Amon-Ra St. Brown's Overtime Catch Lights Detroit's Opening Chapter

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STORY Read the story, then answer the questions.

How the Game Went

Detroit won 31-30 over New Orleans in overtime. Jahmyr Gibbs scored from 1 yard out for a 7-0 lead. He scored again after Derrick Barnes made an interception. Jared Goff then threw a 19-yard touchdown pass to Amon-Ra St. Brown. The Saints fought back. Kendre Miller ran for a touchdown, and Devaughn Vele caught one. Detroit led 24-17 late, but Juwan Johnson tied it. In overtime, Goff found St. Brown for a 4-yard winning touchdown catch.

Standout Performers

Gibbs had a huge day for Detroit. He rushed for 156 yards and scored two touchdowns. A touchdown gives a team six points. St. Brown caught 10 passes for 67 yards and two touchdowns. His final catch won the game. Goff helped lead the Lions offense with key throws. For New Orleans, Tyler Shough threw for 410 yards and three touchdowns. Chris Olave caught 10 passes for 182 yards. Vele also made big catches during the comeback.

What It Means

The Lions are now 1-0 after their exciting opening win. Next, Detroit will play the Buffalo Bills. This game showed the Lions can finish tough moments. They stayed focused after the Saints tied the score. New Orleans is 0-1 and will next face the Baltimore Ravens. Still, the Saints showed great perseverance. They were down 21-0 but kept playing hard. Shough and his young teammates proved they can be dangerous this season.

WORDS TO KNOW

From the story.

overtime (n.): Overtime is extra playing time used when a game is tied.

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

rushed (v.): Rushed means ran with the football during a play.

comeback (n.): A comeback is when a team that is behind fights back in the game.

focused (adj.): Focused means giving full attention to an important task.

READING

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

1 **Which event happened in overtime to give Detroit the win?**

- (A) Jared Goff threw a 4-yard touchdown pass to Amon-Ra St. Brown.
- (B) Juwan Johnson caught a pass to tie the score.
- (C) Derrick Barnes made an interception for Detroit.
- (D) Jahmyr Gibbs ran 1 yard for a touchdown.

2 **Which statement best summarizes how Detroit won the game?**

- (A) Detroit built a lead, New Orleans tied the game, and Detroit scored in overtime.
- (B) Detroit trailed all game before scoring several late touchdowns.
- (C) Detroit led by one score and stopped New Orleans from scoring again.
- (D) Detroit and New Orleans remained tied because neither team scored in overtime.

3 **What does the word "rushed" mean in the sentence about Gibbs?**

- (A) Threw the football
- (B) Kicked the football
- (C) Caught the football
- (D) Ran with the football

4 **Which detail best supports the idea that St. Brown was an important player for Detroit?**

(A) He rushed for 156 yards and scored twice.

(B) He caught 10 passes and scored two touchdowns.

(C) He threw for 410 yards and three touchdowns.

(D) He caught 10 passes for 182 yards.

5 **Which detail best shows that New Orleans showed perseverance?**

(A) The Saints were down 21-0 but kept playing hard.

(B) The Saints will next face the Baltimore Ravens.

(C) Detroit will next play the Buffalo Bills.

(D) The Lions are 1-0 after the opening win.

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

MATH Use the game stats. Show your work.

1 **In a week 1 game, Jahmyr Gibbs had 156 rushing yards. Round it to the nearest tens place.**

(A) 150

(B) 200

(C) 160

(D) 156

SHOW YOUR WORK

2 **In a week 1 game, Jahmyr Gibbs averaged 5.4 rushing yards per attempt. His average yards per attempt is less than which of the following decimals?**

(A) 0.54
(B) 5.40
(C) 2.70
(D) 10.80

SHOW YOUR WORK

3 **In a week 1 game, Jahmyr Gibbs had 30 receiving yards. What is 30 written in expanded form?**

(A) $3 \times 10 + 0 \times 1$
(B) 3×1
(C) $3 \times 100 + 0 \times 10 + 0 \times 1$
(D) $3 \times 1000 + 0 \times 100 + 0 \times 10 + 0 \times 1$

SHOW YOUR WORK

4 **In a week 1 game, Jahmyr Gibbs averaged 6.0 receiving yards per catch. His average yards per catch is greater than which of the following decimals?**

(A) 60.00
(B) 12.00
(C) 6.00
(D) 3.00

SHOW YOUR WORK

5 **In a week 1 game, Jahmyr Gibbs had 156 rushing yards. What is 156 written in expanded form?**

(A) $1 \times 10000 + 5 \times 1000 + 6 \times 100 + 0 \times 10 + 0 \times 1$

(B) $1 \times 10 + 5 \times 1$

(C) $1 \times 1000 + 5 \times 100 + 6 \times 10 + 0 \times 1$

(D) $1 \times 100 + 5 \times 10 + 6 \times 1$

SHOW YOUR WORK

PLAYER SPOTLIGHT · Jahmyr Gibbs (DET)

Rushing yards: 156	**Catches:** 5	**Fumble lost:** 1
Rushing TD: 2	**Receiving yards:** 30	

6 **Jahmyr Gibbs's stats from this game (DET): 156 rushing yards, 2 rushing touchdowns, 5 catches, 30 receiving yards, 1 fumble lost. Use the Player Spotlight above. Scoring: each rushing yard = 0.1 point; each rushing touchdown = 6 points; each catch = 1 point; each receiving yard = 0.1 point; each fumble lost = -2 points. How many fantasy points did Jahmyr Gibbs score?**

(A) 37.6

(B) 35.6

(C) 30.6

(D) 33.6

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

ANSWER KEY

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About 20 minutes

Separate these pages before giving the worksheet to students.

Standards: RI.4.1 · RI.4.2 · RI.4.4 · 4.NBT.A.2 · 4.NBT.A.3 · 4.NF.C.7

READING

Correct answers are filled in.

1 **A** Jared Goff threw a 4-yard touchdown pass to Amon-Ra St. Brown.

The section says that in overtime, Goff found St. Brown for a 4-yard winning touchdown catch.

2 **A** Detroit built a lead, New Orleans tied the game, and Detroit scored in overtime.

Detroit took leads during the game, the Saints tied the score late, and Detroit won with a touchdown in overtime.

3 **D** Ran with the football

The section says Gibbs rushed for 156 yards, meaning he ran with the football for those yards.

4 **B** He caught 10 passes and scored two touchdowns.

The section states that St. Brown caught 10 passes for 67 yards and scored two touchdowns, including the game-winning catch.

5 **A** The Saints were down 21-0 but kept playing hard.

The section explains that New Orleans was losing 21-0 but continued to play hard, which shows perseverance.

6 What a good answer includes:

A strong answer explains that the section tells what the opening game means for both teams. It should include two details, such as Detroit being 1-0 and staying focused after the tie, or New Orleans being 0-1 but showing perseverance after falling behind 21-0.

MATH

Correct answers are filled in.

1	C	160
2	D	10.80
3	A	3 × 10 + 0 × 1
4	D	3.00
5	D	1 × 100 + 5 × 10 + 6 × 1
6	D	33.6

156 rushing yards × 0.1 = 15.6
2 rushing touchdowns × 6 = 12
5 catches × 1 = 5
30 receiving yards × 0.1 = 3
1 fumble lost × -2 = -2
Total: 15.6 + 12 + 5 + 3 – 2 = 33.6