica has

been a wonderful story, and the writers have begun interweaving the storylines. But, if Willie is truly dead and "there is another A-da-ma," then I agree this, too, is a cheap cop-out. Willie's age was fine for Admiral Adama and the brown v. blue eye thing could have been handled as a flying accident requiring an eye transplant, and, oh golly, the only matching eyes were from a blue-eyed corpse. I could have bought into that. Edward James Olmos whole "needs to have blue eyes like his son Lee's" was inaccurate science, anyway. Carolanne had blue eyes; that was enough because the other recessive gene could have come from somewhere in his father's genetic line. We've never met enough Adamas or family from his mother's side to definitively say "That's impossible!"

Given the choices, I'd much prefer another "Cottle saves the day!" that mirrors him saving Admiral Adama's life after Boomer shot him **three times in the chest**. Perhaps Willie spent part of his recovery period learning (from his adoptive mother, Evelyn) to love building model ships, and the other part driving foxes into the river on his "Uncle's" farm on Tauron. 🤪

#18 yongjin02

Returnee

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Posted 26 November 2010 - 08:36 PM

'YNotaZebra', on 26 Nov 2010 - 15:57, said:

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#19 Vipergirl100

Sleestak



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Posted 27 November 2010 - 03:00 PM

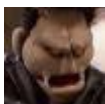
I have a feeling , no matter what happens we will be frakking ***** once we see the finale.

***** because of the unresolved issues, ***** at Syfy, etc.

Prepare to burn the house down!

#20 Scrawny71

Wacky Professor



- Full Members

- ●●●
- 1,553 posts

Posted 27 November 2010 - 04:10 PM

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You'd do it for Randolph Scott.

131 replies to this topic

#21 ariallie

Dune Messiah



- Full Members
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- 2,913 posts

Posted 27 November 2010 - 05:54 PM

'Scrawny71', on 27 Nov 2010 - 13:10, said:

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Or at least in a different galaxy (except the very last scenes, of course). In fact, a long time ago, in a galaxy far, far away...

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(SPOILER FOR NEXT WEEK AND, I GUESS, FOR ALL ETERNITY)

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I came across your comments today, and would like to address your concern regarding my credentials. First and foremost, I did create the BSG Wiki back in 2005, without any real connections to the show. Over time, I developed these connections and, eventually, even the writers and crew of the show began using our website as a reference whenever they needed to check up on something. (Back in the day, Bradley Thompson swung by and answered questions for us when time permitted, and when he was authorized to do so.) All this culminated into my being called upon to go up to Vancouver during the wrap of the series in order to sell off the assets of the show. At the beginning, I was directly responsible for not only building many of Propworx's internal SOPs, but also had a direct hand in the content that made its way into the Propworx live auction catalogs, the eBay auctions that ran during the airing of the last half of Season 4, and... well, if it wasn't for my efforts (and the efforts of people who believed in Propworx and the auctions), there wouldn't be a BSG exhibit in Seattle's Science Fiction Museum right now. I can say with pride that if it weren't for my in-depth knowledge of BSG, those auctions wouldn't have been successful as they were.

Anyway, the point I'm hoping to make here is that I have culminated an extensive network of connections that range from the department heads, writers, advisers, and even a few people "in the know," as it were, from all three BSG-related productions: the Re-imagined Series, Caprica, and Blood & Chrome.

Further, I was given the last five episodes to watch before they aired on Space. (The only one remaining is the series finale "Apotheosis.") I've seen them all. I'll reserve my opinion on how the show was executed here, since that's not what I'm here to discuss.

I was also informed of Willie Adama's death early on. I've known it for a good year now. In all honestly, it was one of the worst kept secrets from that show, outside of the real reason that Jane Espenson was removed as show runner from "Caprica."

*****SPOILER*****

So, just to be clear, Willie is dead. There are two (2) sons that Joseph has that he names after his own father.

ORIGINALLY, the idea (and the belief that everyone had) was that Willie Adama was OUR Bill Adama... until they realized that they screwed up the timeline, and then they made the call to kill Willie. That's the reason I was given by multiple sources. It wasn't something that was planned from the get-go.

*****END SPOILER*****

Anyway, hopefully I've answered the question regarding my credentials and being an authority on the subject.

by Joe Beaudoin Jr. November 26, 2010 at 10:52 am ///

The site originator said Joe B. really is who he says he is. Now I just want to know the real reason Jane Espenson was removed as show runner, the other "worst kept secret." It's still a secret to me!

#22 CaproCaine

Peacekeeper



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- 574 posts

Posted 27 November 2010 - 10:55 PM

'ariallie', on 24 Nov 2010 - 21:46, said:

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Really, I think Willie's still alive. Didn't that scene remind you of the BSG season ender, when Boomer shot Adama **three times** in the chest, only to have Cottle save him, miraculously? I suspect the younger Cottle referenced last week will save young Willie, too. I just don't buy into "another William" because the age of this one fits with Adama's retirement after 45 years of service, as stated in the miniseries. A child born to Evelyn and Joe immediately after this one's death would be at most 13 when he began his military career. Could happen on Tauron, though. Our Willie is already considered a man, according to his grandmother and uncle, and they're apparently headed for Tauron. I hope we'll get some closure on this issue.

I think I might of insulted an actor. After reading that Bill Adama might of been 73 when he got to new Earth. Somehow I got it in my mind that the actor Edward James Olmos was of the same age as Bill Adama. That is patently not true as he was born sometime in February of 1947. Some people might think that is old, but certainly not me.

Narrowing the age barrier between Adama and Laura kind of lessens the yuck factor. I think that President Roslin might of been 56 when they arrived on Earth.

Even though my math is just as good as what their new math is. I think **ariallie's** math smells a little better. If Adama is retiring with 45 years of service and enlisted up when he was fifteen. That gives a loop-hole of anywhere from 1 week up to 3 years to get a rag-tag bunch of people to successfully cross the known Universe(45 and 15 and $3=63$).

For the sake of an unseen character, Evelyn, I hope they didn't change BSG mythology just to cover up the fact that 'Evelyn' is his real mother and that the 'Evelyn' we know could not just be his 'step-mother'. If Shannon's middle name was 'Evelyn' would anybody care?

Using my broken down math Caprica takes place 58 years before the end. Willy has to wait 4/5 years to join the military, after which he has 45 years of service before he retires. This now leaves a loop-hole of at

What their math is I really don't care anymore. For four shows I thought they were going in the right direction. In one short little 'blip' they have got me questioning what they have to offer after all. If it looks bleak for Willy right now then I suspect that it might be bleak for 'Blood and Chrome' also.

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Dune Messiah



- Posted 27 November 2010 - 11:55 PM

<<<<<<<<<<Who dares to live forever>>>>>>>>>>



<<<<<<<<<<Who dares to love forever>>>>>>>>>>

Time Lord



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- Full Members
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- 6,114 posts

Posted 28 November 2010 - 04:10 AM

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This is sad but true, the people that created *BSG* and *Caprica* don't actually watch their own shows and that's why fans know more about what's going on than they do. RDM came from *Star Trek TNG* where they wiped the board clean every week and told a new story, he decided to do that here as well except in this story telling format that does not work and you end up with plot holes galore and nothing that even resembles something to call canon.



"I don't care what I do when I grow up as long as I don't have to wear a suit and fly." Clark Kent-"Smallville"

#25 Adam12

Contactee



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- Full Members
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- 678 posts

Posted 28 November 2010 - 10:52 AM

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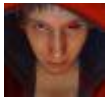
If this is true - it may be even worse than a cheap fake out by the writers. I understand that writers are walking through a bit of a minefield when doing a prequel but jeez, fraking up the Big Man's age? It's no wonder everything about this series has been a total clusterfrak.


