THE SARAH JA! E ADVE!

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CONTINUOUS from Episode One.

13 year old SKY stands paralyzed with fear. As SARAH JANE, CLYDE and RANI look on in amazement.

RANI

What just happened?

SARAH JANE

I think Sky just grew up.

CLYDE

With no birthdays? That's just rubbish.

THE METALKIND has stalled, hesitating...

THE METALKIND

I am too late...

MISS MYERS, a little further off, her arms spread in triumph.

MISS MYERS

Face your destruction, Metalkind! The child is your doom!

FX SHOT: An involuntary pulse of SKY ENERGY (another colour, somehow more aggressive than the angel energy) bursts from Sky.

She screams with fear and confusion.

SKY

What's happening to me?!

FX SHOT: The energy hits the Metalkind in the chest - throws it off its feet and across the floor.

Sarah Jane lunges towards Sky, holds her.

SARAH JANE

Sky, don't be frightened.

The Metalkind is badly hurt. Incapacitated.

MISS MYERS

Again, my child!

 ${\tt FX~SHOT:}$ Sky looks at her hands - energy fizzing around them.

SKY

What am I?

MISS MYERS

You are the hammer to crush the Metalkind! You are the weapon and the salvation of our species! Destroy your enemy!

But Sarah Jane holds Sky tight, Looks into her eyes.

SARAH JANE

No, Sky. You don't have to destroy anything. You don't have any enemies! Just be calm. Trust me. It's all right.

And in Sky's eyes - recognition.

SKY

Sarah Jane?

SARAH JANE

Everything is going to be all right. I promise.

And she smiles.

FX SHOT: And the Sky energy vanishes.

As Clyde and Rani join Sarah Jane, Miss Myers is furious.

MISS MYERS

No! Stop your meddling, and give me the child!

Miss Myers extends her hand towards Sky.

MISS MYERS (CONT'D)

Come with me, it is time to return home and fulfill your purpose.

FX SHOT: Sky shimmers with warning Sky Energy.

Miss Myers backs off a step.

SARAH JANE

I'm not sure she wants to go with you.

MISS MYERS

1 CONTINUED: (2)

CLYDE

Introducing Miss Myers - she spells it the alien way.

SARAH JANE

And my name is Sarah Jane Smith, and I don't think you're a fit parent.

MISS MYERS

You do not understand. She is a weapon! Grown in a laboratory to destroy the enemies of my species. I grew her!

SKY

What does she mean?

RANI

Don't listen to her, Sky.

Sarah Jane faces Miss Myers. Steely.

SARAH JANE

None of us can help the way we come into this universe. But we all have a say in what we become. Whatever you had planned for her, this is an innocent child, not a weapon, and I will protect her from the Metalkind and I will protect her from you.

Sarah Jane fires the sonic - a pipe ruptures with a burst of steam that forces Miss Myers back.

SARAH JANE (CONT'D)

Run!

And the gang runs.

Caleb looks to Miss Myers - watching them escape.

CALEB

Should I stop them?

Miss Myers regards the incapacitated Metalkind She smiles. Sinister.

MISS MYERS

No need. I have a better idea.

CUT TO:

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RANI

You remember when you were a baby?

CLYDE

It was only half an hour ago.

SKY

(to Clyde)

Why <u>do</u> you call a man who wears paper trousers Russell?

SARAH JANE

I beg your pardon?

CLYDE

It's a joke. It's funny. It makes you laugh. Oh, boy, does this feel familiar.

SARAH JANE

You were telling her jokes?

CLYDE

I was trying to stop her crying.

RANI

By making her laugh? You know what she does when she laughs.

CLYDE

Yeah. And what does she do when she cries? Looking after kids - it's a nightmare.

SKY

I liked Sid the Sleeve.

Rani and Sarah Jane just look at Clyde.

CLYDE

You really had to be there.

As Sky is fascinated by a bush. Plucks a leaf.

