Ready for the #DAADBracketChallenge? Here's how it works!

The UEFA European Football Championship is an international soccer tournament played in two stages. The first is the Group Stage featuring six groups of four teams. Teams will play three games against the other members of their group and are awarded 3 points for a win, 1 for a tie, and 0 for a loss. At the end of the Group Stage, the teams are ranked according to points.

View the groups and scoreboard on the <u>UEFA EURO2024 website</u>.

Part 1: The Group Stage

For the #DAADBracketChallenge, predict the top two finishers in each group. You must choose one team to finish first and one team to finish second to be awarded points. You may receive points for predicting only one of the top two teams in a group correctly. No points will be awarded for predicting top teams in the wrong order. Additionally, no points will be awarded for predicting third or fourth place finishers in the Group Stage.

Each correct prediction in the Group Stage will receive 10 points. With 6 groups total, that means you may score a maximum of 120 points in the Group Stage.

For example, Group A includes Germany, Scotland, Hungary, and Switzerland. If you correctly predict that Germany will finish first and Scotland will finish second, you will receive 20 points. If you correctly predict that Germany will finish first but incorrectly predict that Hungary will finish second, you will receive 10 points. If Germany finishes first and Scotland finishes second, but you predicted that Scotland would be first and Germany would be second, you will receive no points for that group.

The top two teams from each group and four top-finishing third place teams will advance to the Knockout Stage. From that point on, the winner of each game will advance to the next round, and the loser will be eliminated.

Part 2: The Knockout Stage

First, fill in the Round of 16 with your predictions for the winners of each group. 1:A refers to first place in Group A, 2:B refers to second place in Group B, 3:A/B/C means a third-place finisher from Group A, B, or C, and so on. Fill out the entire bracket by predicting the winner of each match, all the way through the championship game.

Each correct winner prediction will receive 10 points in the Round of 16, 20 points in the Quarter-Final, 40 points in the Semi-Finals, and 80 points for predicting the eventual champion. There are 320 possible points to be awarded in the Knockout Stage. Combined with the points from the Group Stage, that means there is a maximum of 440 points possible in the #DAADBracketChallenge.

First, second, and third prizes in the #DAADBracketChallenge will be awarded to the players with the most points. If there is a tie, each prize will be chosen randomly from the group of players with the highest score.

Visit the EURO 2024 website for more in-depth information on the tournament. Have fun!