To think that I watched a series that I had *serious* issues with just to see some more of the overall BSG story. Honestly, I would just prefer that anyone involved with BSG, SyFy or Caprica would just let it all go and move on to other things. At this point I would almost prefer the rest of BSG's story be told in my own dim witted imagination.

They succeed in one thing: Love the show or hate it - they let us all down.

#26 AllIveEverTouched

Contactee




- Full Members
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- 735 posts

Posted 28 November 2010 - 01:03 PM

'Acrux_Draconis', on 27 Nov 2010 - 20:55, said: 

Plot holes and continuity issues were the only steady part about either Caprica and BSG

And just about every television show created. If you're going to sit there and pick apart every detail how can you possibly enjoy the show?

'ShiningPathofLight', on 28 Nov 2010 - 01:10, said: 

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How could they do podcasts without watching their show? I think most fans know less than the creators

do and *that* is why they get confused. I'm always seeing questions on here about things that were already explained if people had been paying attention while they were watching.

'Adam12', on 28 Nov 2010 - 07:52, said: 🤔

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Don't speak for me or anyone else but yourself.

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#27 Vipergirl100

Sleestak



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- 71 posts

Posted 28 November 2010 - 01:23 PM

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#28 ariallie

Dune Messiah



- Full Members
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- 2,913 posts

Posted 28 November 2010 - 02:32 PM

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was. Suddenly "Oh, we were just kidding; this isn't the William Adama we led you to believe he was!" This was completely and unnecessarily contrived to set the viewers up. If anything, the "new" William will be way too young to be the Commander Adama who is set to retire 58 years later, after 45 years in the fleet, on the day of the attacks. It seems to indicate the writers total disdain for their loyal fans. I thought nothing could keep me from buying the dvds once they come out. But now I'm so disgusted with the way they've treated us that I'm considering just walking away from the whole franchise. And lets not even get into how Joe B. has apparently sold his integrity to ingratiate himself to the showrunners. Wiki's timeline no longer has credibility, as far as I'm concerned. Let me give you a direct quote from Battlestar Wiki, if you doubt there's any contradiction coming (I right-clicked and copied this; hope **this**, too, doesn't change once its existence is noticed)

Quote

Several notable assignments and reassignments during **his 45-year career in the Colonial Fleet (TRS: "Hero")**: [redacted]

D6/21311 - First commission: battlestar Galactica fighter squadron [redacted]

E4/21312 - Commendation for shooting down Cylon fighter in first combat mission [redacted]

D5/21314 - Mustered out of service post-armistice [redacted]

R6/21317 - Served as deckhand in merchant fleet and as common [...] aboard inter-colony [redacted]


tramp freighters
D1/21331 - Recommissioned to Fleet
D6/21337 - Major: battlestar Atlantia
R8/21341 - Executive Officer: battlestar Columbia
C2/21345 - Commander: battlestar Valkyrie
C2/21348 - Commander: battlestar Galactica

Please remember Gaeta's comment in the mini about how much he'd enjoyed his **three years** on Galactica years, but, oh yeah, the Wiki already says **45-year-career!** So I ask, how does a 12 year old join the
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#29 AllIveEverTouched

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Posted 28 November 2010 - 03:03 PM

'ariallie', on 28 Nov 2010 - 11:32, said:

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#30 CaproCaine

Peacekeeper



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- 574 posts

Posted 28 November 2010 - 03:27 PM

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#31 YNotaZebra

Caprican



- Full Members
- 44 posts

Posted 28 November 2010 - 04:03 PM


As I said, I can overlook discrepancies in one character's timeline between a show and its prequel. It's sloppy but ultimately not that big a deal. What I can't overlook is a show that tries to sell itself as literary drama not just for sci fi geeks doing something as over the top stupid as this. Even the "dumb" shows have too much self-awareness to pull a stunt like this outside of self-satire winking at the audience.

If this is really what they intend to offer, if this is what they think we consider worthwhile drama, then it's a gesture of contempt for the audience. And it kind of forces me to confront the fact that it's not the first gesture of contempt for the audience we've seen from this crowd.

Good stories, at whatever level of sophistication, respect both their characters and their audience. They are honest with both.

#32 yongjin02

Returnee

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- Full Members
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- 883 posts

Posted 28 November 2010 - 06:43 PM

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Given every **15** year old we've met in Caprica is a high school student (and Pan and Hippolyta seemed older than that, more like 17, at least), it would seem unrealistic that 12-year olds (not even 13, if you do the math from the hypothetical child's necessary date of birth) can join the military. But who knows, just seems out of context with everything we've seen in BSG and Caprica.

I hadn't even thought of the possibility of Joe and Evelyn adopting. That could work.

Adama's 45-year career has been accepted (even by the creators) since the mini-series first aired in 2003. That's a "mistake" you can't get around.

I repeat: there's a world of difference between "Oops, we misspoke" and "Let's take the fans down a false path all season long just to show we can do whatever we want, even if it makes no sense."

#34 CaproCaine

Peacekeeper



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- Full Members
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- 574 posts

Posted 28 November 2010 - 08:56 PM

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Posted 28 November 2010 - 09:14 PM

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right, and like someone said before, we all seem to know more about the BSGverse than those who wrote it! As for the time in service, I was in the Army so I don't know about the Merchant Marine deal, but I think RDM should. Wasn't he in the Navy for a short time? If so, then I think he would probably "base" the careers of his fictional characters around something of what he knows (he does after all put a lot of Navy/ military references that are normally only used in the military, into his BSG shows). But, was Adama actually in the merchant marines or was it some civilian shipping company? I am just guessing the later given the crappy conditions on the ship they were on. I don't remember what ep. it was, I think something to do with Ellen, wasn't it?

Bottom line, I think, is that sadly but true, we all seem to be more concerned and somehow care more about these shows than those who are currently making them As for the 15 thing, I think that age must be the "age of consent" in BSGverse. It is like our 18, and I think British 16? At this age we can decide and join the military if we wish. Just guessing, 15 seems to pop up from time to time. Then again, to muddle things up even more (and I don't think this would EVER come up) is, wouldn't the whole age thing be dependent on the fact that it is another planet in another solar system...so how long does it take their planet to revolve about their sun? Now that would really screw things up! Their 15 could be like our 22 or something depending on how long their years are. But I think that is probably too Sci Fi for any show to dig into.


#36 yongjin02

Returnee

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Posted 28 November 2010 - 09:19 PM

This is a strange mechanical thing about this thread... sometimes if you go to page 2 from the CAPRICA topic list you will get a whole different two pages of posts. The second page of that one only has 1 post, that does not appear here, WTF?

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#37 Macster

Peacekeeper



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- 428 posts

Posted 28 November 2010 - 11:03 PM

Unexplained triple post.

#38 Macster

Peacekeeper



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Posted 28 November 2010 - 11:04 PM

Unexplained triple post.

#39 Macster

Peacekeeper



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Posted 28 November 2010 - 11:06 PM

In the first place, the Colonies were supposedly fighting in the first war to stave off extinction (Adama's own words (paraphrased) in his speech in the miniseries). Thus, it might have gotten down to using boys in their mid-teens by the end of the war. If young William attended any kind of military schooling as a youngster, it makes that scenario even more plausible. Such things have certainly happened here on Earth many times in the past and still occur. Just one historical example are the Hitler Youth from WW II and then one can look at child soldiers being used throughout the African continent today.

