

**PLAYER NAME:****RATER NAME:**

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**[SERVING]**

- 1 This player's serves are usually underhand and non-threatening. The ball is as likely to land outside of the court as it is to land inside the court. Passing the service to target is very easy for the receiving team.
- 2 This player may serve overhand or underhand, but does not serve with a great deal of force. The ball is often in, but not always. Passing the service to target is generally not a problem for the receiving team.
- 3 This player consistently keeps the ball in with an overhand serve, and occasionally is able to ace the opponent with a forceful serve. He/she can place the ball around the court with the serve. Passing the ball to target can sometimes be difficult for the receiving team.
- 4 This player serves the ball in all the time with a forceful overhand serve, and usually keeps it in with his/her jump serve. He/she places the ball around the court at will, and can achieve more aces than others. Passing these serves to target is consistently difficult for the receiving team.

**[HITTING] x2\***

- 1 This player will hit the ball over the net, but will rarely use enough force so that the opposing team cannot effectively dig the ball. He/she consistently pushes the ball over the net instead of hitting, and is just as likely to hit the ball into the net or out of bounds as he/she is to hit it into a playable area. His/her timing and approach are often off, and if given a bad set, it is difficult for him/her to adjust.
- 2 This player will usually hit the ball over the net and in play more than he/she will hit it out of bounds. He/she can hit the ball with force, but is generally not overpowering. His/her timing and approach are usually good, and if given a bad set, he/she can sometimes adjust and still bump or push the ball over the net.
- 3 This player rarely hits the ball out of play. He/she hits the ball with force, and is occasionally overpowering. His/her timing and approach are consistently good. If given a bad set, he/she can usually adjust and bump or push the ball over the net, and sometimes can still hit with force.
- 4 This player consistently hits the ball in bounds and with force. He/she is generally overpowering, and can hit the ball to open locations over or through blocks. His/her timing and approach are always good. If given a bad set, they can easily adjust and still hit with force.

**[SETTING] x2\***

- 1 This player's open hand sets are often lifts or double hits. His/her sets are often difficult for the hitter to attack. With a bad pass or dig, he/she has trouble reaching the ball to make a good set, and consistently may not attempt to play the ball from a bad pass. This player may not call for help or call for help too late.
- 2 This player's open hand sets are generally not called for doubles or lifts, but may occasionally commit these types of violations. This player can only consistently set to the outside/power hitter. His/her sets are usually good enough for the hitter to send the ball across the net, but not always with force. With a bad pass or dig, he/she can sometimes still make a good set. With a pass or dig that is tight to the net, he/she will often resort to dinking the ball over instead of attempting to set, or may not be successful in keeping the ball in play.
- 3 This player's open hand sets are rarely called for doubles or lifts. His/her sets are consistently good enough for the hitter to make a forceful hit. This player can also set middle and weak/right side hitters with consistency. With good or bad passes or digs, he/she usually sets a good ball. This setter is not always readable by the opposition, and will sometimes backset. With a pass or dig that is tight to the net, he/she can sometimes still set the ball to the hitter. This setter is comfortable running varied offensive formations.
- 4 This player consistently sets balls for hitters in any position to attack with force. He/she makes quick decisions from bad passes or digs, and sets balls that hitters can attack. This setter runs complex offenses as a rule, and is very difficult to read by the opposition. He/she can jump set, backset, and set from the ground. With a pass that is tight to the net, he/she will usually still set the ball to the hitter, although this setter can consistently score kills when he/she decides to send the ball over the net on the second touch.

**\*[Weighting Scores]**

*If a player consistently plays only a Setter or Hitter position, they may choose to be rated for only one of those two skills. The skill of their choice will count for double points towards their rating, while the other skill will not be counted.*

*For instance, if a player chooses to be a Setter, their Setting skills will count as double points towards their rating, and their Hitting skills will not be counted.*

*Only Setting or Hitting scores may be doubled.*

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**[PASSING/DIGGING]**

- 1** Balls served or hit without force to this player are as likely to be passed to target as they are not. Balls served or hit with force are not able to be effectively passed. The ball often rolls or ricochets off the player's hands, or may be passed with poor or awkward technique. This player will often resort to bumping the ball back over the net on the first hit instead of passing to target.
- 2** Balls served or hit without force to this player will generally be passed on the player's own court. About half of those are passed to target, although sometimes they are over-passed and setup a kill from the opposing team. Balls served or hit with force are occasionally passed on the player's own court, but not frequently to target.
- 3** Balls served or hit without force to this player are consistently passed on the player's own court, and most are passed to target, some overpasses may still occur at this level, but the occurrences will be minimal. Balls served or hit with force are regularly passed on the player's own court, and most times are successfully passed to target.
- 4** Balls served or hit without force to this player are passed to target with ease. Balls served or hit with force are also usually passed to the target without over-passing or losing control.

**[BLOCKING/FRONT ROW DEFENSE]**

- 1** This player typically does not attempt to block. When an attempt is made, they will rarely get their hands on the ball, and cannot block effectively. He/she typically is not ready to defend the front row by digging balls that fall close to the net.
- 2** This player will sometimes get his/her hands on the ball to deflect a hit, but will rarely block to win a point. He/she will sometimes defend the front row by digging balls that fall close to the net. They may not always attempt to block because they are out of position, preventing a good defensive play.
- 3** This player usually gets his/her hands on the ball to deflect a hit, and will sometimes block effectively to win a point. They will usually defend the front row by digging balls that fall close to the net. A player at this level shows good knowledge of the front row defense and court coverage.
- 4** This player forms a wall, rarely misses getting his/her hands on the ball, and blocks consistently to win points. They are always ready to defend the front row by digging balls that fall close to the net, and can anticipate where they might drop.

**[KNOWLEDGE/ PURSUIT]**

- 1** This player knows only the standard volleyball rotation, but may also be starting to learn how to run a 4-2 with setters identified. It is difficult for this player to anticipate where to position him/herself on defense. He/she will make some effort to go for the ball, but will usually not lunge, dive or run after the ball. The intensity of his/her play significantly diminishes over the period of a long game.
- 2** This player is starting to learn to defend against a more aggressive offense, but often needs to be told where to stand by other, more experienced teammates. He/she is starting to anticipate where to position him/herself in defense of the other team's hits and dinks. He/she will sometimes lunge, dive and run after the ball. The intensity of his/her play is somewhat diminished over the period of a long game.
- 3** This player is comfortable playing defense against complex offenses. They are generally in position to play the ball, and often help less experienced players know their correct positions. This player is starting to read the other team's offensive plays and adjusting to fill defensive gaps. He/she will usually lunge, dive and run after the ball. The intensity of his/her play is usually consistent over the period of a long game.
- 4** This player knows a multitude of defensive systems, and plays most of them very well. They are always in position to play the ball. This player can consistently read the other team's offensive plays and adjusts to fill defensive gaps. He/she will almost always lunge, dive and run after the ball if necessary. The intensity of his/her play is maintained over the period of a long game.

**[SCORING]**

SERVING	_____
HITTING (x2)*	_____
SETTING (x2)*	_____
PASSING/DIGGING	_____
BLOCKING/FRONT ROW DEFENSE	_____
KNOWLEDGE/PURSUIT	_____

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**TOTAL SCORE** \_\_\_\_\_