

# How to Win Survivor from Your Couch

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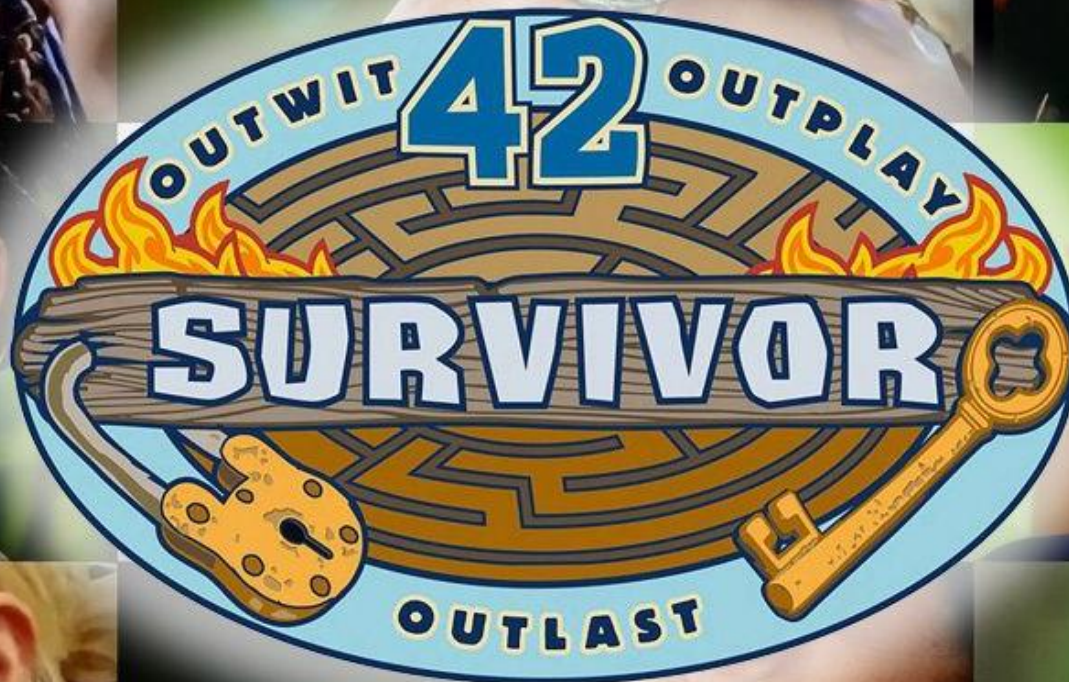
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Step 1: Know Survivor Exists

# 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 😞





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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!



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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!




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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?



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Welcome everyone, to another season of  Games!



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# Step 3: Make Friends

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

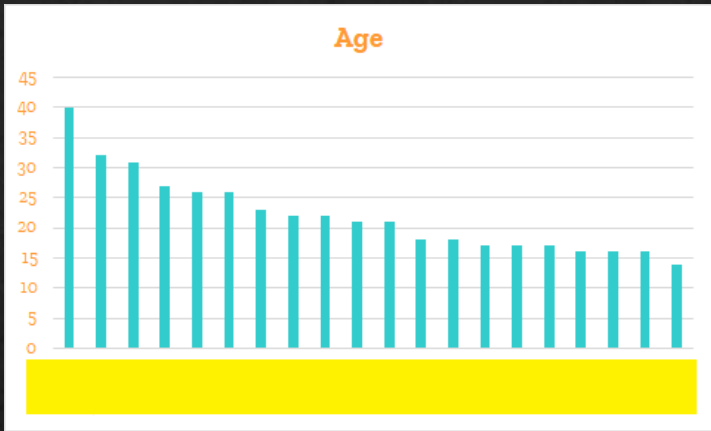


An American, a Canadian and an Argentinian walk into a bar...



## 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

Tribemate	DM Total	DMs Sent	DMs Received
	294	137	157
	140	62	78
	46	28	18
	36	17	19

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	0	5	7	0	8	4	4	0	2	4	6	0	11	0	0	51	
	0	2	4	2	7	7	9	0	3	3	1	1	7	0	0	46	
	6	3	15	6	7	8	5	1	9	12	18	9	14	13	9	135	
	7	3	12	0	10	4	2	0	5	7	9	3	7	1	1	71	
	0	1	6	0	8	2	11	0	4	0	0	0	7	0	0	39	
	7	5	6	11	5	9	14	0	5	8	9	0	13	0	5	97	
	4	4	8	5	2	8	11	3	5	4	8	0	7	2	4	75	
	5	14	4	2	8	18	13	0	4	6	7	2	8	0	4	95	
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	3	3	7	5	5	5	5	4	0	0	4	2	5	0	2	50	
	4	5	11	6	0	10	4	4	0	0	4	6	8	0	3	65	
	7	2	13	8	0	8	9	7	0	3	6	4	5	0	0	72	
	0	1	6	3	0	0	2	2	0	2	6	3	8	0	0	33	
	16	10	11	10	7	13	9	7	0	5	5	6	5	0	5	109	
	0	0	12	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	14	
	0	0	7	1	0	4	2	3	0	3	4	0	1	6	0	31	
Total	59	51	110	78	35	106	79	83	4	50	65	75	33	106	16	33	983

# Step 5: Be a Big Nerd

- ◆ 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 4<sup>th</sup>...
- ◆ 2-1-1 vote out of my best friend ☹️
- ◆ No time to be sad!

## Step 9: Win

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





## 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?