

Adapting

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Notes

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“How are the kids?” Janeway enquired.

Seven cocked an eyebrow. “They are adapting.”

“It’s funny you know, Seven, when the children first came aboard you wanted them to learn from Neelix.”

“I did. I believe that Mister Neelix is better equipped than I am.”

“How do you feel now?”

“I feel different.”

“Different how, Seven?”

“Like I’ve bonded with the children and it is a strange emotion.”

“Sounds like you’ve developed maternal instinct.”

“I am not their mother.”

Janeway smiled softly. “No you’re not but since we rescued them from the Borg they have looked up to you and in some respects you have become their surrogate mother as well as their teacher and mentor.”

End Notes

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