SKY

Everything is so green. Like salad.

RANI

This is England. It rains most of the time.

SKY

What's rain?

6 CONTINUED: (2)

RANI

Water. From the sky. That's what makes the plants grow.

SKY

I'm Sky.

SARAH JANE

No. That sky.

Sky looks, smiling. A sense of wonderment.

SKY

It's beautiful.

SARAH JANE

Sky, do you remember being left here? Do you remember who by?

SKY

You are the first thing I remember.

SARAH JANE

I see. But now you're grown up, can you control your powers?

SKY

I think so.

SARAH JANE

Then you have to promise me that you will, because I need you to meet a friend of ours.

CUT TO:

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7 . A A A E' A C -- DA - 2

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A little nervous, SARAH JANE leads SKY in. CLYDE and RANI follow.

CLYDE

Welcome to the Bat Cave.

SKY

There's a cave on top of the house?

RANI

It isn't a cave. It's an attic. Clyde was joking again. He does that. Sort of.

And Sky is checking everything out - alien technology, books, ornaments... taking everything in. Sky looks at the exploded computer screen -

SKY

Sorry about that.

SARAH JANE

Just don't do the same with Mister Smith - Mister Smith, I need you.

There's a puff of steam - but nothing more.

RANI

What's going on?

SARAH JANE

It's all right, Mister Smith. Sky won't hurt you.

And - after a moment's more hesitation - MISTER SMITH emerges. Almost nervous. Sky's eyes pop with excitement.

SKY

Wow!

MISTER SMITH

Is the child under control?

SARAH JANE

It's all right. I promise.

SKY

Hello! What are you?

MISTER SMITH

I am a Xylok. A crystalline lifeform with highly sensitive cybernetic interfaces. I would be grateful if you remained there.

SKY

Okay. But can we still be friends?

MISTER SMITH

Provided my circuits remain intact.

SARAH JANE

Sky has undergone a metamorphosis. I need you to make sure she's unharmed.

(to Sky)

Don't worry. It won't hurt.

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7 CONTINUED: (2)

MISTER SMITH

Scanning.

FX SHOT: Mister Smith scans Sky. Sky grins.

SKY

It tickles.

MISTER SMITH

Please. Try not to laugh.

SARAH JANE

Mister Smith, stop fussing and analyze the scan.

And then he's done.

MISTER SMITH

Biologically, Sky appears to be a healthy twelve year old child.

SKY

Twelve? Is that a good age?

RANI

Until the spots start.

But Sarah Jane has other things on her mind...

SARAH JANE

Rani, take Sky and have a look through Luke's things. See if you can find some clothes.

RANI

Sure. Come on, Sky.

She leaves the attic with Rani.

SARAH JANE

Mister Smith, how did she transform into a teenager?

MISTER SMITH

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7 CONTINUED: (3)

MISTER SMITH (CONT'D)

Full activation would not only destroy Miss Myers' enemies across the universe -

but kill Sky.

Sarah Jane and Clyde are horrified.

CUT TO:

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SKY

What's a girl?

Which stops Rani dead.

RANI

And Clyde thought he had it tough with Luke. Okay...

She sits next to Sky on the bed.

RANI (CONT'D)

Let's log on to Ranipedia.

CUT TO:

9 . AA AE' A C -- DA - 2

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SARAH JANE and CLYDE with MISTER SMITH.

SARAH JANE

Why have they done this? Create a child that's a bomb? What sort of sick species is Miss Myers?

MISTER SMITH

There is a binary planetary system at the eye of the Tornado Nebula. One has carbon-based life forms similar to those on Earth. The other evolved as boronbased life.

CLYDE

And for those of us who were watching the netball team out the window during chemistry?

MISTER SMITH

Boron is a metalloid element.

SARAH JANE

On one planet people evolved like us. Bones, blood, flesh. On the other, metal. Amazing.

