12 FINALS · 17,424 LEAGUE POINTS · TWO FOUR-DIGIT TEAMS

OPENING STATEMENTS

San Antonio and Indiana break 1,000, Cleveland survives the week's only one-possession-style fantasy finish, and the first real player sample begins separating draft theory from usable production.



Opening week turns a summer of projections into the league's first official record. Original AI-generated editorial illustration created for Issue No. 5.

San Antonio sets the pace

Tyrese Maxey and Ty Jerome lead a 1,036-point statement—the highest team score of Week 1.

Indiana answers

Five rostered players clear 88 fantasy points as the Pacers become the second club over 1,000.

Twenty-six points apart

Cleveland edges Toronto in the closest matchup and immediately exposes the value of depth.

Week 1 did not settle the league. It did reveal which roster ideas already work under live scoring.

TWELVE FINALS. ONE FIRST IMPRESSION.

Every official Period 1 result, ordered by winning score. The table is the record; the analysis that follows is our independent read of how each result was built.

SCORING PERIOD 1 · OCTOBER 20–25
Official final matchup totals from the supplied Fantrax standings export

Winner	FP	Opponent	FP	Margin
San Antonio Spurs	**1,036**	Minnesota Timberwolves	570	+466
Indiana Pacers	**1,019**	Los Angeles Clippers	768	+251
Oklahoma City Thunder	**955**	Miami Heat	732	+223
Houston Rockets	**884**	Atlanta Hawks	738	+146
Seattle Sonics	**859**	Chicago Bulls	632	+227
Cleveland Cavaliers	**790**	Toronto Raptors	764	+26
New York Knicks	**785**	Boston Celtics	715	+70
Charlotte Hornets	**774**	Dallas Mavericks	702	+72
Detroit Pistons	**763**	Golden State Warriors	671	+92
Sacramento Kings	**703**	Milwaukee Bucks	516	+187
Memphis Grizzlies	**634**	Los Angeles Lakers	464	+170
Brooklyn Nets	**554**	Orlando Magic	396	+158

17,424	726	1,036	26
Total points scored	Average per team	Week-high team score	Smallest margin

Method: matchup totals are official. Player totals shown elsewhere come from the current roster export and identify each club's leading rostered producers; they are not a start/sit accounting ledger.

SAN ANTONIO HITS FOUR DIGITS

The Spurs beat Minnesota 1,036–570 behind the league's two highest individual fantasy totals. One result does not create a favorite, but this is the clearest opening argument any roster made.



Tyrese Maxey led every rostered player with 200 fantasy points across four games. Photo: Chensiyuan / Wikimedia Commons / CC BY-SA 4.0.

PLAYER OF THE WEEK

Maxey turns volume into 200

Maxey averaged 28.8 real points and two steals while producing 50.00 FP/G. The fourth game matters: availability and schedule density are part of weekly fantasy value, not footnotes to it.

Ty Jerome was even hotter by rate—165 fantasy points in three games, or 55.00 FP/G—after opening his NBA season with a career-high 45 points.

1,036	+466	365	1,145
San Antonio final	Largest Week 1 margin	Maxey + Jerome FP	Current roster-export total

WHY IT TRAVELLED

Production came in layers

Nickeil Alexander-Walker added 121, Davion Mitchell 112 and Pascal Siakam 106. That distribution reduced dependence on any single NBA game and gave San Antonio five current rostered players above 100 fantasy points.

MINNESOTA'S COUNTER-SIGNAL

Jalen Johnson was not the problem

Johnson posted 158 fantasy points at 52.67 FP/G while averaging a real-life triple-double: 21.7 points, 10 rebounds and 10 assists. Minnesota's concern is the drop from Johnson to its next tier, not its cornerstone.

NEXT TEST San Antonio hosts Indiana in Week 2. The league's only two 1,000-point opening teams now meet immediately.

INDIANA'S ENGINE HAS FIVE GEARS

The Pacers beat the Clippers 1,019–768 with balance at the top: Domantas Sabonis and Tyrese Haliburton both cleared 150 fantasy points, while three more rostered players reached 88.

THE INTERIOR ANCHOR

Sabonis supplies 153

Sabonis averaged 18.7 points, 17.3 rebounds and seven assists across three games. In this format, that combination is unusually stable because it does not rely on steals, blocks or one shooting spike.

Haliburton's 151 came with 21.7 points and 9.7 assists per game. His return from a long absence is already translating into the exact high-value creation Indiana drafted him to provide.



