



**JAGUARS HEAD COACH LIAM COEN
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Q. What were you guys able to do so effectively on third down?

LIAM COEN: I thought we had a good plan, we tightened the game plan on third down. Just had a little bit less inventory. Had some runs in there that I think we did some good things on, and then when we needed to drop back and make a couple plays, we had some good protection. Trevor [QB Trevor Lawrence] stood in there on the one to Jakobi [WR Jakobi Meyers] later in the game on the third down where they had a free rusher coming down the middle. The guys just executed so well in critical moments and you look at situational football with the red zone and third down, obviously, with some of those statistics is where, I kind of think, we probably won the game in some ways.

Q. Do you describe this as one of those methodical victories?

LIAM COEN: Yeah, I think it was a good response, it was the response we were looking for. It was the response we talked about all week, winning the game in all three phases. It was fun to watch. We talked about -- you get what you emphasize so much with this team. We emphasized the special teams with the coverage and obviously with the return and then the pop in one. We emphasized getting our hands on some more balls in the secondary and obviously we were able to do that, getting after the quarterback and affecting him in different ways. I think we were able to do that. And then running the football more effectively and more efficiently, which kind of showed up today as well.

Q. Can you, I don't know, offer a little bit of an explanation on Trevor's kneeling?

LIAM COEN: I think he just wanted to give a touchdown to somebody else.

Q. So he wasn't ordered to do that, then?

LIAM COEN: No. (Laughter).

Q. Hey, Liam, you sort of just mentioned it, but three turnovers by the defense. What did you like about their response today?

LIAM COEN: Yeah, it starts during the week of prep. It started Wednesday and Thursday in practice. They were super intentional about just playing better coverage throughout the week. It does correlate. Practice, performance equal in-game reality. We got our hands on a ton of balls in practice this week. I talked about when you have improved as a team and raised the floor, practice should be more competitive, and it has been, but we should still dominate the “show teams.” That should still happen. We showed up and did that this week in practice, made it very challenging on our show teams during the week of practice. We're stickier. We're tighter in coverage, had better rush lanes in plan. Those guys had confidence going into this week. They really did. I think the whole secondary was ready to respond. We played what we do well, what we do best. We hopefully continue to do that, which I thought Campy mixed it really good and made it challenging on Drake [Patriots QB Drake Maye] at times.

Q. And just Travis Hunter coming down with the interception, how exciting is that for you guys?

LIAM COEN: Huge. Yeah, huge play. Critical moment. Critical situation. Down low red zone right, before the half. That's a huge momentum swing play. I wish we would have been able to get some points off of it. Felt good about getting points at the end of the half there, we kind of tripped it off but Travis didn't make the play, get the monkey off his back a little bit in some ways to go out there and make a huge play.

Q. I missed your first two questions, I apologize if you've been asked. New England had only about four third down conversions all year. You guys both on the ground, in the air, 8 of 12 today. How does that feel?

LIAM COEN: Yeah, it started with the plan. I think we really tightened our third-down menu going into the week. Typically, you carry roughly about four to five passes in each window and, like, two runs per window. We actually trimmed down some of the inventory, looked at what plays within the normal D and D game plan would also slide into some of those third down windows. So, we really focused on what do we do best? What do we execute best? What do our guys go out and play fast doing best? I thought Trevor did some really good things, either throwing off schedule, making a play with a guy in his face. We made some contested catches as well in some critical moments today, so very proud of the situational awareness.

Q. And with Josh Cameron, have you ever been around a situation where a guy catches a touchdown pass that makes the special teams tackle on the very next play?

LIAM COEN: I know, that's ‘that guy,’ though. That's him. That's the definition of who he is. He's the personal protector on punt. He catches a touchdown in the end zone on a critical

down. Then he runs down on kickoff and makes the tackle. Then he gets a kickoff return out past the 50 on an explosive. The more you can do in this league, right? And he's such an example of that, where he comes in, sixth-round pick, and he's got strong hands. Everything that he does he does like a pro. He understands how to prepare. He's super smart and he's selfless. And really in so many ways, what we're looking for in a Jacksonville Jaguar.