CLYDE

And this Fleshkind planet - that's where Sky's from?

MISTER SMITH

Yes. The Metalkind and Fleshkind have been at war for centuries.

(MORE)

MISTER SMITH (CONT'D)

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I believe Sky was created as a doomsday weapon. To destroy the Metalkind.

SARAH JANE

After all the terrible things I've seen I've never come across anything as hideous as using a child as a bomb.

SKY (O.S.)

What's a bomb?

Sarah Jane and Clyde spin around to find SKY (dressed now in Luke's shirt and jeans) and horrified RANI standing in the open doorway. And Sarah Jane is lost for words -

SARAH JANE

Oh, Sky...

SKY

Miss Myers said I was a weapon. That's bad, isn't it? Am I bad?

CLYDE

No. No way. Miss Myers, she's the bad one. Not you.

SKY

What am I, then?

Sarah Jane goes to Sky, unsure how to handle this.

SARAH JANE

The energy inside you - Miss Myers created you like that to kill her enemies, the Metalkind.

SKY

Kill? What's kill?

SARAH JANE

You take away life. It dies. It no longer exists. And that's wrong - it's always wrong.

Sky is troubled.

SKY

But if that's what I was made to do - that makes me bad.

RANI

No. It's not your fault.

9 CONTINUED: (2)

SKY

I was going to kill the Metalkind. I - I couldn't help it.

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SARAH JANE

Well, that's not going to happen. Mister Smith, there has to be a way to reverse what Miss Myers has done to her.

MISTER SMITH

I regret not. At a molecular level, Sky is a weapon programmed to destruct on contact with the energies of massed Metalkind. I'm sorry, this cannot be undone.

CLYDE

What about - if she's a bomb - can't we defuse her?

Sarah Jane is suddenly energized.

SARAH JANE

Oh, Clyde! You're brilliant! Turn off the genetic trigger. Stop her detonating. Genius! Mister Smith? Is that possible? Genetically she would still be a weapon - but disarmed.

MISTER SMITH

Only Sky's creator can do that.

SKY

Then let's go and ask her.

SARAH JANE

Sky, it's not going to be as easy as that, and taking you back to the power station is dangerous.

SKY

What's "dangerous"?

RANI

You could die.

SKY

But Mister Smith says I could die anyway. I don't want to be a bomb.

Sky looks uncertainly at Sarah Jane

9 CONTINUED: (3)

SKY (CONT'D)

Will you help me, Sarah Jane?

And Sarah Jane is determined.

SARAH JANE

Of course I will. And you're not going to die. I won't let you. Come on.

And she leads them out of the attic.

CUT TO:

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10 E . E E E A -- DA - 2

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SARAH JANE's car pauses a little way off from the power station. She regards it from inside the car with CLYDE - RANI and SKY in the back seat.

RANI

I can't help thinking this is a bad idea.

SARAH JANE

I know. The last thing I want is that woman anywhere near Sky, but Miss Myers is the only one that can de-program her DNA. She has to come with us.

CLYDE

Before we get as far as that - small point. Miss Myers may have put all the tecchies into a trance but the guard still looks lively.

SARAH JANE

I don't want to risk the gates again. Old investigative reporter's superstition - never break in the same way twice.

Sky regards the guard in the gatehouse. Beyond it is a car park with a few cars. Sky smiles. Full of confidence.

SKY

I can do this.

CUT TO:

11 E A . GA E E -- DA - 2 11

The SECURITY GUARD has his feet up. Mug of tea. Browsing a mag. Bliss - but shattered by car alarms!

CUT TO:

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12 <u>E . E A CA A -- DA - 2</u>

The SECURITY GUARD rushes out to the Sunday afternoon car park - to see every car out there honking and screaming, lights flashing.

And what the hell is he to do?

CUT TO:

13 <u>E . E A -- DA - 2</u>

And Sarah Jane's car is rolling. Sarah Jane fires the sonic at the barrier as the Figaro hurtles towards it. The barrier rises.

