

**They Came at Us with Spears!**

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| **Episode 01 Confessionals** | | |
| **Castaway** | **Old Count** | **New Count** |
| Chris | 4 | - |
| Twila | 2 | - |
| Scout | 4 | - |
| Eliza | 6 | - |
| Julie | 1 | - |
| Ami | 1 | - |
| Leann | 3 | - |
| Chad | 2 | - |
| Lea | 4 | - |
| Rory | 3 | - |
| John K. | 1 | - |
| Lisa | 1 | - |
| Travis | 3 | - |
| Brady | 5 | 4 (-1) |
| Mia | 3 | - |
| John P. | 3 | - |
| Dolly | 1 | - |
| Brook | 4 | - |

Day 1

1. **Mia (1/3):** Jeff gave us an overview, saying how the customs of Vanuatu are not like we're used to, so I was-- I was really nervous after he was talking to us. I'm like, *"What are they going to do?"*
2. **Travis (1/3):** Jeff informed us that we're going to climb down the side of the boat and we're going to get in these canoes. I thought, *“Man, that's great,”* because I didn't learn how to swim until six weeks before I come here. I would've been spooked if I knew I had to swim. We get into the boat, and it tips over, so I'm trying to hold on to the rope to keep me up. It's killing my back, but I wasn't about to move again. *(laughs)* I was going to stay right where I was at. We finally got another boat over there.
3. **Leann (1/3):** When the natives took us into the middle of the ring where everybody circled around us, it was really overwhelming for me, and I don't know if it was just the anticipation of getting started or the whole thing, but I was… really, I was moved to tears.
4. **John P. (1/3):** There was a bunch of tribesmen running with spears! My first reaction was, you know, *"What's going on?"* We were like, *"Wha-what-- Are we supposed to defend ourselves? What are we supposed to do?!"*
5. **Rory (1/3):** They're jabbing spears at absolutely everybody, except me. Nobody jabbed a spear at me in any way, shape, or form, which I took as, you know, a black man coming on the island is not particularly unwelcome.
6. **Eliza (1/6):** These guys in their big, cone-shaped jungle dresses, they have these big sticks, and they start, you know, pulling people out with the sticks, but kind of like, you know, whacking 'em out. Soon enough, I noticed that they were bringing the women to one side. We look over, and the guys, you know, like, we're, like, kneeling on a mat, and they all have, like, little, like, stump seats to sit on. And they're, like, right in the center of the action, and we're kind of off to the side, and so I immediately start thinking, *"What's with this? I thought we were all supposed to be part of this ceremony."*
7. **Lea (1/4):** They brought a bowl out, and they uncovered the palm leaves off of it, and they were pointing at it. Well, I thought maybe I was supposed to wash my fingers or something, you know? Uh, that we were getting ready to eat something or that we could wash my fingers, 'cause it was some rustic looking stuff.
8. **Rory (2/3):** Chief Mormor offers each one of us this kava, which is the local drink. It's like mud, basically. You drink it, your lips go numb, and your tongue goes numb, and your throat goes numb.
9. **John P. (2/3):** The chief is welcoming us, and I look over at the girls, and they're not getting anything to drink. And I'm thinking, *"Wow, this is pretty cool, you know? Special treatment for the guys."*
10. **Ami (1/1):** I was waiting for our turn. *(chuckles)* I was like, *"Well, okay, well, when do we get kava?"* But it never came around. We're not getting the full deal here. I'm not used to being put second behind a man.
11. **Lisa (1/1):** Apparently, the Vanuatu people really honor pigs. Pigs are… I think, sometimes better than women. *(chuckles)* Anyway… So, they come in with this pig. Right away, I thought, *"Okay, we're having a pig roast,"* you know? But I thought the pig was dead. And then I realized the pig was alive.
12. **Eliza (2/6):** I eat meat, and I know that animals are slaughtered, but, like, seeing it was just like… *(gasps)* Like, I-I literally think I gasped out loud, because it was just so shocking to watch.
