



## Arsenal Stunned by Bournemouth as Liverpool Cruise: Saturday EPL Results and Sunday Preview

### Description

## Saturday's Premier League Results: Arsenal Stunned, Liverpool Cruise

Saturday's Premier League action delivered drama in abundance as Bournemouth pulled off a stunning upset at the Emirates, Liverpool eased past Fulham, and Brentford were denied victory in stoppage time. Here is your full round-up of the day's results and a preview of four crucial Sunday fixtures – including the blockbuster clash between Chelsea and Manchester City at Stamford Bridge. For our preview of this weekend's full fixture list, see our earlier piece on [West Ham's demolition of Wolves and the EPL weekend preview](#).



Arsenal were stunned 2-1 by Bournemouth at the Emirates (Image: arsenal.com)

## Arsenal 1-2 Bournemouth

The biggest shock of the day came in north London, where Bournemouth secured a remarkable 2-1 victory at the Emirates Stadium - their second consecutive win at Arsenal's fortress. Teenager Junior Kroupi opened the scoring in the 16th minute with a composed back-post finish, catching the Gunners' defence off guard. Viktor Gyökeres hauled Arsenal level from the penalty spot in the 34th minute, taking his debut-season tally to an impressive 18 goals. However, Bournemouth were not to be denied. Alex Scott restored the visitors' lead in the 73rd minute with a clinical close-range effort, and the Cherries held firm for a famous victory.

The result is a significant blow to Arsenal's title aspirations. Having now suffered their second home defeat of the campaign, Mikel Arteta's side will be looking over their shoulders at Manchester City, who have games in hand and are in imperious form.



Liverpool eased past Fulham 2-0 at Anfield (Image: liverpoolfc.com)

## Liverpool 2-0 Fulham

Liverpool returned to winning ways with a comfortable 2-0 victory over Fulham at Anfield. Rising star Rio Ngumoha opened the scoring in the 36th minute before Mohamed Salah doubled the advantage just four minutes later in the 40th minute. Both goals came in a devastating first-half spell, and Liverpool controlled proceedings throughout the second half without needing to find another gear. The clean sheet will please Arne Slot as his side look to consolidate their position in the top five.

## Brentford 2-2 Everton

In a pulsating encounter at the Gtech Community Stadium, Brentford were left frustrated after Kiernan Dewsbury-Hall's stoppage-time equaliser snatched a point for Everton. Igor Thiago was the star for the Bees, scoring twice - an early penalty and a 77th-minute finish - to make Premier League history as Brentford's record scorer in a single top-flight season with 21 goals. Beto had headed Everton level in the 27th minute, and Dewsbury-Hall's 91st-minute strike completed a dramatic smash-and-grab for the Toffees. Both sides remain locked on 47 points in seventh and eighth respectively, separated only by goal difference.

## Burnley 0-2 Brighton

Brighton secured a vital 2-0 win at Turf Moor courtesy of a Mats Wieffer brace. The Dutch midfielder, who had not scored all season, found the net with each foot - once in the 43rd minute and again in the 89th to seal the points. VAR played a significant role in the match, disallowing a Jaidon Anthony goal and a Bashir Humphreys effort for Burnley, both ruled out for tight offside decisions. The result eases Brighton's away form concerns and pushes Burnley closer to the relegation battle.

## European Football Round-Up

### Barcelona 4-1 Espanyol (La Liga)

Barcelona extended their winning streak to seven consecutive La Liga matches with a dominant 4-1 demolition of city rivals Espanyol in the Catalan derby. Ferran Torres opened the scoring with a header from a Lamine Yamal corner, and the pair combined again for Torres' second. Espanyol briefly threatened through Pol Lozano's long-range strike, but Lamine Yamal added a goal of his own before Marcus Rashford completed the rout. The victory opens up a nine-point lead at the top of La Liga, putting Barcelona firmly in command of the title race.

### St Pauli 0-5 Bayern Munich (Bundesliga)

Bayern Munich delivered a ruthless display at the Millerntor-Stadion, thrashing St Pauli 5-0 to reinforce their dominance at the top of the Bundesliga. The result was never in doubt as Bayern's attacking firepower proved far too much for the promoted side. The victory keeps Bayern firmly on course for the Bundesliga title as the season enters its final stretch.

## Sunday's Premier League Preview: Four Key Fixtures



Chelsea host Manchester City in Sunday's headline fixture (Source: Chelsea FC)



Pep Guardiola faces a tough trip to Stamford Bridge on Sunday (Image: mancify.com)

## **Chelsea vs Manchester City (4:30 PM BST / 11:30 PM SGT)**

The headline act of Sunday's programme pits sixth-placed Chelsea against second-placed Manchester City at Stamford Bridge. This is a match with enormous implications for both sides - Chelsea are chasing a Champions League spot, while City continue their pursuit of Arsenal in the title race, sitting nine points behind with two games in hand.

