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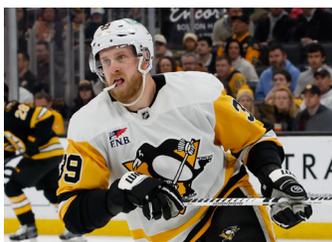
Anthony Mantha set a new career high in assists and points on Thursday night in Vegas and has four points (3G-1A) over his last three games.

- Much of the Penguins' success this season is due in large part to the play of Kyle Dubas' new additions. Three of the Penguins' top-five goal scorers were not on the roster last season, while their 77 goals by newcomers this season lead the entire NHL:

### Goals

2025-26

1. Sidney Crosby	27
2. <b>Anthony Mantha</b>	<b>24</b>
3. Bryan Rust	23
4. Justin Brazeau	16
5. Ben Kindel	15



- Mantha set career highs in both assists and points with his helper on Thursday night in Vegas. His next tally will also tie his single-season career high in goals:

### Assists in a Season

Mantha's Career

1. <b>2025-26</b>	<b>25</b>
2. 2017-18	24
3. 2018-19	23
4. 2019-20	22

### Points in a Season

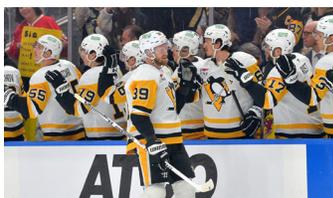
Mantha's Career

1. <b>2025-26</b>	<b>49</b>
2. 2018-19	48
2. 2017-18	48
4. 2023-24	44

### Goals in a Season

Mantha's Career

1. 2018-19	25
2. <b>2025-26</b>	<b>24</b>
2. 2017-18	24
4. 2023-24	23



## LETANG 800

Kris Letang enters tonight's game one point away from become the fourth active defenseman to record 800 career points.

- Letang, who was drafted in the third round (62nd overall) of the 2005 draft, is looking to become the fourth member of his draft class to hit the milestone, joining longtime teammate Sidney Crosby.
- The Penguins will become just the sixth team in NHL history to have multiple picks from the same draft class record 800 or more points for the franchise:

Two Picks from Same Draft Class to Record 800 PTS with Team		
Team	Players	Draft
VAN	Daniel Sedin (1041 PTS) & Henrik Sedin (1070 PTS)	1999
DET	Nicklas Lidstrom (1142 PTS) & Sergei Federov (954 PTS)	1989
CHI	Denis Savard (1096 PTS) & Steve Larmer (923 PTS)	1980
EDM	Mark Messier (1034 PTS) & Glenn Anderson (906 PTS)	1979
MTL	Guy Lafleur (1246 PTS) & Larry Robinson (883 PTS)	1971

## ON A ROLL

The Penguins enter today's game with points in 23 of their last 29 games dating back to the NHL's holiday break concluding on December 27.

- Since the NHL's holiday break, the Penguins rank near the top of the league in several categories:

NHL Ranks Since Dec. 27		
Category	Stat	Rank
Wins	17	T-5th
Win %	.714	5th
Points	40	5th
Goals For	109	2nd
Goals Against	75	T-3rd
GAA	2.59	1st
Goal Differential	+34	2nd
Penalty Kill %	88.5%	2nd

## YOUNG GUN

Ben Kindel, who is the youngest forward in the league this season, opened the scoring for the Penguins in their loss in Vegas on Thursday for his 16th goal of the season.

- Kindel's 16 goals this season are the fourth most by any rookie in the NHL:

### Goals

Rookies in 2025-26

1. Matthew Schaefer	20
1. Beckett Sennecke	20
1. Oliver Kapanen	20
4. <b>Ben Kindel</b>	<b>16</b>
5. Fraser Minten	15



- Kindel recorded his 31st point of the season with an assist on Thursday against Vegas. He tied Doug Bodger for the fourth-most points by a 18-year old in Penguins history in a single season:

18-Year Old Penguins to Record 30 Points in a Season		
Player	Season	Points
Sidney Crosby	2005-06	102
Jordan Staal	2006-07	42
Jaromir Jagr	1990-91	38
<b>Ben Kindel</b>	<b>2025-26</b>	<b>31</b>
Doug Bodger	1984-85	31

- Kindel's 16th goal is the most a rookie has scored for the Penguins since Jake Guentzel also had 16 tallies in 2016-17.
- Outside of Sidney Crosby (39) and Evgeni Malkin (33), only Jordan Staal (29) scored more goals than Kindel in their rookie season since 2005-06.