13. **Dolly (1/1):** That kind of stuff doesn't bother me, because I'm a shepherdess, and that's what I do. I-I raise lambs for that exact purpose: to slaughter, so I totally understand that ritual.
14. **Lea (2/4):** The head chief took the blood of his sacrifice and went to each male member of *Survivor*-- no, no females-- and said, *"You are now a-a, you know, a warrior in Vanuatu."* And basically, I felt what he was doing was he was saying, *"Welcome."*
15. **Travis (2/3):** Ever who possesses that stone, the spirits are supposed to be in favor. Even though that's not my beliefs, I still wanted that stone, just so the girls wouldn't get it.
16. **Lea (3/4):** We were all going, *"I don't want to be the one that falls flat on my face in front of everybody."* The chief turned around, and he pointed in my direction. I was like, *"Oh, my God. No, not me."* And I went like this *(moves to side)* out of the way. I said, *"Yeah, him?"*
17. **Brady (1/4):** I was just praying to God he was going to pick somebody else, but he picked me. As soon as he did, I figured the only way I'd even have any chance is to do it kind of like the other guy did it. And I got a little dirt on my feet, in my hands and I just hung on for dear life.
18. **Mia (2/3):** The girls were praying that the boys were not going to do it. So I was like, *"Please fall."* We want to see some of them fall at least.
19. **Travis (3/3):** As soon as he got that rock, it started raining like pouring pee out of a boot on a flat rock. It was definitely spooky. But I didn't care. We got the rock.
20. **Chris (1/4):** Men against women, it's perfect. I can outsmart eight men a hell of a lot quicker than I can outsmart eight women. Women stick together. They're thick as thieves. Men are deceiving, mischievous, untrusting human beings. Men, I can manipulate.
21. **Twila (1/2):** When I found out we were splitting the men and the women, I looked around at them little girls, and I thought, *"Oh, Lord, what did you get me into?"* *(laughs)* We had a couple of ol' prissy ones. They probably hadn't even been dirty in their entire days, and they ain't got a clue what's in store for the next God knows how many days.
22. **Mia (3/3):** I think the boys got a lot more out of that ceremony than we did. I think we definitely got a bum deal. So we're out, we're out for blood now.
23. **Scout (1/4):** I just wanted to hunker down till daylight came so we could, you know, find our camp easier and everybody would be safe. I wasn't tired. I haven't said anything to anybody here, but I-- I'm schlepping around an artificial knee. So I'm pretty cautious crawling across lava rock that deep at night with it raining.
24. **Eliza (3/6):** Ami and Dolly and Scout didn't want to come along. They almost insisted on just stopping where we were and, you know, sleeping.
25. **Leann (2/3):** It got to a point where we couldn't make a decision whether we should continue or go back or if we missed the flag or… We were really kind of afraid that we missed camp *(chuckles)* altogether, 'cause it's dark out.
26. **Eliza (4/6):** I didn't want to be too pushy because I didn't want to be, like, the odd person out. Luckily, you know, other people agreed with me that, um, we should continue.
27. **Brook (1/4):** Rory, I don't think he's gonna fit in. There's one in every bunch, you know what I mean? To-to see, like, Rory already *(chuckles)* barking out orders, what is he thinking?
28. **Rory (3/3):** I don't think there was any independent thought. I think that we could've covered more ground if we weren't all walking in a big pack of nine guys all at once. Some of the younger guys that… that are-- that are here, none of them want to listen. They're all young.
29. **Eliza (5/6):** We see the flag, and, you know, all the troubles, all the conflicts, like, dissolved. We're all hugging and thrilled to death that we're here.