The distracted SECURITY GUARD misses the Figaro - which heads off around the back of the power station.

CUT TO

13A **E . EA F E A -- C** 13A

SARAH JANE parks the Figaro somewhere hidden - gets out, followed by SKY, CLYDE and RANI.

SARAH JANE

Now stay here with Clyde and Rani.

SKY

What for?

CLYDE

Yeah. Ditto.

SARAH JANE

I need to know that Sky is safe until I'm ready.

RANT

So we get baby-sitting duty?

SKY

Who are you calling a baby?

13A CONTINUED: 13A

SARAH JANE

We're doing this by my rules, Sky. Until I can convince Miss Myers that there's another way to end this war - a peaceful way - you are still in danger. I need you to stay here with Clyde and Rani. Do you promise me?

SKY

(reluctant)

I suppose.

CUT TO:

14 . E A . C D -- DA - 2

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SARAH JANE creeps along the corridor. She turns a corner and comes face to face with two POWER STATION WORKERS - both standing, immobile, heads bowed. Sarah Jane studies, clicks her fingers in front of them - nothing.

As CALEB reaches out from behind - Sarah Jane spins around.

SARAH JANE

Good. Now, take me to your leader.

CUT TO:

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RANI and CLYDE with SKY. Waiting.

SKY

She might need our help.

RANI

She told us to stay here.

SKY

What are you talking about?

RANI

He means it's not safe. Any way, you promised.

SKY

I don't really understand promises.

And Sky starts heading off.

RANI

Hey wait!

But smiling Sky keeps on going. Rani and Clyde pursue.

CLYDE

That kid is going to get us into so much trouble.

CUT TO:

16 E A C / E E C A GE - DA 125

SARAH JANE is led into the control room by CALEB. Where MISS MYERS is waiting.

MISS MYERS

Miss Smith. Welcome back.

(to Caleb)

Complete your work.

Caleb leaves, as Miss Myers turns back to Sarah Jane -

MISS MYERS (CONT'D)

I trust you're taking good care of my child.

SARAH JANE

Yes. You won't be getting your hands on her again.

MISS MYERS

Deactivate? She is our saviour. Her touch carries the power and fury of an exploding sun. Once fully unleashed it will destroy every Metalkind in existence.

SARAH JANE

And Sky will be destroyed along with them!

MISS MYERS

A sacrifice for the preservation of the Fleshkind.

SARAH JANE

It's not a sacrifice. It's slaughter. Listen to me, please, there are other ways to end a war. You just have to want peace more than death.

MISS MYERS

16 CONTINUED: (2) 16

MISS MYERS

Once your fleshkin experience Metalkind savagery you will see that only the child can save us all!

(into a mic)

Make the final connection, Caleb.

And on-screen Caleb connects the last cable.

Desperate, Sarah Jane grabs the mic, addresses the - Metalkind.

SARAH JANE

Metalkind! Stop this! Earth has done nothing to hurt your people!

The Metalkind looks at Sarah Jane -

THE METALKIND

Fleshkind tore the ore from our planet's womb to make their dumb slaves. They stole our children. We have sworn vengeance on all fleshkind - on any world!

MISS MYERS

I've scrambled his brain. He thinks he's calling the Metalkind to a glorious battle against Flesh. Not to their destruction.

Sarah Jane turns on Miss Myers

SARAH JANE

You're wasting your time. I will never give you Sky!

MISS MYERS

It doesn't matter. The child is primed to activate on exposure to the massed energy of the Metalkind. When they come she will destroy them. She cannot stop it. And neither can you!

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Miss Myers flicks the switch.

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Wait and see!

And Sarah Jane is out of there.

Miss Myers watches her go. Triumphant.

MISS MYERS

Whatever you do, Sarah Jane Smith, Sky will fulfill her destiny.

