

World Cup 2022 Bracket Challenge Rules

The FIFA World Cup tournament is played every four years and is made up of 32 teams. The tournament is broken up into two different stages:

Group Stage

The teams are broken up into 8 groups lettered **A** through **H**, with each one of the groups having 4 teams. Each group will play a Round Robin Tournament, which simply means each team in a group will play the other 3 teams in that group one time.

Knockout Tournament

The second stage is the knockout tournament also known as a single elimination tournament. Only the top **2** teams from each group advance to the knockout tournament. If you win, you advance, if you lose you are eliminated.

There is also a consolation game to decide 3rd and 4th place.

Here is the final list of 32 nations who are scheduled to play in Qatar.

- **Group A:** Qatar, Ecuador, Senegal, Netherlands
- **Group B:** England, Iran, USA, Wales
- **Group C:** Argentina, Saudi Arabia, Mexico, Poland
- **Group D:** France, Australia, Denmark, Tunisia
- **Group E:** Spain, Costa Rica, Germany, Japan
- **Group F:** Belgium, Canada, Morocco, Croatia
- **Group G:** Brazil, Serbia, Switzerland, Cameroon
- **Group H:** Portugal, Ghana, Uruguay, South Korea

Here is each round/stage date

- **Group stage:** November 20 to December 2
- **Round of 16:** December 3-6
- **Quarterfinals:** December 9-10
- **Semifinals:** December 13-14
- **3rd-place match:** December 17
- **World Cup Final:** December 18

How To Play?

You must pick the winners of the 16 games in the knockout tournament. Points will be awarded for each correct pick. Entries must be completed by Saturday, November 19th, 2022. Once the bracket has been submitted, it is final. Games will be graded and the bracket updated at the end of each round.

Point System

Brackets are awarded based on point totals earned according to the following chart:

Round	Point Value
Round 2 - Round of 16	2pts
Round 3 - Quarterfinals	4pts
Round 4 - Semifinals	8pts

3 rd Place	10pts
Round 5 – Final	16pts

Prize Structure

Prizes will be determined by correct picks in the bracket and the cumulative total of points scored by each participant. In the event of a tie, the position winner will be the participant with the closest ***Total Goals Scored*** in the entire tournament.

Deadline

The deadline for registering and entering submissions for the contest is Saturday, November 19th, 2022.