Ruby Slippers

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Alright so for my feat I'm gonna use his feat from the episode “Ruby Slippers” S4E21 partially because it's a good feat and partially because I wanted an excuse to rewatch the episode.



So for some context/info necessary: A pizza delivery guy found a burned corpse handcuffed to a car and the police connected the body to a certain Archie Bloom. Cans of gasoline were also found. They realized this dude was gay and faced many issues as a result of it.

They found a heel and connected it to a nearby drag show the heel was connected to a certain Glennda, who claimed that they saw a man watching them and high-tailed it.

The car was registered to Archie which is how they found him and it was confirmed through dental records. The gas cans came from a store Archie worked at, the father was clearly ashamed of his son.

His father and Rick Hughes both become people of interest. Rick Hughes is Archie's coworker from the store and constantly picked on him, Rick is a homophones and added all sorts of feminine decorations to Archie's locker which Archie simply braved.

There was a video found of Archie's father handcuffing him to a chair to do his homework saying it might “toughen him up” its worth noting the handcuffs were similar to those found at the crime scene handcuffing the body to the car with some partial prints belonging to the father.

They then asked around with a bookstore owner who rented Archie a room. Hughes has motive aside from simply being a bully in that Archie took some pictures of him hustling some baby formula from the store which is occasionally used for drugs also it doesn't help that the fellas in the image did NOT look friendly.

He then comes meet Glennda at his day job as a funeral cosmetologist In order to ask about his lie realizing he cold read Glennda wrong because he read him as a man instead of a woman.

A little bit of an EP feat, he profiled that Rick Hughes' emotions stemmed from weakness hence why he was emotionally immature (started yelling) and aggressively masculine (homophobic and called the victim a little princess) he inferred there was some childhood humiliation involved.

They then find somewhere he stayed for a bit and they find someone and realized the bookstore guy and Archie were lovers in a bit of an abusive something or other.

There is also a journal with details regarding bookstore dude stating that the fella kept meth in his jacket which he does, so again another suspect.

He takes note of one of the drag ladies working as a dentist for his day job which mind you is a detail that could very easily slip past him.

So this is how he resolved the case. (Reasoning part)

Jane recognizes that there are three neatly packaged possibilities, at this point his deductive prowess had already arrived at the correct conclusion all he had to do was close it.

He convinced Glennda to pick someone out of a lineup by saying that she values people who are different and that Archie was burned alive because he was different, he knows it would look very bad if she refused given the information that Glennda already knows (and will be revealed later) when Glennda said that none of them were there it confirmed his suspicions.

Glennda said that all of the people were too big and that the man that she saw was slender, she also said the father looked familiar.

The reason the father looked familiar and the man was more slender which makes sense as the man she saw was Archie Bloom himself.

All three of the men there hurt Archie in some way

1. Bookstore guy abused him sexually and violently while on substances
2. The father rejected his own son and was ashamed of him
3. The coworker bullied him, called him names, gave him stuff like aprons and stuffed animals and put stickers on his locker

At this point it would make sense for Jane to assume that any one of these three is the killer, they all fit perfectly, however he sees through this to the correct answer.

From all the information previously provided he inferred that Archie Bloom lit himself on fire after handcuffing himself even further supported by the fact the handcuffs were his own father's and he left clues to make each one a suspect.

He left clues to make each individual a suspect, practically Russian roulette for who would get the murder pinned on them, and in the process expose them for other crimes even if the scheme was revealed they would all be prosecuted for separate infractions of the law.

The evidence went as follows, the handcuffs for the father, the journal for the bookstore guy, and the gas can from the store with the bullies fingerprints.

He then noted the choice of a drag alley for his place to kill himself, he remembered the girls there and one stood out.

Fifi Nix was the name of the one who stood out, this turns into phoenix, pheonix -> risen from the ashes -> fire, this connects with rhe fact Archie Bloom “died” by fire. So Fifi Nix is Archie Bloom and he faked his death

He then realized Archie was talked out of suicide by Glennda since everybody there considered her as a mentor figure helping them so they staged a suicide.

Glenn worked at a cemetery for his day job after all he had access to a body and Fritta there was a dentist after all and the way they “identified” the body was through dental records.

The dentist even explains how Archie met this drag group. It is explained that Archie met the group through noticing some eyeliner on his dentist.

This also explains why Glennda lied. He knew that Archie was alive all along because his recent actions matched the profile of someone who wanted to live, not preparing to die.

He doesn't explain what clues lead to this but they are scattered throughout the episode. Archie's coworker said that Archie said that he got used to bullying throughout his old job and Archie's counselor said that Archie was planning to stand up against his abuse from the bookstore guy.

Ring around the Rosie



So uhh for some context a dead fella appeared in an alley but due to Jane's amazing EP after just seeing some dude be realized it was misdirection to take police attention away from a politician. He evaluated this after seeing him with a certain energy, a look in his eyes, and an overcoat on an already hot day. He was right and Tibbs did have a gun but he had the required conceal carry license and they didn't have enough to hold him.

Everything checked out and the new boss said they should cut him loose so he decided to manipulate both Luther Wainwright and Henry Tibbs at the same time, both of which he had just barely met.

