Jalen Hurts and DeVonta Smith Steal Nashville's Final Moment

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STORY Read the story, then answer the questions.

How the Game Began

On Sunday, September 20, 2026, the Philadelphia Eagles visited the Tennessee Titans in Nashville. Philadelphia won 24-20 and moved to 2-0. Tennessee fell to 0-2. The Titans started fast when Hooker caught a Hurts pass at the goal line. He ran 92 yards to Philadelphia's 10-yard line. Cam Ward then scored from 1 yard out for Tennessee's 7-0 lead. After Saquon Barkley briefly left, Tank Bigsby ran 2 yards for a touchdown, worth six points. The score was tied 7-7.

The Deciding Moments

Hurts and DeVonta Smith soon helped Philadelphia take control. Smith caught passes of 18 and 22 yards before his 22-yard touchdown made it 14-7. Before halftime, Ward's throws helped Joey Slye kick a field goal. Philadelphia led 14-10. Jake Elliott's 58-yard field goal came next, but Ward ran in again to tie it 17-17. In the fourth quarter, Harris intercepted Hurts. Tennessee used that chance to lead 20-17. With nine seconds left, Hurts threw a 3-yard winning touchdown to Cooper.

Big Performances and Takeaways

Smith led Philadelphia with 10 catches, 117 yards, and a touchdown. His steady hands helped Hurts after two intercepted passes. Hurts threw for 264 yards and two touchdowns, while Wicks had 74 receiving yards. Ward gave Tennessee hope with 183 passing yards and two rushing touchdowns. He did not throw an interception. Pollard ran for 64 yards as Tennessee rushed for 122 yards. The Eagles now visit the Chicago Bears. The Titans prepare to play the New York Giants after showing they can compete.

WORDS TO KNOW

From the story.

briefly (adv.): Briefly means for a short time.

intercepted (v.): Intercepted means catching a pass meant for the other team.

steady (adj.): Steady means reliable and not easily shaken.

interception (n.): An interception happens when a defender catches a pass meant for the other team.

compete (v.): To compete means to work hard to try to win.

READING

Fill in the bubble for the best answer. Write full sentences.

1 **Which event tied the score at 7-7?**

- (A) Cam Ward scored from 1 yard out.
- (B) Saquon Barkley returned to the game.
- (C) Tank Bigsby ran 2 yards for a touchdown.
- (D) Hooker ran to Philadelphia's 10-yard line.

2 **What does the phrase "the Titans started fast" mean in this section?**

- (A) The Titans scored their first points early in the game.
- (B) The Titans finished the game with a fast drive.
- (C) The Titans quickly moved to Philadelphia's stadium.
- (D) The Titans ran faster than Philadelphia all game.

3 **Which event happened with nine seconds left in the game?**

- (A) Harris intercepted a pass from Hurts.
- (B) Jake Elliott kicked a 58-yard field goal.
- (C) Ward ran in to tie the score.
- (D) Hurts threw a winning touchdown to Cooper.

4 **Which statement best explains how Philadelphia won the game?**

(A) The Eagles made a final touchdown after Tennessee took the lead.

(B) The Eagles scored three touchdowns before halftime.

(C) The Eagles took an early lead and kept it all game.

(D) The Eagles won because Tennessee missed a field goal.

5 **What does the phrase "steady hands" suggest about Smith in this section?**

(A) He blocked Tennessee's defenders often.

(B) He threw passes carefully to Hurts.

(C) He carried the ball on most running plays.

(D) He caught passes reliably for Philadelphia.

6 **What is one main idea of this section? Use at least two details from the section to explain your answer.**

MATH Most questions use the game stats. Show your work.

1 **In a week 2 game, Tony Pollard averaged 4.57 rushing yards per attempt. His average yards per attempt is greater than which of the following decimals?**

(A) 4.57

(B) 9.14

(C) 45.70

(D) 2.29

SHOW YOUR WORK

2 **In a week 2 game, Tony Pollard had 64 rushing yards. What is 64 written in expanded form?**

(A) $6 \times 10 + 4 \times 1$

(B) $6 \times 1000 + 4 \times 100 + 0 \times 10 + 0 \times 1$

(C) $6 \times 100 + 4 \times 10 + 0 \times 1$

(D) 6×1

SHOW YOUR WORK

3 **In a week 2 game, Tony Pollard averaged 1.0 receiving yard per catch. His average yards per catch is greater than which of the following decimals?**

(A) 10.00

(B) 1.00

(C) 0.50

(D) 2.00

SHOW YOUR WORK

4 PRACTICE

The concession stand sold 7612 hot dogs this season. Round the number of hot dogs to the nearest thousands place.

(A) 8000

(B) 10000

(C) 7612

(D) 7000

SHOW YOUR WORK

5 PRACTICE

In the 2024 season, Kyren Williams rushed for 1299 yards. Suppose the yards are shared as evenly as possible among 5 practice sessions. How many whole yards are in each share, and how many are left over?

(A) 216 R 3
(B) 260 R0
(C) 259 R 4
(D) 6495 R0

SHOW YOUR WORK

PLAYER SPOTLIGHT · Tony Pollard (TEN)

Rushing yards: 64 | Catches: 1 | Receiving yards: 1

6 **Tony Pollard's stats from this game (TEN): 64 rushing yards, 1 catch, 1 receiving yard. Use the Player Spotlight above. Scoring: each rushing yard = 0.1 point; each catch = 1 point; each receiving yard = 0.1 point. How many fantasy points did Tony Pollard score?**

(A) 7.5
(B) 6.5
(C) 1.1
(D) 7.4

SHOW YOUR WORK

Answer key starts on the next page. Keep it back before handing out.

ANSWER KEY

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About 20 minutes

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READING

Correct answers are filled in.

1 **C** Tank Bigsby ran 2 yards for a touchdown.

After Tennessee took a 7-0 lead, Tank Bigsby ran 2 yards for a touchdown, making the score 7-7.

2 **A** The Titans scored their first points early in the game.

The Titans started with Hooker's long run after catching a pass and then Ward's touchdown, giving Tennessee an early 7-0 lead.

3 **D** Hurts threw a winning touchdown to Cooper.

The section says that with nine seconds left, Hurts threw a 3-yard winning touchdown pass to Cooper.

4 **A** The Eagles made a final touchdown after Tennessee took the lead.

Tennessee used an interception to take a 20-17 lead, but Philadelphia won when Hurts threw a touchdown pass to Cooper with nine seconds left.

5 **D** He caught passes reliably for Philadelphia.

The text says Smith had 10 catches, 117 yards, and a touchdown, showing that he caught passes reliably.

6 What a good answer includes:

A good answer states a main idea, such as both teams had important player performances or Philadelphia had strong receiving and passing performances. It uses at least two details, such as Smith's 10 catches, 117 yards, and touchdown; Hurts's 264 passing yards and two touchdowns; or Ward's 183 passing yards and two rushing touchdowns.

MATH

Correct answers are filled in.

1. **D** 2.29
2. **A** 6 × 10 + 4 × 1
3. **C** 0.50
4. **A** 8000
5. **C** 259 R 4
6. **A** 7.5

   64 rushing yards × 0.1 = 6.4
   1 catch × 1 = 1
   1 receiving yard × 0.1 = 0.1
   Total: 6.4 + 1 + 0.1 = 7.5