



NBA BASKETBALL

SPECIAL RELEASE

DR. ALAN'S GAME ANALYSIS



Wednesday, May 17, 2023

MIAMI HEAT @ BOSTON CELTICS

Game Time: 8:30 PM EST

Broadcast: TNT

Game Pick: MIAMI HEAT +8

Greetings friends !!!

For our Dr. Alan 2023 NBA pro basketball playoff special release, we are going to back the road underdog, the Miami Heat + 8 vs. the Boston Celtics in this Game # 1 Eastern Conference Final playoff game.

With the NBA playoffs, it's a brand-new season. However, we'll still look for VALUE in the point spread or the total line, and we'll still take into account & factor into our handicapping how a team played during the regular season, and at how the teams are playing in the post season. And of course, we'll look for elements of our 5 main criteria - fundamental match ups / head coaching match ups, schedule, historical / situational, public betting splits / line movement & Dr. Alan psychological motivation.

Let's take a look below at some of the "key points" that support a wager on the Heat + 8 in Game # 1.

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- The Miami Heat had a 44-38 SU regular season record and are the # 8 seed, and the Boston Celtics had a 57-25 SU regular season record and are the # 2 seed.
- The Heat, as a winning team with a head coach in Erik Spoelstra with a 2-time NBA Championship winning head coaching career record do fit the handicapping criteria of being a "QUALITY DOG", and this is clearly a "VALUE PLAY" on the Heat.
- In regard to the **head coaching matchup**, Heat head coach Erik Spoelstra is in his 15th year with the Heat, and has a vast amount of head coaching playoff experience (and has won 2 NBA Championships and led the Heat to 3 other NBA Finals appearances as well), clearly has the head coaching advantage over his counterpart, Celtics rookie head coach Joe Mazzulla. I think that this head coaching advantage has already played a role in this series, and I think it may play a role in this game as well !!!
- The Celtics are coming off a very physical & emotional 112-88 Game # 7 blowout home win vs. the 76ers on Sunday 5-14-23, where Celtics superstar Jayson Tatum scored 51 points !!!
- On the flip side, the Heat are coming off a 96-92 Game # 6 home win on Friday 5-12-23. Thus, the Heat have a rest & preparation advantage heading into this game.
- These 2 squads split their season series 2-2, but it must be noted in one of those Heat losses, neither Jimmy Butler nor Kyle Lowry played in that game.

- In regard to my Dr. Alan psychological handicapping, this game sets up well for the Heat. Of course, the Celtics will be motivated to win this game on their home court to gain an early 1-0 series lead. However, as previously mentioned, the Celtics are off a very physical & emotional Game # 7 blowout win where Celtics superstar Jayson Tatum erupted for 51 points.
- Game # 7 was a close 3-point game at halftime, then the Celtics played virtually " flawless " in the 2nd half, (and the 76ers played horrible in the 2nd half) and the game turned into a blowout. That was very impressive by Jayson Tatum & the Celtics, no doubt. However, I think that both Jayson Tatum & the Celtics as a team are now due to " COME DOWN " as it's very hard to sustain that type of " flawless " play in the next game.
- On the flip side, the Heat as previously mentioned are well rested, and have extra preparation time heading into this game. The Heat as the road team have 1 primary goal in mind for the first 2 games in Boston i.e.- win 1 game to take back home court advantage. I think the Heat see Game # 1 as their " best opportunity " to " steal a game." Thus , I expect to see the Heat play with " MAXIMUM URGENCY " in this game !!!
- And, the Heat are catching the Celtics at the right time, coming off a virtually " flawless " Game # 7 blowout win vs. the 76ers, as the Celtics are due to " COME DOWN " The Heat are the # 8 seed, and NO ONE predicted them to beat the # 1 seed Milwaukee Bucks in the 1st round. The Heat then took care of business vs. the Knicks in 6 games in the 2nd round. Thus, the Heat are playing with " HOUSE MONEY " and they will be HIGHLY MOTIVATED to win Game # 1 and to keep proving every one wrong who keeps doubting them !!!
- In this TITANIC BATTLE between the Heat led by superstar Jimmy Butler a/k/a " JIMMY BUCKETS " (here's the origin of this nickname in Jimmy Butler's own words " Stacey King gave me that nickname easily before I even scored a basket in the NBA") vs. the Celtics led by superstar Jayson Tatum a/k/a " TACO JAY " (here's the origin of this nickname in Jayson Tatum's own words " Tacos are my favorite food. My mom makes tacos four to five times per week ")
- We'll accept the generous + 8 points that the Las Vegas oddsmakers are offering to us with the " QUALITY DOG " Heat !!!
- So tonight, we are going to back the road underdog Miami Heat + 8 vs. the Boston Celtics in Beantown !!!

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