



# Prediction Challenge! 2026

First Round			Predictions and Results				
Teams		Score	Michael Poplawski	John Woycheshin	Richard Owens	John Lo	Wes Zetaruk
Detroit Pistons Orlando Magic	DET	ORL 1	DET 4-2 2	DET 4-0 0	DET 4-2 2	DET 4-1 1	DET 4-1 1
	ORL	2					
Cleveland Cavaliers Toronto Raptors	CLE	2	CLE 4-1 2	CLE 4-2 3	CLE 4-2 3	CLE 4-2 3	CLE 4-2 3
	TOR	2					
New York Knicks Atlanta Hawks	NYK	2	NYK 4-2 3	NYK 4-2 3	NYK 4-1 2	NYK 4-2 3	NYK 4-2 3
	ATL	2					
Boston Celtics Philadelphia 76ers	BOS	BOS 3	BOS 4-1 9	BOS 4-1 9	BOS 4-2 8	BOS 4-1 9	BOS 4-1 9
	PHI	1	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Oklahoma City Thunder Phoenix Suns	OKC	OKC 3	OKC 4-0 9	OKC 4-2 7	OKC 4-0 9	OKC 4-1 8	OKC 4-0 9
	PHX	0	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Los Angeles Lakers Houston Rockets	LAL	LAL 3	HOU 4-2 1	HOU 4-2 1	HOU 4-3 2	HOU 4-2 1	HOU 4-2 1
	HOU	1					
Denver Nuggets Minnesota Timberwolves	DEN	MIN 1	DEN 4-2 1	DEN 4-2 1	DEN 4-1 0	DEN 4-2 1	DEN 4-2 1
	MIN	3					
San Antonio Spurs Portland Trail Blazers	SAS	SAS 3	SAS 4-0 8	SAS 4-1 9	SAS 4-1 9	SAS 4-1 9	SAS 4-1 9
	POR	1	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Series Winners Correct			3	3	3	3	3
Bonus Points (10)			10	10	10	10	10
Series Game Scores Correct			0	0	0	0	0
Bonus Points (10)			10	10	10	10	10
<b>Total Score (100)</b>			<b>55</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>56</b>
<b>Rank (out of 5)</b>			<b>2</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>

### "Results" Explained

Each series is scored out of a total of 20 points:

If the series leader/winner is predicted correctly, 10 points are awarded, ✓ appears

Up to 10 more points are awarded for how close the predicted score is to the actual series score