

**Play or Go Home**

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| **Episode 06 Confessionals** | |
| **Castaway** | **Count** |
| Michele | 6 |
| Aubry | 5 |
| Tai | 2 |
| Cydney | 0 |
| Joe | 4 |
| Jason | 0 |
| Julia | 3 |
| Scot | 2 |
| Debbie | 2 |
| Nick | 6 |
| Neal | 0 |
| Peter | 5 |

Day 13

1. **Tai (1/2):** At Tribal, Anna was completely in shock, and I couldn’t even look at her. I feel bad, but I’m glad Scot told me, *“Don’t play your idol,”* because I didn’t want to show anybody my idol. You know, the more people know, the less power it has. Now I have to fight and see how it unfold. And I definitely need some luck.
2. **Peter (1/5):** Since the tribe swapped, everything is up in the air. There’s a lot of uncertainty as far as alliances go. And it’s got me thinking about my next step, because in the old Brain tribe, I was on the bottom rung, so believe it or not, I might actually disband this Brain trust.
3. **Peter (2/5):** By screwing me over and lying to me, Aubry and Joe pissed me off. A game is a game. You know, if I was still on their Brain tribe, I’ve be on the bottom rung, so I’m actually positioning myself better. I’m not going to let them get in front of me and a million dollars. And I’m starting to think that if I’m going to make a move, now is the time.

Day 14

1. **Nick (1/6):** Although I’m happy at camp, smiling, what’s going on inside is just thinking, non-stop. It’s a nervous energy, like right before you’re about to take the field as an athlete. So from here on out, I’ll be bonding and making relationships. It’s time to play. Play or go home. (04:11 → 04:25 = 14s)
2. **Nick (2/6):** Debbie is easy to read. She just needs to talk, she needs to be heard, listened to. She wants people to step up to the plate, so I just have to remember, be that person for Debbie. Whatever person she admires, which is herself, just be her.
3. **Debbie (1/2):** I think Nick looks like a Greek god. He’s got finely chiseled bones, absolutely ripped, and the angular features of his face just make for great photography, and I know that because I’ve modeled off and on for years and years. I bet anything he gets a real modeling contract. But it’s going to have no effect on my strategy to make it to the merge, and that’s still is my number one priority.
4. **Nick (3/6):** Debbie might have a crush on me. She probably does. Maybe she’s buttering me up, though. Maybe she’s blowing smoke up my rear end… but I doubt it.
5. **Debbie (2/2):** Sure enough, we have Reward Challenge, which involves some form of basketball. Our opponents have a professional basketball player, but we have our own secret weapon, Adonis, a.k.a. Nick.
6. **Nick (4/6):** I was a point guard in high school, but going up against an NBA player, I’m not expected to win, so I’m not feeling too much pressure, but if we have a big lead going in, I better sink a couple. I will not go down without a fight.
7. **Michele (1/6):** I screwed up the Reward Challenge. I failed our team, you know, and it’s nerve-racking for me. But I just gotta go back to camp and keep fighting and hopefully I can turn things around.
8. **Julia (1/3):** Walking into my old camp with a ton of food right after being alone was really kind of awesome, and it was a good way to kind of enter the tribe. Entering on good vibes is definitely a lot better than entering losing. I was definitely trying to get a read on this tribe because I automatically was like, *“Crap, I’m next. I’m the next to go, there’s no question. They just got Anna out, I have to start from scratch.”*
9. **Peter (3/5):** I was happy Julia came in for Anna because she wasn’t, from my initial impression, someone that’s conniving, and that’s someone I want to work with.
10. **Julia (2/3):** It’s funny. Peter immediately latched on to me and was like, *“Let’s work together and get Aubry out.”* I was like, *“I’m totally on board with that.”* Like, *“Sounds good.”* As long as it’s not my name, I will go with it because I gotta save myself.
11. **Aubry (1/5):** The Brains have control of this tribe right now, and I would prefer that we get out Julia first. That’s the easy vote, the Brains keep the numbers, but Peter decides to kind of isolate with her, and I’m a little bit suspicious about that. Peter is a little rogue and desperate right now, which makes me feel like I need to seriously consider whether now is the time for Peter to go.
12. **Nick (5/6):** I was angry with myself. I should have won that. Of course, everybody goes, *“No, no, no, don’t worry about it, you were going against an NBA player,”* but I should’ve closed the deal. But on the other hand, Michele botched the very beginning. She couldn’t untie the knot.
13. **Michele (2/6):** Today was not the best day for my *Survivor* game. A girl who is in my top two alliance got voted out. Besides that, I just put my head on the chopping block by blowing that challenge and it freakin’ sucks. (16:42 → 16:54 = 12s)
14. **Michele (3/6):** Everything that’s been up to this point, you know, it feels like it’s teetering, but I’m not one to give up. It does seem like I have to start over, so I’m just going to try and use my social skills to build me back up. (17:09 → 17:24 = 15s)
15. **Michele (4/6):** I like Debbie a lot. She’s really quirky, and I think she’s pretty honest and upfront about what she thinks and what she respects. So maybe Debbie is my best option.
16. **Michele (5/6):** The way that Nick speaks to me is not in a way that I would ever tolerate a man speaking to me in my regular life, and I just want to be like, *“Bro, I know!”* but that’s his ego.
17. **Nick (6/6):** I have to almost coach Michele in this game. She’s young and she doesn’t really know how to manipulate. So that’s going to be my job from here on out-- making sure Michele is under my wing and making sure she says the right things and comes across the right way.
18. **Michele (6/6):** Right now, what I’m gonna do is just let Nick baby me and make him believe that I need all the help that he can offer, like the innocent little girl, like I’m stupid, but actually, I’m a strong, independent woman, and when it comes time to make a move, then I will. I don’t need to be carried, bro.

