



## HOW MANY GAMES BACK?

“Games back” is number that shows how far a team is from first place. To find games back, use this formula:

$$(\text{Difference in wins} + \text{difference in losses}) \div 2$$

Here’s a basic example:

TEAM	WINS	LOSSES
Wildcats	37	24
Knights	34	29
Rebels	33	31

The Wildcats are in first place. They have 3 more wins and 5 fewer losses than the Knights. How many games back are the Knights?

$$(3 + 5) \div 2 = 4 \text{ games back}$$

The Wildcats have 4 more wins and 7 fewer losses than the Rebels. How many games back are the Rebels?

$$(4 + 7) \div 2 = 5.5 \text{ games back}$$



Complete this table to find the games back for all teams who aren’t in first place.

TEAM	WINS	LOSSES	GAMES BACK
Racers	38	23	--
Alligators	36	25	
Owls	30	29	
Wolves	24	38	
Nomads	22	39	

