

Football Pool Sheet

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How to Set it Up

1. Print this packet and pull out the blank Football Pool Grid.
2. Fill in Super Bowl team names down the left side and across the top. It does not matter how you position the teams.
3. Sell squares to whoever wants to play. Charge \$1.00 per square (total pot \$100) or as desired. Buyers can purchase as many squares as they want, filling in their names to claim their spots.
4. After all the names are filled in, draw the numbers that will be filled in along the top and down the left side. Create 10 small squares of paper and then write one number (zero thru 9) on each. Fold the 10 squares and put them into something to draw from like a hat.
5. Choose somebody to draw one number at a time and fill them in across the top starting from left to right. Fold them back up and do the same for the left side, top to bottom. When finished, the numbers will be in random order.

Who Wins

There are several ways to determine who wins the pot, but a very common one is to pay out a portion of the pot after each quarter. A good way to determine the quarter winner is to use the last digit method. Let's use the completed example grid in this packet to demonstrate how it works.

Let's say that at the end of the 1st quarter, the Cardinals have 14 (**last digit 4**), Steelers have 17 (**last digit 7**). Go across the top (the Cardinals section) and find the 4. Go down the side (the Steelers section) and find the 7. These two intersect at a square filled in with Jen's name so she wins the first quarter.

Use the same method for each of the 4 quarters. It is possible for the same person to win every quarter, should they be lucky enough.

Splitting the Pot

What portion of the pot will Jen receive for winning the 1st quarter? And how will the other quarters be paid out? Here are a few options:

Portion Paid Out Each Quarter

	1st Qtr	2nd Qtr	3rd Qtr	4th Qtr	Comments
Option 1	25%	25%	25%	25%	Equal distribution
Option 2	10%	30%	10%	50%	Rewards half time and final scores
Option 3	10%	15%	25%	50%	Gradual increase rewarding final score
Option 4	10%	20%	20%	50%	Rewards final score

Example: If Pot is \$100 (\$1.00 per square), payouts would be:

	1st Qtr	2nd Qtr	3rd Qtr	4th Qtr	Total
Option 1	\$ 25.00	\$ 25.00	\$ 25.00	\$ 25.00	\$ 100.00
Option 2	\$ 10.00	\$ 30.00	\$ 10.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 100.00
Option 3	\$ 10.00	\$ 15.00	\$ 25.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 100.00
Option 4	\$ 10.00	\$ 20.00	\$ 20.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 100.00

Completed Grid Example—score at end of 1st Qtr is 14 Cardinals, 17 Steelers so Jen wins.

VS.		Arizona Cardinals										
		7	2	0	8	6	1	9	4	5	3	
Pittsburgh Steelers		X	John	Sue	Max	Matt	Bob	Jen	Pat	Sam	John	
		6	Bill	John	Sue	Max	Matt	Bob	Jen	Pat	Sam	John
		5	Matt	Bill	Bob	Sam	Joe	Liz	Bill	Mark	Jen	Amy
		9	Sue	Pat	Matt	Jen	Sue	Liz	Amy	Joe	Joe	Bob
		2	Rose	Mark	Beth	Jim	Matt	Mark	Ron	Ron	Liz	Beth
		7	Jim	Pam	Pat	Rose	Mark	John	Bob	Jen	Rose	Pam
		0	Joe	Amy	Bob	Pat	Pat	Max	Mark	Ron	John	Bob
		4	Max	Bill	Sue	Amy	Jim	Mark	Jim	Liz	Amy	Matt
		1	Pat	Max	John	Sam	Ron	Bob	Matt	Joe	Max	Pat
		8	Mark	Beth	Pam	Rose	Jim	Rose	Pam	Bill	Jen	Sue
3	Sam	Sam	Max	Jen	Joe	Amy	Jim	Beth	Bill	John		

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