Secondly, assuming there were age restrictions that would have kept him out of the military, maybe he just lied about his age and used fabricated documents to get into the service. I would think his father's old ties might be able to hook something like that up. It's happened here on Earth so why not in the Colonies.

Either one of those scenarios would wrap up the age "problem." Given that it's all an open book at this point, the writers can introduce either one of those plot points (or some different one) to solve the age discrepancy.

#40 DoomGuy91

Minbari



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- Full Members
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- 246 posts

Posted 28 November 2010 - 11:08 PM

'yongjin02', on 28 Nov 2010 - 18:19, said:

This is a strange mechanical thing about this thread... sometimes if you go to page 2 from the CAPRICA topic list you will get a whole different two pages of posts. The second page of that one only has 1 post, that does not appear here, WTF?

Posted Yesterday, 05:54 PM  **Scrawny71, on 27 November 2010 - 01:10 PM, said:**

It's an episode in the *BSG* world. Ergo, it happens in a different universe to all other episodes. Only kidding. **Every scene in BSGLand happens in a different universe.**

Or at least in a different galaxy (except the very last scenes, of course). In fact, a long time ago, in a galaxy far, far away...

I found this interesting tidbit at the *13th colony* website in Canada (they're a Vancouver-based Caprica and BSG fan group). This leads me to wonder 1) what the writers were smoking, and/or 2) how is it they write so well, but can't read their own canon or do basic subtraction (Adama had served 45 years at the time of the attacks, per his retirement certificate, and the attacks happened 58 years after the Caprica pilot. That would mean a "new" William would have joined the military at about 12 yarens old) *shakes head*

(**SPOILER FOR NEXT WEEK** AND, I GUESS, FOR ALL ETERNITY)

If Adama had served 45 years at the time of the miniseries, then it was around 7 1/2 years in the cylon war. But im sure this was when he wasn't a viper pilot, perhaps he fought on the ground. Then there wouldn't be continuity issues with Blood and Chrome when he is a rookie viper pilot on the 10th year of the war.

I just wish the producers of Caprica will acknowledge to us that they made a mistake with William

131 replies to this topic

#41 Acrux_Draconis

Dune Messiah



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Posted 29 November 2010 - 12:07 AM

'AllIveEverTouched', on 28 Nov 2010 - 10:03, said:

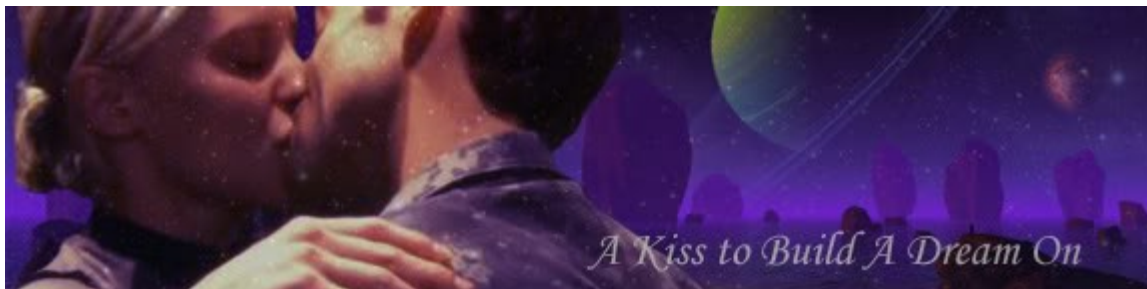
And just about every television show created. If you're going to sit there and pick apart every detail how can you possibly enjoy the show?

The difference being that most shows do not have MAJOR plot holes and MAJOR continuity issues. Doesn't take much for someone to go HEY wait just a second. the adult Adama has blue eyes while Adama as a kid has Brown ones.

Doesn't take a brain surgeon to realize that there is a problem with the time differential of both series.

I get the feeling that TPTB put the exact same care and effort into Caprica as they did in season 4 and 4.5 of BSG. And that is was one reason as to why it was cancelled. If I was paying good money to put a show on the air I would want TPTB who produced the show to do their best and put forth the effort that I am paying for.

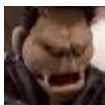
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#42 Scrawny71

Wacky Professor



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Posted 29 November 2010 - 11:51 AM

'AllIveEverTouched', on 28 Nov 2010 - 12:03, said:

You know, call me crazy, but why can't a 13 year old be enlisted? This isn't America or Earth, this is Caprica.

It would be amusing if they tried that. It would also cast some light on the Caprican military mindset. However, I think that they've said that he's in his early twenties and a rookie when *Blood & Chrome* starts.

'AllIveEverTouched', on 28 Nov 2010 - 12:03, said: 🤔

Another possibility is that William was adopted by Evelyn and Joseph.

Yep. Seemingly he'd need to be about four or five during the events of *Caprica*.

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That would be even more amusing!

You'd do it for Randolph Scott.

#43 CaproCaine

Peacekeeper



- Full Members
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- 574 posts

Posted 29 November 2010 - 06:43 PM

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I guess no one knows the name of Marbeth's child?

Gate_Border is lurking here . and lurking there. As usual we have lost some 'refugees' in the Kaos .. Some are at GateWorld. and GateFans .. May the gods be with the Galactica and walk with you always .. This Board will be leaving me as a 'Peacekeeper' - and I wouldn't have it any other way.

#44 yongjin02

Returnee

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- Full Members
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- 883 posts

Posted 29 November 2010 - 07:46 PM

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#45 SunshineAlien

Contactee



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- 662 posts

Posted 29 November 2010 - 10:11 PM

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I agree that this would be fascinating. Sadly, on experience to date, I have zero belief that anything this imaginative was ever even considered.

#46 ariallie

Dune Messiah



- Full Members
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- 2,913 posts

Posted 30 November 2010 - 02:59 AM

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I'm glad you mentioned Boxey. It was pretty obvious Boomer was only trying to make the orphaned child feel like he had a family. It was in the same vein as someone telling a child "you're the man of the house now" when Daddy goes away on a business trip. There was never serious consideration of Boxey being a new recruit. He was eventually farmed out to another ship, or so the showrunners said. He was another one of their not-too-well-thought-out ideas that went nowhere. Did you see any soldiers on Battlestar Galactica who looked to be that young? I didn't, and I've watched the series through three times. Where did you get "15?" A new Adama baby would have been 12 at enlistment to be able to reach "45 years of service" on the day of the attacks.

#47 Macster

Peacekeeper



- Full Members
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- 428 posts

Posted 30 November 2010 - 09:44 AM

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#48 mirrorloki

Viper Pilot



- Full Members
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- 198 posts

Posted 30 November 2010 - 11:20 AM

'ariallie', on 29 Nov 2010 - 23:59, said:

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"The Good ended happily and the Bad unhappily. And that is what we call fiction"

#49 ariallie

Dune Messiah



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Posted 30 November 2010 - 12:18 PM

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#50 Macster

Peacekeeper



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- 428 posts

Posted 30 November 2010 - 12:52 PM

'ariallie', on 30 Nov 2010 - 09:18, said: ☺

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I don't disagree with you that they've unnecessarily created plot holes. I'm not trying to patch anything myself, I'm just pointing out that it's not impossible to do and that they can patch things if that's what they want to do. That would be better in my opinion than just leaving the gaping plot hole open. Also, as has been pointed out on this forum, Willie also created some plot holes. Finally, I'm not going to get sucked into yet another debate about the merits or lack thereof of *BSG*'s finale.

