

Patriots @ Jets

The Patriots head to New York to face the Jets in a crucial AFC East matchup. With both teams looking to make a statement early in the season, New England's defence will need to contain a Jets offence that has shown flashes of potential. The Jets will look to capitalise on any Patriots' offensive struggles and hope to get a big performance from their quarterback and running game to break through Jerod Mayo's defence.

Key Match-up - Hall Vs Stevenson. Whichever running back can help move the chains best will leave their team to victory.

Prediction - Patriots 17-20 Jets

Giants @ Browns

The Giants travel to Cleveland to take on the Browns in a matchup that pits Malik Naber's and the Giants' offence against one of the more physical defensive lines in the league. The Browns, featuring a strong running game and a stout defence, will look to keep Daniel Jones under pressure and slow down the Giants' playmakers, hoping to secure a home win and improve their early season record.

Key Match-up - Battle of the two struggling quarters Jones Vs Watson.

Prediction – Giants 18-23 Browns

Bears @ Colts

The Bears visit the Colts with rookie quarterback Caleb Williams still searching for his first passing touchdown of the season. Chicago's offensive line needs to step up to protect their young QB, especially against a Colts defence capable of applying pressure. On the other side, Indianapolis will look to exploit the Bears' weaknesses, with their own offence aiming for a balanced attack to grab a win at home. Richardson will be looking to improve on the week before.

Key Match-up - Another battle of struggling quarterbacks Williams Vs Richardson.

Prediction - both quarterbacks thrive against each other and bring the best out of each other also Bears 28-31 Colts

Texans @ Vikings

The red-hot Texans, led by quarterback CJ Stroud, face a tough test against the Vikings in Minnesota. Stroud has been connecting well with Nico Collins, and they'll need that chemistry to continue against a Vikings team known for its offensive firepower. Minnesota's dynamic duo of Justin Jefferson and Jordan Addison will be looking to exploit the Texans' secondary, making this a potential high-scoring affair.

Key Match-up - Stingley Vs Jefferson. One of the best corners against one of the best receivers.

Prediction - both teams are in good form, expect a tough battle Texans 30-24 Vikings.

Eagles @ Saints

The Eagles take on the Saints in New Orleans, hoping to bounce back after a narrow defeat in Week 2. Jalen Hurts will lead the Eagles' balanced offence, aiming to break through the Saints' defence. New Orleans, meanwhile, will need to control the tempo of the game with their ground attack and capitalise on any defensive opportunities to neutralise Hurts and keep pace in the NFC South. The Saints are one of the hot teams in the NFL and the Eagles have a challenge to slow them down.

Key Match-up - Saints offence Vs Eagles defence. The Eagles have to slow down the redhot saints offence to stand a chance.

Prediction - Eagles 24-31 Saints. The Saints continue to roll.

Chargers @ Steelers

The Chargers travel to Pittsburgh to face the Steelers in what promises to be a hard-hitting AFC battle. Justin Fields has been showing flashes of improvement for the Steelers, and they'll rely heavily on their defence, led by T.J. Watt, to stifle the Chargers' offence. The Chargers, on the other hand, will need their high-powered passing game to overcome the Steelers' formidable pass rush and aggressive defence. The Chargers defence need to remain strong once again.

Key Match-up - Bosa and Mack Vs Fields. Bosa and Mack need to to keep Fields in the pocket and not allowing him to extend plays.

Prediction - Chargers 24-17 Steelers

Broncos @ Buccaneers

The Broncos head to Tampa Bay to take on the Buccaneers as the Broncos team looks to find consistency on offence. Denver's defence has been their strong suit, but the offence will need to step up after a slow start to the season. Tampa Bay's offence, led by their passing attack of Baker Mayfield, will try to expose the Broncos' weaknesses in coverage, while their defence looks to pressure Denver's rookie quarterback Bo Nix and force mistakes.

Key Match-up - Bo Nix Vs Secondary. Nix has struggled with interceptions in his early career but had at times looked capable.

Prediction - Broncos 10-27 Bucs, Baker keeps on baking.

Packers @ Titans

The Packers visit the Titans in a battle of two teams that rely heavily on their running games. Tony Pollard will be a key focus for the Titans, as they look to control the clock and wear down Green Bay's defence. The Packers, with their own ground game in Josh Jacobs, will need to find ways to crack Tennessee's defence and provide their quarterback Malik Willis with manageable situations.

Key Match-up - Willis Vs Levis. Both young quarterbacks early in their careers are looking to make a name for themselves.

Prediction - Packers 17-15 Titans - The Packers should just be strong enough to win this one even without Jordan Love again.

