



Prediction Challenge! 2026

Conference Semifinals			Predictions and Results				
Teams		Score	Michael Poplawski	John Woycheshin	Richard Owens	John Lo	Wes Zetaruk
Detroit Pistons	DET	CLE 2	DET 4-3 6	DET 4-3 6	DET 4-2 4	DET 4-2 4	DET 4-3 6
Cleveland Cavaliers	CLE	3					
New York Knicks	NYK	NYK 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	OKC 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	SAS 3	SAS 4-2 18	SAS 4-2 18	MIN 4-2 4	SAS 4-2 18	SAS 4-1 16
Minnesota Timberwolves	MIN	2	✓	✓		✓	✓
Series Winners Correct			3	3	1	3	3
Bonus Points (10)			10	10	0	10	10
Series Game Scores Correct			0	0	0	0	0
Bonus Points (10)			10	10	10	10	10
Conference Semifinals (100)			78	78	36	76	76
First Round (100)			59	57	61	59	70
Total Score (100)			137	135	97	135	146
Rank (out of 5)			2	3	5	3	1

"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, and ✓ appears

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