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### PART ONE:

- 1. Nick Dunne The Day Of: Nick hates Amy
- 2. Amy Elliott Jan 8 2005: Amy meets Nick
- 3. Nick Amy is gone!
- 4. Amy Sept 18 2005 Amy meets Nick again
- 5. Nick lies to Boney and Gilpin
- 6. Amy July 5 2008 Amy is in love
- 7. Nick interviewed at station/calls Amy's parents
- 8. Amy April 21 2009 Nick stands Amy up
- 9. Nick smiles a 'killer smile'
- 10. Amy July 5 2010 Nick misses their third anniversary
- 11. Nick First Clue underwear in Nick's office
- 12. Amy August 23 2010 Nick is not living up to contract
- 13. Nick chicken frito casserole smile photo
- 14. Amy Sept 15 2010 Move to Missouri 'I don't feel real anymore.'
- 15. Nick 3 Days Gone The Mall; Amy wanted to buy a gun
- 16. Amy Oct 16 2010 Homewarming Bill Dunne: 'She doesn't belong here.'
- 17. Nik Day 4 3<sup>rd</sup> Clue 'I'm a big fan of the lie of omission.'
- 18. Amy April 28 2011 looking after Nick's Mom
- 19. Nick Day 4 Andie visits Go's house: 'we'll be together but only if you're careful.'
- 20. Amy July 21 2011 Phobia of needles and blood
- 21. Nick 5 Days gone Nick visits Desi/Go learns of Andie: 'you were always one of the good guys.'

Ellen Abbott Live

- 22. Amy Aug 17 2011 Marriage good patch?
- 23. Nick 5 Days Noelle: 'Amy was worried about Nick's temper'
- 24. Amy Oct 21 2011 Lots of black squares, Nick's Mom is dead

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- 25. Nick 6 Days The Vigil
- 26. Amy Feb 15 2012 'I'd feel safer with a gun'
- 27. Nick 6 Days Go: 'I would still love you.'

Amy was pregnant

- 28. Amy June 26 2012 'This man might kill me'
- 29. Nick 7 Days: The Woodshed

ENTER TANNER BOLT

### PART TWO:

- 1. REAL AMY is alive! 'Every day was a chance to be less than perfect...There was a Real Amy in there and she was so much better, more interesting and complicated and challenging, than Cool Amy'
- 2. Nick 7 Days Amy is framing Nick for the Death Penalty
- 3. Amy Day Of Amy sees Nick and Andie: 'Nick had de-amazed Amazing Amy' Amy writes her own story/diary
- 4. Nick 7 Days. Nick gets bitten
- 5. Amy in the Ozarks is 'the opposite of Amy' PLAN: Her Own Suicide?????
- 6. Nick 8 Days Tanner Bolt is on the scene
- 7. Amy 7 Days Gone meets Nancy/Greta
- 8. Nick 8 Days THE PLUMMET: Andie will tell/Cops will go after Go/must keep Elliotts on side

Nick Takes Action: 'Amy likes to play God'

9. Amy 'I'm not going to die. I didn't do anything wrong.'

'If I were found I'd be the most hated woman on the planet.'

10. Nick 8 Days Hilary Hardy's story

NICK'S TURN: Interview with Rebecca 'Come home so I can kill you.' P 335

11. Amy sees Nick's interview 'the power to surprise me.'

AMY'S TURN: Amy is robbed.

12. Nick 9 Days interview prep

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- 13. Amy knows what to do
- 14. Nick 10 Days
- 15. Amy 10 Days Desi to the rescue 'The world cares about you, Amy'
- 16. Nick lies to Sharon Shieber/ Cops get warrant for Go's shed/ Find Amy's Diary!
- 17. Amy 10 Days to Lake House fairy tale
- 18. Nick 10 Days cops have Diary and Punch and Judy missing club
- 19. Amy 11 Days watches Sharon Shieber interview; 'You are better than any storybook, than anything anyone could make up.'
- 20. Nick 14 Days Fantasy of Killing Amy/falls out with Go/'those fucking bitches'
- 21. Amy 26 Days
- 22. Nick 33 Days (arrested)
- 23. Amy 40 Days executes Plan B

### PART THREE:

- 1. Nick 40 Days: Amy comes home! 'What is your story, Amy?'
- 2. Amy interview with police 'sweetgirlsweetgirlsweetgirl'
- 3. \*Nick Night of Return: Triumphant Return of Amazing Amy 'The only way you can be loved again is to stay with me.' (and Amy saved some vomit, just in case)
- 4. \*Amy what story will be told? 'Without me you're just your Dad.'
- 5. Nick nearly strangles Amy (Can't return to an average life???)
- 6. Amy writes her own story, finally
- 7. Nick 30 Days
- 8. Amy 8 weeks/ Nick finds vomit/Amy lands a book deal Amazing
- 9. Nick 9 weeks Nick writes his own story
- 10. Amy 10 weeks
- 11. \*Nick 20 weeks Amy is pregnant. Battle for the story/Power of story/p 461???

  Go: 'I still love you. But this breaks my heart.'