Domantas Sabonis produced 153 fantasy points in Indiana's opening win. Photo: Keith Allison / Wikimedia Commons / CC BY-SA 2.0.

153	151	123	104	88
Domantas Sabonis	Tyrese Haliburton	Zach LaVine	Paul George	Donovan Mitchell
51.00 FP/G	50.33 FP/G	41.00 FP/G	34.67 FP/G	29.33 FP/G

CLIPPERS BRIGHT SPOT

Reaves answers the trade week

Austin Reaves produced 146 fantasy points at 48.67 FP/G, a forceful debut for his new IDL team. The Clippers lost by 251, but their most important incoming player immediately looked like a real top-line piece.

EDITORIAL READ

Indiana's depth is now tangible

The preseason thesis was that Indiana had exchanged flexibility for present production. Week 1 supports it. The harder question arrives next: can that production survive a meeting with San Antonio?

CLEVELAND FINDS TWENTY-SIX POINTS

The Cavaliers' 790–764 win over Toronto was the only Week 1 matchup decided by fewer than 30. It was also the week's best example of a broad middle defeating a stronger single-player peak.

CLEVELAND CAVALIERS · 790

Five routes to the finish

Julius Randle led at 111, but LaMelo Ball (109), rookie Yaxel Lendeborg (108), Ja'Kobe Walter (101) and Naji Marshall (92) kept the score moving. Cleveland's top five current rostered totals were separated by only 19 points.

Randle — 111 FP
Ball — 109 FP
Lendeborg — 108 FP
Walter — 101 FP
Marshall — 92 FP

+26
FINAL MARGIN

TORONTO RAPTORS · 764

Kessler sets the ceiling

Walker Kessler's 135 fantasy points were the game's best individual total. His 3.0 blocks per game carried exceptional value, while Jaxson Hayes and Precious Achiuwa added defensive-event support.

Kessler — 135 FP
Hayes — 102 FP
Achiuwa — 98 FP
Barnes — 97 FP
VanVleet — 83 FP

WHAT DECIDED IT Cleveland did not need the game's best player; it needed fewer soft spots. In a 26-point finish, the 92 from its fifth current roster leader mattered as much as the headline names.

WEEK 2: Cleveland hosts Atlanta, while Toronto hosts Brooklyn. Both games now carry immediate evidence about whether the middle of each roster can hold.

STARS AT THE TOP. SUPPORT UNDERNEATH.

Houston and Seattle opened with comfortable wins, but neither result was a one-player story. The early evidence says both rosters can create points beyond their first draft selection.

WEEK 1 FINAL

HOUSTON ROCKETS **884 — 738** ATLANTA HAWKS

Doncic supplies the headline; Young and Zion widen it

Luka Doncic's 162 fantasy points ranked third in the league. Trae Young added 129 and Zion Williamson 113, giving Houston three current rostered players above 110. Atlanta still received 144 from Dyson Daniels, but Houston's top end was simply deeper across the week.

Houston Rockets roster leaders: Luka Doncic 162 · Trae Young 129 · Zion Williamson 113 · Tyler Herro 111 · Jalen Smith 87
Atlanta Hawks roster leaders: Dyson Daniels 144 · Nikola Jokic 106 · LeBron James 106 · Josh Hart 102 · Kasparas Jakucionis 75

WEEK 1 FINAL

SEATTLE SONICS **859 — 632** CHICAGO BULLS

Seattle wins with a five-player wave

Victor Wembanyama led with 130, then Jabari Smith, Devin Booker and RJ Barrett each landed between 103 and 106. Aaron Wiggins added 97. Chicago had productive weeks from Chet Holmgren and Darius Garland, but not enough secondary volume to close the 227-point gap.

Chicago Bulls roster leaders: Chet Holmgren 103 · Darius Garland 95 · Julian Champagnie 92 · Jalen Brunson 88 · Kyle Kuzma 78
Seattle Sonics roster leaders: Victor Wembanyama 130 · Devin Booker 106 · Jabari Smith 106 · RJ Barrett 103 · Aaron Wiggins 97

HOUSTON'S SHAPE

Three creators, several ways to score

Doncic, Young and Zion combine on-ball creation, assists, rebounds and rim pressure. Their Week 1 rates were high without needing identical paths.

SEATTLE'S SHAPE

No single point of failure

Seattle's five leading rostered totals were separated by only 33 points. That profile is valuable in weekly play because one quiet NBA night does not collapse the whole matchup.

OKC ARRIVES. SACRAMENTO HOLDS.