#51 STO1331

Mansquito



- Full Members
- 19 posts

Posted 30 November 2010 - 01:39 PM

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Mansquito



- Full Members
- 6 posts

Posted 30 November 2010 - 04:36 PM

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What we saw in the end was simply those same two angels in the physical form we had seen them in earlier.

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Posted 30 November 2010 - 05:16 PM

'Mountainbrook', on 30 Nov 2010 - 13:36, said:

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#54 **ariallie**

Dune Messiah



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#55 ST01331

Mansquito



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Posted 30 November 2010 - 05:48 PM

from what i remember Hera makes it to earth 2.0 and cylons do as well so your theory has holes in it sorry to break your bubble but im not buying then after they jump countless times they just happen to find a planet to live on hahaha! then baltar a HUMAN can project he is not seeing things hes projecting something only cylons can do? hey if your satisfied with that lame ending enjoy i think it fraking sucks!

#56 ST01331

Mansquito



- Full Members
- 19 posts

Posted 30 November 2010 - 05:54 PM

you all are confusing me!

#57 STO1331

Mansquito



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Posted 30 November 2010 - 06:07 PM

there is no way of knowing which version of 6 and baltar it is everything said is all speculation the ending jumps 150,000 years in the future how do you know 6 and baltar didnt create more cylons? you dont maybe helen told them how to do it im not gonna sit here and pretend to be some BSG geek but do cylons even age? I know without the resurrection if they die they are fracked the ending sucked like it if you want im done

#58 Macster

Peacekeeper



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#59 ariallie

Dune Messiah



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Posted 30 November 2010 - 07:03 PM

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Thanks for the clarification, **Macster**. Terrible to admit, but I didn't pay nearly as much attention during *The Plan* as I did during the whole of *BSG*. Perhaps I was still stinging from my disappointment and anger at the finale. I'll have to watch it again, now that I no longer feel so much resentment.

#60 ddt73

Psychohistorian



- Full Members
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- 10,967 posts

Posted 30 November 2010 - 07:24 PM

'DoomGuy91', on 24 Nov 2010 - 16:35, said:

SPOILERS FOR "HERE BE DRAGONS"

Ok we were led to believe that Willie Adama was William Adama. NOT.

Willie dies in this episode. Im sure then that William Adama will be born to that other woman with Joseph (forget her name).

BUT

That would make him around 57 years old during the miniseries. I thought he was in his 60's.

The Caprica pilot started 58 years before the miniseries and this also now creates a plot hole with the cylon war. Shown in razor flashbacks, William was in his 20's at the end of the war. This happened around 18 1/2 years after Caprica (war lasted 12 1/2 years and Caprica takes place 6 years before the war since the war ended 40 years before the miniseries).

EDIT: Also if you think about it, if they let this William Adama be the one in BSG..then that would create a plot hole as well.

It has been said that Blood And Chrome will deal with William right after he has finished viper training. The show will also start on the 10th year of the war. William would be in his early 20's at this time.

If "William Adama" in Caprica who was around 11 years old, was the same one in BSG, that would have made him 27 at the time Blood and Chrome starts, this conflicts with that. He wouldn't have been some rookie. After all Blood and Chrome is when Adama firsts enters the war (so it takes place 2 1/2 years before razor flashbacks). If he was 27 then, he would have fought in the earlier years of the war since he was old enough.

And by this William Adama not being the real one. Then BSG William would have been at the most 16 or 15 years old when Blood and Chrome starts.

Wouldn't he then be to young and short to be a viper pilot

So either way their would have been plot holes.

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Thanks to Ruth (NewbieUK) for my wonderful banner!

Ship's Information and Technology Officer

Cause I'm Lee, and you're Kara, the rest of it isn't worth a damn.

131 replies to this topic

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It has been said that Blood And Chrome will deal with William right after he has finished viper training. The show will also start on the 10th year of the war. William would be in his early 20's at this time.

If "William Adama" in Caprica who was around 11 years old, was the same one in BSG, that would have made him 27 at the time Blood and Chrome starts, this conflicts with that. He wouldn't have been some rookie. After all Blood and Chrome is when Adama firsts enters the war (so it takes place 2 1/2 years before razor flashbacks). If he was 27 then, he would have fought in the earlier years of the war since he was old enough.

And by this William Adama not being the real one. Then BSG William would have been at the most 16 or 15 years old when Blood and Chrome starts.

Wouldn't he then be to young and short to be a viper pilot

So either way their would have been plot holes.

Willie Adama in Caprica is 9 years old in the pilot (his age is in the script), in B&C Adama will be in his early 20s (hasn't been nailed down yet how old he'll be yet far as I know). I would consider the early 20s to be anywhere from 20 to 23 at the latest. The events of Caprica would have to happen over no more then 4 years time (at the very most) before the war starts. This means Willie would be 13 by time the war starts at the oldest for it to work. Probably the biggest reason they didn't nail down his age for B&C is they aren't sure how long the events in Caprica would go.

If Willie is dead then there would be a big problem with the timeline, if not they are doing okay with it.

My big issue would be a few years is not enough time for cylons to infiltrate life on the colonies. At the moment the general public knows nothing about cylons. I think it would take at least 5 to 6 years minimum from the time they are introduced to the public before they would be widespread. Look at any new technology it takes several years before it becomes accepted. Would such a short "enslavement" warrant such hatred by the cylons? They are put to work for a few years and would suddenly want the destruction of all humanity? Doesn't quite click with me. I try not to think about this. Wait till I see how it starts before I make any final judgment. I'm sure they will try and sell the reasons cylons war with the colonists, but I'm not so sure I'll buy it.





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Posted 30 November 2010 - 10:34 PM

'ariallie', on 30 Nov 2010 - 16:36, said:

You've been here a lot longer than most of us. Do you think Joe B. from Battlestar Wiki ///
/// I quoted him on
page two of this thread (post # 21).

EDIT: Oops, that's post # 21.

No I was trying to avoid spoilers. I wouldn't think he was lying. If it's true then like I said it would be a huge plot hole. There's just no way to make the timeline work, unless I'm missing something.

On one hand I wouldn't have a problem with this. Forgetting the timeline for the moment, it would give time for the cylons to become an every day fixture in colonial life. This was a bigger issue to me like I said in an earlier post. Also it would give time for Joe Adama to become the character we heard about in BSG. William Adama is the son of Evelyn and Joseph Adama according to BSG, so again it makes sense if you ignore the timeline.

The timeline just doesn't work, which is odd cause they did adjust the fall to 58 from 51 years (this was in script and also an early version of the pilot). Simply put at best it will be less then 57 years to the fall by time Adama is born. If he's 20 by war end, then it's 37 years to the fall, it just doesn't work. If they had changed it to even 61 years to the fall it would be at least be feasible.

I'll have to see the episode before I can say more.



Thanks to Ruth (NewbieUK) for my wonderful banner!

Ship's Information and Technology Officer

Cause I'm Lee, and you're Kara, the rest of it isn't worth a damn.