Q. Added onus at all this week on the fact that you've only got two home games in the next eight weeks, was that discussed? And also, Chris Rodriguez. Looked like he got more involved today, got some critical yards for you.

LIAM COEN: He did. You're right. Some of those critical downs, whether it was on the short yardage situation, some of those tough yards in between the tackles, down in the low red zone. Chris [RB Chris Rodriguez Jr.] has been a little bit frustrated with himself in some ways with some of his misreads and maybe some of the things over the last two games that he wasn't as jacked up about. I think he had a phenomenal week of practice. We were intentional about what runs we really wanted C-Rod on. When he's in the game and when those backs are in the game, just being intentional about what we're calling in some of those situations. We didn't necessarily talk about the home field thing but I do feel it was a sense of urgency for our guys to take advantage of this op, right? It's a little bit warmer out. They're coming down from a nor'easter and being able to take advantage of the limited ops that we do have at home, I thought the crowd did a great job, the wheel fan base was involved in the game. It affected them on a delay. They had to take a time-out as well. So I was very proud of the entire community and fan base.

Q. The pass rush answering the challenge this week and the game that DaVon had.

LIAM COEN: Oh, man, D-Ham [DT DaVon Hamilton] was, again, I thought he might have played last week one of the best games I've ever seen from a nose tackle personally, and then this week, to follow it up the way he played, how selfless he is but also how difficult he is to game plan for and to be able to -- if you want to run at our edges, it's a challenge with Josh [DE Josh Hines-Allen] and Travon [DE Travon Walker] and Arik [DT Arik Armstead] and those guys on the edge, but then you try to run up the middle on us and you got D-Ham and Dickerson [DT Matt Dickerson] and I thought Ruke [DT Ruke Orhorhoro] did some really good things today as well. It's a challenge. When you can stop the run effectively, you earn your ops to go rush the passer. You earn your ops to go and disrupt and affect the quarterback, and I think we were able to do that today.

Q. You've talked about Bhayshul Tuten just trusting what he's seeing. Was today as explosive as you've seen him look? It just looked like he saw everything, he was just going.

LIAM COEN: [RB Bhayshul] Tuten? Yeah. It was kind of building. It's been building a little bit. We wanted to continue to get him more ops and it's always that balance of trying to keep the guys fresh and understand that it's a long year and you want to keep these guys fresh and feeling good. But also so much about playing the running back position is about attrition. It's about getting in the flow of the game and being able to understand how they're playing some of the schemes, and how our O-line is blocking some of the schemes, so I was very pleased with his 'run after contact' this week again. I thought he had some runs, especially I think it was the first run of a quasi-four minute, we had a toss on their sideline where it kind of got strung out and he stuck his foot in the ground and not run out of bounds, to make somebody miss and to get vertical. If we can run the ball effectively like that, it just makes everybody's job so much easier and he had some space early on a screen that we threw, too, we just didn't sustain the blocks longer. I think he was going to have a shot to go [the distance]. But very proud of Tuten. He's been a pro's pro. I think he's really growing up before our eyes.



**QUARTERBACK TREVOR LAWRENCE
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Q. Going down at the 1, what was your thought process there?

TREVOR LAWRENCE: Yeah, the whole drive was kind of -- trying to put together a good drive but it was four-minute thought so we got down there and so when I broke free and no one tackled me, it's something we talk about all the time potentially in those situations, going down, keeping the clock running, that was too much time. I looked at the clock after and I was like ugh, there's still eight minutes left. Probably unnecessary there, but just trying to eat as much clock is possible, they use the time-out after that. Trying to give them as few chances as possible to get back in the game. If you do the analytics, people will probably be all over it online, I'm sure. Probably wasn't the best decision, but we scored the next play. Give Bhayshul a touchdown. That's cool. Let him get in the end zone.