Oklahoma City posted the week's third-highest score. Sacramento's win was less explosive, but its top three built enough separation to make Milwaukee chase all week.

THIRD-HIGHEST TEAM SCORE

OKLAHOMA CITY THUNDER **955 _ 732** MIAMI HEAT

Dejounte leads a 955-point launch

Dejounte Murray's 141 led an Oklahoma City group that also received 120 from Karl-Anthony Towns, 114 from Kevin Durant and 91 from Bam Adebayo. Miami's Wendell Carter Jr. delivered 115, but the Heat could not match OKC's four-player ceiling.

Miami Heat roster leaders: Wendell Carter 115 · Jayson Tatum 96 · Immanuel Quickley 95 · Obi Toppin 91 · Deni Avdija 79
Oklahoma City Thunder roster leaders: Dejounte Murray 141 · Karl-Anthony Towns 120 · Kevin Durant 114 · Bam Adebayo 91 · Paul Reed 83

WEEK 1 FINAL

SACRAMENTO KINGS **703 _ 516** MILWAUKEE BUCKS

Brown and Amen give Sacramento two engines

Jaylen Brown produced 144 fantasy points in four games; Amen Thompson added 125 in three. Michael Porter Jr. reached 111. Milwaukee found real rookie value in Caleb Wilson's 104, but Sacramento's veteran volume carried a 187-point margin.

Sacramento Kings roster leaders: Jaylen Brown 144 · Amen Thompson 125 · Michael Porter 111 · Grayson Allen 84 · Jarrett Allen 67
Milwaukee Bucks roster leaders: Keyonte George 117 · Naz Reid 106 · Caleb Wilson 104 · Stephen Curry 64 · Brandon Miller 60

SCHEDULE MATTERS

Brown used the fourth game

Brown's 36.00 FP/G was not an elite rate, yet four appearances turned it into a top-10 weekly total. Weekly fantasy rewards both quality and opportunity.

MIAMI'S WEEK 2

A chance to reset against Minnesota

Minnesota has Jalen Johnson's elite rate but finished with 570. Miami's 732 was below the league average, not without usable production. That makes their next matchup an early test of depth rather than star power.

THE MIDDLE OF THE ROSTER MATTERS

Charlotte beat Dallas without a top-20 weekly scorer. New York beat Boston behind two established guards and a useful third tier. Both results rewarded lineups with fewer empty spaces.

WEEK 1 FINAL

CHARLOTTE HORNETS **774** — **702** DALLAS MAVERICKS

Charlotte's youth produces now

Stephon Castle led with 108, Dylan Harper added 94, Derik Queen 93 and Moussa Diabate 88. Dallas had the game's best individual total in Giannis Antetokounmpo at 128, but Charlotte's compressed group won the collective argument. Harper is part of the young core, not a 2026 rookie.

Charlotte Hornets roster leaders: Stephon Castle 108 · Dylan Harper 94 · Derik Queen 93 · Moussa Diabate 88 · Tristan da Silva 74
Dallas Mavericks roster leaders: Giannis Antetokounmpo 128 · Jaylen Wells 100 · Duncan Robinson 91 · Matisse Thybulle 81 · OG Anunoby 80

WEEK 1 FINAL

NEW YORK KNICKS **785** — **715** BOSTON CELTICS

SGA and Fox give New York control

Shai Gilgeous-Alexander scored 150 fantasy points at 50.00 FP/G; De'Aaron Fox added 132. Boston countered with 134 from Cade Cunningham and 109 from Jaden McDaniels, but New York's 270-point guard pairing created the difference.

Boston Celtics roster leaders: Cade Cunningham 134 · Jaden McDaniels 109 · VJ Edgecombe 99 · Andrew Nembhard 94 · Isaiah Jackson 82
New York Knicks roster leaders: Shai Gilgeous-Alexander 150 · De'Aaron Fox 132 · Jaren Jackson 90 · Tari Eason 64 · Desmond Bane 61

108
Stephon Castle
Charlotte

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Dylan Harper
Charlotte

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Shai Gilgeous-Alexander
New York

132
De'Aaron Fox
New York

EARLY LESSON

Draft prestige is not a weekly lineup. Charlotte's No. 1 scorer ranked 37th overall, yet four steady contributors were enough to win. New York's stars mattered because a functional middle protected their work.

DETROIT STEADIES. MEMPHIS SURVIVES.