#65  STO1331

Mansquito



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Posted 30 November 2010 - 11:41 PM

oh so i watched The Plan oh and everything is so much fraking clearer. all it did was remind me of all the cylon incest lmao maker on maker, maker on creation, and brother on sister. sick freaks! It so fraking funny when the cylons attack at the beginning they have over 100 base stars for 12 planets overkill they would have killed everything in that solar system with that kind of power. The one thing i was hoping to see was how the one's boxed the 2's and what the frak he did to the 7's not a bunch of **** i already knew. im not gonna sit here and say it sucked but again so much more could have been revealed. It was entertaining enough I guess would not waste 2 hours watching it again. One thing I found really interesting is how hell bent the one's are at keeping the final 5 a secret but he's allowed to know hes such a ***** with a god complex but why he keeps it a secret not revealed annoying! stabs a little kid what a piece of garbage that was just wrong. The when hes about to get air locked hes tells one of his models he is gonna box him classic I didn't need to watch The Plan to tell me the One's were a\$\$holes I knew this already!

#66  Macster

Peacekeeper



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Posted 01 December 2010 - 08:18 AM

The bottom line is, "He's dead, Jim."

#67 Scrawny71

Wacky Professor



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Posted 01 December 2010 - 11:01 AM

'Mountainbrook', on 30 Nov 2010 - 13:36, said:

Starbucks' ending truly was unsatisfying but 6 (Caprica) and Baltar didn't become angels. The "angel" sometimes referred to by fans as "Head 6" was around since the beginning of the series and the angel known as "Head Baltar" appeared later on. Remember this from early in the series:

Baltar: Well, you're not a chip. That we've established.

#6: Yes.

Baltar: But Sharon being pregnant does suggest that you are rather more than a simple manifestation of my subconscious. And I'm not... crazy?

#6: No.

Baltar: Then who... or what... are you, exactly?

#6: I'm an angel from god sent here to protect you. To guide you, to love you.

Baltar: To what end?

#6: To the end of the human race.

What we saw in the end was simply those same two angels in the physical form we had seen them in earlier.

That conversation is useful, but for balance see the conversations from the miniseries as quoted here in the BSG Forum a few days ago. While the "I'm an angel" quote can be taken literally or as a glib remark, the "I'm a cylon" quotes are not ironic in the least. Of course, maybe she was fibbing both times. However, in the early days I kind of took it that she was Caprica Six, having been copied/transferred to that big cylon suopercomputer in the sky; hence no discrepancy.

You'd do it for Randolph Scott.

#68 Scrawny71

Wacky Professor



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Posted 01 December 2010 - 11:38 AM

'Acrux_Draconis', on 30 Nov 2010 - 18:29, said:

I can see it now here is what is written on the board at a typical writers meeting.

"If we can't dazzle the viewers with our writing skills and keep their attention with the quality of our work and our skills at story telling then, when the show is cancelled after a year or so, we keep them interested by creating plot holes, inconsistencies, continuity errors and shock effects"

This board could do with a "thumbs up" emoticon.

I challenge anyone to identify a mythology or belief system that lost many followers through inconsistency or gained them by being consistent. A good robust mythology is scrutiny-proof and can proclaim two mutually-exclusive "truths" without fear of suffering from it.

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#69 ddt73

Psychohistorian



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- 10,967 posts

Posted 01 December 2010 - 05:23 PM

Okay I've seen the eppy, yeah there is a plot hole and potentially another, I find I don't care. ***

To sum up my point with no spoilers. I'll take an easy to fix but definite plot hole, when the finale ties up

things so much better then it's predecessor did.



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#70 AllIveEverTouched

Contactee



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Posted 01 December 2010 - 05:52 PM

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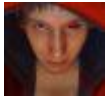
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#71 AllIveEverTouched

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Posted 01 December 2010 - 06:22 PM

Also for those who think the creators didn't care about the time please watch:

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#72 <yongjin02

Returnee

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- 883 posts

Posted 01 December 2010 - 08:34 PM

'ariallie', on 29 Nov 2010 - 23:59, said:

I'm glad you mentioned Boxey. It was pretty obvious Boomer was only trying to make the orphaned child feel like he had a family. It was in the same vein as someone telling a child "you're the man of the house now" when Daddy goes away on a business trip. There was never serious consideration of Boxey being a new recruit. He was eventually farmed out to another ship, or so the showrunners said. He was another one of their not-too-well-thought-out ideas that went nowhere. Did you see any soldiers on Battlestar Galactica who looked to be that young? I didn't, and I've watched the series through three times. Where did you get "15?" A new Adama baby would have been 12 at enlistment to be able to reach "45 years of service" on the day of the attacks.

I got the 15 from someone else's post earlier on. I responded to that one with the statements in "daybreak" when Adama states that any one over 15 can volunteer for the mission against the colony to rescue Hera. I don't think that Adama, or anyone else would just pull that number off the top of their head-most decisions are usually made with standing traditions/criteria as a point of reference. If not he could have called for 12, 13, 17 or 20 yr olds. To me, it always seemed like the Boxey character was just another attempt to try and bring as many character names from the original series to the re-creation, possibly trying to establish more familiarity in the mini-series with the original 70's show (??) only needing to be "weeded" out once the series got going.


But then, everything on these threads should be opinion shouldn't they? I never thought that forums were places to profess statements of "fact" based on what one says and then try to lambaste others for their opinions. I do not see how any one can say anything on here, concerning plot lines or show events, with so much certainty, If that were the case then I would think everyone would need to start doing some academic style citations to back up what they say. And back to the age thing. No I never did see anyone on the crew that looked that young, but then again (caution more opinion ahead) the Galactica was being de-commissioned, that suggests that she probably did not have a full crew and that new recruits would have been assigned elsewhere.

#73  yongjin02

Returnee

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Posted 01 December 2010 - 08:55 PM

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#74 Macster

Peacekeeper



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Posted 01 December 2010 - 08:56 PM

'AllIveEverTouched', on 01 Dec 2010 - 15:22, said:

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Interesting, but the video you're aiming for did not launch when I clicked on the link. I had to search for it and guess what you were aiming for. I assume it's the video clip entitled "58 years." One has to go search for it below the video screen.


Anyway, it is even more glaringly ridiculous that these guys gave the timeline that much thought and still produced this plot hole. As I've said before, it is a plot hole that can be patched, but it would have been easy not to create it to begin with. Of course, that's easy for me to say since I'm looking back with

hindsight and am not in the position of the writers.

#75 Macster

Peacekeeper



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Posted 01 December 2010 - 09:02 PM

'yongjin02', on 01 Dec 2010 - 17:55, said:

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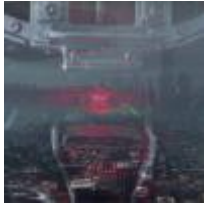
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#76 CaproCaine

Peacekeeper



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Posted 01 December 2010 - 09:25 PM

Some of us were talking about his military record over in the 'Here Be Dragons' thread. I think we were trying to make sense of the Caprican calendar.

According to some sites the war is reactivated 40 years after the armistice, which might push it to 21-351. As noted Billy Adama, not Willy Adama, was born 21-290 so he could be at least 61 at on-set of the holocaust. I have assumed that the journey to cross the Universe took 3 years which brings his age to 64 which correlates to Edward James Olmos's actual age. Contrary to the 69-73 year mark that I remember reading about.

The first Cylon war lasted 12.5 years. Interesting.

So if he joined up when he was 15 that year is most logically 21-305. To put it politely he was forced out of service. Possibly because he didn't want his rank lowered or receive a pay cut.

Sorry I'm just amusing myself.

Further: Possible addendum:

(Edited: Billy Adama is born in the year 21-290 making him at least 21 years of age when he received his first commission:D6/21-311.)