Q. In terms of the rebound this week, being able to bounce back, how important was that for you guys and how did you feel you played on offense today?

TREVOR LAWRENCE: I thought we played really well. I think we played really complementary, our defense played great. Had some huge turnovers, they came up with some big stops. Held them in the red zone, it was awesome. I think we really fed off of that. We were able to score when the defense made a big play to get us the ball. I thought on offense, obviously, the first two drives, we didn't get much going after but that, we settled in. I thought we had a great plan. Seemed like the run game stuff was really clean. When it wasn't hitting for big runs, we were very efficient moving the ball forward. I thought in the passing game, we did a really good job of getting completions, taking stuff underneath, not a bunch of crazy things down the field this week, but some of the things they were doing on defense was kind of the reason for that. I thought guys did a great job after the catch and some of our guys made some unbelievable plays. It was really cool to see some of those guys go and do their thing.

Q. A big day for Jakobi against his former team. Did you feel like that kind of meant something to him today?

TREVOR LAWRENCE: I think so. To be honest, I don't think it really meant any more. Maybe it did. You'd have to ask him. I think he's always just super dependable, comes to play, plays with that edge. He made some awesome plays today. I'm sure there is a little bit extra there for him against his former team, you always want to play good. But, yeah, I don't know. He did an awesome job today.

Q. What did Liam say to you after the kneel down when you got to the sideline?

TREVOR LAWRENCE: I don't think he said anything. I don't know. I don't really remember. It wasn't anything -- nothing crazy. Maybe he did say something. I don't know. But everybody was just kind of making fun of me, so. I maybe overthought that one a little bit.

Q. Trevor, that 15-play, eight and a half-minute drive, two third downs to Jakobi right there, how important is he in those kind of situation where is he know where is to go and when to be there?

TREVOR LAWRENCE: He's really good. Very dependable. Like I said, we have a lot of chemistry, trust him to be in the right spot at the right time. I think he knows defenses, too, and coverages. He knows what he's looking at. Seems like he just has a really good feel and makes plays on the ball, makes some tough, contested catches and then he had a great -- in the red zone, the one he caught, probably caught it at four or five yards and it was third and 11, so he went and got it after the catch. Able to do those things as well. So he was great, big in those situations.

Q. Wednesday we talked about they'd only allowed four of 21/3 down conversions, only eight rushing first downs this year. You guys shattered that today with the ten first downs on the ground and eight on third down. What does that mean for this football team to do this against a really good defense?

TREVOR LAWRENCE: I think it's just the next step for us and it's week three and just our chance to respond and play better offensively, just cleaner, execute better than we did last week. I thought we did that against a good defense, like you said. It's the NFL. Every week, even if it's a team statistically that's not a good defense, you got to bring it every week. I think that's a great example today. We were just ready to play. We had a great plan. Guys were flying around. At the end of the day, that's what it's about, the players executing the plan. You got to have a good plan and I feel like we did, but it's about us going out there and owning it and playing fast and attacking and I thought we did all those things today.

Q. The job Chris and Bhayshul did today and how the run game was able to kind of control things for you guys.

TREVOR LAWRENCE: Yeah, they did an awesome job. I thought we stayed on track. We didn't have a ton of second-and-longs, not too many third-and-longs, either. I think that was a big part of the game. It never felt like we were living in drop back and having to try to throw it every play. We were able to be really consistent, efficient, running the ball on first and second down, had some really tough, good runs and some explosive ones as well. I think that is kind of the key, right? That's how you want to play football, to be able to -- and then you can get to all your stuff. It's not like you're having to drop back and throw it every single play to get back on track. You can stay efficient, so it was a good example of that today.

Q. I apologize if this previously mentioned, but with today's performance, you're now second in franchise history in all-time passing touchdowns. Just one of many accolades for you, but does that in particular mean anything to you, of course.

