

Episode 68: Plotschund Book of Life Plot and Structure Discussion

I did it again.

But maybe more cleanly?

I don't know. You be the judge.

But first, the basics of how I broke this book into tiny bits....

The Three-Act, Seven "Scene" Structure

Act I:

Scene 1: The Inciting Incident

Scene 2: Choice to Engage

Act II:

Scene 3: The Midpoint Reversal

Scene 4: No Way Out But Through

Act III:

Scene 5: Dark Moment

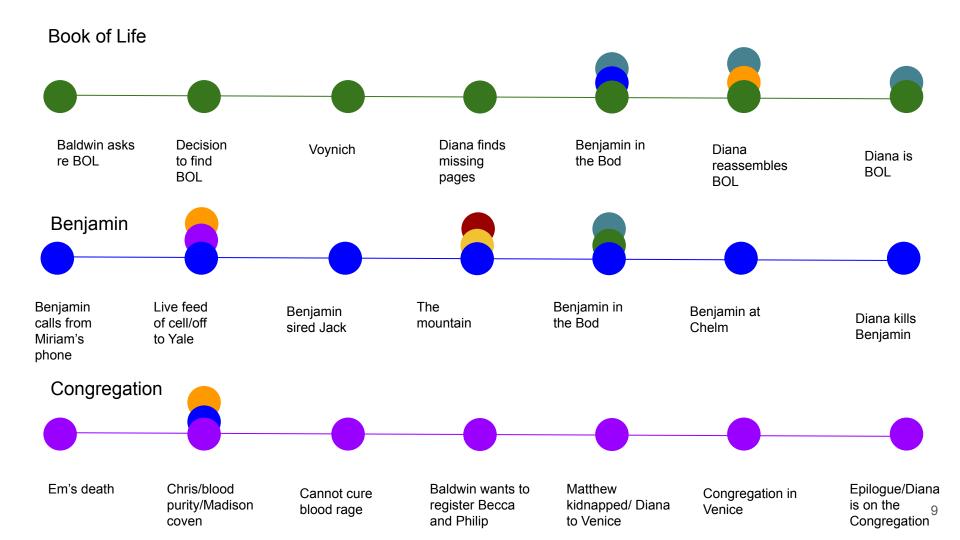
Scene 6: Climax

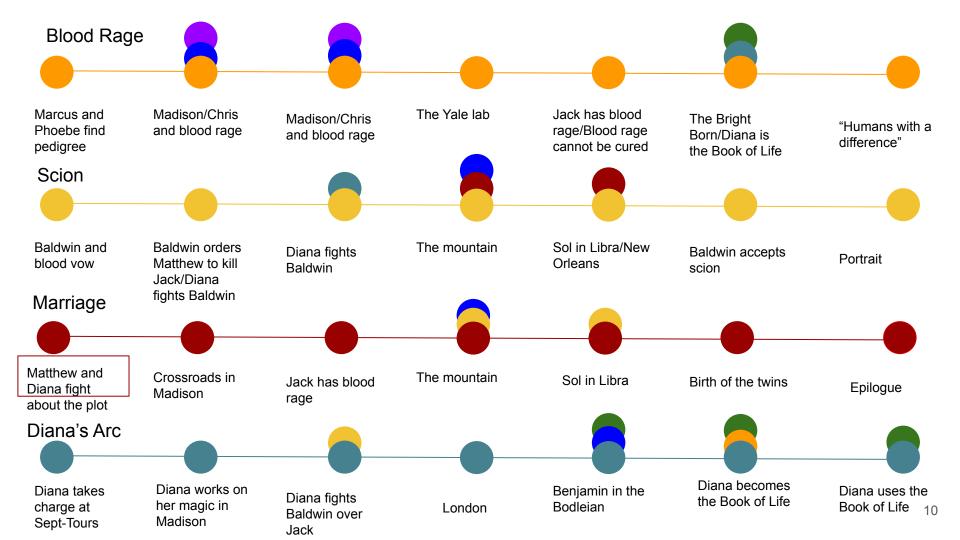
Scene 7: Resolution

How I Identified Primary Plots: Narrative Questions

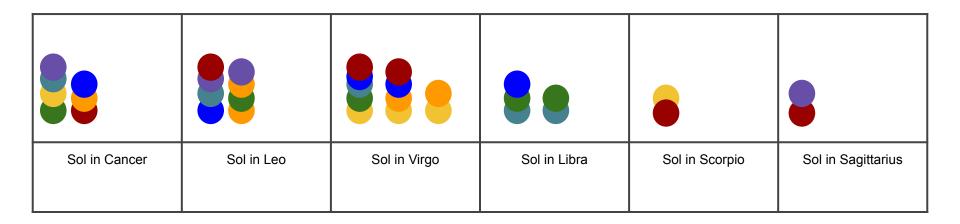
- 1. World Conflict I (Benjamin) Can Matthew and Diana stop Benjamin?
- 2. World Conflict II (Congregation) Will the Congregation evolve/repeal the covenant?
- 3. World Conflict III What is the Book of Life?
- 4. Blood Rage/Science (1) What is blood rage? (2) What are creatures?
- 5. Scion How will M + D form a family/have a relationship with the de Clermonts?
- 6. Marriage/Parent How will M + D parent/make their family work?
- 7. D v. self Who/what is Diana Bishop?

PLOT OVERVIEW	Inciting Incident	Choice to Engage	Midpoint Reversal	No Way Out	Dark Moment	Climax	Resolution
Benjamin	Benjamin calls from Miriam's phone	Benjamin's live feed in Madison/to Yale	Jack sired by Benjamin	The mountain	Benjamin in the Bodleian	Benjamin at Chelm	D kills Benjamin
