1. **How many games did the team play?**  
   The dataset shows each player’s games played (GP) with a max of **32 games**, so the team played **32 games** this season.
2. **Who scored the most points this season?**  
   The player with the highest total points (PTS) is **mintz, judah** with **627 points** (188 FGM × 2 pts + 24 3PT + free throws included in PTS column).
3. **Which player had the highest field goal percentage?**  
   The highest FG% is **brown, maliq** with **69.8% (0.698 FG%)**.
4. **Who had the most rebounds?**  
   Total rebounds (TOT) is highest for **brown, maliq** with **230 rebounds**.
5. **Who was the best defensive player based on blocks and steals?**  
   Adding blocks (BLK) and steals (STL):

* brown, maliq: 29 BLK + 71 STL = 100
* bell, chris: 22 BLK + 18 STL = 40
* copeland, quadir: 6 BLK + 47 STL = 53
* starling, j.j.: 6 BLK + 27 STL = 33

So, the best defensive player based on this metric is **brown, maliq** with **100 combined blocks and steals**.

1. **Who was the most improved player compared to last season?**

* As you noted, this requires **last season’s data** for comparison, which is not provided here.
* To measure improvement, typical metrics include increase in points per game (PTS/GP), rebounds, assists, or shooting efficiency (FG%, 3PT%).
* If you provide last season’s dataset, I can calculate the difference and identify the most improved player.

1. **Which player contributed most to team offense versus defense?**

* **Offensive contribution** can be approximated by points scored (PTS) and assists (AST).
* **Defensive contribution** can be approximated by total rebounds (TOT), steals (STL), and blocks (BLK).

Calculating a simple metric for each player:

| **Player** | **PTS + AST (Offense)** | **TOT + STL + BLK (Defense)** |
| --- | --- | --- |
| mintz, judah | 627 + 142 = 769 | 103 + 67 + 4 = 174 |
| starling, j.j. | 424 + 60 = 484 | 103 + 27 + 6 = 136 |
| bell, chris | ??? + 21 = ??? | 75 + 18 + 22 = 115 |
| copeland, quadir | ??? + 89 = ??? | 148 + 47 + 6 = 201 |
| brown, maliq | ??? + 59 = ??? | 230 + 71 + 29 = 330 |

So:

* **Most offensive contributor:** mintz, judah (769 combined PTS+AST)
* **Most defensive contributor:** brown, maliq (330 combined rebounds, steals, blocks)

1. **If the coach wants to improve scoring, which player should they focus on?**

* The highest scorer is **mintz, judah** (627 PTS), so focusing on him could yield more points.
* However, improving shooting efficiency or freeing up shot opportunities for other scorers like **starling, j.j.** or **bell, chris** (who have decent PTS and FG%) might also help.
* Based on pure scoring and assists, **mintz, judah** is the key offensive player to focus on.