TREVOR LAWRENCE: Yeah, it's super cool just to -- been here for a while now and been through a lot. I think just to be on that list with those guys, obviously there's some great name there is. It's cool. I think it just shows the direction we're headed and hopefully be first here soon. I don't know how far I am Brunell, but -- yeah. 40 something? Yeah. But, yeah, oh lot of respect for those guys and some great ones before me and it's cool. Been a lot of hard work put into it. We got a lot more to do and future's difficult bright, so excited for it.



**WIDE RECEIVER/CORNERBACK TRAVIS HUNTER
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Q. Hey, Travis. Just if you could walk through the interception and just your feelings afterwards?

TRAVIS HUNTER: We got those plays in practice. The coach did a great job scheming it up for us. He called the perfect call for us. We all talked and we communicated on my side of the ball and I just made it happen.

Q. What are your emotions or anything like that after being able to get an interception, your first career?

TRAVIS HUNTER: It felt great, but I was on to the next play, you know? That happened in the second quarter, so I had to finish the game.

Q. Is there any sense of relief, though, finally getting that first interception after so long?

TRAVIS HUNTER: Yeah, a little bit. Interceptions are great to catch but I was focused on winning the game and continuing to focus on the next play.

Q. What was the sense on the sideline early, too, when Patriots QB Drake Maye lost that fumble and you guys got the ball. Did that kind of sort of get you guys going a little bit in terms of sparking the defense?

TRAVIS HUNTER: For me, I know he tried me a couple of times. I was just in there saying I'm getting too close to the ball, I got to get me one. We just continued to do what the coaches schemed up for us, and we just played our best ball today.

Q. Travis, you guys talked a lot this week about just the response and how intentional you were in practice. What does it say for you guys to put forth that kind of performance after that message?

TRAVIS HUNTER: We practiced hard. We made it hard on ourselves this week. We made sure we didn't have any mistakes. We continued to just grind and just continued to go out there and show the practice squad that y'all can't get anything on us. We're not going to let y'all do anything. We had to be better this week.

Q. Travis, you had the one last week where you almost get it and then to get the one today, do you take a second to think about what those last 10 months were for you and kind of your journey to be on the field and even be able to get that pick today?

TRAVIS HUNTER: No, I don't have time to be reflecting on my journey. Just got to be continued to be focused on where my feet are and just go out there and play. The coaches put me out there for a reason, so I have to just go out there and do my job.

Q. And then in training camp, you talked about how close you and some of the other DBs have gotten. What was it like to see CB Jarrian Jones get his today?

TRAVIS HUNTER: It was great. I was on the sideline, so I had to strap on my helmet to make sure I didn't get a flag, but I had to go celebrate with him.

Q. I don't believe you're someone who keeps receipts but you're going back to Cincinnati where many thought it was a bad call against you a year ago. How much will that come up if at all going in to play the Bengals?

TRAVIS HUNTER: Just got to go out there and do my job. Put myself in the best position so I don't got to worry about the calls.



**WIDE RECEIVER PARKER WASHINGTON
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Q. Tell us about your touchdown today.

PARKER WASHINGTON: It was a cool play to make, but most importantly, how we responded was the best part. We want to keep that rolling, how we started, and we just want to finish games.

Q. Can you take us through that play? There was a lot going on there, you got interfered with and the ball was basically almost on the ground.

PARKER WASHINGTON: Yeah, that was crazy. Most importantly, I mean, just that play, I wasn't even thinking I was about to get it, but run every route to win, and Trevor [QB Trevor Lawrence] trusted me to cross face and make the play, and we made the play.

Q. Big difference between this week and last week, guys making plays like that in the big situations?

PARKER WASHINGTON: For sure, that's what it's all about. We attacked this week, focused in on just the response and focused in just on practice, and Liam [Head Coach Liam Coen] said we were ready, and we were ready.