C2 /21-351? - Commander: BattleStar Galactica: During the Holocaust

Don't forget that the dossier was created around 20-06, our years, which means he could be 61-62-63 using the Tauron/ Caprican calendar. So that 45 years includes his service to the Fleet and civilians after the fall. That also changes his age of enlistment from 15 to at least 17(21-307) that is if we all don't believe that a person that young couldn't join up and have his arms/ legs blown off.

This math might even take in account there is a 3 year gap in service. That is if he wasn't out spying on


Cylon forces in the greater Universe.

Gate_Boarder is lurking here . and lurking there. As usual we have lost some 'refugees' in the Kaos .. Some are at GateWorld. and GateFans .. May the gods be with the Galactica and walk with you always .. This Board will be leaving me as a 'Peacekeeper' - and I wouldn't have it any other way.

#77  **DoomGuy91**

Minbari



- Full Members
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Posted 01 December 2010 - 09:29 PM

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#78  **Macster**

Peacekeeper



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Posted 01 December 2010 - 09:46 PM

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I've not seen the episode yet, but going by all the recaps they did jump ahead in time, but clearly this kid is four or five unless he is very short and young looking for his age.

#79 AllIveEverTouched

Contactee



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Posted 01 December 2010 - 09:49 PM

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Yes I did mean the 58 Years video. Thank you for pointing that out.

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#80 Macster

Peacekeeper



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Posted 01 December 2010 - 09:59 PM

I really question whether killing off Willy Adama was the original game plan. I have suspicions that may have been a rewrite at midseason based on David Eick's obvious disappointment (expressed openly in podcasts) in the young actor playing the role. So they decided to kill him off without thinking through or perhaps in spite of the plot problems it might cause. Eick doesn't seem to me to be the kind that really cares a lot about plot holes and I base that on his commentary in the Caprica podcasts.


131 replies to this topic

#81 yongjin02

Returnee

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Posted 01 December 2010 - 10:07 PM

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#82  STO1331

Mansquito



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Posted 01 December 2010 - 10:12 PM

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im x-army i never herd it either! i dont even know what the frak it means

#84 yongjin02

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well according to some on here, there is nothing to clear up! If you would have been paying attention all the while then all would be clear to you (L O L sarcastically)! But really, I am with you...some think that, I guess, you should be taking everything at face value as and when presented. That nothing is done to lead into any other plot line or future series. All I can say is wait for B&C then maybe will see more unfolded

#85 **Macster**

Peacekeeper



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Posted 01 December 2010 - 10:34 PM

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Who knows what kind of record it is. They purposely borrowed things from our real world, but not others as part of the premise that every time human civilization starts and restarts it is pretty similar. It's the whole "it's all happened before" thing. Regarding the file, like I said, it looks a little like a promotion file.

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#86 yongjin02

Returnee

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- Full Members
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- 883 posts

Posted 02 December 2010 - 12:01 AM

'Macster', on 01 Dec 2010 - 19:34, said:

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#87 Macster

Peacekeeper



- Full Members
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- 428 posts

Posted 02 December 2010 - 07:28 AM

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#88 ddt73

Psychohistorian



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- 10,967 posts

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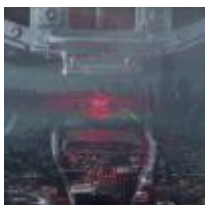
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Ship's Information and Technology Officer

Cause I'm Lee, and you're Kara, the rest of it isn't worth a damn.

#89 CaproCaine

Peacekeeper



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- Full Members
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- 574 posts

Posted 02 December 2010 - 08:48 PM

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Returnee

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Posted 02 December 2010 - 09:21 PM

'CaproCaine', on 02 Dec 2010 - 17:48, said:

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thinking if not, then why not have Adama call for any age, or 12 or 60 and over? I think the timeline of caprica and the use of 15 as a possible age of consent have relevance. But like I said before, with Adama's youth now being fairly common (not a cylon, not a skin job) it does not really matter too much other than a "mechanical" thing the writers need to work out, or just hope everyone forgets about it

#92 DoomGuy91

Minbari



- Full Members
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- 246 posts

Posted 03 December 2010 - 01:16 AM

I think the only way to fix the issue is that..

WARNING SPOILERS FOR APOTHEOSIS

Bill Adama shown at the end was adopted, and it was not in fact a time jump. He looked around 3-4 years old, if they time jumped, it would have been 3 to 4 years before the 1st cylon war. This would conflict with BSG 2003 as well as Blood and Chrome.

However if he was adopted, and they didn't time jump, then perhaps it would work.

#93 Vipergirl100

Sleestak



- Full Members
- 71 posts

Posted 03 December 2010 - 01:34 AM

I think they time jumped...and Bill was Evelyn and Joseph's genetic child.

#94 OdinsRevenge

Caprican

- Full Members
- 37 posts

Posted 03 December 2010 - 05:39 AM

'AllIveEverTouched', on 01 Dec 2010 - 14:52, said:

This is worth repeating here:

The "45 years" statement is said aloud by Tory at the beginning of "Hero". The rest is written in the dossier that Tory and Laura look over. Also inside the dossier is Adama's birthyear:

H5/21290

If the second number corresponds to years that makes Adama 58 when he becomes Commander of Galactica. It also makes him 21 at the time of his first commission.

Then actually the new Bill Adama born to Evelyn and Joseph is just about the right age. Caprica took place 58 years before the fall (start of BSG). The first William Adama was 11 that would have made him 69 at the start of the fall.

The new born Billy Adama could have been conceived even while the first William Adama was still alive, or shortly after his death. Joe and Evelyn were having the old bumpity bump already ...lol. Add nine months to that and realistically could have been born within the same year Caprica series started. After all the whole time span of the movie lasted only a few months, in actually time span.

Worst case scenario, he was born the following year and perhaps the dates of Caprica's start could have been off by 1 year..lol. 59 years before fall instead of 58.. . 58 years wasn't an exact to the day and month figure of time...lol.

Another point with the up coming Blood and Chrome series. They never actually stated his age in the webisodes/Razor flashbacks. During those episodes the time when he found the lab and the war ended just as he was relaying his findings to Galactica, he could have been only 18 years old and not in his twenties. I believe someone who once stated he was around twenty or so during that time, was only a guess by his visual appearance. If in fact he was 18 at that time would work out perfectly for the time period, as well. That would have made him 58 at the start of BSG.


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WILLIAM ADAMA TELLS ABOUT HIS FULL COMBAT HISTORY IN ONE SIMPLE VIDEO

#95 CaproCaine

Peacekeeper



- Full Members
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- 574 posts

Posted 03 December 2010 - 02:29 PM

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#96 **yongjin02**

Returnee

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#97 yongjin02

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#98 STO1331

Mansquito



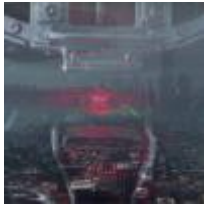
- Full Members
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Posted 04 December 2010 - 08:31 PM

ok so between the first cylon war and second 40 years go by. now if willie "bill" adama 2.0 from caprica and BSG are the same people then the first war would start when he is about 15 and the first war lasts 12 years. $40+12+15=67$ thats 5 years unaccounted for because they discover earth 2.0 when "bill" adama is 62 someone tell me my math is fraking wrong or im a idiot cause i still dont get it!

#99 CaproCaine

Peacekeeper



- Full Members
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- 574 posts

Posted 04 December 2010 - 11:47 PM

The Caprican calendar has at least 21,000 years in it.

