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### **Week 16 Predictions**

Another week of huge games with playoff spots to be determined, as well as some massive games in the hunt for the first overall pick in next year's draft up for grabs as well.

#### **Broncos (9-5) @ (8-6) Chargers**

Key Match-up - Pat Surtain Vs Ladd McConkey - what a huge game for a playoff spot. I think it is going to be a good contest and I am interested to see how Ladd McConkey gets on against one of the very best in football.

Score prediction - Broncos 30-24 Chargers

#### **Texans (9-5) @ (13-1) Chiefs**

Key Match-up - Will Anderson Jr and Danielle Hunter Vs Patrick Mahomes - if Mahomes plays on that injury it could be a tough game for him with these two on the edge and his offensive line troubles.

Score prediction - Texans 17-21 Chiefs

#### **Steelers (10-4) @ (9-5) Ravens**

Key Match-up - Game 3 this week and a 3rd game that could effect the playoff Picture. TJ Watt Vs Lamar Jackson - I am fairly confident this was the same as last time but if the Steelers defence can slow Lamar down once again it could be another tough day, and TJ will be at the heart of it if fit.

Score prediction - Steelers 18-21 Ravens

#### **Giants (2-12) @ (7-7) Falcons**

Key Match-up - Giants defensive line Vs Michael Penix - Penix begins his NFL career in a tough defensive matchup. The Giants defensive line is strong and will want to hunt the rookie down.

Score prediction - Giants 17-24 Falcons

### **Lions (12-2) @ (4-10) Bears**

Key Match-up - Amon Ra St Brown Vs Jaylon Johnson - I really like this battle between two very good players in their positions. Amon Ra will be hoping to take some pressure away from Gibbs who will lead the backroom but goes up against a tough opposition.

Score prediction - Lions 30-10 Bears

### **Browns (3-11) @ (6-8) Bengals**

Key Match-up - Dorian Thompson-Robinson - Bengals defence - can Dorian get the Browns going to get a divisional win against a poor Bengals defence?? We will find out.

Score prediction - Browns 10-33 Bengals

### **Titans (3-11) @ (6-8) Colts**

Key Match-up - Mason Rudolph Vs Colts defence - Rudolph is another new starter this week with Levis being benched. He goes up against a Colts defense that has been ok on the year.

Score prediction - Titans 21-30 Colts

### **Rams (8-6) @ (4-10) Jets**

Key Match-up - Darious Williams Vs Davante Adams - that's right not Nacua and Kupp this week, it is a flip reverse, I think Adams could be key to this game based on recent performances, I think Williams maybe lined up against him more often than Durant which makes this the key Match-up.

Score prediction - Rams 27-20 Jets

### **Eagles (12-2) @ (9-5) Commanders**

Key Match-up - Quinyon Mitchell Vs Terry McClaurin - Another huge playoff game, and another chance to see this rookie go up against a good receiver once again, I think this battle will be another really good one to watch.

Score prediction - Eagles 33-30 Commanders

### **Cardinals (7-7) @ (3-11) Panthers**

Key Match-up - James Conner Vs Panther run defense - if the Panthers stop the run they stand a chance, the Cardinals build through the trenches and will want to control the game, the Panthers will need to stop that for a win.

Score prediction - Cardinals 26-21 Panthers

### **Vikings (12-2) @ (8-6) Seahawks**

Key Match-up - Justin Jefferson Vs Riq Woolen This is another receiver corner battle I like the look of, Woolen will need to stop Jefferson, that is not an easy thing to do however.

Score prediction - Vikings 27-24 Seahawks

### **Patriots (3-11) @ (11-3) Bills**

Key Match-up - Pats pass rush Vs Josh Allen - Allen is flying right now and looks set to land the MVP award, he has been outstanding all season long but has really heated up recently, the Pats have to do something to try and stop him.

Score prediction - Patriots 10-33 Bills

### **Jaguars (3-11) @ (2-12) Raiders**

Key Match-up - Jags pass rush Vs Desmond Ridder - Ridder has to get something going to help the Raiders, both teams have been poor this season and Ridder is stepping in right at the end of the season looked poor in last weeks game, more reps could help before going up against a struggling Jags team.

Score prediction - Jags 21-18 Raiders

#### **49ers (6-8) @ (6-8) Dolphins**

Key Match-up - Brock Purdy Vs Chop Robinson - seems unusual, however I have been really impressed with Robinson in recent games and he seems to be getting to the quarterback often, Purdy will have to get through the pass rush and find his targets.

Score prediction - 49ers 24-27 Dolphins

#### **Buccaneers (8-6) @ (6-8) Cowboys**

Key Match-up - Baker Mayfield Vs Micah Parson - these two have been standout for their respective sides over the last few weeks and really putting the team on their backs, Parsons will need to stop Baker like he did last week all game. (Also watch out for Evans!!)

Score prediction - Bucs 27-20 Cowboys

#### **Saints (5-9) @ (10-4) Packers**

Key Match-up - Saints defence Vs Packers offence - for the Saints to stand any chance in this game their defence must completely shut down the Packers, there is so much going against the Saints whilst so much going for the Packers this does not appear to be a close contest.

Score prediction - Saints 10-27 Packers

#### **Game of the Week**

Due to so many games having playoff implications it is difficult to select just the one, however the one that stands out the most in the Broncos Vs Chargers. Both teams will want to avoid the Bills Match-up if they can and I think this game will be a tough battle.

#### **Most Points in Game Guess**

I think the Eagles Commanders will bring the most points, both offences are playing well and it could be an explosive game as it was earlier in the year.