Detroit turned a deep collection of mid-range totals into a 92-point win. Memphis won the week's lowest-scoring contest while its injury-heavy stars still produced enough to avoid danger.

WEEK 1 FINAL

DETROIT PISTONS **763 — 671** GOLDEN STATE WARRIORS

Franz leads; five Pistons reach 80

Franz Wagner posted 101, Evan Mobley and Kyshawn George 87 apiece, Ayo Dosunmu 84 and Daniss Jenkins 80. Golden State's Kris Dunn (128) and Alperen Sengun (126) were the game's two best individuals, but Detroit's breadth covered the difference.

Golden State Warriors roster leaders: Kris Dunn 128 · Alperen Sengun 126 · Jaime Jaquez 97 · Bobby Portis 74 · Alex Sarr 73
Detroit Pistons roster leaders: Franz Wagner 101 · Evan Mobley 87 · Kyshawn George 87 · Ayo Dosunmu 84 · Daniss Jenkins 80

DETROIT'S ENCOURAGING DETAIL

The rookie was not required

AJ Dybantsa scored 35 fantasy points in two games, yet Detroit still reached 763. That lowers the pressure on immediate rookie superstardom and lets the rest of the roster carry the opening workload.

WEEK 1 FINAL

MEMPHIS GRIZZLIES **634 — 464** LOS ANGELES LAKERS

A low total still counts the same

Memphis won 634–464 behind Joel Embiid's 121, Anthony Davis's 99 and Cooper Flagg's 96. The Lakers' best current rostered total was Paolo Banchero's 90. Memphis should take the win without mistaking it for proof that its health risk has disappeared.

Memphis Grizzlies roster leaders: Joel Embiid 121 · Anthony Davis 99 · Cooper Flagg 96 · Zaccharie Risacher 88 · Trey Murphy 80
Los Angeles Lakers roster leaders: Paolo Banchero 90 · Darius Acuff 78 · Darryn Peterson 60 · Egor Demin 49 · Khaman Maluach 44

MEMPHIS MEDICAL FILE

Flagg adds a new question

Flagg's 96 points came at 48.00 FP/G, but a mild left shoulder sprain is due for reevaluation. On a roster already built around volatile availability, even a short absence changes the weekly floor.

BROOKLYN TAKES THE FIRST MEETING

Brooklyn beat Orlando 554–396 in the immediate rematch of the league's first blockbuster. Anthony Edwards led Brooklyn with 131 fantasy points; the result belongs to Week 1, not to the final trade verdict.



Anthony Edwards produced 131 fantasy points in Brooklyn's opening win. Photo: CCS Pictures / Wikimedia Commons / CC BY-SA 2.0.

BROOKLYN NETS · 554

The star did what the price required

Edwards averaged 43.67 FP/G. Cameron Boozer added 97, Ajay Mitchell 87 and Ziaire Williams 76. Brooklyn's final was only 158 above Orlando's, so this was a controlled win rather than a league-shaping score.

ORLANDO MAGIC · 396

The rebuild starts quietly

Matas Buzelis led with 61, followed by Tre Johnson at 60 and Collin Murray-Boyles at 58. Orlando's case was always built on multiple development paths and future picks, not an immediate replacement for Edwards.

WHAT WEEK 1 SUPPORTS

Brooklyn raised its present floor

The best player in the deal was the best player in the matchup. That is exactly the short-term thesis Brooklyn paid for.

WHAT WEEK 1 CANNOT DECIDE

Orlando's return needs time

Kon Knueppel, Morez Johnson and the two 2027 picks were acquired for a multi-year outcome. Scoring 396 is a poor opening week; it is not a completed grade on the trade.

INDEPENDENT READ Brooklyn gets full credit for the Week 1 win and no free pass for a modest total. Orlando owns the week's lowest score and still retains the long-term optionality it deliberately chose.

MAXEY OWNS THE FIRST WEEK

The opening leaderboard combines elite rates, schedule volume and a few immediate role confirmations. Maxey takes the first Player of the Week honor with the league's only 200-point total.

PLAYER OF THE WEEK · SAN ANTONIO

200 FP

Tyrese Maxey

50.00 FP/G · four games · 28.8 PPG · 2.0 SPG

BEST RATE AMONG THE TOP TEN

55.00

Ty Jerome

165 FP · three games · 34.7 real points per game

BEST LOSING EFFORT

158 FP

Jalen Johnson

52.67 FP/G · 21.7 PTS · 10.0 REB · 10.0 AST



Luka Doncic ranked third with 162 fantasy points. Photo: Erik Drost / Wikimedia Commons / CC BY 2.0.