Bill Adama is born in 21290. He basically joins up when he could be 15 years of age. When he is 21 the war comes to an end, but the war resumes 40(21351) years after that. So using my math he would of been 61 years of age during the Holocaust. I suspect he could of been at least 65 when the remaining Colonial forces made it to Earth 2. For various reasons I am ignoring the happenings that occurred on the 'Caprica' show. As they played fast and loose with the timeline.

Your math is quite reasonable.

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#101 **yongjin02**

Returnee

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- Full Members
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- 883 posts

Posted 05 December 2010 - 12:15 AM

'STO1331', on 01 Dec 2010 - 19:16, said:

im x-army i never herd it either! i dont even know what the frak it means

so what was your MOS?

#102 **DarthAntiSpank**

Superhero



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- Full Members
- ●●●
- 3,835 posts

Posted 07 December 2010 - 08:42 PM

The answer to this mystery was in the script all along.
Adama is a Cylon.

A special message to all my enemies:

#103 **Astacius**

Contactee



- Full Members
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- 650 posts

Posted 07 December 2010 - 09:15 PM

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This series bible, is it an online thing, or is it in print and where can I get/read it? This is the second time I've heard of this 'bible,' first in the Science Of Battlestar Galatica book I just purchased a few weeks ago and now here in your post.

#104 Macster

Peacekeeper



- Full Members
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- 428 posts

Posted 07 December 2010 - 09:23 PM

'yongjin02', on 04 Dec 2010 - 21:15, said:

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#105 Macster

Peacekeeper



- Full Members
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- 428 posts

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#106 yongjin02

Returnee

- Full Members
- ●●
- 883 posts

Posted 07 December 2010 - 10:09 PM

'ariallie', on 30 Nov 2010 - 14:38, said:

I think what we saw were the same "head creatures" as in the finale, both during the Colony attack and in NYC. Given the inconsistencies and self-serving speeches of "head Six," throughout the series, I always believed (and still do) that these creatures were BSG's version of visitors from the Q Continuum of TNG. But I do believe the Starbuck who returned after *Maelstrom* represented something more spiritual; she just didn't realize what she was until she landed on our Earth.


I think RDM intended us to interpret what we saw as we wanted to, so apparently there is no "right" or "wrong" answer. But I do agree these particular head creatures never took physical form. The Six who framed Baltar was the only one who ever took human form (then she just disappeared). Sounds a lot like a Q to me. Yet many people walked away thinking the head creatures were angels...

Well, I thought the disappearance of Shelly Godfrey (Six) was explained in The Plan--Cavil air-locked her didn't he? He used her to send a message back (through her "downloading/resurrection") to the others (?)

I kind of got the feeling that the "angel" six and Baltar were RDM's takes on those "beings of light" (see this link [http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Seraph_\(Battlestar_Galactica\)](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Seraph_(Battlestar_Galactica))) types from the original BSG--- the new series takes a lot of cue's from the first (besides all the obvious of course!) in such things as episode titles and such, Any how just my take

#107 yongjin02

Returnee

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Posted 07 December 2010 - 10:12 PM

'Macster', on 07 Dec 2010 - 18:23, said:


What was yours?

Yeah, I thought we spoke on this before? Weren't you the one who was a 91B? Anyhow I was a 82c (now 13s) Field Artillery Surveyor. Retired in 2005 with 20yrs.

Also, I think you already answered the mom and lighter question for me too..but thanks again

#108 yongjin02

Returnee


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Posted 07 December 2010 - 10:16 PM

triple post sorry

#109 yongjin02

Returnee

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Posted 07 December 2010 - 10:16 PM

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#110 DarthAntiSpank

Superhero



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- Full Members
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- 3,835 posts

Posted 07 December 2010 - 10:41 PM

'Astacius', on 07 Dec 2010 - 18:15, said:

This series bible, is it an online thing, or is it in print and where can I get/read it? This is the second time I've heard of this 'bible,' first in the Science Of Battlestar Galatica book I just purchased a few weeks ago and now here in your post.

Check your PMs.

A special message to all my enemies:

#111 yongjin02

Returnee

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- 883 posts

Posted 07 December 2010 - 10:42 PM

'yongjin02', on 07 Dec 2010 - 19:09, said:

Well, I thought the disappearance of Shelly Godfrey (Six) was explained in The Plan-- Cavil air-locked her didn't he? He used her to send a message back (through her "downloading/resurrection") to the others here's a link on this http://en.battlestar.../Shelly_Godfrey

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#112 CaproCaine

Peacekeeper



- Full Members
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- 574 posts

Posted 07 December 2010 - 10:53 PM

If you are still talking about 'Joseph's' lighter think- Shannon Adams/ Adama.

Gate_Boarder is lurking here . and lurking there. As usual we have lost some 'refugees' in the Kaos .. Some are at GateWorld. and GateFans .. May the gods be with the Galactica and walk with you always .. This Board will be leaving me as a 'Peacekeeper' - and I wouldn't have it any other way.

#113 Macster

Peacekeeper



- Full Members
- ●
- 428 posts

Posted 08 December 2010 - 06:43 AM

'CaproCaine', on 07 Dec 2010 - 19:53, said: 


If you are still talking about 'Joseph's' lighter think- Shannon Adams/ Adama.

I would say think-Eveyln. She is the one that gave Joe the lighter when he was in law school. They knew each other even then. That is clearly stated in a Caprica episode.


#114 Macster

Peacekeeper



- Full Members
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- 428 posts

Posted 08 December 2010 - 06:47 AM

'yongjin02', on 07 Dec 2010 - 19:12, said: 

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We did, but you never mentioned your own MOS to my recollection.

#115 Acrux_Draconis

Dune Messiah



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ted 08 December 2010 - 04:41 PM

that is the problem with it all. So the "first" Bill Adama in Caprica was killed, but his mother was pregnant with the "second" Bill Adama when the "first" one died So the "second" Bill Adama is the one in G and his parents named him Bill in order to honor the "First" You know what I smell? B**%S*%\$T

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<<<<<<<Who dares to love forever>>>>>>>>>

16 Macster

Peacekeeper



- Full Members
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ted 08 December 2010 - 05:01 PM

ruux Draconis', on 08 Dec 2010 - 13:41, said:

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agree there is a bit of an odor coming off of this one, but the fact is that they (a) either planned this

from the start or (they realized their plot mistake too late and had to do this in order for the continuity to be correct. If it is the former, it is kind of a cheap (and smelly) trick to do, but a trick for which signs were provided throughout the season. If it was the latter, then I would rather them do this than just leave the glaring plot inconsistencies hanging out there. At least this way there are less than incredible ways to patch the holes remaining. I think they've done that by just having Adama join up at an early age (by our standards).

#117 yongjin02

Returnee

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- Full Members
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- 883 posts

Posted 08 December 2010 - 06:47 PM

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I am thinking it was intentional...I mean, what other reasons were there for making EJO wear colored contacts to give him blue eyes--close-ups that show clearly the bright blue eyes of the young Lt Adama in RAZOR (wonder if they made that kid wear contacts too?) Why else do those things then-get a kid with diff eye color for CAPRICA, kill him off-then bring in the kid with blue eyes again ? I think this crowd of show creators do this little things intentionally...for reasons "yet to be seen" (fingers crossed)

PS--MACSTER, sorry if I didn't tell my MOS b4..nothing intentional

#118 WayneHurlburt

Peacekeeper



- Full Members
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- 410 posts

Posted 08 December 2010 - 09:29 PM

'Acrux_Draconis', on 08 Dec 2010 - 13:41, said: ☺

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It wasn't the first Willy Adama's mother that was pregnant (she had already died and her name was Shannon), it was Joseph's new girlfriend (Evelyn) who is the real William Adama's mother from the BSG series.

