



MLB **WEEKEND** PREDICTIONS

SEPTEMBER 11-13, 2026

PREMIUM MATCHUP REPORT

15 FEATURED GAMES

5 FRIDAY • 5 SATURDAY • 5 SUNDAY

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WEEKEND EXECUTIVE PREVIEW

A focused slate of 15 premium matchups selected from the official MLB schedule. Each game includes an editorial winner, projected score, confidence rating and three concise matchup insights.

FRIDAY Mets-Yankees • Phillies-Braves • Dodgers-Marlins • Reds-Brewers • Padres-Giants

SATURDAY Mets-Yankees • Pirates-Cubs • Padres-Giants • Phillies-Braves • Rangers-D-backs

SUNDAY Mets-Yankees • Phillies-Braves • Astros-Rays • Reds-Brewers • Padres-Giants

FRIDAY SPOTLIGHT

NEW YORK METS AT NEW YORK YANKEES

FRIDAY • 7:05 PM ET

EDITORIAL LEAN

YANKEES

PROJECTED SCORE

YANKEES 5 - METS 4

CONFIDENCE

3.0 / 5

GAME ANGLE

Bullpen leverage and home-run pressure**KEY INSIGHTS**

- » The Bronx setting rewards right-field power.
- » Both clubs can create traffic at the top of the order.
- » Late relief execution is the clearest separator.

FRIDAY FEATURE

PHILADELPHIA PHILLIES

AT

ATLANTA BRAVES

FRIDAY • 7:15 PM ET

EDITORIAL LEAN

PHILLIES

PROJECTED SCORE

PHILLIES 5 - BRAVES 4

CONFIDENCE

2.5 / 5

GAME ANGLE

Elite power with one-run volatility

KEY INSIGHTS

- » Philadelphia receives a narrow lineup-depth lean.
- » Atlanta can flip the game with one swing.
- » Avoid treating a close projection as a safe pick.

FRIDAY FEATURE

LOS ANGELES DODGERS

AT

MIAMI MARLINS

FRIDAY • 7:10 PM ET



EDITORIAL LEAN	DODGERS
PROJECTED SCORE	DODGERS 6 - MARLINS 3
CONFIDENCE	4.0 / 5
GAME ANGLE	Depth advantage across nine innings

KEY INSIGHTS

- » Los Angeles projects more sustained scoring chances.
- » Miami needs an efficient start to shorten the game.
- » Dodgers patience can expose middle relief.

FRIDAY SHOWDOWN

CINCINNATI REDS AT MILWAUKEE BREWERS

FRIDAY • 7:45 PM ET

EDITORIAL LEAN

BREWERS

PROJECTED SCORE

BREWERS 5 - REDS 3

CONFIDENCE

3.5 / 5

GAME ANGLE

Run prevention and home-field edge**KEY INSIGHTS**

- » Milwaukee owns the steadier run-prevention profile.
- » Cincinnati speed becomes dangerous in close innings.
- » First-pitch strikes should shape the matchup.

FRIDAY NIGHTCAP

SAN DIEGO PADRES AT SAN FRANCISCO GIANTS

FRIDAY • 10:15 PM ET

EDITORIAL LEAN

PADRES

PROJECTED SCORE

PADRES 4 - GIANTS 3

CONFIDENCE

2.5 / 5

GAME ANGLE

Low-scoring divisional battle**KEY INSIGHTS**

- » The projected margin is only one run.
- » San Diego gets a slight two-way quality lean.
- » Oracle Park can keep extra-base damage contained.

SATURDAY SPOTLIGHT

NEW YORK METS AT NEW YORK YANKEES

SATURDAY • 1:35 PM ET

EDITORIAL LEAN

METS

PROJECTED SCORE

METS 4 - YANKEES 3

CONFIDENCE

2.5 / 5

GAME ANGLE

Rotation response in a rivalry game**KEY INSIGHTS**

- » The Mets project to answer with stronger run prevention.
- » Early command matters against both patient lineups.
- » A split through Saturday is the likeliest path.

SATURDAY FEATURE

PITTSBURGH PIRATES

AT

CHICAGO CUBS

SATURDAY • 2:20 PM ET

EDITORIAL LEAN

CUBS

PROJECTED SCORE

CUBS 5 - PIRATES 3

CONFIDENCE

3.5 / 5

GAME ANGLE

Lineup depth at Wrigley Field

KEY INSIGHTS

- » Chicago projects the deeper scoring profile.
- » Pittsburgh must keep the first five innings level.
- » Wind conditions can materially change the total.

