

**War Is Not Pretty**

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| **Episode 09 Confessionals** | |
| **Castaway** | **Count** |
| Tony | 2 |
| Natalie | 1 |
| Michele | 4 |
| Sarah | 2 |
| Ben | 1 |
| Denise | 0 |
| Nick | 5 |
| Jeremy | 1 |
| Kim | 2 |
| Sophie | 0 |
| Tyson | 1 |
| Adam | 6 |
| Wendell | 0 |
| Yul | 0 |
| Parvati | 2 |
| Rob | 0 |
| Ethan | 0 |
| Danni | 1 |
| Amber | 1 |

Day 21

1. **Michele (1/4):** I am really, really annoyed. I hate getting blindsided, to be perfectly honest. And the fact is that I wanted Wendell out. I’ve told these people that I was on board with that, and yet here we are, me blindsided, on the wrong side of the votes *again*. I feel like déjà vu from Day 2.
2. **Nick (1/5):** I feel like Wendell was kind of the first shot. This is ruthless and cutthroat, and… there’s gonna be bloodshed. And I’m gonna like it. I’m-I’m gonna get on that train now, to where I love blood.
3. **Nick (2/5):** I feel like it is now my duty to take every one of these people out that have double-crossed me. I’m ready for some revenge.
4. **Adam (1/6):** Oh, man. Tribal Council tonight, my heart was beating *so* fast. Literally, like, out of my chest. It was outrageous. I was so incredibly nervous. But I’m here. I’m here. Right now, Michele is feeling incredibly low. But I see it as an opportunity.
5. **Adam (2/6):** I think that there may be an idol in Jeff Probst’s podium. I recognize the fleur-de-lis symbol from the idol that Denise found, so the fact that there is a fleur-de-lis right in front of us at Tribal Council makes me think that that might actually be a live idol. In the chance that I’m right, it’d be a pretty epic way to save myself!

Day 22

1. **Amber (1/1):** So we got a clue that said something about history repeats itself. So we’re all thinking, *“Oh, it’s all the past clues that we’ve been given while we’re here on the Edge.”* It’s maybe the combination boxes, you know, maybe it’s the trails.
2. **Natalie (1/1):** Once we were at the top of the mountain, I was like, *“Let’s go split off into groups,”* because if we find tokens, I want to spend it to buy food. Wendell just had a merge feast, so he’s good, and Yul just got here. He hasn’t been suffering like the rest of us. And so I just wanted to make sure that Wendell and Yul are completely left out of this advantage.
3. **Danni (1/1):** As a fan, the wheels started turning, and I thought, *“Maybe this is something from a past season on Extinction”*-- when Aubry stepped back and looked up at the steps and found where the clue was.
4. **Parvati (1/2):** Oh, my God! I did something! *Survivor*-- I’m playing the game! I feel like a mouse trapped on this mouse experiment. And finding the prize was, like, my piece of cheese.
5. **Parvati (2/2):** It was, like, a safe or unsafe coin. And if you flip and it lands on “Safe,” you have immunity. That’s huge. For a moment, I was thinking, *“We could keep this just between us and then we could have a jar of peanut butter just for me and Danni”* (*chuckles*). But then I was thinking… *“I’ve got people out here who I trust, and a lot of people have been here way longer than me.”* So I’m like-- my heart just can’t not want them in on the secret. Now we have to sell it to someone in the game. I know that you can buy peanut butter with Fire Tokens, and we have six people in our group who are looking to eat something.
6. **Adam (3/6):** Sarah made a mistake by switching out with Nick. Look, Sarah came into this game with quite a reputation. The way she played *Game Changers*, she blindsided friends left and right. So if Sarah’s move puts a bigger target on her back, fine with me. I don’t trust her as far as I can throw her. And I can’t throw very far.
7. **Sarah (1/2):** I gave Nick my reward as a human being to a human being. There was-- no gameplay was in it. It was a complete genuine decision. Nick’s birthday was yesterday. Nick got completely blindsided yesterday. This game is very tough. We’re all away from our loved ones. He just got engaged. So I hope it taught everybody a lesson. Just as a world, we can be nicer to each other.
8. **Tony (1/2):** Wow. Sarah got caught up in the moment, and that one moment on *Survivor* is what costs you the game sometimes, when you can’t get out of that emotional, realistic, humane moment to be that barbaric survivor that you need to be.
9. **Jeremy (1/1):** Sarah gives up her reward and gives it to Nick, one of the main guys I want to talk to because he’s on the outs. I’m like, *“Come on, Sarah.”* And I’ve done that before. I’ve given up reward. And you know what they did? They voted me out.
10. **Nick (3/5):** Sarah gives me the reward. And I appreciated it, but I don’t feel like I owe her anything. I don’t trust her any more than I already did, and it wasn’t much, because I know the game Sarah plays. And if Sarah was told to write down my name tonight, she would. But, hopefully, there are some clues hidden somewhere for a Hidden Immunity Idol or a Steal a Vote advantage or something… and hopefully I can find it.
11. **Michele (2/4):** This game has been such an emotional roller coaster. Last night was a seriously low point in the game for me. And then, this morning, I received Wendell’s Fire Token, which puts me at four Fire Tokens. And I think that makes me the richest person out here. So, I get back to camp and I notice something in my bag. So I scurry off and I pull out… *♪ Dun, dun, dun ♪* this beautiful 50/50 Coin advantage. (*chuckles*)
12. **Michele (3/4):** This coin is 50/50, and I truly feel 50/50 on whether or not I should take the advantage.
13. **Michele (4/4):** But at the reward today, we had fortune cookies. And two of mine were, *“As the purse is emptied, the heart is filled.”* And the other is, *“Don’t be afraid of taking that big step.”* So now I feel like the *Survivor* gods came down and put these fortunes in my fortune cookie to say, *“Michele, jump on this and get yourself some god-darn power in this game of Survivor.”* So I’m gonna trade in my four Fire Tokens for this beautiful advantage.

