



# Stanley Cup Playoffs Prediction Challenge! 2026

## First Round

## Predictions and Results

| Teams                    |     | Score | Michael Poplawski | Kelly Chaplin | John Woycheshin | Joel Palmer | Glen Seredynski | Rod Phillips | Dustin van Gerven | Terry Appleby | Leslie MacPherson | Mel Tacoma | Doug Wansbrough | Terry Smoker | Bob Routhier | Amy Roach | Pete McCarthy | Amarjit Mann | Ed Mick   | Richard Owens | John Lo   | Wes Zetaruk |
|--------------------------|-----|-------|-------------------|---------------|-----------------|-------------|-----------------|--------------|-------------------|---------------|-------------------|------------|-----------------|--------------|--------------|-----------|---------------|--------------|-----------|---------------|-----------|-------------|
| Buffalo Sabres           | BUF | 3     | BUF 4-2           | BUF 4-3       | BUF 4-2         | BOS 4-3     | BUF 4-3         | BUF 4-1      | BUF 4-2           | BUF 4-2       | BUF 4-2           | BUF 4-2    | BUF 4-2         | BUF 4-3      | BUF 4-2      | BOS 4-3   | BOS 4-3       | BOS 4-2      | BUF 4-2   | BOS 4-2       | BUF 4-2   | BOS 4-2     |
| Boston Bruins            | BOS | 1     | 8                 | 7             | 8               | 2           | 7               | 9            | 8                 | 8             | 8                 | 8          | 8               | 2            | 8            | 8         | 2             | 1            | 8         | 8             | 8         | 1           |
| Tampa Bay Lightning      | TBL | 2     | TBL 4-2           | MTL 4-2       | TBL 4-3         | TBL 4-1     | MTL 4-3         | MTL 4-2      | MTL 4-3           | TBL 4-2       | MTL 4-2           | TBL 4-3    | MTL 4-3         | MTL 4-3      | TBL 4-2      | MTL 4-2   | MTL 4-2       | TBL 4-3      | TBL 4-3   | TBL 4-2       | TBL 4-3   | TBL 4-2     |
| Montréal Canadiens       | MTL | 2     | 3                 | 3             | 2               | 2           | 2               | 3            | 2                 | 3             | 3                 | 2          | 2               | 2            | 3            | 3         | 3             | 2            | 2         | 3             | 2         | 3           |
| Carolina Hurricanes      | CAR | 4     | CAR 4-2           | OTT 4-3       | CAR 4-2         | CAR 4-1     | OTT 4-3         | CAR 4-3      | CAR 4-3           | OTT 4-3       | OTT 4-3           | CAR 4-1    | CAR 4-1         | CAR 4-1      | OTT 4-3      | OTT 4-3   | CAR 4-2       | CAR 4-2      | CAR 4-1   | CAR 4-1       | CAR 4-2   | CAR 4-2     |
| Ottawa Senators          | OTT | 0     | 8                 | 0             | 8               | 9           | 0               | 7            | 7                 | 0             | 0                 | 9          | 9               | 9            | 0            | 0         | 8             | 8            | 9         | 9             | 8         | 8           |
| Pittsburgh Penguins      | PIT | 1     | PIT 4-3           | PIT 4-2       | PIT 4-2         | PIT 4-3     | PIT 4-2         | PHI 4-2      | PIT 4-3           | PHI 4-2       | PIT 4-2           | PHI 4-2    | PIT 4-3         | PIT 4-2      | PIT 4-2      | PIT 4-2   | PIT 4-1       | PIT 4-2      | PIT 4-2   | PIT 4-2       | PIT 4-2   | PIT 4-2     |
| Philadelphia Flyers      | PHI | 3     | 2                 | 1             | 1               | 2           | 1               | 8            | 2                 | 8             | 1                 | 8          | 2               | 1            | 8            | 1         | 0             | 1            | 1         | 1             | 1         | 8           |
| Colorado Avalanche       | COL | 4     | COL 4-1           | COL 4-1       | COL 4-1         | COL 4-0     | COL 4-1         | COL 4-0      | COL 4-2           | COL 4-1       | COL 4-1           | COL 4-2    | COL 4-2         | COL 4-1      | COL 4-1      | COL 4-2   | LAK 4-2       | COL 4-0      | COL 4-0   | COL 4-2       | COL 4-0   | COL 4-1     |
| Los Angeles Kings        | COL | 0     | 9                 | 9             | 9               | 10          | 9               | 10           | 8                 | 9             | 9                 | 8          | 8               | 9            | 9            | 8         | 0             | 10           | 10        | 8             | 10        | 9           |