SATURDAY FEATURE

SAN DIEGO PADRES AT SAN FRANCISCO GIANTS

SATURDAY • 4:05 PM ET



EDITORIAL LEAN

GIANTS

PROJECTED SCORE

GIANTS 4 - PADRES 2

CONFIDENCE

2.5 / 5

GAME ANGLE

Home pitching plan and park fit**KEY INSIGHTS**

- » San Francisco gets the home-and-park adjustment.
- » Clean defense is essential in a low-total matchup.
- » The Giants need to avoid free baserunners.

SATURDAY SHOWDOWN

PHILADELPHIA PHILLIES

AT

ATLANTA BRAVES

SATURDAY • 7:15 PM ET

EDITORIAL LEAN

BRAVES

PROJECTED SCORE

BRAVES 5 - PHILLIES 4

CONFIDENCE

2.5 / 5

GAME ANGLE

Power response and home momentum

KEY INSIGHTS

- » Atlanta gets a narrow bounce-back projection.
- » Both bullpens face high-leverage traffic.
- » One mistake over the plate may decide it.

SATURDAY NIGHTCAP

TEXAS RANGERS AT ARIZONA DIAMONDBACKS

SATURDAY • 8:10 PM ET

EDITORIAL LEAN

RANGERS

PROJECTED SCORE

RANGERS 5 - D-BACKS 4

CONFIDENCE

2.5 / 5

GAME ANGLE

Power versus pressure offense**KEY INSIGHTS**

- » Texas can erase a deficit with extra-base power.
- » Arizona will test the defense with pace.
- » Bullpen availability is the late-game hinge.

SUNDAY SPOTLIGHT

NEW YORK METS

AT

NEW YORK YANKEES

SUNDAY • 1:35 PM ET

EDITORIAL LEAN

YANKEES

PROJECTED SCORE

YANKEES 6 - METS 4

CONFIDENCE

3.0 / 5

GAME ANGLE

Home power decides the series

KEY INSIGHTS

- » The Yankees get the small series-finale edge.
- » Traffic before the middle order raises scoring upside.
- » Expect aggressive bullpen management.

SUNDAY FEATURE

PHILADELPHIA PHILLIES

AT

ATLANTA BRAVES

SUNDAY • 1:35 PM ET

EDITORIAL LEAN

PHILLIES

PROJECTED SCORE

PHILLIES 6 - BRAVES 5

CONFIDENCE

2.5 / 5

GAME ANGLE

High-variance divisional finale

KEY INSIGHTS

- » Philadelphia earns only a slight offensive lean.
- » Atlanta remains live until the final out.
- » This is the weekend's most volatile projection.

SUNDAY FEATURE

HOUSTON ASTROS AT TAMPA BAY RAYS

SUNDAY • 1:40 PM ET

EDITORIAL LEAN

ASTROS

PROJECTED SCORE

ASTROS 5 - RAYS 4

CONFIDENCE

3.0 / 5

GAME ANGLE

High-leverage at-bat quality

KEY INSIGHTS

- » Houston projects better contact in key counts.
- » Tampa Bay matchup flexibility keeps it close.
- » A late one-run game is the base expectation.

SUNDAY SHOWDOWN

CINCINNATI REDS AT MILWAUKEE BREWERS

SUNDAY • 2:10 PM ET

EDITORIAL LEAN

REDS

PROJECTED SCORE

REDS 5 - BREWERS 4

CONFIDENCE

2.5 / 5

GAME ANGLE

Athletic upset angle**KEY INSIGHTS**

- » Cincinnati's speed creates a viable upset route.
- » Milwaukee still owns the steadier series profile.
- » The first team to pressure middle relief gains control.

SUNDAY NIGHTCAP

SAN DIEGO PADRES AT SAN FRANCISCO GIANTS

SUNDAY • 7:20 PM ET

EDITORIAL LEAN

PADRES

PROJECTED SCORE

PADRES 5 - GIANTS 4

CONFIDENCE

3.0 / 5

GAME ANGLE

Bullpen command under the lights**KEY INSIGHTS**

- » San Diego receives the narrow talent lean.
- » San Francisco can force another low-margin game.
- » Late-inning strike throwing is decisive.

