How to Win Survivor from Your Couch

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The Title of this Talk was a Lie
Step 1: Know Survivor Exists
What is Survivor?

- Reality TV show that involves survival skills along with physical and social prowess
- 16-24 contestants
- Start out in tribes – a cast of 18 could be split into 3 tribes of 6
- Do a challenge each episode; the losing tribe goes to “tribal council”, winners get immunity
- Everyone votes for someone to be eliminated
- Person with the most votes goes home
What is Survivor?

- At some point tribes can be shuffled in a “swap”
- E.g. when 2 people are eliminated from a cast of 18, the rest can be swapped into 2 tribes of 8
- When a bit less than half the cast is eliminated, we MERGE into one big tribe
- After merge, immunity challenges are individual. Winner of challenge is safe from elimination, and everyone goes to tribal council each episode
- Beginning of jury
What is Survivor?

- Stop eliminating people once the cast size gets cut down to 2 or 3
- The power shifts to the jury
- FTC – finalists plead their cases, jury votes for most deserving winner
- $1 million reward!
Step 2: Play Survivor

- Cold!
- Rain!
- Extreme Physical Effort!
Step 2: Play Online Survivor

- ORGs (Online Reality Games)
- Anyone with a Discord account
- Private confessional channel where spectators will react to anything you say
- Games themed around anything you can think of!
- No money 😊
Welcome to a new year at Hogwarts! Before we begin our banquet, I would like to say a few words. And here they are: Nitwit! Blubber! Oddment! Tweak!

Please enjoy the feast! As is usual, we have some announcements...don’t venture into the forbidden forest, and the corridor on the 3rd floor is off limits!

Unfortunately, the spectre of Voldemort still looms over the castle... will you be the one to finally defeat him and restore peace to the wizarding world?

Welcome everyone, to another season of Games!
Step 3: Make Friends

- 4 tribes of 5 - need a group of 3!
- Playing with children...?
- International alliance :D

An American, a Canadian and an Argentinian walk into a bar...
Step 4: Threaten Your Enemies

- Final 18 - swapped away into 2 tribes of 9
- No one from my original tribe!
- Things were going well until...
- Bullying a 17 y/o child
Step 5: Be a Big Nerd
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- Final 15 - Win puzzle game
- Draft new tribes of 5!
- Get some friends back
Step 4: Threaten Your Enemies

- Final 12 - MERGE!
- Shoot all immediate threats
Step 6: Threaten Your Friends’ Friends

- Final 10
- Found out about a 5 person alliance without me or my top ally
- Perfect time to attack top ally’s #2
- Narrow 6-4 vote
Step 7: Threaten Your Friends

- Final 5
- My main enemies gone...
- Had to start thinking about voting off closer allies
Step 8: Be Depressed, Pretend You’re Not

- Final 4 endurance challenge – 10.5 hrs on July 4th...
- 2-1-1 vote out of my best friend 😞
- No time to be sad!
Step 9: Win

- Write a speech
- Being the favorite helps...

You deserve it. You always did
Step 10: Keep Bothering Your Friends

◦ Not everyone lasts, but some do
◦ Friends all over the world
◦ 3 just in BC!
Step 11: Do it All Again???

- 2 more games since then
- 1/20, 5/24
- End of my career...
- ...or so I say
If You’re Curious...

✧ Talk to me! I know of a decent amount of ORGs and can get you involved

✧ Not just Survivor: The Mole, Big Brother, The Circle, The Challenge, Love Island, Drag Race...

✧ Don’t want to play ORGs but like the sound of Survivor? Season 43 premiered two days ago
Questions?