



One Breakout Player from Each Premier League Team

26/27





Max Dowman



Arsenal

Max Dowman has already broken through, but 2026/27 could be the year he becomes a more regular first-team contributor. A left-footed attacking midfielder/winger, he plays with a high level of confidence, using quick feet, tight control and sharp changes of direction to beat players and create danger around the box. After becoming the Premier League's youngest-ever goalscorer, the next step is turning those flashes into consistent impact. With more minutes and another year of development, Dowman has the talent to become one of Arsenal and England's most exciting young players.





Johan Manzambi



Aston Villa

Johan Manzambi arrives at Aston Villa with real breakout potential after an impressive World Cup with Switzerland. A versatile midfielder/attacker, he can play as an advanced 8, a 10, or across the front line, giving Villa a flexible option who can connect midfield with attack and provide quality in different areas. With Rogers leaving, Manzambi has the profile to step into his role, offering ball-carrying, movement between the lines and box crashing. With his versatility and confidence from his World Cup momentum, 2026/27 feels like the season where he can turn his promising flashes into serious Premier League output.





Rayan



Bournemouth

Rayan could be set for a huge breakout in his first full Premier League season. A direct, explosive attacker, he has the physical tools and ball-carrying ability to become his team's main threat in the final third. He is dangerous when isolating defenders, attacking space and arriving in scoring positions, but he also has the creativity to provide assists and link play around the box. With his team likely to rely on him heavily for goals and chances created, 2026/27 feels like the season where Rayan can go from an exciting talent to their most important attacker. If he handles that responsibility, he has the ability to make a real name for himself.





Mamadou Sangaré



Brentford

Mamadou Sangaré could be a really interesting breakout player for Brentford after an excellent season with Lens in Ligue 1. He brings energy, ball-carrying and defensive intensity, while also having the technical quality to progress play and connect midfield with attack. His game should translate well to the Premier League because he is athletic, aggressive in duels and comfortable playing at a high tempo. For Brentford, he offers something different in midfield: more drive, mobility and ability to cover ground. If he adapts quickly, 2026/27 could be the season where Sangaré becomes a key part of Brentford's midfield and establishes himself as one of their most important new players.





Charalampos Kostoulas



Brighton

Charalampos Kostoulas could be set to breakout at Brighton especially with Danny Welbeck leaving and more minutes opening up in his position. After getting some Premier League experience last season, he should be better prepared for the speed and physicality of the league. A clever, mobile forward, Kostoulas can link play, attack the box and offer a different type of threat through his movement and technical quality. Brighton have a strong track record of developing young players, and if he gets a more consistent role this year, he has the talent to turn his flashes into consistent end product. With the pathway becoming clearer, this could be the season where Kostoulas starts to explode as a player.





Geovany Quenda



Chelsea

Geovany Quenda has the profile to break out quickly at Chelsea because his game feels well suited to Xabi Alonso's system. As a left-footed wide player who can operate as a wing-back, he gives Chelsea a flexible option on the outside who can carry the ball, stretch the pitch and attack defenders 1v1. Due to having senior experience as a wing-back with Sporting, Alonso may lean on Quenda's directness, athleticism and ability to receive high and wide could make him a perfect fit. With his versatility and attacking upside, 2026/27 could be the season where he turns his potential into regular Premier League impact.





Carl Rushworth



Coventry City

Carl Rushworth is the only goalkeeper on this list, but he feels like a strong breakout candidate after an excellent season last year where he won the league and established himself as the best keeper in the division. A composed and reliable goalkeeper, Rushworth is a strong shot-stopper, calm under pressure and comfortable enough with the ball to fit into a Premier League side. This season will be a bigger test, with more shots to face and more high-pressure moments, but that also gives him the chance to properly show his quality. If he carries last year's form into 2026/27, Rushworth could make a real name for himself as one of the league's most impressive young goalkeepers.





Jaydee Canvot



Crystal Palace

Jaydee Canvot is a strong breakout candidate for Crystal Palace with Maxence Lacroix leaving, there is a clear pathway for him to step into a much bigger role. After a promising end to last season, he showed enough quality to suggest he can handle more consistent Premier League and European minutes. A composed and athletic centre-back, Canvot reads the game well, competes physically and has the confidence to defend aggressively while still being comfortable on the ball. With Palace needing someone to fill Lacroix's defensive presence, 2026/27 could be the season where Canvot becomes a regular starter and establishes himself as an important part of their back line.





Hayden Hackney



Everton

Hayden Hackney will be a strong breakout candidate for Everton after winning Player of the Season in the Championship and proving he is ready for a step up. A composed, intelligent midfielder, Hackney is comfortable receiving under pressure, progressing play through midfield and controlling the tempo with simple and smart passing. He brings a good mix of technical quality, work rate and defensive discipline, which should help him adapt to the Premier League. Joining a strong midfield group could also suit him, especially if he builds a partnership with James Garner. If he carries his Championship form into 2026/27, Hackney has the profile to become a top Premier League midfielder.





Josh King



Fulham

Josh King could be Fulham's most exciting breakout player in 2026/27 after gaining a lot of valuable first-team experience last season. A technical and intelligent midfielder, he is comfortable receiving under pressure, carrying the ball through central areas and linking play between midfield and attack. He plays with a real boldness for his age and has the composure to make good decisions in tight spaces. With a new manager coming in, King could get a bigger platform to prove himself and become a more consistent part of Fulham's team. If he continues to turn his promise into regular Premier League impact, he has the talent to attract serious attention from bigger clubs by next summer.





