



They don't have to be good, they just have to be better. Better than their previous selves; well, that's a given, but more importantly, the Browns need to be better than every team that ever won the AFC North. Just a friendly reminder, but the Browns aren't included in that group.

I'm sure no one needs any kind of reminder, friendly or otherwise, to know that this reboot has been brutal in every way imaginable, and has likely exceeded the boundaries of even the most twisted imagination.

I could make excuses, I could say it's not fair, and I could swear to you that the blue pen is red, but I'd have a hard time convincing anyone that any of it matter when numbers speak volumes.

Low numbers like zero and one stick out the most, high numbers would stick out too, if there were any.

Just seven times in the illustrious first fourteen years of this god-forsaken carnation of the Cleveland Browns netted three wins or more in the division, and that does include the first three years of the new franchise playing 10 intra-division games in the 6-team AFC Central Division

It was a little bit like the AFC Central Division that we enjoyed watching Bernie Kosar play in a lifetime ago, for both us and Bernie, except there was a purple team from Maryland, and the Houston Oilers had assumed a new identity and now played in Tennessee. Technically, Kosar never crossed paths with the team in North Florida, but the Jaguars were still in the AFC Central when the old Browns existed and this isn't the time or place to split hairs.

In 2001, first-year Head Coach managed to sweep Baltimore and win 5 games in the division, but Pittsburgh took both clashes with the Browns.





~~The Cleveland Browns are a professional American football team based in Cleveland, Ohio. They compete in the National Football League (NFL) as a member club of the league's American Football Conference (AFC) North division. The Browns have won four NFL championships, in 1950, 1954, 1955, and 1956. The team's home stadium is the Cleveland Browns Stadium, which opened in 1999. The Browns' primary colors are orange and brown, and their secondary colors are white and black. The team's mascot is the Brownie, a small, mischievous, brown, furry creature with a red bow tie and a black top hat. The Browns' website is www.browns.com.~~