He then approaches Cho while He's going on surveillance and joins him, he took note of Henry being from Texas and sat down in a bar next to him pretending to be also from the lone star state, he buys Henry a drink and they start getting along. The drink is useful as its harder to maintain a facade while drunk. He then shows Tibbs a nice gun and let's him hold it to see how he acts.

He evaluates Tibbs as a man on autopilot, set to kill, here we are introduced to the problem here that they can't arrest him for a crime he hasn't committed yet.

He presents the idea to Wainwright of him following around Tibbs and getting in his mind so well that he could predict the very moment he would lash out.

From here he is told he has 24 hours to prove Tibbs is dangerous, meaning from the start of this episode until the end he spent at most two days.

In order to get into Henry's mind he gets to know him by abusing the one thing he does know about him. The fact that he desires a job, he's already applied to an insurance group and has been denied. However, he does not yet know that his application has been denied so he would then conduct a fake job interview by borrowing a room from the insurance group. Rigsby gets this one

They also need to know about his family life, his wife had filed for divorce and knowing why would be crucial, so he assigns Van Pelt to this job.

He suggests Cho change his choice of vehicle in order to keep the target under surveillance

He tells Rigsby that there's a large pimple or melanoma forming above his brow so that he would touch his face. He knew that the test questions Wainwright told Rigsby to ask Tibbs could be tricked so in anticipation of this he added a bit more reason for Wainwright to suspect him by saying this, mimicking behavior is normal among most people, and face touching is one of the most mimicked behaviors so that he could point out Tibbs not once mimicked this behavior.

This is a nice detail as it demonstrates a domino-like understanding of how to control others combined with his own psychological knowledge to lead Wainwright in the direction he chooses. He assures

Wainwright this isn't as large of a leap as is looks by pointing out his own mimicking of Janes behavior.

At this point he established that his wife is scared of him, he is living a life of failure, he's socially isolated, he owns firearms, his wife had recently left him. Jane knows that Tibbs is well educated and given his high position in law enforcement, previous actions, and disposition values the system quite highly and would take the regular approach to this and get him counseling and give him parole.

He then explains to Wainwright he could easily solve this by waiting for him to try to commit mass murder and stopping him in order to put him away for life.

He knows that Wainwright will turn this down in exchange for the counseling alternative understanding that he wouldn't wait for an almost-bad guy" to make a move.

He brings up the fact that early in the episode he vowed to make a prediction; here he predicts that Tibbs will make his move before the end of the day.

He then uses Van Pelt to get permission from the wife to enter the home in order to predict where he'd go.

He detects the home lacks "a woman's touch" which seems to make sense given the fact the couple are estranged.

They then find a calendar and he explains why he targeted the mayor, the mayor is an important man and so in the moment he feels the rush of killing someone so important the power feels as if it becomes him. Which he oh-so desires given his desire to find a job.

He then notes the fact the divorce papers hadn't been signed yet and predicts he is headed to his wife's place of employment.

He anticipates that Wainwright at this point had enough and was ready to double down on the counseling approach.

He incites a domino effect by suggesting that they add a stressor into the mix with Tibbs, incite him into violence, this is clearly something that Wainwright would vehemently oppose and as such would no longer hear Jane out and simply go and take Tibbs into custody because as Luther puts it "he's a sick man who needs psychological

help” and as such wouldn't want to incite this man into committing a crime just to lock him away and would try to provide that psychological help.

This point of view from Wainwright could be predicted from the fact that he suggested counseling in the first place and even though he acknowledges that “there is no perfect system” he feels he should at least try to get Tibbs some help by following the laws in place.

So by suggesting they do the opposite and do something that would push him over the edge and that goes against this system it would push Wainwright over the edge by taking advantage of his desperation to help. As Wainwright himself phrases it “I'm sick of watching everyone play with this man's life”

Wainwright takes Cho and Rigsby, Lisbon herself has been shown to be biased in this matter because she dismissed the other person who was a suspect in the killing because of his music. Not exactly the most unbiased. Jane and Van Pelt had already shared their views leaving the two boys to give Wainwright a hand.

The reason it is so vital for him to have taken these two men would be so that he would connect the dots. He recognizes Rigsby from the Goldwyn group and Cho from the CBI as he was the one who interrogated him. Luther would then offer provide help and say that they are going to enter his home with a warrant.

By suggesting the usage of a stressor, along with several key details, he pushes Wainwright to be the very stressor that causes Tibbs to act.

He then goes to the very location he predicted Henry would go and offered to give him the help he requires suggesting it's not too late.

He says this even though he knows he will pull the trigger anyways. This is to demonstrate to Luther that even if Jane tries to calm him down he's dangerous enough to pull the trigger.

He replaced all the live rounds in Tibbs’ home with blanks in anticipation of this very end game whike they were there. Giving him the chance to demonstrate that he is dangerous enough that he, while under the impression his gun has live rounds, would discharge his weapon and aim it at an entire group.

Here he even sets up a more long term test by predicting that Wainwright would exact a psychological test on Jane and by acting off he sets up his more long term plan of feigning insanity