| Dallas Stars             | DAL | 2     | MIN 4-2           | DAL 4-3       | DAL 4-3         | MIN 4-3     | DAL 4-2         | MIN 4-3      | MIN 4-3           | DAL 4-3       | MIN 4-1           | DAL 4-3    | DAL 4-3         | MIN 4-3      | DAL 4-2      | DAL 4-2   | MIN 4-1       | DAL 4-3      | DAL 4-3   | DAL 4-1       | MIN 4-3   | MIN 4-2     |
| Minnesota Wild           | MIN | 2     | 3                 | 2             | 2               | 2           | 3               | 2            | 2                 | 2             | 2                 | 2          | 2               | 2            | 3            | 3         | 2             | 2            | 2         | 2             | 2         | 3           |
| Vegas Golden Knights     | VEG | 1     | VEG 4-3           | UTA 4-2       | VEG 4-2         | VEG 4-1     | VEG 4-1         | VEG 4-2      | VEG 4-3           | VEG 4-2       | VEG 4-2           | VEG 4-2    | VEG 4-2         | UTA 4-2      | VEG 4-2      | UTA 4-2   | VEG 4-2       | UTA 4-2      | VEG 4-2   | VEG 4-2       | UTA 4-3   | VEG 4-2     |
| Utah Mammoth             | UTA | 2     | 1                 | 7             | 2               | 1           | 1               | 2            | 1                 | 2             | 2                 | 2          | 2               | 7            | 2            | 7         | 2             | 7            | 2         | 2             | 6         | 2           |
| Edmonton Oilers          | EDM | 1     | EDM 4-2           | EDM 4-2       | EDM 4-2         | EDM 4-2     | EDM 4-2         | EDM 4-2      | EDM 4-2           | EDM 4-1       | EDM 4-2           | EDM 4-2    | EDM 4-2         | EDM 4-1      | ANA 4-3      | EDM 4-3   | EDM 4-2       | EDM 4-2      | ANA 4-2   | EDM 4-3       | ANA 4-2   | EDM 4-1     |
| Anaheim Ducks            | ANA | 3     | 1                 | 1             | 1               | 1           | 1               | 1            | 1                 | 0             | 1                 | 1          | 1               | 0            | 7            | 2         | 1             | 1            | 8         | 2             | 8         | 0           |
| Series Winners Correct   |     |       | 3                 | 3             | 3               | 2           | 2               | 4            | 3                 | 3             | 2                 | 4          | 3               | 4            | 2            | 3         | 1             | 3            | 4         | 2             | 5         | 3           |
| Bonus Points (10)        |     |       | 0                 | 0             | 0               | 0           | 0               | 0            | 0                 | 0             | 0                 | 0          | 0               | 0            | 0            | 0         | 0             | 0            | 0         | 0             | 10        | 0           |
| Series Scores Correct    |     |       | 0                 | 0             | 0               | 1           | 0               | 1            | 0                 | 0             | 0                 | 0          | 0               | 0            | 0            | 0         | 0             | 1            | 1         | 0             | 1         | 0           |
| Bonus Points (10)        |     |       | 0                 | 0             | 0               | 10          | 0               | 10           | 0                 | 0             | 0                 | 0          | 0               | 0            | 0            | 0         | 0             | 10           | 10        | 0             | 10        | 0           |
| <b>Total Score (100)</b> |     |       | <b>35</b>         | <b>30</b>     | <b>33</b>       | <b>39</b>   | <b>24</b>       | <b>52</b>    | <b>31</b>         | <b>32</b>     | <b>26</b>         | <b>40</b>  | <b>34</b>       | <b>37</b>    | <b>27</b>    | <b>32</b> | <b>18</b>     | <b>42</b>    | <b>52</b> | <b>28</b>     | <b>65</b> | <b>34</b>   |
| <b>Rank (out of 20)</b>  |     |       | 8                 | 15            | 11              | 6           | 19              | 2            | 14                | 12            | 18                | 5          | 9               | 7            | 17           | 12        | 20            | 4            | 2         | 16            | 1         | 9           |

### "Results" Explained

Each series is scored out of 10 points  
 If the series leader/winner is predicted correctly, 5 points are awarded, and  appears  
 Up to 5 more points are awarded for how close the predicted score is to the actual series score