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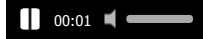
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MAD LIBS ARE KINDA DUMB: EARLY WEEK 8 FANTASY FOOTBALL PICKUPS

Anyone remember Mad Libs?



For the uninitiated, Mad Libs is this old "game" where you need to fill in blanks with nouns, verbs and adjectives in order to complete a story. So there would be a one or two page story with blanks and you basically ask your friends to randomly give you nouns, verbs and adjectives where appropriate to complete the story. Then you read them the "story", which is funny because everyone always ended up using variations of the word "poop". Here's an example:

"Once upon a time, there was a [noun] that liked to [verb]. [Pronoun] was a very [adjective] person, who was always [adverb] [adjective] with [verb]."

And here's the Mad Libs after your "friends" helped you fill it out:

"Once upon a time, there was a **poop** that liked to **poop**. **Poop** was a very **poopy** person, who was always **poop poop** with **poop**."

Of course, no one understood what an adverb was, so it would always end up being "poop" too. Riveting stuff here. Now just imagine doing that for 20 more pages. Kinda sucked being a kid back then, didn't it?

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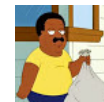
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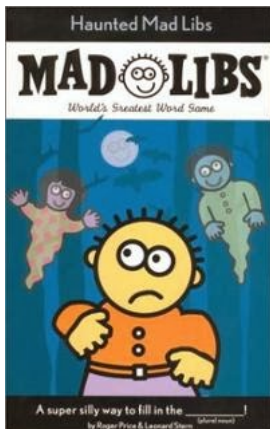


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The point is, as I've said before, sometimes things seemed coolin the past, and then you come back, and they kinda suck. Then you have to move on. Like with Greg Jennings. And Steven Jackson. And Dwayne Bowe. And that barista at Starbucks you really liked in college that you know was in a long distance relationship but you never had the nerve ask out. Time to move on, my friend. And where do you move on to? Well, maybe aDunkin Donuts employee? Oh, you mean for fantasy football? Well, how about one of these free agent pickups (as usual owned in less than 50% of standard Yahoo leagues):



Mike Tolbert – RB - 21% Owned

Two weeks ago against the Vikings, Mike Tolbert (aka "TheKool Aid Man", or as my wife calls him, "Touchdown Phatty") had 10 total touches for 47 total yards and 2 TDs. Last week against the Rams, Tolbert had 13 carries for 36 yards and a TD. And this week against the Bucs, Tolbert had 11 total touches for 64 total yards and a TD. That's 3 weeks in a row with at least 10+ touches and a TD. He's become as involved with the offense as DeAngelo Williams and it doesn't look like that's going to end. There aren't many yards to be had, but with at least 10 touches and all the goal line carries, there's good desperation appeal for those stuck in bye weeks or as a potential flex play in 12-team or deeper leagues. Oh Yeah! (And for those that are too young to realize, The Kool Aid Man always yelled out "Oh Yeah" when he busted through brick walls. Always wondered why he couldn't use the door. Or why he didn't get a concussion running through so many brick walls. In retrospect, The Kool Aid Man was kinda lame too. But I digress.)

Daryl Richardson – RB – 32% Owned

an Elite 2013 Fantasy Quarterback?

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Football playing time is a fluid situation. Last season, when we watched S-Jax battle futility in St. Louis, we all thought that once he was gone, Daryl Richardson would pick up the reigns and run with it. And he did... at first. But Richardson fought his own futility and then got injured, reducing him to a time share then to an occasional change of pace back. Zac Stacy was on his way to a monster game this week (at least for St. Louis Rams purposes) when he injured his ankle on the second to last drive. Reportedly, he went in for X-rays, but we won't know the extent of his injury until later this week. Richardson picked up the slack in the last drive of the game, and looked good with 39 yards on 8 carries, but for being stopped in the red zone. That's not entirely his fault as the Rams have little run blocking and no real blocking TE, but either way, opportunity does have value. If Stacy is out, which would be a blow to the already down-trodden Rams, than Richardson may be back in the driver's seat. He's worth a stash in 12-team and deeper leagues.

Dexter McCluster – WR - 4% Owned

Dexter McCluster led the Chiefs last week in receiving with 4receptions for 70 yards. And for an encore, he led team again this week with 7 receptions for 67 yards and a TD. That's twice in a row for the undefeated Chiefs. The Chiefs tend to play conservatively on offense, which means lots of screen passes, and Jamaal Charles can't catch them all. And as of this week, it's clear Dwayne Bowe is, at least for now, a non-factor. McCluster is worth a pick up as a stash to see if he continues the trend in 12-team leagues or a pickup as a WR4 in a 14-teamor deeper leagues.

