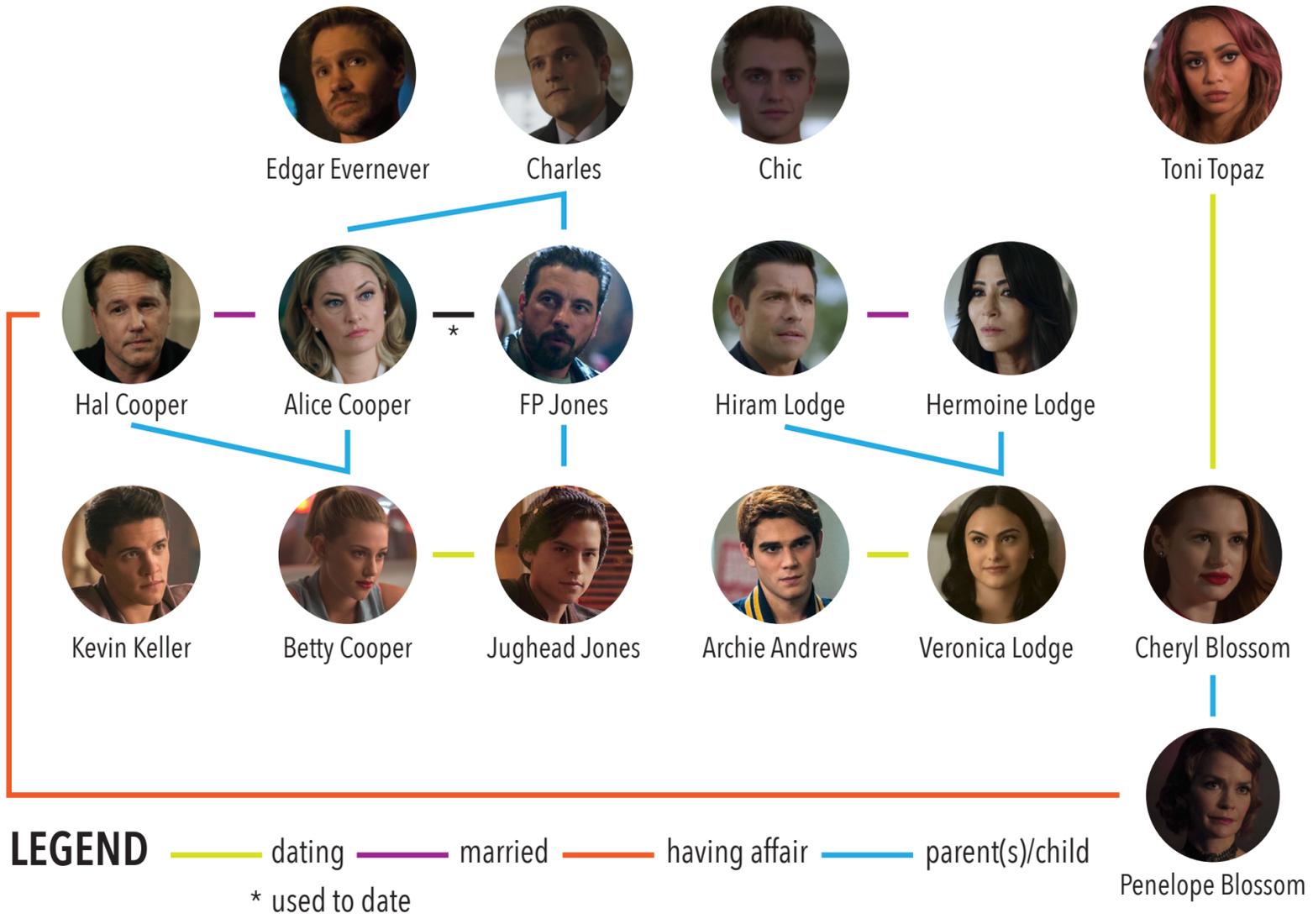


The Season 3 finale of 'Riverdale' is ridiculous

There's a cult leader harvesting cult members' organs, a board game that incites players to commit suicide, the daughter of a mob boss who operates a speakeasy... and a rich woman is forcing the four main characters to play a game that's supposed to end in their deaths.



Episode plot: the hunt

Season plot: The Farm cult

Season plot: Gryphons and Gargoyles

Minor plots

Penelope sits with Toni, who has just escaped from The Farm. Toni tells Penelope the cult leader Edgar is harvesting organs, and Betty is there. Toni passes out, likely because Penelope put something in the tea she gave Toni.

Edgar's about to give Betty a labotomy. Penelope interrupts and says she wants to buy all the organs he's harvested. And she buys Betty back from him.

Edgar tells Alice the cult will "ascend" that night. Alice is concerned because she can't get in contact with Betty. She's told Betty escaped The Farm with Toni.

Jughead talks with FP. He's trying to figure out who the Gargoyle King is. In S3:E21, Jughead was told it was Jason, but he doesn't believe it. FP reminds him Jason's body isn't in his casket.

Veronica and Hermoine sign papers and now owns all the Lodge Industries properties.

Veronica gives Archie the El Royale, a boxing gym.

Archie, Veronica and Jughead receive invitations to Thornhill, Cheryl and Penelope's home. Betty wakes up in a bedroom at Thornhill and sees a fancy dress with a note that people are waiting for her downstairs. When she goes downstairs, Archie, Veronica and Jughead are sitting at a dinner table with Penelope at the head. Penelope explains they're there to complete a quest.

Penelope reveals her accomplices, Hal and Chic. It turns out, she was the mastermind behind Hal working as the Black Hood serial killer. Penelope and Hal were having an affair at that time. They later took Chic in and had him dress as the Gargoyle King.

Penelope says she has a grudge against Riverdale because she was sold as a child bride to the Blossom family. And, when Jason was murdered, the main plotline of Season 1, she says no one cared. She says the four will play one final round of the game, and it will prove they are bad people like the rest of the town residents. The four will lose the game and die. Then, their parents will feel the same pain she felt when Jason died.

Penelope introduced the game to Archie, Veronica, Betty and Jughead's parents while they were in high school. She reintroduced it to Chic this year. Chic introduced it to someone, who began playing it with someone else, and they began playing it with someone else, and it spread throughout Riverdale High School.