Panthers @ Raiders

The Panthers travel to Las Vegas to face the Raiders, who are coming off a thrilling comeback win over the Ravens. Las Vegas will look to continue their momentum, with Davante Adams and rookie Brock Bowers leading the way on offence. The Panthers will need to find ways to disrupt a Raiders defence that showed improvement last week, especially if they hope to control the pace of the game and limit big plays. Andy Dalton leads the Panthers after the benching of Bryce Young.

Key match-up - Crosby Vs Dalton. Dalton will see a lot of Crosby in this game. He will have to find a way to move the ball with pressure every snap.

Prediction - Panthers 10-31 Raiders.

Dolphins @ Seahawks

The Dolphins head to Seattle for a clash with the Seahawks, in what could be one of the most explosive matchups of the week. Miami's offence will not feature Tua Tagovailoa but Skyler Thompson and his talented receiving corps will face a tough Seattle defence. On the other side, the Seahawks will look to establish their ground game and challenge Miami's defence, hoping to take advantage of home-field advantage in what promises to be a fast-paced game.

Key Match-up - Achane Vs Seattle linebackers. Achane has to move the ball for Thompson and take as much pressure off him and the pass game for the Dolphins to win this one.

Prediction - Dolphins 17-24 Seahawks

Lions @ Cardinals

The Lions take on the surging Cardinals in Arizona, where Kyler Murray and Marvin Harrison Jr. are coming off a dominant performance. The Cardinals' offence will look to keep rolling, while their defence aims to contain a Lions team that has been up and down offensively. Detroit will need to find balance and consistency on both sides of the ball to stand a chance against a Cardinals team riding high after a big Week 2 win.

Key Match-up - there are plenty in this one but the Lions running backs Vs Cardinals linebackers could be the key battle. If the Cardinals can stop the run and slow the lions down it could lead to another upset.

Prediction - A close high scoring game Lions 34-29 Cardinals.

Ravens @ Cowboys

The Ravens head to Dallas to face the Cowboys in what could be a high-scoring affair. Lamar Jackson will lead the Ravens offence against a Cowboys defence that has struggled at times to contain mobile quarterbacks. Dallas, with Dak Prescott and their potent offence, will look to take advantage of a Ravens defence that allowed a late comeback last week, making this a must-watch matchup.

Key Match-up - Flowers Vs Diggs. Flowers has looked good so far this year, Diggs will need to try to lock him up with Bland being out.

Prediction - Ravens 21-18 Cowboys.

<u>49ers @ Rams</u>

The 49ers and Rams renew their rivalry in Los Angeles, with both teams looking to make a statement in the NFC West. San Francisco's dominant defence will look to pressure Matthew Stafford and limit the Rams' playmakers. Meanwhile, the 49ers' offence, led by their ground game and dynamic passing attack, will aim to exploit a Rams defence that struggled last week against the Cardinals who will also be without Cooper Kupp and Puka Nacua.

Key Match-up - Williams vs Warner. The Rams lose their two star receivers leaving Williams as the star on offence, he will need to carry the Rams through this one to get a win.

Prediction - 49ers 29-20 Rams.

Chiefs @ Falcons

The Chiefs visit the Falcons in Atlanta, with Patrick Mahomes looking to lead his team to another win after narrowly escaping with a victory in Week 2. The Falcons will need to rely heavily on Bijan Robinson and their rushing attack to control the tempo and keep Mahomes off the field. Atlanta's defence must find ways to disrupt the Chiefs' high-powered offence if they hope to pull off the upset.

Key Match-up - Judon Vs Mahomes. It may be early in the Judon falcons relationship but Judon will want to pressure Mahomes early in this one.

Prediction - Chiefs 24-17 Falcons.

Jaguars @ Bills

The Jaguars head to Buffalo to face the Bills in a key AFC matchup. Buffalo's defence will look to slow down Trevor Lawrence and the Jaguars' versatile offence, while Josh Allen leads a Bills offence that can strike quickly. Jacksonville will need to limit big plays and find ways to disrupt Allen in the pocket to keep pace in what should be a competitive battle between two playoff hopefuls.

Key Match-up - Allen Vs Hines-Allen. A big match up last time will be once again. Allen will need to be kept in the pocket and not allowed to make big plays.

Prediction - Jaguars 13-28 Bills.

Commanders @ Bengals

The Bengals host the Commanders in Cincinnati, looking to build on a near-upset against the Chiefs. Joe Burrow and the Bengals' offence will aim to exploit Washington's defence, while the Commanders' pass rush will look to pressure Burrow and force turnovers. Washington will also need to improve offensively, as the Bengals' defence has shown improvement, making this a tough test for the visiting team.

Key Match-up - Hendrickson Vs Daniels. Daniels will have company all evening with this one and will need to be mobile to make plays for the Commanders.

Prediction - Commanders 15-33 Bengals

Biggest Potential Upset

The Bears beating the Colts. Richardson has looked shaky at times and if he has another bad game Caleb Williams maybe able to get a win and cause an upset.