

# The Gut Check's TE Scouting Analysis

**Name:**  **School:**  **Opponent:**  **Surface:**   
**Height:**  **Year:**  **Score:**  **Climate:**   
**Weight:**  **Date:**  **Location:**  **Temperature:**

**Overall Score:**

- Can physically break jam [2pts]:
- Can use elusiveness to break jam [2pts]:
- Uses body to shield defender from the ball [3pts]:
- Creates separation with burst out of breaks [5pts]:
- Gains noticeable separation on intermediate/deep routes [2pts]:
- Runs precise routes [5pts]:
- Finds opening in zone coverage [5pts]:
- Adjusts to QB when play breaks down [3pts]:
- Awareness of sideline [2pts]:
- Catches ball with hands first [5pts]:
- Adjusts to the ball in the air [2pts]:
- Catches ball well with back to the line of scrimmage [2pts]:
- Catches ball in tight coverage [5pts]:
- Catches ball in high traffic areas [3pts]:
- Consistently holds onto the ball when hit [4pts]:
- Demonstrates ability to make difficult catch [1pt]:
- Makes receptions on catchable balls consistently [5pts]:
- Effective lower body jukes while on the run [1pt]:
- Effective upper body jukes while on the run [1pt]:
- Avoids direct shots [1pt]:
- Effective stop-start movements [1pt]:
- Effective lateral movements [1pt]:
- Demonstrates ability to carry ball with either hand [1pt]:
- Demonstrates ball security [3pts]:
- Maintains control of ball when hit [5pts]:
- Maintains control of ball in adverse weather conditions [1pt]:
- High performance in adverse conditions [1pt]:
- Maintains balance when hit head-on [1pt]:
- Maintains balance when hit from an indirect angle [2pts]:
- Demonstrates effort with assignments [2pts]:
- Demonstrates willingness to block in the open field and on broken plays [2pts]:
- Demonstrates ability to get lower than defender and drive forward [3pts]:
- Demonstrates ability to move laterally and shield defender from target [2pts]:
- Displays patience in traffic (sets up blocks) [1pt]:
- Takes good angles away from defenders in the open field [1pts]:
- Leg power and drives through arm tackles [1pt]:
- Effective stiff arm [1pt]:
- Good body lean/Finishes runs [1pts]:
- Gains yards after contact/second-third effort runner [2pts]:
- Missed fewer than 10% of games [1pt]:
- Performs at high level while playing with an injury [1pt]:
- No chronic injuries (Two or more injuries to same body part) [1pt]:
- No injuries requiring extensive rehabilitation during college career [5pts]:

## Game Stats

**Target:**   
**Missed Target:**   
**Drops:**   
**Juggles:**   
**Dropped After Contact:**   
**Rec:**   
**Rec After Contact:**   
**Difficult Rec:**   
**Rec Yards:**   
**Yards After Catch:**   
**Yards per Catch:**   
**Rec Tds:**   
**Yards per Td:**   
**Rush Att:**   
**Rush Yds:**   
**Rush Tds:**   
**Fumbles:**

## Category Scores

**Separation Score:**   
**Routes Score:**   
**Receiving Score:**   
**Elusiveness Score:**   
**BHandling Score:**   
**Balance Score:**   
**Blocking Score:**   
**Vision Score:**   
**Power Score:**   
**Durability Score:**

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Name: Martellus Bennett

Date: 9/20/2007

Opponent: Miami

Overall Strengths:

Bennett is a very aggressive run blocker who can handle a defensive end straight up. This may not be the case in the pros right away, but he does demonstrate good hand placement, leverage and tenacity to drive a man off the ball consistently. He catches the ball well with his hands extended from his body. He knows how to adjust his body to get to the football. He is powerful after the catch and has decent straight-line speed. He's a former basketball player with the physical aggressiveness to develop into a strong starter at the TE position. His ability to block and catch the football makes him a coveted prospect, he has a chance to develop into a Gates or Gonzalez like player but I'm not sure he has the speed and quickness to match them.

Overall Weaknesses:

He has to learn to defeat press coverage. He didn't demonstrate the ability to catch the ball in tight coverage in this game and did not make smart decisions protecting the football when he ran with it.

Separation

Good clean release on a 3rd and 4 from a short yardage formation. He avoided two defenders to get the clean release, but the QB couldn't find him. They lined Bennett wide on 3rd and 7 with 3:50 in the half. The Miami DB played press coverage and got a good jam on Bennett. He did not position his body well enough on the route after the jam and the DB ran through the TE to force a tipped pass and interception on the play.

Routes

He does a pretty decent job of breaking off his routes with a fair degree of sharpness. He ran both a short and out and short in route where he demonstrated the ability to make a pretty sharp break for a man his size. Bennett's 2nd catch came with 10:15 in the 4th QTR. He motioned across the formation, blocked the DE then released on a drag route to the left side.

Receiving

Bennett's first catch was out of the slot as a part of 3 WRs on the strong side of the formation. He ran a short in-route, caught the ball 2-yards past the LOS on 3rd and 6 and dragged two Miami defenders 3 more yards with :13 in the 1st QTR. The QB rushed his second pass under pressure and the ball was intended for Bennett but thrown too wide of the TE. Bennett caught his second pass on a drag route to the left. He caught the ball while running to the left and angling his upper body back to the QB, catching the ball with his hands at helmet level. Bennett's TD came with :05 in the game when the contest was already out of reach. The QB scrambled to buy time as Bennett ran down the seam and sat in the end zone. The throw was a 33-yard pass (about 45 in the air) and Bennett leaped to the highest point to catch the ball with his hands and keep his feet inbounds to score the TD. Good body adjustment, awareness of the end line, and hands.

Eisiveness

Ball Handling

Bennett carried the ball under his right arm regardless of where he was running. He actually switched the ball to his right arm on a 1st and 10 catch with 10:15 in the game when he was turning the corner to the left sideline. A DB literally hit his ball carrying arm on the play. He had enough strength and technique to maintain possession.

Balance

Blocking

He was tenacious with his block on the backside of a running play against DE Calais Campbell. He did hook the DE a bit towards the end of the block, but in the beginning he was able to turn the DE's back to the sideline. He demonstrated the same tenacity on the right side two plays later. This time he didn't give ground or allow the DE to get any control until the play was over and Bennett was still fighting hard. He made a very key block on a run to the left corner on 4th and 1 to open the 2nd QTR. He engaged the LB and drove him toward the line as the QB ran past for a 1st down on the option. He pancaked an LB on 2nd and 5 with 8:40 in the 3rd QTR and when the LB got back up, Bennett continued to harass the LB until the whistle blew

Vision

Power

Bennett is a big, powerful runner after the catch with enough mobility that he can break some tackles in the open field. He dragged a DE and LB for 3 yards on a 3rd and 6 reception with :13 in the 1st QTR. A DB bounced right off Bennett on a catch an run for a first down with 10:15 in the game. This is not a player a DB will bring down with a hit above the knees.

Durability

Character