City arrive in London in outstanding form. Pep Guardiola's men beat Arsenal 2-0 in the EFL Cup final before the international break, then dismantled Liverpool 4-0 in the FA Cup quarter-finals. Their eight-match unbeaten run in the league (five wins, three draws) makes them the form team in England.

Erling Haaland leads the Premier League scoring charts with 22 goals this season.

Chelsea, by contrast, have lost back-to-back league games, including a chastening 3-0 defeat at Everton. Manager Liam Rosenior has confirmed that Enzo Fernández remains dropped. Chelsea's home record offers some hope, but they have not beaten City since the 2021 Champions League final, with City unbeaten in their last ten meetings - seven wins and three draws.

### **Crystal Palace vs Newcastle United (2:00 PM BST / 9:00 PM SGT)**

Crystal Palace host Newcastle United at Selhurst Park in a mid-table contest with contrasting storylines. Palace sit 14th with 39 points and enter on a high following a convincing 3-0 win over Fiorentina in the Europa Conference League. At home, they boast an impressive five-match unbeaten run with clean sheets in each - Ismaila Sarr has been their main threat, scoring in three of Palace's last five matches.

Newcastle, in 12th on 42 points, are enduring a torrid spell with six defeats in their last nine league games. Captain Bruno Guimarães is out with a muscle injury, which is a significant blow. However, the Magpies have shown signs of life on the road with four wins in their last six away games.

### **Nottingham Forest vs Aston Villa (2:00 PM BST / 9:00 PM SGT)**

Nottingham Forest welcome Aston Villa to the City Ground in a clash with major implications at both ends of the table. Forest, in 16th, are looking for the victory that could move them clear of the relegation zone. They are unbeaten in four matches, including an impressive 3-0 win at Tottenham, but their home form has been dreadful - just three wins in 15 home league matches this season.

Aston Villa sit in fourth place, six points clear in the race for Champions League qualification. Three straight wins, including a 2-0 victory over West Ham, have put Unai Emery's side in a strong position. Historically, Villa are yet to win at the City Ground since Forest's return to the top flight, losing in their last two visits.



Roberto De Zerbi takes charge of his first Spurs match against Sunderland (Image: [tottenhamhotspur.com](http://tottenhamhotspur.com))

## **Sunderland vs Tottenham Hotspur (2:00 PM BST / 9:00 PM SGT)**

Perhaps the most intriguing fixture of the day sees Sunderland host Tottenham at the Stadium of Light, where new Spurs head coach Roberto De Zerbi will take charge of his first match. Tottenham's season has been nothing short of disastrous – they sit 17th, just one point above the relegation zone, and have failed to win in their last 13 Premier League matches, losing eight of those. The sacking of Igor Tudor underscores the severity of the crisis at the club.

Sunderland, sitting 11th on 43 points, are in far better spirits after a morale-boosting 2-1 derby victory over Newcastle. They remain just three points behind seventh place and harbour hopes of European qualification. However, three straight home defeats add a note of caution for the Black Cats faithful.

## Singapore Sports: FIBA 3x3 World Cup Qualifier and AFF U17 Championship



FIBA 3x3 World Cup Qualifier 2026 at The Kallang (Source: FIBA Basketball)

Closer to home, the FIBA 3x3 World Cup Qualifier 2026 is under way at OCBC Square at The Kallang, running from 11 to 12 April. Twelve national teams from across Europe, South America, Africa, and Asia are competing for the final three spots at the FIBA 3x3 World Cup in Warsaw, Poland.

Singapore, as host nation, are making their debut appearance at the World Cup Qualifier – a historic milestone for basketball in the country. The men’s pool features Czechia, Singapore, Brazil, New Zealand, Italy, and Egypt, while the women’s draw includes Hungary, Lithuania, Egypt, Philippines, Singapore, and Brazil.

Meanwhile, the Singapore Under-17 Boys’ national football team has begun their campaign at the AFF Under-17 Championship in Surabaya, Indonesia, running from 11 to 24 April. Drawn in Group C alongside Australia, Brunei Darussalam, and Cambodia, the Young Lions are led by captain Zaki Jumlan under Head Coach Ashraf Ariffin. The tournament presents a valuable developmental opportunity for Singapore’s next generation of footballers.

The Singapore Para Sports Championships 2026 also took place yesterday at Our Tampines Hub, showcasing the talent and determination of Singapore’s para-athletes in a day of inspiring competition.

## Looking Ahead

All eyes will be on Stamford Bridge tonight as Chelsea and Manchester City face off in what could be a defining moment in both the title race and the top-four battle. With Arsenal having slipped up against Bournemouth, a City victory would narrow the gap to seven points with those crucial games in hand. For Chelsea, defeat could see their Champions League hopes start to slip away.

Stay tuned to [Little Big Red Dot Sports](#) for full match reports and analysis from all of Sunday’s action.

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