

**Seems Like a No Brainer**

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| **Episode 14 Confessionals** | | |
| **Castaway** | **Old Count** | **New Count** |
| Rob | 13 | 14 (+1) |
| Phillip | 6 | 5 (-1) |
| Natalie | 5 | - |
| Ashley | 4 | - |
| Andrea | 5 | - |
| Mike | 1 | - |
| Matt | 2 | - |
| Grant | 1 | - |

Day 35

1. **Grant (1/1):** I didn't think I was going to be voted out. I-I trusted the people in my alliance. And, you know, it turns out, you know, somebody wasn't being honest, and, uh, possibly Rob betrayed me. Possibly Phillip did. And you know what? I'm a-okay, man. A-okay.
2. **Andrea (1/5):** Grant was probably the person I least wanted to show up at Redemption Island. And sure enough he shows up. I mean it's Grant, Matt, Mike, and I. So it's not going to be an easy duel. I'm going to be, like, the under-underdog. But you know what? Throw it at me.
3. **Rob (1/14):** Tonight at Tribal Council, Grant got sent to Redemption Island. The irony is that it's completely my fault that he's gone. But at the same time, I miss him because Grant was a friend of mine out here. As much as I like to think I'm a cold hearted, calculating player, it still does, uh, get me a little bit, you know? I've got a heart in there somewhere. (10:00 → 10:13 = 13s)
4. **Rob (2/14):** I think Grant might be the only person on Redemption that can come back here, and me, actually want to vote them out next. If it's Matty, Mike, or Andrea I don't know. Ashley's just no good, she's no good, bro. She's gotta go. That's in my gut, you know? She's gotta go. Bye-bye, Ashley.

Day 36

1. **Matt (1/2):** I feel so great right now. I mean, I love this place. It's just-- it's become home to me. This is Day 29 for me. I remember coming here that first night, and it raining, thinking, *“How am I ever going to get through this?”* I was extremely bitter and upset and, uh, angry, but, you know, those feelings came to pass because this is just a special place.
2. **Mike (1/1):** Turns out today is our last duel. Three will fall, three will go home, one will remain and re-enter the game. I've had about 14 days out here on Redemption Island and a little piece of me is going to miss Redemption Island. It's been a life-changing experience out here. It's bittersweet. Redemption Island is wrapping up, but it's going to be great knowing our fate one way or another. I mean, the Redemption Island purgatory is coming to-- coming to an end.
3. **Matt (2/2):** Two blindsides, seven days in the actual game of *Survivor*, eleven duels, 29 days on Redemption Island. That's pretty unbelievable. God deserves all the glory and all the credit. My faith has grown. I've grown as a person. I mean, who knew what treasure awaited on Redemption Island?
4. **Rob (3/14):** The way I see it, between Phillip, Andrea, Ashley, Natalie, I have to vote for Ashley, because she played the game better. So, as long as Ashley doesn't win immunity tomorrow, Andrea gets to stay one more day.
5. **Andrea (2/5):** It was awkward coming back to camp. I mean, I've been gone, they voted me out, I came back. They're not necessarily happy to see me. (21:17 → 21:26 = 9s) I didn't feel completely welcomed, but then again, you know, I was voted off, so why would I? Right now, I need to, you know, try anything because otherwise if I just sit back, I'm going to be the next to go.
6. **Andrea (3/5):** I told Natalie, Ashley, you know, some people were thinking of voting for Phillip, which is a lie, like, I was kind of, like, making up this random stuff. I'm just trying to plant the seed. Now that I'm back in the game it's like, okay, now I get-get back to the grindstone.
7. **Ashley (1/4):** I'm definitely glad Andrea's back. I feel like, you know, Rob already burned her once. You know, I don't think she's going to trust him again, and maybe she'll join with Natalie and I, and kind of try to take Phillip or Rob out.
8. **Rob (4/14):** Ashley drives me nuts, but her tactics are so amateur hour. Natalie's a good-hearted little soul, one that's loyal. And, uh, I don't like to see someone corrupt my soldier. I can't wait to vote her ass out. I can't. 37 days. It's like the patience is finally going to pay off and it's going to be that much sweeter.

Day 37

1. **Andrea (4/5):** I'm on the chopping block but it would make so much more sense to vote out Rob now that he hasn't won immunity and actually keep me. I'm really relying on the girls to just do something in the game. Like, this really actually is an opportunity for them and hopefully they'll be able to see it.
2. **Ashley (2/4):** I'm so excited I won. I kind of wish that this challenge was tomorrow's challenge leading into the Final Tribal Council. But I at least know that I'm here to compete again.
3. **Rob (5/14):** Ashley won. So Andrea goes home. Andrea's actually worked hard this game. She's been helpful around camp. She has a good relationship with people on the other side. Seems like a no brainer to get rid of her. (31:00 → 31:12 = 12s)
4. **Rob (6/14):** There are no idols after tonight, and it's the last time I can use my idol. But I don't even need the idol. If I decided, you know what? I'm going to go fishing, I don't have anything to worry about. I'm not going home tonight.
5. **Phillip (1/5):** Ashley and Natalie went down in the woods and talked forever, it seemed like. So I thought, *“Oh, my goodness. These girls are going to get together.”* And I went into my old special agent mode. When Boston Rob got back from fishing, I did what I told him I'd do. I called him over and gave a report.
6. **Andrea (5/5):** It's really weird things happening. Rob and Phillip, in front of me, are openly talking. I can hear them. There is a lot of madness going on. So there's a chance that something could get mixed up. While the boys are gone, I decided that I wanted to talk to the girls and try to get in with them because I feel like I have more leeway with them.
7. **Natalie (1/5):** Chances are, going up against Rob, you know, you're not going to win. So it's tough because you have to make a decision, and people are not going to be happy with you. It's not fun, but it is a game, and, you know, life must go on.
8. **Rob (7/14):** I got Phillip telling me the girls are in the woods talking. Yeah, thanks, Phillip, welcome to Day 37. I've played this game four times. Do these guys not realize that? Do they not realize that I can pretty much predict what they're going to do and say before they actually do it? (34:55 → 35:09 = 14s)
9. **Rob (8/14):** I can still dictate this vote. I don't even need the idol. As long as I have Natalie. I could take it home as a souvenir, too. What can I say? I like to gamble. *(chuckles)* God, I'm sick. I'm so sick.
10. **Phillip (2/5):** I didn't know that Rob had the Hidden Immunity Idol but I suspected he did all along. So, I think he played that brilliantly. (42:04 → 42:14 = 10s)
11. **Phillip (3/5):** I can't believe it. I'm in the final four. We did what we said we were going to do... Stealth-R-Us.
12. **Ashley (3/4):** Andrea tried to throw me and Natalie under the bus and say that neither of us had made big moves in this game but it's funny because she-she's not here anymore, and I am. So I get the last laugh when all is said and done.
13. **Rob (9/14):** Ten years, four times on *Survivor*, 116 days, one challenge, for one million bucks. That's what it comes down to. It's pretty big stakes.