Shai Gilgeous-Alexander scored 150 fantasy points for New York. Photo: All-Pro Reels / Wikimedia Commons / CC BY-SA 2.0.

TOP 10 ROSTERED PLAYERS · WEEK 1

Total fantasy points from the supplied player export

#	Player · IDL team	FP	FP/G	GP
1	**Tyrese Maxey** SAN ANTONIO SPURS	200	50.00	4
2	**Ty Jerome** SAN ANTONIO SPURS	165	55.00	3
3	**Luka Doncic** HOUSTON ROCKETS	162	54.00	3
4	**Jalen Johnson** MINNESOTA TIMBERWOLVES	158	52.67	3
5	**Domantas Sabonis** INDIANA PACERS	153	51.00	3
6	**Tyrese Haliburton** INDIANA PACERS	151	50.33	3
7	**Shai Gilgeous-Alexander** NEW YORK KNICKS	150	50.00	3
8	**Austin Reaves** LOS ANGELES CLIPPERS	146	48.67	3
9	**Dyson Daniels** ATLANTA HAWKS	144	48.00	3
10	**Jaylen Brown** SACRAMENTO KINGS	144	36.00	4

Rate versus total: Ty Jerome (55.00), Luka Doncic (54.00) and Jalen Johnson (52.67) led this top-ten group by FP/G. Maxey's fourth game converted a still-elite rate into the highest weekly total.

YOUTH SCORES. THE WIRE STAYS THIN.

Yaxel Lendeborg leads the 2026 rookie class through one period. The free-agent pool, meanwhile, contains useful spot totals but no obvious opening-week savior.

CLEVELAND CAVALIERS

Yaxel Lendeborg

108 FP · 36.00 FP/G

Cleveland's balanced win included 18.7 points, 8.3 rebounds and 4.3 assists per game.

MILWAUKEE BUCKS

Caleb Wilson

104 FP · 34.67 FP/G

A 34.67 FP/G opening rate gave Milwaukee one of its few clear positives.

BROOKLYN NETS

Cameron Boozer

97 FP · 32.33 FP/G

Brooklyn's second-leading producer added 97 FP and 32.33 FP/G.

LOS ANGELES LAKERS

Darius Acuff

78 FP · 26.00 FP/G

Seventy-eight points led the Lakers' 2026 rookie group.

LOS ANGELES CLIPPERS

Keaton Wagler

71 FP · 23.67 FP/G

A useful 71-point start matters on a Clippers roster collecting younger paths.

CHARLOTTE HORNETS

Allen Graves

69 FP · 23.00 FP/G

Sixty-nine points added another contributor to Charlotte's compressed young core.

OKLAHOMA CITY THUNDER

Graham Ike

67 FP · 22.33 FP/G

Oklahoma City received 67 points without needing him to carry a 955-point week.

LOS ANGELES LAKERS

Darryn Peterson

60 FP · 20.00 FP/G

The Lakers got 60 points at 20.00 FP/G; development remains the larger story.

TOP AVAILABLE TOTALS

Free-agent status in the supplied October 26 export

Player	FP	FP/G	GP
Trey Lyles	32	10.67	3
Bogdan Bogdanovic	30	10.00	3
Daeqwon Plowden	29	9.67	3
DeAndre Jordan	28	28.00	1
Chaney Johnson	27	9.00	3
Georges Niang	24	8.00	3
Tyler Kolek	21	21.00	1
Jabari Walker	21	7.00	3

MARKET READ

Do not confuse one game with a role

DeAndre Jordan's 28.00 FP/G and Tyler Kolek's 21.00 each came in one appearance. Trey Lyles led available players in total points with only 32. Managers should chase minutes and repeatable roles, not the loudest single box score.

ROOKIE LEADER Lendeborg's 108 fantasy points were not empty volume: Cleveland needed every part of his balanced line in a 26-point win.

THE FIRST WEEK CHANGES THE BOARD

Four real-life injuries have direct IDL consequences. The reporting below uses official team or NBA channels and is current through October 26.

LA CLIPPERS · 79 WEEK 1 FP

Jalen Williams

SERIOUS LOWER-LEFT-LEG INJURY

Williams left Sunday's game on a stretcher. No immediate diagnosis was announced. The uncertainty is the central Week 2 concern for a Clippers roster already in transition.