It was already a known fact that the William Adama from BSG series parents were Joseph and Evelyn Adama, so this definitely had to be planned from the start, not just a mistake cover-up. (see image below)

Also they named him Billy to honor his grandfather's name (Joseph's father's name) in a new way. That is what he stated in the visual. Apparently the first William was named to honor his grandfather, so when they also named the new baby this, it was done to honor his name in a new way. (Watch the scene again, in my signature video, it clearly states his name was to honor his father's [Joseph's father] name, in a new way).

#119 WayneHurlburt

Peacekeeper



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- Full Members
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- 410 posts

Posted 08 December 2010 - 10:22 PM

'Macster', on 08 Dec 2010 - 14:01, said:

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As far as having the 2 different William Adama's, this may be a way to fix the error in BSG's age mix-up of William Adama's age during the first war. Bare with me here...lol. I may be actually putting off the writer's of Caprica smarter than we thought...lol.

The second William Adama's age now work's out perfectly (for all intence and purposes) to coincide with his involvement in the first war as well as his age in the second war of 58 years.

Caprica took place 58 years before the fall (start of the second war). The second William Adama being born in this year, would make him 58 at the time of the second war. The gap between the end of the first war and the start of the second war was 40 years, meaning William Adama would have to of been 18 at the end of the first war. The war lasted 12 years making William Adama 6 at the start of the first cylon uprising.

Now if we were to take the first William Adama and do some age projection (assuming anyone looking for a background on the great William Adama could potentially have the chance of pulling up the wrong William Adama's birth records...lol, hense possible setting up a scenario that would put some perspective of the confusion of BSG's error in having 2 different age scenarios of William Adama...lol).

William Adama being 11 years old, add 58 years(which would be the start of the second war) making him 69 years old. Subtract the 40 year gap between the first and second wars, that makes the First William Adama 29 years old at the end of the first war. Subtract another 12 years would make him 17 years old at the start of the first war. One of the age scenarios claims that William Adama was 16 at the start of the first war, well 16-17 is pretty close (depending on his actual birthday - month/day etc., this could be flexible).

I'm not trying to give the writers any undo credit here, but this would actually throw some reasoning behind the apparent differences in William Adama's age at the start and end of the first war with the cylons. Seeing that the BSG series caused this discrepancy, not Caprica, having 2 William Adama's could be an insightful way of putting out a possible explanation of where the age difference confusion was derived from....lol.

Just some insight I noticed and would be good logic as to why the 2 separate William Adama's were needed. This may or may not answer all the age discrepancy questions, but definitely gives more justification of the BSG background, as a whole, of how and why there could be any discrepancy at all to his age. With only one William Adama it really leaves a bigger hole in this age issue, the BSG had already created, before Caprica.

#120 yongjin02

Returnee

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- 883 posts

Posted 08 December 2010 - 10:37 PM

SO maybe he enlisted using his dead brother's birth certificate?



I smell a Plot Hole

Started by DoomGuy91, Nov 24 2010 07:35 PM

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#121 WayneHurlburt

Peacekeeper



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Posted 08 December 2010 - 10:40 PM

'yongjin02', on 08 Dec 2010 - 19:37, said:

SO maybe he enlisted using his dead brother's birth certificate?

That's not a bad suggestion about him using his brother's birth certificate...lol. Maybe he needed it to join at an earlier age.....

I was just throwing that idea out there as some of the age scenarios seem to correlate to the first William Adama, whereas another to the new one...lol. So maybe Caprica's writers needed to introduce the two separate Bill's, to satisfy, or at least attempt to fix BSG's error in timelines..lol.

I hadn't really even thought about the issue until seeing the actual new William in that last episode. To tell the truth I hadn't even really even thought about the age discrepancies of the first William as well as his mother...lol. His mother's name, alone wouldn't allow him to have been the William Adama from BSG.....

#122 RollingPaper

Superhero



- Full Members
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- 3,369 posts

Posted 10 December 2010 - 01:36 AM

I feel like vomiting on someone.

Looking for love in all the wrong places.

#123 RollingPaper

Superhero



- Full Members
- ●●●●
- 3,369 posts

Posted 10 December 2010 - 02:22 AM

What?

No volunteers?

Looking for love in all the wrong places.

#124 STO1331

Mansquito



- Full Members
- 19 posts

Posted 11 December 2010 - 07:02 PM

ok you BSG nerds who say im fraking crazy and i dont know what im fraking talking about you all need to go back to season #2 when the Pegasus (sp) comes. Dr. Baltar goes on the ship to examine the cylon prisoner OH NO ITS A 6 MODEL! The supposed ANGEL SENT FROM GOD says "that's me". so right fraking there you brain surgeons your angel is nothing but a fraking cylon like i have been saying all along and to support my theory i will also remind you that in the season finale baltar can project! dont hate on Caprica you want the truth about BSG if not for 6 and Baltar the show \$uck\$ monkey nut\$! caprica was never given a chance by Sci-Fi pre mature ***** of the show and the ***** time slot. Caprica makes BSG look like the toilet it just does the same thing over and over and over. SORRY TO RUIN YOUR FANTANSY THE 6 AND BALTAR AT THE END OF THE SERIES ARE NOT ANGELS WHEN I FIND MORE PROOF ILL BE THROWING IT IN YOUR FACE =)

#125 jenn13Gabriel

Peacekeeper



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- 485 posts

Posted 11 December 2010 - 08:13 PM

'STO1331', on 11 Dec 2010 - 16:02, said:

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#126 STO1331

Mansquito



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Posted 11 December 2010 - 09:55 PM

'jenn13Gabriel', on 11 Dec 2010 - 17:13, said:

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IM A FRAKING DE-RAILER I POST IN ANY FRAKING POST I WANT! BSG \$VCKS!

#127 jenn13Gabriel

Peacekeeper



- Full Members
- 485 posts

Posted 11 December 2010 - 10:04 PM

'STO1331', on 11 Dec 2010 - 18:55, said:

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ok. just making sure.

#128 RollingPaper

Superhero



- Full Members
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- 3,369 posts

Posted 12 December 2010 - 01:40 AM

This isn't going to end very good, and you know it you guilty bastards.

Looking for love in all the wrong places.

#129 yongjin02

Returnee

- Full Members
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- 883 posts

Posted 12 December 2010 - 11:50 AM

'STO1331', on 11 Dec 2010 - 16:02, said:

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she says "that's me" to get Baltar's attention, to draw on Baltar's feelings for the 6 models....the angels who appear --to Baltar, Six and Starbuck--do so in the form of familiarity. "those who see angels...(see

them) take the form of those nearest and dearest to them..." Gaius Baltar (BSG ep "Islanded in a stream of Stars").

Baltar sees his angel in the form of Caprica 6 and himself (remember Baltar is near and dear to himself)

Six sees Baltar

Starbuck sees her father

#130 Macster

Peacekeeper



- Full Members
- ●
- 428 posts

Posted 12 December 2010 - 04:30 PM

Don't feed the trolls. Especially stupid trolls.

#131 yongjin02

Returnee

- Full Members
- ●●
- 883 posts

Posted 12 December 2010 - 09:57 PM

'Macster', on 12 Dec 2010 - 13:30, said:

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didn't know, thanks

#132 RollingPaper

Superhero



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- 3,369 posts

Posted 13 December 2010 - 02:00 AM

Nibble on a pencil, works for me.

Looking for love in all the wrong places.