Marvin Jones – WR - 21% Owned

Three straight games with a TD and a breakout game where you catch all 8 of your targets for 122 yards and 4 TDs will definitely get you a mention. It's no longer just the AJ Green show, folks, Marvin Jones must have bought Andy Dalton a nice birthday present or something, because Dalton is really starting to look his way. 4 TDs is an outlier and will probably be his career best game, but getting 60-80 yards a week with an occasional TD puts you in WR3 territory in 12-team and deeper leagues.

David Nelson – WR - 0% Owned

Need a flyer to fill in during the bye week in those 14-team or deeper leagues? Why not David Nelson? He's posted back-to-back 80 yard performances and it's not like the Jets are teeming with WR talent. He's getting plenty of targets and you can expect the Jets to be playing from behind frequently, as it doesn't get easier with Cincy and New Orleans in the horizon. So feel free to give him a whirl.

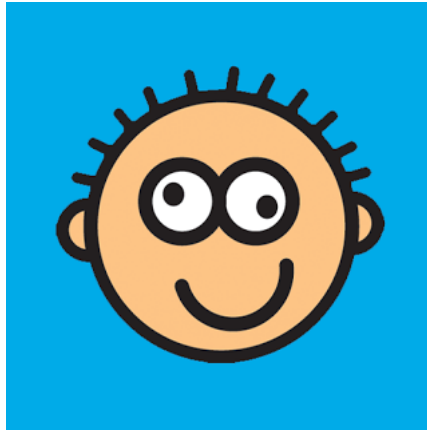
Josh Brown – K - 29% Owned

I normally don't recommend kickers, but everyone has a bye week will need to pick up a kicker at least once a season (and no, I refuse to carry two kickers on any roster, I don't care how deep). The Giants have a new working plan, which appears to be playing very conservatively. Because of this (and because Eli has suddenly become turnover prone this season) the Giantshave been relatively inept in the redzone. Josh Brown has been on a roll after a rough patch of four games without a FG (missing his only two attempts during that span). Brown was 3 for 3 on FGs with 2 PATs last week and an amazing 5 for 5 on FGs (two from 40+) this week. Need a kicker for the bye week? Look no further.

And here's a list of pick ups mentioned in previous weeks that I still recommend picking up if they're still available: *Zac Stacy, Kris Durham, Harry Douglas, Andre Ellington, Terrance Williams, DeAndre Hopkins, Fred Jackson, BrianHartline,Joique Bell, Julian Edelman, Roy Helu Jr., TerrellePryor, Rueben Randle, Joseph Randle, Jared Boykin, Mike James, Mike Glennon and Jordan Reed.*

So get out there and **poop poop with poop!** Whoops, sorry about that. I had a Mad Libs flashback.

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Hakung Wong October 30, 2013 at 5:18 PM

BONUS PICKUP - Shonn Greene - RB - 8% Owned

Coach Mike Munchak said Shonn Greene should be in the "15 carries per game range moving forward if all goes well." That would be three times more than Greene has carried all season, although to be fair, Greene just returned to the lineup in Week 7 after undergoing a knee scope. Greene has a good matchup against the Rams in Week 9 (don't let Marshawn Lynch's poor stats from last week fool you, that was more play calling than run defense), and Greene may end up leading the backfield in carries since Johnson is averaging just 2.39 YPC on his last 46 carries. This one is for the truly desperate, but if you have bye week issues in a 16-team or deeper league, he may be worth a try.

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Hakung Wong November 1, 2013 at 4:39 PM

BONUS PICKUP 2 - Mike Brown - WR - 1% Owned

Justin Blackmon was just suspended indefinitely by the NFL for a violation of the substance abuse policy. He's done for the season. That means that Mike Brown has suddenly become relevant in fantasy football. Brown played on 41-of-75 snaps (54.6 percent) last week against San Francisco. Over the last three weeks, he's played on 166-of-211 snaps (78.6 percent) and caught 12 passes for 212 yards with a touchdown. Brown will become the No. 2 WR in Jacksonville, a team that will be playing from behind frequently and will need to throw a lot to catch up, so his snaps will increase as he'll likely be featured in all 2 wide sets. He's on a bye this week, so he'll have time to adjust to the offense as the WR2 as well. He's an immediate pick up as a WR3/Flex in 12-team or deeper leagues.

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