CUT TO:

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24 . E A . C D -- DA - 2

SARAH JANE runs along the corridor. Almost collides with SKY, CLYDE and RANI.

SARAH JANE

Sky! I told you to keep her away!

RANI

She says the Metalkind are coming.

SKY

I've got to stop them!

Sarah Jane takes Sky by the shoulders -

SARAH JANE

No. Wars are ended by people talking, not by killing.

SKY

But Earth won't stand a chance. You've been kind to me, Sarah Jane, you've tried to keep me safe. But this is what I was created for.

SARAH JANE

Sky, listen to me. This is wrong. Killing is always wrong. And if you confront the Metalkind you will die.

Sky looks at Sarah Jane, eyes wide -

SKY

If I don't, you will. Earth is so beautiful, I don't want the Metalkind to destroy it. Maybe this is why I was brought here. To save it.

SARAH JANE

No, Sky.

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RANI

Control Room!

CUT TO:

27 <u>E A . E E C A GE -- DA - 2</u> 27

FX SHOT: As Sky advances SKY ENERGY starts to build around her.

CALEB backs away as Sky comes closer -

FX SHOT: Metalkind glows with beacon energy.

SARAH JANE reaches the floor - sees Sky.

SARAH JANE

Sky! Stop it! You mustn't!

FX SHOT: Sky turns towards Sarah Jane - Sky energy stops.

SKY

Stay back, Sarah Jane!

RANI

This is what controls the nuclear fuel rods.

CLYDE

It's like a James Bond movie. We pull the rods, close down the reactor and save the world.

RANI

Only this is like James Bond meets Mario.

CLYDE

Which is ace. Cos I'm brilliant at Mario.

And they each grab the controls. Time running out.

RANI

If we don't do this right Clyde, we don't just go back to the last level.

Clyde knows. Concentrates. And locks on to one of the rods.

CLYDE

You beauty.

Uses the joystick to try to pull it - nothing

CLYDE (CONT'D)

It won't come!

Rani locks on to hers. No luck either.

RANI

It's not working!

CUT TO:

29 . E A . E E C A GE -- DA - 2 29

FX SHOT: Lightning bursting from the portal.

SARAH JANE and SKY watch, helpless.

FX SHOT: The Metalkind glows with more beacon energy.

MISS MYERS

The portal has opened. The Metalkind come - to their death.

Sarah Jane grabs Sky.

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SARAH JANE

Sky, don't let them use you.

SKY

It's what I am, Sarah Jane.

FX SHOT: Sky looks towards the portal - Sky energy radiates from her.

SARAH JANE

You're not a weapon. Not if you don't want to be! You are a child. A beautiful, innocent child. Remember what I told you - it's wrong to kill.

FX SHOT: Through the portal - 40P05m74 Tc 12 02u/ 243 Tm /TT5 1 Tf (both)

33 . E A . E E C A GE -- DA - 2 33

That scream again - louder than ever.

SKY

They're here!

CUT TO:

33A . E A . C -- DA - 2 33A

CLYDE AND RANI - drawing the q 1 0mrods release.

33B <u>E A . E E C A GE -- DA -</u> 2 33B

SHOT: SKY prepares to throw a bolt of energy at the portal.

SARAH JANE

No, Sky!

And the whole place is plunged into darkness.

FX SHOT: And all the portal energy and beacon surges into Sky - forcing SARAH JANE away. The Metalkind slumps as the portal snaps shut -

CUT TO:

34 . CADA' E. GE/ CE -- DA - 2 34

GITA is watching TV. HARESH is using the food processor - and suddenly the power's gone.

GITA

What did you do to the telly?

HARESH

That does it. Tomorrow we get this house re-wired!

CUT TO:

35 <u>E A . E E C A GE -- DA - 2</u> 35

CLYDE and RANI rush in as emergency lighting cuts in, CALEB is unconscious; the METALKIND is slumped, lifeless - MISS MYERS is frantically twisting her jewel, trying to to reactivate the portal.