Q. You guys talked a lot this week about spreading the ball around. How did you feel like you guys did that on offense today compared to last week?

PARKER WASHINGTON: Yeah, it was a lot of shell coverage, a lot of one-high. They mixed it up, played a lot of zeroes, a lot of just spot drop zone, so running the ball was good for us today and it was a great running day. A lot of guys making crazy catches, so that's all we can ask for our offense, come out here and put points up and go ahead and get this win.

Q. How is it for an offense just to have so many guys you can go to on any given day?

PARKER WASHINGTON: Yeah, it makes it tough on defensive coordinators. You don't know who is about to get the ball here. And whoever gets the ball, they're going to make the play, so it's been cool to see. Run game has been good, pass game has been good. We just want to keep that rolling.

Q. We've been talking about WR/CB Travis Hunter ever since he got drafted. How cool was it to see him make a play and a big-time play in that spot?

PARKER WASHINGTON: Yeah, he was excited and celebration was cool, and just seeing the excitement he brings. He brings that energy each and every day, so when he makes a play, he's earned it.

Q. Something about this place. You guys have been rolling at home, 34-plus points, I think, in five or six straight.

PARKER WASHINGTON: Yeah, we love it here, man. Just coming here, being able to represent, we put a lot of work in, so let's keep it rolling.

Q. When did you start feeling like you guys were in a very comfortable place in this game?

PARKER WASHINGTON: It starts with the preparation in how we started this week. That's when we felt like the response was happening, and we came out here and executed well, and we just want to keep that rolling, keep that momentum going.

Q. Prior to your diving catch, you had an almost equally impressive catch on that jump ball... Of course it gets called back on that penalty, but you went back to the huddle, were you saying to yourself, I'm going to get this one back, or was it just heat of the moment type of thing?

PARKER WASHINGTON: That's just be ready for each moment, and that's how I attack each play. So, ran the corner route, made the play, saw the flag on the ground, said okay, bet. Just go to the next play. We came out there, Trev threw another pass, got to make that play now.

Q. Parker, how about just that drive? They had missed a field goal, game is still very much in the balance. I think it was 8:42 off the clock, and even though you got backed up a couple of times, is that what good teams do, that kind of drive?

PARKER WASHINGTON: It's just about next-play mentality. We knew we were coming in playing a great team, so we weren't going to let up. Last week, we talked about how we may have lost that momentum coming out of halftime. We wanted to make sure we just responded, and I thought we did a great job today and we just want to keep that going.

Q. WR Josh Cameron's role in this offense continues to grow each week. Being a fellow sixth-round receiver at the position, how proud are you of him in his performances and his role growing in this offense?

PARKER WASHINGTON: Man, I told the guys, prepare each week like you're going to be that guy. That's all they've done, him and CJ [WR CJ Williams]. Josh has been doing a great job each week, and he's earned all the opportunities given. And all the plays he's making, we know he can make them from each and every day of practice. That's what happens on game day too.

Q. You've turned into a contested catch specialist, Parker. How are you able to come down in traffic with all those balls?

PARKER WASHINGTON: All I can say is just practice how you play. Attack each day like it's a game, and when I get those opportunities, I got to make them. So, seeing the football in the air, no matter if it's contested, pass interference, we gotta make the play. And that was a big-time play, and I want to keep doing it.



**DEFENSIVE TACKLE DAVON HAMILTON
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Q. What was the focus this week for you guys to go out there and stop the run?

DAVON HAMILTON: It was the same as every other week. We have to put it together and that is what we did today.

Q. What did you see when the ball came out? Did you see the ball come out of Patriots QB Drake Maye's hand?

DAVON HAMILTON: Absolutely. Yeah. I was a little surprised.

Q. Were you surprised it came out that easily?

DAVON HAMILTON: Absolutely.

Q. Obviously, the next thought was to get on the ball?

DAVON HAMILTON: Oh, yeah. Absolutely.

