Strengths, weaknesses of Texas A&M’s 11 football opponents in capsule form with ratings for each category

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**Virginia Tech**

- **In junior Roscoe Coles, Gobblers have tremendous threat. The 188-pound junior has 160 yards and 15 touchdowns, 23 completions and 12 interceptions. In 42 minutes of action, co-captain Carol, who has never been healthy, has 1 touchdown and 2 touchdowns. Eddie Swett, a sophomore, has potential after a 1-receiver layoff. The defensive team, primarily a running team, like to run. David Linn will move back to defense if he doesn’t make alternate Q.B. FAIR.**

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  - Virginia Tech: **GOOD**
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  - **Rectifier:**
    - One of two filled very well by junior Rick Rezaz, a starter and a winner for two years. The other spot depends upon further development by five linemen, including Alke Stolz, Steve Scott and Jerry Rezaz, either behind Razzano, Stolz and Steve Cannon on the other side. **FAIR.**

- **Linebacking:**
  - **General:**
    - The minor problem spot for the Hokies is that senior Henry Raskin, a starter last year, and sophomore Gary Smith, who was a starter, are out. The line will move from strong safety to free safety. The other two are up for grabs. Sophomore Chip Healthy and soph Gene Bume are leading the parade for those spots. **FAIR.**