MISS MYERS

What have you done?

CLYDE

We did it! We shut down the core!

But they find SARAH JANE cradling still SKY.

RANI

What happened?

SARAH JANE

All that energy had to go somewhere. Sky was like a lightning rod. She absorbed it all.

CLYDE

Is she - is she going to be okay?

And Sky's eyes pop open. And she's smiling.

SKY

Wow!

SARAH JANE

Sky! Are you all right?

Sky rubs her head, a little woozy.

SKY

I feel - I feel different.

And Miss Myers walks towards them, bitter and angry -

MISS MYERS

You are different. I can feel it, too. That energy backlash - it's destroyed your genetic programming.

Unnoticed, the Metalkind is stirring, not dead...

SKY

You mean I'm not a weapon?

MISS MYERS

Not even a pea-shooter.

(to Sarah Jane)

I have lost my daughter.

Sky hugs Sarah Jane, Clyde and Rani.

SKY

You saved me! You saved me! And I'm not a bomb any more! Thank you!

Suddenly, the Metalkind lunges for Miss Myers, reaching for her portal jewel -

FX SHOT: Suddenly the portal opens again -

METALKIND

I saved some energy just for you, Fleshkind!

She screams! The Metalkind hurls them through the portal.

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SARAH JANE

Come on. Quickly. I'm too tired to think up clever answers for awkward questions.

Sarah Jane extends her hand to Sky.

SARAH JANE (CONT'D)

Let's go home.

CUT TO:

36 <u>E . A A A E' E -- DA - 2</u>

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SARAH JANE, CLYDE, RANI and SKY - getting out of the car.

CLYDE

GITA

She was.

SKY

I grew up.

Sarah Jane quickly puts a (restraining) arm, around Sky.

SARAH JANE

That's what babies do. But not just in one day. Obviously.

RANI

Obviously.

CLYDE

Cos that would be - well - alien.

SARAH JANE

There was a mix-up. Social Services brought me the wrong child.
Would you believe it? They brought me a baby called Sky when it should've been a -a teenager. With the same name. Sky - Sky Smith.

Gita's flummoxed...

GITA

Sky Smith? Amazing.

Sarah Jane looks fondly at Sky.

SARAH JANE

Yes, she is. Really amazing. Now, if you'll excuse us.

And as Sarah Jane leads Sky into the house only Clyde and Rani notice the Figaro's headlights flash and flicker.

RANI

Did you see that?

CLYDE

I reckon Sparky hasn't totally lost her spark.

CUT TO:

37 . A A A E' A C -- DA - 2

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SARAH JANE ushers sky in, intent on her -

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SARAH JANE

I just want Mister Smith to make sure there are no ill-effects from that energy blast.

A PARROT squawks!

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Sarah Jane puts a protective arm around Sky.

SARAH JANE

I'd still like to know who you are.

(to the parrot)

Both of you.

THE SHOPKEEPER

Think of us as servants of the

Universe.

SARAH JANE

Which means what, exactly?

The Shopkeeper moves around the room, twinkling.

THE SHOPKEEPER

Sometimes things can't be left to chance. Sometimes a breeze must blow east to west, not north to south.

Sometimes a sky should be blue, not laden with cloud. And sometimes a child must find her way home. That is my task, Miss Smith. To put things in

the right place.
And of all the homes in the Universe,
I could find none safer than yours for

this child.

Sky exchanges a look with Sarah Jane - clearly happy that this is where she's been brought.

SARAH JANE

(to the Shopkeeper)

Yes. But who are you?

The parrot jumps on to the Shopkeeper's hand.

THE SHOPKEEPER

All in good time.

SKY

So have you come back for me?

THE SHOPKEEPER

Well, that depends on you.

Sarah Jane regards Sky -

SKY

Can I stay here? With you? That's

what I want.

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