Q. What were your thoughts on how the interior defensive lineman played today?

DAVON HAMILTON: We played pretty stout today. We could have gotten after the quarterback a little more, but we were playing hard today.

Q. You guys were able to produce three turnovers. How big was that, especially the one right before the half when they were in the red zone on the two-yard line?

DAVON HAMILTON: That's absolutely what we talk about each week, winning the turnover margin, and that is what we went out and did.

Q. Talk about the second half. You guys last week had an opportunity to close the door. Talk about the mentality going into the second half this week.

DAVON HAMILTON: It was our primary focus after last week. We learned our lesson about that. We wanted to finish the game and we went out there and dominated the second half.

Q. You had a sack, a forced fumble and a fumble recovery. Is it rewarding to see your hard work come to fruition?

DAVON HAMILTON: I mean, I give all the glory to God, man. Honestly, I am not doing this by myself. That is all I can really say.

Q. You guys didn't allow a touchdown. It's been a while since you guys have been able to do that. How good does it feel on the defensive side?

DAVON HAMILTON: I mean it just proves that we are doing our job. Everybody is being where they are supposed to be, and we are playing hard.

Q. You had a great year last year. How well are you playing right now? How good does it feel to contribute to some splash plays where people notice you a bit?

DAVON HAMILTON: It's always great. Like I said, I am just trying to give the glory to God. He has put me in this position. I am just taking advantage of it.

Q. You guys have been so resilient after losses with this regime. Why is that one of your things?

DAVON HAMILTON: It's really a cultural thing around here. We might lose some games here and there, but we always want to bounce back. We always want to play physical. We always want to dominate our opponent. After a loss like that, especially, it was the main emphasis this week.

Q. I know you are one week at a time. How critical was this one? How pivotal was it to get to 2-1 with a long road ahead?

DAVON HAMILTON: It's always critical. You try to win every game you go out here and play. This was no different.

Q. New England backed up inside their own five-yard line. Of course, you want to bring the pressure. You looked like a man on a mission getting into the backfield. Can you take us through that sack?

DAVON HAMILTON: I was just trying to go and it kind of opened up for me in the middle. I tried to take advantage of it.

Q. Were you surprised how open of a lane you had on that play?

DAVON HAMILTON: Not really, I thought it was going to happen and it happened so I was like, cool.



**CORNERBACK JARRIAN JONES
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Q: Talk me through that pick; what'd you see?

JARRIAN JONES: Just isolated backside by myself. Nine times out of 10, that's where the ball is going. I just felt like I had to win.

Q: It seemed like you guys were just having a lot of fun out there today. WR/CB Travis Hunter got his first interception, you with the interception. What was that like? Was it kind of an emphasis saying, hey, let's get back to what we know best and have fun doing so?

JARRIAN JONES: I think our DNA showed up. The things that we practiced, and we truly love each other. We are really close, and this is a true brotherhood for us. Our practices are hard and we're hard on each other, and I think that's what brings out the best out of each other. We're really hard on each other in every room, especially the corner room; we're really hard on each other. I just think in a game like this, our DNA showed up.

Q: You expect to win every week, but 35-6 today, were you surprised by what the outcome turned out to be?

JARRIAN JONES: No, not at all. These are things that we practice. If we play how we start the game the entire game, I don't really think that anyone will be able to beat us.

Q: What's the make-up of this team and this locker room that allows you guys to punch back? Last week wasn't good by your standard, and this is the response. What have you seen now over the last couple of years?

JARRIAN JONES: I just think it's real love, like, true love for each other. I think Liam [Head Coach Liam Coen] does a great job of harping on us being together and playing together. With a week like last week, what we went through, our DNA didn't show up. It wasn't even a physical thing; they didn't physically just whoop us, it was a lot of MAs [missed assignments] and mental things that we went through, and everybody had something to say about it. We just stuck together, had a great week of practice and the results showed.