Day 2

1. **Scout (2/4):** Boy, we've got a really sturdy rack for a shelter. It's been a group effort. I've stayed with it, and Twila has stayed with it, and, uh, Leann stayed with it. But some of the gals are down there on the beach basking in the sun, chitchatting. (19:39 → 19:50 = 11s)
2. **Scout (3/4):** I call all these sorority girls bowheads, and that's what we call them back in Oklahoma. They all like to hang together. They're like cattle. I mean, really, cows, they just cluster. And those sorority chicks, they aren't paying attention to any damn thing but themselves. You know, they're their favorite topic. (20:04 → 20:16 = 12s)
3. **Scout (4/4):** Eliza, she talks nonstop. She's probably at the top of my list, just to get her mouth out of my face. I'm telling you.
4. **Eliza (6/6):** Twila has been working on the shelter constantly. I feel like her continuous work has made those of us who have taken reasonable breaks look bad in her mind to think that, oh, they're not pulling their weight.
5. **Twila (2/2):** We had too much chattering and not enough moving. Mouths are working but the hands ain't. The hut still is not done. There is a couple of them that didn't do nothing but bitch, moan and complain last night. We was all cold. You know, get off your ass, get the *(expletive censor)* done, and don't bitch about it tonight when you're freezing your butt off.
6. **Brook (2/4):** We know where our water source is. It's just a little creek with some fresh water. It looks really clean, but it's still going to have to be boiled, and… I guess our problem right now is we just gotta get-- get a fire going.
7. **Chris (2/4):** J.P. wants to prove himself bad. He's about thirty years old, and he's feeling like, you know, I'm buff, I'm bad, I'm young, I'm all, you know, go to the end of this. He don't have a clue. He's got the frame, but he ain't got the brain.
8. **John P. (3/3):** We actually had a hot ember, which was very pink. I think we were all excited to see a hot ember, but none of us knew what to do with it. We were just kind of like, *"Yeah, we've got ember!"*
9. **Chad (1/2):** We were so close to getting fire going that I thought we were gonna be able to boil water. *(clicks tongue)* Didn't work.
10. **Chad (2/2):** After doing things that are physically demanding, I felt like it was the right time to-to reveal the fact that-that I have no foot, that it's a-- that it’s a prosthesis. They were pretty surprised.
11. **John K. (1/1):** I had absolutely no idea that Chad had no leg. I mean, he had-- he was wearing pants the whole day, so he just goes, *"Hey, guys, look."* And then he unzippered his pants, and there was no leg. It was-- it was pretty shocking.
12. **Brady (2/4):** Great! The guy with the mechanical leg's gonna win for sure-- he's nice, he's smart, he's quiet, and he, you know, he's got the underdog thing going on, so we're screwed.
13. **Brook (3/4):** I'm amazed-- all the power to him. I totally think that's inspirational, but if I have to vote his ass out of here tomorrow, I'm still gonna vote his ass out of here tomorrow.

Day 3

1. **Julie (1/1):** They got Tree Mail, and, um, we're all psyched up, 'cause, supposedly, we're gonna get some fire.
2. **Leann (3/3):** Obviously, most people think that girls are weaker, and women aren't cut out for this kind of thing, so I think it's really important that we win this challenge. We're gonna go and kick some butt.
3. **Brady (3/4):** Losing fire *(chuckles)* right now was tough. Losing to women was tough. Chris couldn't get across the balance beam. The fact is, he didn't make it, and we lost.
4. **Chris (3/4):** I really wanted to make it across the beam. And, you know, if I had wings, I'd have made it, you know? I would have made myself go across the beam. But this game, you outwit, outplay, outlast people. You don't out-balance ‘em.
5. **Lea (4/4):** J. P., Brady, John and Brook, they basically said, *"Sarge, we need to get rid of the weakest link."* I mean, it's tricky to decide who I'm going to vote for. I said I'm going to think about it. They said the weakest link. They're assuming that I agree that the weakest link is Chris.
6. **Chris (4/4):** I prepared to come here, mentally, and I prepared to play the game. I'm not vulnerable at all. We've got a plan.
7. **Brook (4/4):** Personally, I think there's a lot of young guys on the team, guys who are going to be targets. I feel like I am one of the-the stronger, younger guys who-- who's going to be a target.
8. **Brady (4/4):** Well, obviously I haven't fully made up my mind on who I'm going to vote for yet tonight. I'm thinking about Chris right now, but Rory, he's kind of on his own sheet of music a lot of the time. I think maybe some people feel like Rory is maybe not putting out as much group effort as some of the other guys, and the group right now is where it's all at.