Charlie Hughes



Hull City

Charlie Hughes could be a strong breakout candidate for Hull especially as one of the younger players in an older Hull side. After a few strong seasons in the Championship, he now has the chance to show that his game can translate to the Premier League. A composed and physical centre-back, Hughes is good in defensive duels, reads danger well and has the confidence to defend under pressure when his team is pushed back. In a Hull side likely to spend long spells defending against stronger opposition, he should get plenty of chances to prove himself. If he handles the step up, Hughes could become one of Hull's most important players as they fight for survival.





Abdul Fatawu



Ipswich Town

Abdul Fatawu has a strong chance to break out at Ipswich after two impressive Championship seasons. His last Premier League opportunity was cut short by injury, but even in limited minutes he still managed 2 assists in 11 games. A left-footed winger who thrives in 1v1 situations, Fatawu brings pace, ball-carrying and unpredictability from wide areas. In an Ipswich team looking to survive on their second attempt in the Premier League, his ability to create chances, stretch defences and provide moments of individual quality could make him a key attacking outlet and one of their main breakout players in 2026/27.





Tarik Muharemović



Leeds United

Tarik Muharemović could be a strong breakout pick for Leeds after an impressive World Cup and a good season with Sassuolo. A left-footed centre-back, he is comfortable in a back four or a back three, giving Leeds a reliable and adaptable defensive option. He is composed on the ball, strong in duels and reads danger well, which should help him adjust to the Premier League. With Pascal Struijk potentially needing replacing, Muharemović has a clear pathway into the starting XI and the profile to make an immediate impact in 2026/27.





Rio Ngumoha



Liverpool

Rio Ngumoha has already announced himself, but 2026/27 feels like the season where he can go from an exciting prospect to a consistent first-team contributor. Rio is a direct, explosive winger with quick feet and serious 1v1 confidence. He gives Liverpool something unpredictable from wide areas. After making 29 appearances last season and becoming the club's youngest-ever goalscorer, the next step is adding regular end product and impact across a full campaign. If his minutes increase, he has the talent to become one of Liverpool and England's most exciting breakout talents in recent history.





Ryan McAidoo



Manchester City

Ryan McAidoo is more of a hot-take breakout pick, but he has the talent to force his way into the setup at Manchester City. One of the most exciting wide players to come through City's academy in recent years, McAidoo is direct, sharp in 1v1 situations and comfortable receiving wide before driving inside to create danger. Even in a squad full of elite attacking options, his confidence and quality in the final third give him a profile that could stand out when he gets chances. He has already started to build a small reputation, but 2026/27 could be the season where he turns academy hype into real first-team impact and makes a real name for himself.





Shea Lacey



Manchester United

Shea Lacey could be a strong breakout candidate for Manchester United after already getting some senior exposure last season. A technically gifted left-footed attacker, he is comfortable playing from the right or as a 10 where he can drift into central areas to combine, create and attack defenders in tight spaces. Competition will be tough with Amad and Mbeumo ahead of him, but European football and a heavier fixture schedule should create more chances for rotation. Lacey is highly rated by the club and manager, and if he takes his opportunities, this could be the season where he turns his potential into regular first-team impact.





Bazoumana Touré



Newcastle United

Bazoumana Touré could be a strong breakout candidate for Newcastle, especially with a new manager coming in and the Anthony Gordon transfer leaves the left-wing spot there for the taking. A direct, explosive winger, Touré is at his best when he can carry at speed and attack space in transition. He gives Newcastle a different kind of wide threat: pace, unpredictability and the confidence to take players on 1v1. If the new manager gives him a chance on the left, Touré has the profile to add energy and end product to Newcastle's attack. With the role available, this could be the season where he turns his potential output for a team fighting for European places.





Omari Hutchinson



Nottingham Forest

Omari Hutchinson could be ready for a real breakout in his second season with Nottingham Forest. After getting a year to adapt, this feels like the season where he can turn his talent into more consistent Premier League output. A sharp, left-footed attacker, Hutchinson is at his best when receiving between the lines or out wide, using quick feet, close control and direct dribbling to create chances. With a new manager coming in, he could get a fresh role and more freedom to show his quality. If he adds regular end product to his game, Hutchinson has the ability to become one of Forest's standout players and potentially start attracting interest from bigger clubs.





Chris Rigg



Sunderland

Chris Rigg feels like a strong breakout candidate for Sunderland after gaining valuable first-team experience last season. A technically sharp, energetic midfielder, he plays with maturity while showing confidence on the ball, good movement between the lines and the intensity to contribute both in and out of possession. With Sunderland now in Europe, the extra fixtures should create more rotation and give players like Rigg a more consistent platform to prove themselves. If he gets regular minutes, his intelligence, work rate and ability to impact games from midfield could help him move from promising young talent to an important part of Sunderland's Premier League side in 2026/27.





Lucá Williams-Barnett



Tottenham

Lucá Williams-Barnett could breakout and be one of Tottenham's most exciting players in 2026/27. One of the best academy talents Spurs have produced in the last decade, he has the technical quality and attacking confidence to push for senior minutes. A creative, both-footed attacker, Williams-Barnett is dangerous when receiving between the lines or driving at defenders, using close control, sharp dribbling and a strong final pass to create chances. If he gets a proper opportunity, he has the talent to make an immediate impact. With his level of quality, this feels like the season where he should move from an academy standout to frequent first-team player.





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