



Failurenaire: How to Draft the Best Fantasy Football Team (PPR) Checklist

"In PPR, volume is king, running backs are nerds, and WRs are basically cheat codes."



PPR = Point Per Reception

Every catch = 1 bonus point on top of the usual yardage and touchdowns.

That means:

- A WR who catches 10 short passes for 60 yards = 16 points
- A WR who catches 2 long passes for 90 yards = 11 points

In this format, volume beats explosiveness, slot receivers become gold, and pass-catching RBs skyrocket in value.

Failurenaire's PPR Draft Strategy

✓ 1. Target Reception Monsters Early

You want players who rack up targets and catches, even if they aren't scoring machines.

WRs > RBs in many PPR cases — especially if the RB doesn't catch passes.

Ideal targets:

- WRs with 100+ catch potential
- RBs who play on 3rd downs / catch screens
- Avoid boom-or-bust deep threats unless they're elite

2. RBs Need Receiving Work

Look for:

- Christian McCaffrey clones (or diet versions)
- Backs with 60+ target upside
- RBs who line up in the slot or catch dump-offs

3. Wait a Bit Longer on QB

You can win PPR leagues with mid-tier QBs and stack your team with WRs first.

Don't panic-pick a QB in Round 3 unless it's a cheat code (Hurts, Allen, Mahomes).

4. Use Flex for WRs or Pass-Catching RBs

Don't flex a low-target RB. Use that spot for:

- A slot WR getting 10 targets/week
- A backup RB who's playing because the starter's hurt
- Anyone with a reliable floor of 10+ points

5. Late-Round WRs = Value Goldmine

Because PPR rewards volume, even "boring" slot guys have upside. That means **you can load up on 5-6 WRs**, stash them, and rotate based on matchups.

Draft Day Pro Tips (PPR Style)

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Target receptions over TDs Draft non-catching RBs early

Draft multiple WRs early Panic-pick a TE in Round 4

Stack QB + WR if elite combo available Reach for Defense/Kicker

Flex WRs over RBs usually Chase big names without

volume

Round-by-Round Fantasy Draft Strategy – PPR Edition (2025)

Round 1

Target: Elite WR or pass-catching RB

- Ja'Marr Chase
- CeeDee Lamb
- Justin Jefferson
- Bijan Robinson
- Christian McCaffrey (if he's still elite in 2025)

- Breece Hall
- MRs are safer and more consistent in PPR than RBs.

Round 2

Target: WR2 or RB1 with reception upside

Names:

- Amon-Ra St. Brown
- Tyreek Hill
- Travis Etienne
- Rhamondre Stevenson
- Garrett Wilson
- Jaylen Waddle

Round 3

Target: WR3 or your first RB (if you started WR-WR)

- Drake London
- James Cook
- Chris Olave
- Tony Pollard
- Deebo Samuel
- If you went RB-heavy early, this is where you start hoarding WRs.

Round 4

Target: FLEX-worthy WR or TE1

Names:

- George Pickens
- Amari Cooper
- Bowers (if you want elite TE upside)
- Keenan Allen
- Diontae Johnson (PPR gold)

Round 5

Target: Grab your QB or continue hoarding WRs

Names:

- Jalen Hurts, Josh Allen (if still there)
- Christian Watson
- Rashod Bateman
- Marquise Brown

Consider stacking your QB + WR for bonus upside

Round 6

Target: High-upside RB3 or WR4

Names:

Zack Charbonnet

- Elijah Mitchell
- Michael Pittman Jr.
- Rashee Rice (if cleared to play)
 - PPR favors guys with receiving chops over raw runners.

Round 7-8

Target: Lottery picks + Bye Week backups

Names:

- Jalin Hyatt
- Josh Downs
- Tyler Allgeier
- Sam LaPorta (TE sleeper)
- Romeo Doubs

Round 9-10

Target: Handcuffs + emerging WRs

- Rookie RBs in committees
- Backup WRs in explosive passing offenses
- Jayden Reed, Xavier Legette

Round 11-12

Target: Backup QB/TE

Names:

- Deshaun Watson (bounceback candidate)
- Trey McBride
- Backup pass-catching RBs like Tyjae Spears

Round 13-14

Target: Defense + Kicker

Strategy:

- Stream matchups early
- Don't waste early picks
- Pick kickers in domes or on high-scoring teams

Round 15 (if applicable)

Target: Last-round dart throw

- Rookie with training camp hype
- Backup WR with starting potential
- Suspended/injured stash

Ideal PPR Team Structure (12-Team League)

Slot	Туре
QB	Dual-threat or elite passer
RB1	Catch-pass RB (CMC style)
RB2	Volume back w/ 40+ targets
WR1	Target hog
WR2	YAC king or slot machine
TE	Red zone target or volume guy
FLEX	WR or RB with reception floor
DEF	Week 1 streamer
K	Indoors or top-10 scoring team
Bench (5)	3 WRs, 1 RB, 1 QB/TE (depth/fliers)