Congregation	Em's death	Coven fails test in Madison/to Yale	Cannot cure blood rage	Baldwin wants to register the twins	Matthew kidnapped/D to Venice	The Congregation meetings	D is on the Congregation
Book of Life	Baldwin asks after the BOL	Benjamin asks for the Book of Life/decision to find it	Knox on the trail of the BOL/no pages in Voynich	Diana finds the missing pages	Benjamin in the Bodleian	Diana reassembles the book	Diana becomes/uses the Book of Life
Blood Rage	Marcus and Phoebe find pedigree	Chris and Madison/Blood purity	Chris and Madison/Blood purity	Creature lab at Yale	Jack has blood rage/blood rage is incurable	Diana is the BOL/Bright Born	Humans with a difference
Scion	Baldwin and blood vow	Baldwin orders Matthew to kill Jack/Diana fights Baldwin	Diana fights Baldwin	The mountain	Sol in Libra/New Orleans	Baldwin accepts scion	Portrait
Marriage	M and D fight about the plot	Crossroads in Madison	Jack has blood rage	The mountain	Sol in Libra	Birth of the twins	Chess metaphor/epilogu e
Diana's arc	Diana takes charge at Sept-Tours	Diana works magic in Madison	Diana fights Baldwin over Jack	London	Benjamin in the Bod	Diana becomes the BOL	Diana is/uses the BOL 8

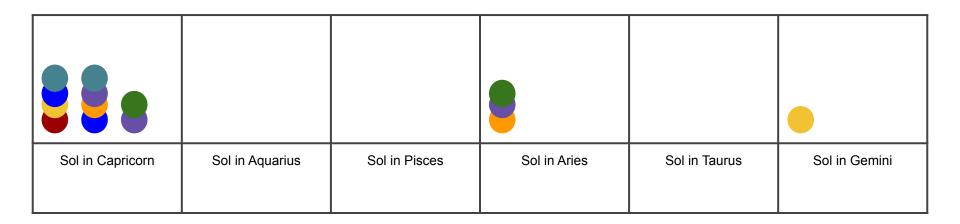




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