TOP FAVORITES & UPSET ALERTS

01 DODGERS

Top favorite • 4.0/5

02 CUBS

Strong home lean • 3.5/5

03 BREWERS

Friday edge • 3.5/5

UPSET REDS

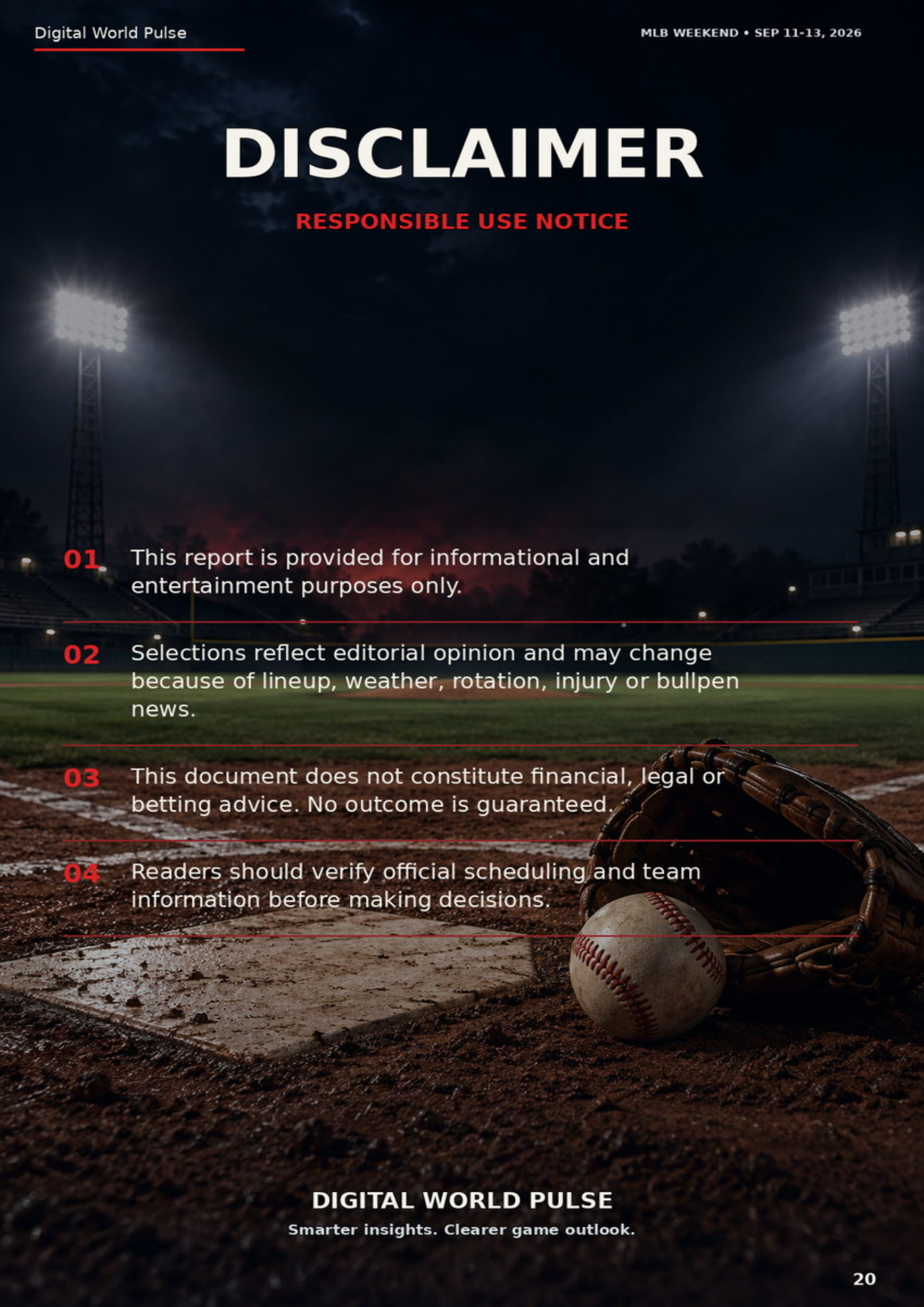
Sunday vs Milwaukee

FINAL PICKS BOARD

01	FRI	METS at YANKEES	YANKEES	5-4	3.0 / 5
02	FRI	PHILLIES at BRAVES	PHILLIES	5-4	2.5 / 5
03	FRI	DODGERS at MARLINS	DODGERS	6-3	4.0 / 5
04	FRI	REDS at BREWERS	BREWERS	5-3	3.5 / 5
05	FRI	PADRES at GIANTS	PADRES	4-3	2.5 / 5
06	SAT	METS at YANKEES	METS	4-3	2.5 / 5
07	SAT	PIRATES at CUBS	CUBS	5-3	3.5 / 5
08	SAT	PADRES at GIANTS	GIANTS	4-2	2.5 / 5
09	SAT	PHILLIES at BRAVES	BRAVES	5-4	2.5 / 5
10	SAT	RANGERS at DIAMONDBACKS	RANGERS	5-4	2.5 / 5
11	SUN	METS at YANKEES	YANKEES	6-4	3.0 / 5
12	SUN	PHILLIES at BRAVES	PHILLIES	6-5	2.5 / 5
13	SUN	ASTROS at RAYS	ASTROS	5-4	3.0 / 5
14	SUN	REDS at BREWERS	REDS	5-4	2.5 / 5
15	SUN	PADRES at GIANTS	PADRES	5-4	3.0 / 5

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