Day 38

1. **Rob (10/14):** *(tearfully)* It was Amber that encouraged me to come back and try again. She believes in me. It's because of her. Like, whatever happens now, I'm okay. Even if I don't win. Which is ironic because the only reason I ever wanted to come back to play again was to win. But.... I feel like I did my best. But I'm not done yet. First of all, figure out which one of these other three idiots I'm going to send home tonight, and then how I'm going to convince the other people sitting on the jury to give me a million dollars after my wife's already won one.
2. **Rob (11/14):** Basically at this point, I just want to make Ashley and Phillip both feel like they're going to the finals with me. It'd keep peace around camp for this afternoon and tonight, someone gets the final blindside. The problem is, if I want to get rid of Ashley, I have to get Natalie on board. And that's going to take some work.
3. **Ashley (4/4):** I feel really, really confident. Rob has told me, like, *“Don't sweat anything. Don't worry.”* You know, Phillip thinks it's me going home tonight. And I have such a good connection with Natalie that I know, even if something did change and I was the one going home, I know Natalie would at least tell me. So I feel confident going into tonight's Tribal but always that 5% that you just-- you never know.
4. **Natalie (2/5):** So it's Day 38. We're going into the final Tribal Council and we will be voting out Phillip. So I can't wait to spend the day tomorrow with Rob and Ashley, *(chuckles)* Phillip-free.
5. **Rob (12/14):** The other problem with Ashley is that while the Zapatera people were here, she got awfully close to a lot of them. And probably created some bonds that would come to haunt me in the Final Tribal Council with her and Natalie. So, pretty much, I have to try to convince Natalie to vote off Ashley. She's not going to like it. And, ultimately, she may not go along with the plan.
6. **Natalie (3/5):** I thought to myself that Rob could possibly come to me last minute and ask me to vote for Ashley. It would be really, really, extremely tough for me at this point, just because we have formed such a close bond and-and I've promised her that it's the three of us, and assured her. I didn't come out here to make friends, and I came out here, and I did.
7. **Natalie (4/5):** Rob has been watching my back since Day 1. But then again, at this point, I have to look out for myself. Honestly, like, I would rather lose this game than lose a friend in Ashley.

Day 39

1. **Phillip (4/5):** Day 39, I finally got to experience it for myself, that-that feeling of, *“Wow, you did it.”* Your great-great grandfather, Jesome Herring, came to you in a vision and told you, *“When you had some doubt, remain committed. Hold your faith, and you'll get to the end,”* and I did. And, so, I thanked him for coming to sit a spell with me on this journey of a lifetime in *Survivor*. (1:03:19 → 1:03:30 = 11s)
2. **Phillip (5/5):** I've learned a great deal about myself. I learned that it's okay to tell the world that I have a relationship with somebody that's been dead since 1870. It's okay. And I learned that I can accept the good, the bad, and the different. That's what's been great out here. So tonight, at the Final Tribal Council, the plan is laid in stone. I want to make it clear to the jury why they're sitting in the jury and why I'm sitting in the final. I need to kind of put a little salt on that wound to make sure folks don't forget that. I get the last laugh.
3. **Natalie (5/5):** I faced a lot of challenges out here, and this was the hardest thing that I've ever had to do in my entire life. I'm nineteen, and I just feel like, I stand for my generation. There's been times of pure sadness and doubt, but I made it through, and that's what this is all about. It's just overcoming your fears. To get this far, it gives me motivation to get back in the world and do anything that I was ever afraid to do, and, uh, I definitely want to prove myself to the jury tonight. But I do feel like I do have a shot.
4. **Rob (13/14):** Wow, 39 days in Nicaragua, 117 days total over the last 10 years. It's overwhelming. Winning this game has always eluded me. And, again, I find myself one step away from the top, and I'm just hoping to get there.
5. **Rob (14/14):** I haven't stopped playing the game. To some people it may look like I'm giving pointers to Natalie, but I'm actually giving Natalie pointers on how I want her to handle Tribal Council. And twice, you know, I made it all the way to the end. The first time the jury didn't feel I was worthy. I'm hoping that tonight, I'm not going to screw it up again. As far as I'm concerned, I've done my job.