LA LAKERS · 90 WEEK 1 FP

Paolo Banchero

LOW-GRADE RIGHT HIGH ANKLE SPRAIN

Orlando's official update confirmed the sprain and further evaluation without a return timetable. Banchero's 45.00 FP/G leaves the Lakers with an immediate top-line hole.

DALLAS MAVERICKS

Jalen Duren

RIGHT HAMSTRING STRAIN

Duren is expected to miss at least two weeks before reevaluation. Dallas lost its opener despite Giannis's 128; the frontcourt now has less room for a slow secondary week.

MEMPHIS · 96 WEEK 1 FP

Cooper Flagg

MILD LEFT SHOULDER SPRAIN

Flagg will be reevaluated after missing Saturday. His 48.00 FP/G start was one of Memphis's most encouraging signals, making even a short absence meaningful.

AROUND THE NBA

Luka Doncic closed Sunday with 52 points as the Lakers reached 3–0. Ty Jerome scored 104 real points across his first three games. Jalen Johnson averaged a triple-double, while Cameron Boozer opened with 48 points and 35 rebounds across three games.

Injury status can change quickly. Managers should verify official game-day reporting before setting lineups.

THE LEADERS MEET EARLY

Week 2 immediately pairs San Antonio with Indiana and New York with Houston. The first matchup creates the record; the second begins testing whether it repeats.

LOS ANGELES CLIPPERS *at* **GOLDEN STATE WARRIORS**

Reaves gives LA a live ceiling; Golden State must turn Dunn and Sengun's strong individual weeks into a fuller lineup.

INDIANA PACERS *at* **SAN ANTONIO SPURS**

The headline: the only two Week 1 teams above 1,000 meet. San Antonio has the hotter duo; Indiana showed the deeper five-man engine.

DETROIT PISTONS *at* **CHARLOTTE HORNETS**

Two depth-driven winners. Charlotte's youth faces Detroit's unusually stable middle.

MINNESOTA TIMBERWOLVES *at* **MIAMI HEAT**

Jalen Johnson is the best player in the matchup; Miami enters with the stronger Week 1 team total.

DALLAS MAVERICKS *at* **MEMPHIS GRIZZLIES**

Both teams carry frontcourt health questions. Giannis gives Dallas the safest anchor; Memphis needs its stars available.

OKLAHOMA CITY THUNDER *at* **CHICAGO BULLS**

OKC's 955 sets a high bar. Chicago needs more behind Holmgren and Garland.

LOS ANGELES LAKERS *at* **BOSTON CELTICS**

Banchero's ankle clouds a Lakers roster that scored 464. Boston's Cade-led group should see an opening.

SEATTLE SONICS *at* **SACRAMENTO KINGS**

A fascinating depth test: Seattle's five-player wave against Sacramento's Brown–Amen top end.

NEW YORK KNICKS *at* **HOUSTON ROCKETS**

SGA and Fox meet Doncic, Young and Zion in the week's best guard-and-creator showcase.

MILWAUKEE BUCKS *at* **ORLANDO MAGIC**

Someone earns a first win. Milwaukee's rookie production gives it the firmer early floor.

ATLANTA HAWKS *at* **CLEVELAND CAVALIERS**

Dyson Daniels was elite, but Cleveland just won with five contributors between 92 and 111.

BROOKLYN NETS *at* **TORONTO RAPTORS**

Edwards meets Kessler's defensive-event ceiling. Toronto's Week 1 loss was far stronger than Brooklyn's opening win by raw score.

MAIN EVENT

Indiana at San Antonio

San Antonio owns the higher Week 1 score and the top two individual totals. Indiana counters with two 150-point players and a five-man top tier. The first team to absorb an ordinary night from a star is likely to win.

SHOOTOUT WATCH

New York at Houston

Four of the league's top 13 scorers are concentrated here: Doncic, SGA, Young and Fox. Houston showed more third-star force; New York's guard pairing was cleaner.

DEPTH WATCH

Seattle at Sacramento

Seattle scored 859 without a top-10 individual. Sacramento won behind the No. 10 scorer and Amen Thompson. Their contrasting shapes make this the week's best roster-construction test.

THE RECORD, THE CONTEXT, THE LIMITS.

The Dynasty Weekly is an independent league publication. It applies the same standard to all 24 teams, including the commissioner's Brooklyn Nets.

LEAGUE RECORD

What is authoritative

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EDITORIAL ANALYSIS

What is interpretation

Descriptions such as "depth," "ceiling," "signal" and Week 2 outlooks are editorial judgments. They are not official rankings, projections or guaranteed outcomes.

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