Day 23

1. **Tony (2/2):** My big concern from Day 1 was that the lower-profile players, as I would call the hyenas of the game, will all start coming after the higher-profile players and pick us off one by one. So right now I want to try to get rid of the hyenas because they’re gonna wait for the lions to go at it, and then they’re gonna come in and clean up shop.
2. **Kim (1/2):** Feels amazing to have the Immunity Necklace walking into Tribal tonight. But really, tonight’s vote is not, like, a huge, crazy vote unless something goes down and an idol gets played.
3. **Kim (2/2):** What appears to be the easy vote tonight would be sticking with this larger group of people, and then you’ve kind of got Nick, Adam and Michele that are a bit outcasted from the group. And I think if that large group of people were to stick together and vote out one of those, everybody makes it through the night. I think Nick’s just not to be trusted, from my perspective. I don’t have a relationship with him. I think he’s also a-a challenge threat moving forward. So Nick would be my preference tonight.
4. **Nick (4/5):** I’m gonna take this game over. I’m tired of being told what to do, and I’m tired of my name getting thrown out as a easy vote. If there’s gonna be tons of chaos, that’s good for me. I want more and more names thrown around. I want more and more people to turn on each other.
5. **Nick (5/5):** Sarah gave me the reward, but she’s tighter to a lot of people than she is to me. So I don’t feel bad if I can send Sarah home.
6. **Tyson (1/1):** We agree to Sarah, but I think Adam’s more dangerous as a player. So I think, *“Okay, I have to do something.”* I’ve never loved confusion in the game of *Survivor*. I’ve always wanted it to be straightforward. But I’m learning that if you create enough confusion, people start forgetting about you a little bit.
7. **Sarah (2/2):** Literally, a bomb went off when my name came out of someone’s mouth, and now I’m like, *“Hold up. This is not happening.”* Adam, you threw my name out. Mistake, brother. You don’t throw my name out, okay? And you’re gonna learn the hard way, and you’re gonna learn why you don’t throw my name out, because your ass is gonna go home.
8. **Ben (1/1):** It’s hard to rope a bunch of winners into a single direction. The group’s decision has changed today. I think the group’s decision will change more times today. I think the group’s decision will probably change at Tribal tonight, too. So… I just hope the target doesn’t end up on me tonight.
9. **Adam (4/6):** Ben talks to me like I’m a child that needs to be scolded. And he plays a lot more like Boston Rob than he would ever want to admit. This conversation pisses me off more than any other conversation I’ve ever had on *Survivor*. Then all hell breaks loose.
10. **Adam (5/6):** My plan right now is to vote Sarah unless these guys are coming up with a new plan at camp as we speak. So, then that means that I need to go for what I think might be an idol. I don’t even know if it’s anything. I could be completely wrong. (*groans*) Oh, my God. I am imagining myself watching myself, and I’m going like this… (*groans*) *“He’s playing with so much fire. Please, don’t let it burn him!”* This is a high stakes game, and I’m playing it on the edge. I just don’t want to be on the other Edge.

Edge of Extinction

1. **Adam (6/6):** I made one too many mistakes. Three strikes and you’re out in this game, and, uh, the thought that there was an idol at Tribal allowed me to play more aggressively than I should have, and it cost me.