Q: Patriots QB Drake Maye has been struggling a bit. Can you sense that out there when things start snowballing? Were you guys a little bit like sharks?

JARRIAN JONES: Personally, I feel like when we're on, everybody struggles. I can't personally speak on his situation or whatever he's got going on. But if we're doing what we're supposed to do, it's supposed to look like that.

Q: Three turnovers this week from the CB room, you talked about that. What went into the preparation for you guys this week?

JARRIAN JONES: Stop thinking, get back to doing what we were doing. I think everybody out there was just trying to force a play, go make a play, that we weren't focusing on our technique and on what we were supposed to be doing. So, I just think this week, it was just play free, just do what you do, just be you and if you mess up, just mess up fast.

Q: You're in the room all the time with WR/CB Travis Hunter. What does that play do for him, to make a play like that?

JARRIAN JONES: I think that was big. Obviously, he didn't play football in I think a year and some change. I think he needed that for himself. Obviously, he's a very confident guy, I'm not saying it like that. But I just think internally, as a corner, you make that first play, get that first pick, it's like, okay, I'm back. I'm back to doing what I do. And obviously, you see the talent. He's a one-of-a-kind talent. And it's good that we have three corners that can play at a high level. So, I think we're all bought into that and we're excited when each other makes a play.

Q: Should you have scored?

JARRIAN JONES: I definitely should have scored. Well if Travon [DE Travon Walker] blocked, maybe I could.



**RUNNING BACK CHRIS RODRIGUEZ JR.
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Q. How did it feel to get in the end zone?

CHRIS RODRIGUEZ JR: It felt great. Obviously, it's the first one of the season for me and big shout out to Jarrian [CB Jarrian Jones]. I feel like I got to give him a shout out, he got that interception, got us down to, I think it was the 4 or 5, made it easy on us. I just knew when Trevor [QB Trevor Lawrence] called the play that before he even called it, he said we got to punch it in here. So, knew it was a run. But big shout out to the guys up front. They did their job all day and did it at a high level. I got a bunch of appreciation for those guys.

Q. How important was it to own this week after what happened in the second half last game?

CHRIS RODRIGUEZ JR: I mean, I think it was very important. We thought last week we didn't have our best prep and we just started with us first day back at practice on Wednesday. We just attack it, attack every day, attack it the same and we couldn't wait for Friday to have a good practice or to just expect that we were going to come out here and win the game. So, had a great week of prep and obviously got back on track.

Q. That's what WR Parker Washington was saying as well, about when did it all start for you, and he said right there, that first day of practice.

CHRIS RODRIGUEZ JR: Yeah, the first day. I mean, we knew it right after that game that we kind of not only beat ourselves, but we didn't have the best week. There was a huge emphasis this week, and it'll roll over to next week, same mindset.

Q. You have a real knack for picking up those gritty yards. When you're lowering your shoulder pads and you're getting dirty in the trenches, is that something that you're looking forward to each opportunity?

CHRIS RODRIGUEZ JR: Of course. I mean, it's kind of the thing I do, and again, it was one of those coaching points of the last two weeks I've been running super high. You can do big things if you get your pads down there. I came to the sideline after the first or second drive for me and got some gritty yards, as you would say. It's all good, but again, shout out to the O-Line.

Q. Considering your prior familiarity with Head Coach Liam Coen from your time in college, was it easier for you and all to have that give and take? When he gives you criticism, is it easy to receive it from him considering your previous time with him?

CHRIS RODRIGUEZ JR: Yeah, I think I know how he coaches, and he knows how I need to be coached. That was a big part of the connection we had at Kentucky. I got here and I wasn't locked in as much as I wanted to be because I had an injury during OTAs, but when I came back there was, I got to read this out, it's not the same as you used to run it. Big shout out to Liam [Head Coach Liam Coen], he trusted me to get me here and hopefully we keep that connection going.