Day 16

1. **Joe (1/4):** Every time I turn around, there’s Peter walking away with those guys and it makes me nervous because Pete’s been after my butt from the get go. The problem with Peter is he plays both sides. And he’s so transparent, you can see right through him. Fortunately, I’m retired F.B.I. guy, and I’m trained to deal with somebody like that.
2. **Peter (4/5):** Joe starts accusing me of wanting to vote him out, and there’s a certain element of truth to that. I’ve been playing as hard as possible trying to make that happen. Unfortunately, it just blew up on me.
3. **Joe (2/4):** When you corner somebody like that and they don’t want to tell the truth, they start dancing, which is what happened. He’s kind of like the cancer. I don’t know, he-he’s just not trustworthy, so I’m done with him, and if we lose the next challenge, we gotta take him out.
4. **Joe (3/4):** Keeping Peter numbers-wise, would make sense if he was a straight shooter, but you just don’t know what he’s going to do. And before you get in a position where, *“Oh, my God, I’m in trouble…” (mouths gunshot sound)* you take the trouble out.
5. **Aubry (2/5):** Today, Peter had a strategy for how to stack the blocks, but that didn’t work out so well, and now we gotta go to Tribal. Even though I don’t trust him, I feel like it’s not the right thing right now to get rid of Peter, because if we do that, Tai, Scot and Julia will have the numbers, 3-2, and that really scares me.
6. **Joe (4/4):** I’m sick of Peter, but Aubry does make sense because if we vote him out, we’re going to be down one, and that’s really dangerous. So, we might have to keep him short term, even though he’s a big pain in the butt!
7. **Peter (5/5):** I really wanted to blindside either Aubry or Joe, but that blew up, so you just have to roll with the punches and take it day by day. And at this point, I feel like it’s better to go with the Brains, take out Julia and not stir up the waters.
8. **Scot (1/2):** Peter is voting with the Brains, so everything he told me is a lot of B.S. He is a snake, and I think everybody sees right through his veneer, but still, they’re going to stick together, and that doesn’t give the rest of us a lot of options.
9. **Julia (3/3):** I’m definitely concerned about Tribal tonight. I know I’m on the chopping block, you know, coming in late to the game, so if we don't do something, I’m pretty much going home.
10. **Aubry (3/5):** I wasn’t surprised to hear that Peter’s been trying to blindside Joe, but apparently he also threw me under the bus. I was going by the mantra “it’s better to stay with the devil you know,” but at this point, Peter is just such a wild card, I’m like, *“Are we really going to keep someone you’re afraid is going to blindside you before you blindside them?”*
11. **Tai (2/2):** Aubry didn’t say much at all. So I don’t know what she thinking. But they got the number. Why would they even do anything else than the most obvious thing, which is vote out Julia? I don’t think she believed me.
12. **Scot (2/2):** Our original plan was to convince Aubry to come with us and take out Peter. But the reality is we don’t know what she’s going to do, so we may have to just vote out Julia and live to fight another day.
13. **Aubry (4/5):** I don’t know what the hell is gonna happen. And it puts me in a bad situation. Do I stick with these Brains or do I flip, take out Peter, and potentially lose Joe’s trust? (34:19 → 34:29 = 10s)
14. **Aubry (5/5):** I have to make a decision, and I feel like no matter what I do, it’s going to blow back and bite me in the ass.