



# Prediction Challenge! 2026

Conference Finals			Predictions and Results				
Teams		Score	Michael Poplawski	John Woycheshin	Richard Owens	John Lo	Wes Zetaruk
New York Knicks	NYK	<b>NYK</b> 4	CLE 4-2 0	NYK 4-2 32 ✓	NYK 4-2 32 ✓	NYK 4-1 36 ✓	NYK 4-2 32 ✓
Cleveland Cavaliers	CLE	<b>0</b>					
Oklahoma City Thunder	OKC	<b>SAS</b> 3	OKC 4-2 8	OKC 4-3 12	OKC 4-2 8	OKC 4-2 8	OKC 4-2 8
San Antonio Spurs	SAS	<b>4</b>					
Series Winners Correct			0	1	1	1	1
Bonus Points (10)			0	10	10	10	10
Series Game Scores Correct			0	0	0	0	0
Bonus Points (10)			10	10	10	10	10
Conference Finals (100)			<b>18</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>60</b>
First Round (100)			59	57	61	59	70
Conference Semifinals (100)			80	80	24	78	68
<b>Total Score (300)</b>			<b>157</b>	<b>201</b>	<b>145</b>	<b>201</b>	<b>198</b>
<b>Rank (out of 5)</b>			4	1	5	1	3

### "Results" Explained

Each series is scored out of **40** points

If the series leader/winner is predicted correctly, **20** points are awarded, ✓ appears

Up to **20** more points are awarded for how close the predicted score is to the actual series score



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Conference Semifinals			Predictions and Results				
Teams		Score	Michael Poplawski	John Woycheshin	Richard Owens	John Lo	Wes Zetaruk
Detroit Pistons	DET	<b>CLE</b> 3	DET 4-3 6	DET 4-3 6	DET 4-2 4	DET 4-2 4	DET 4-3 6
Cleveland Cavaliers	CLE	4					
New York Knicks	NYK	<b>NYK</b> 4	NYK 4-2 16	NYK 4-2 16	PHI 4-3 0	NYK 4-1 18	NYK 4-2 16
Philadelphia 76ers	PHI	0	✓	✓		✓	✓
Oklahoma City Thunder	OKC	<b>OKC</b> 4	OKC 4-1 18	OKC 4-1 18	OKC 4-1 18	OKC 4-2 16	OKC 4-1 18
Los Angeles Lakers	LAL	0	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
San Antonio Spurs	SAS	<b>SAS</b> 4	SAS 4-2 20	SAS 4-2 20	MIN 4-2 2	SAS 4-2 20	SAS 4-1 18
Minnesota Timberwolves	MIN	2	✓	✓		✓	✓
Series Winners Correct			3	3	1	3	3
Bonus Points (10)			10	10	0	10	10
Series Game Scores Correct			1	1	0	1	0
Bonus Points (10)			10	10	0	10	0
<b>Conference Semifinals (100)</b>			<b>80</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>78</b>	<b>68</b>
First Round (100)			59	57	61	59	70
<b>Total Score (100)</b>			<b>139</b>	<b>137</b>	<b>85</b>	<b>137</b>	<b>138</b>
<b>Rank (out of 5)</b>			<b>1</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>2</b>

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Detroit Pistons	DET	DET 4	DET 4-2	DET 4-0	DET 4-2	DET 4-1	DET 4-1
Orlando Magic	ORL	3	9	7	9	8	8
			✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Cleveland Cavaliers	CLE	CLE 4	CLE 4-1	CLE 4-2	CLE 4-2	CLE 4-2	CLE 4-2
Toronto Raptors	TOR	3	8	9	9	9	9
			✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
New York Knicks	NYK	NYK 4	NYK 4-2	NYK 4-2	NYK 4-1	NYK 4-2	NYK 4-2
Atlanta Hawks	ATL	2	10	10	9	10	10
			✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Boston Celtics	BOS	PHI 3	BOS 4-1	BOS 4-1	BOS 4-2	BOS 4-1	BOS 4-1
Philadelphia 76ers	PHI	4	1	1	2	1	1
Oklahoma City Thunder	OKC	OKC 4	OKC 4-0	OKC 4-2	OKC 4-0	OKC 4-1	OKC 4-0
Phoenix Suns	PHX	0	10	8	10	9	10
			✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Los Angeles Lakers	LAL	LAL 4	HOU 4-2	HOU 4-2	HOU 4-3	HOU 4-2	HOU 4-2
Houston Rockets	HOU	2	1	1	2	1	1
Denver Nuggets	DEN	MIN 2	DEN 4-2	DEN 4-2	DEN 4-1	DEN 4-2	DEN 4-2
Minnesota Timberwolves	MIN	4	1	1	0	1	1
San Antonio Spurs	SAS	SAS 4	SAS 4-0	SAS 4-1	SAS 4-1	SAS 4-1	SAS 4-1
Portland Trail Blazers	POR	1	9	10	10	10	10
			✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Series Winners Correct			5	5	5	5	5
Bonus Points (10)			10	10	10	10	10
Series Game Scores Correct			2	2	2	2	3
Bonus Points (10)			0	0	0	0	10
<b>Total Score (100)</b>			<b>59</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>61</b>	<b>59</b>	<b>70</b>
<b>Rank (out of 5)</b>			<b>3</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>1</b>

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