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OAKLAND RAIDERS

Head Coach Jon Gruden

(opening statement) "I'd like to congratulate the Ravens. They're a good football team. Very good defensively. Credit the young quarterback, and credit their coaching staff for making some great adjustments and modifying their offense to suit this kid. Very disappointed, obviously, with the loss."

(on how QB Derek Carr was when he came off the field) "He's OK. Took some shots, obviously. We fell behind two scores. We have to pass protect better when we have to pass protect. Everybody knows we have to pass protect. The problem all year was the problem today. When you get in a predictable pass situation, we have to rise up and do better. Credit to [Ravens' OLB Matt] Judon. Judon's going to be a heck of a player. Doggone Judon."

(on if QB Derek Carr was pulled off the field from upstairs) "Yes, he was."

(on how the Ravens controlled the game in the second half) "They didn't make it really complicated. They have a great, I think, future Hall of Fame guard in [Marshal] Yanda. They probably called on their captain, and said, 'Hey, we're going after these guys.' And, that's what they did. When you can establish the inside run, the perimeter offense, all the bells and whistles with [Ravens' QB Lamar] Jackson, they're very hard to defend. You've got to stop the inside run, or you have no chance to stop everything else. They took over the game. Credit to them."

(on if QB Derek Carr's 20 completions were on him) "We had two big offensive pass interference penalties in the first half. One of them backed up on Seth Roberts, one of them going in on Jared Cook. I thought those were big impact calls in this game. The Ravens played a lot of tight coverage, and we had some opportunities to make plays, but we didn't make them. I know Marcell [Ateman] dropped one early. We challenged the play later. We just didn't make the plays against a very good defensive team that needed to be made today. It goes back to me."

(on Ravens' WR Michael Crabtree's touchdown) "I don't understand it. I'll have to look at it. Nick Nelson was obviously in the game, and we'll have to take a look at it, but credit Crabtree."

(on the Raiders' secondary) "That was good. Anytime you get turnovers in the territory where we got them, it was good. I was pleased with a lot of things – the way we started the game on offense, the way we came out in the second half and scored a touchdown against a great defense. We just haven't been able to put four quarters together, and it goes back to me, honestly."

(on what he made of the punting today) "That's disappointing. You give up a 75-yard punt return, 75-yard pass to a tight end, you can't get off the field, stop the inside running game, and you can't protect when you have to. Those are the storylines to me. Those are things that I have to figure out, and until we do, we're going to have a lot of long faces."

(on if he thought about not playing QB Derek Carr the last series) "I was thinking about putting AJ [McCarron] in, but Derek was fine. He wants to finish with his teammates. There's a certain responsibility I think you have as a coach to let your quarterback, your captain of your team, finish the deal with the rest of his teammates, no matter how it gets."

RB Doug Martin

(on the offense) "The offense, I think we did well in the first half. We needed to protect the ball and protect the quarterback in the third quarter. We've just got to finish stronger."

(on his touchdown) "I was kind of sure I was in, but I still wanted to hear it from the refs. Everybody was telling me, 'You got in,' but I didn't want to hear that. I wanted to hear the refs say it first. It was a team effort by the offense. It was a good drive. We had a few good drives throughout the game, and I'm proud of the offense in that aspect, but we have to finish stronger and stick together."



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(on the opening drive) “We got the ball and started fast. We’ve got to start fast as an offense, and we’ve got to keep that tempo going, no matter what the defense does. No matter what happens, we’ve got to keep the tempo moving forward, pushing forward, and just keep it up throughout the whole game. That’s something we’ve got to get better at.”

(on how hard it is to keep the momentum going when the opposing team controls the ball) “We’ve just got to do what we know, do what we do in practice. We’ve got to be detail-oriented, doing your own job and not doing too much. Staying calm throughout the whole series, it’s tough, but hats off to the Ravens’ offense. How they were able to run the ball and eat up so much clock... We did it one time on that first series, but we’ve got to do that on a consistent basis.”

WR Jordy Nelson

(on the offense) “I thought we made some plays. We were moving the ball well, but we just didn’t make enough of them.”

(on his play) “I just didn’t make enough plays.”

(on what he can take away from this game) “We’ll look at the film on Monday and find out. You can take good and bad from every game.”

(on going forward) “We’re just working, trying to get better and keep improving.”

LB Nicholas Morrow

(on the defense’s play) “We’ve got to get better as a unit. We’ve got to play better. We’ve got to communicate with each other. We can do it. We’ve done it before, but we just have to continue and be consistent.”

(on the linebackers) “I have a lot of confidence with the guys we have in this room, and we’ll just keep working and get better.”

(on the Ravens’ running game) “Obviously, they had some creative runs with the quarterback. [Ravens’ QB Lamar Jackson] is fast.”

S Marcus Gilchrist

(on his interception) “Gareon [Conley] made a good play. I ended up being in the right place at the right time, but that was all Gareon who made the play, and I just capitalized on it.”

(on the secondary’s play) “We didn’t win, so obviously, we didn’t do enough. At the end of the day, that’s what it’s all about – winning or losing. So obviously, we have to find ways of making more plays.”

(on moving forward) “We’ll just go back and look at the film and try to adjust off of that.”

TE Jared Cook

(on the game) “We’ve got to do a better job staying on the field on third downs. We’ve got to keep ourselves in first-and-manageable or second-and-manageable. We can’t wait until third down and pick up these huge chunks. When you get behind the sticks, and you get down to a good team, it’s hard to come back.”

(on the offensive pass interference call) “That ref has been messing with me since the Cowboys game last year, so I think it’s targeting by him.”

(on his touchdown catch) “Me and Derek [Carr] got the look we wanted. We looked at each other pre-snap and knew it was on. He did a great job, because he got drilled when he threw that ball. He was getting hit as he was throwing, and he left the ball outside, and I just tried to make a play on it. I really didn’t even know it was a



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touchdown. I thought they might call another P.I. on me, but I didn't know it was a touchdown until me and Derek were over there talking and they said it was a touchdown, so I'll take it. I thought I was out on the one or the two."

(on the future) "It's kind of like going back to Day One. You've got to do the little things right in order to be successful. It's hard to win in this league as it is. You've got to be good at the little things and master the little things before you get a win. It's back to that; it's back to step one – mastering techniques, taking advantage of your abilities."

(on his advice as a veteran on a young team) "Confidence and instilling in them that they belong here, that they made it this far and that their legacy is still yet to be proven, so go out there and prove it. The team needs them. It's just words of wisdom. It's on them to accept it, though. You can talk all day until you're blue in the face, but if someone is hearing you and not listening, then it makes it a little bit more difficult."

(on QB Derek Carr) "He's got heart. How many people would want to be back there with 350-pound dudes coming down at them, or trying to bend them and tear their leg off? And, you've got to deal with that all game. For him to be standing back there and delivering the pass that he does and still be successful, like, you're taking a 'W' to me. You're the man to me. I don't care what you say. So, he's been put in a very tough position this year, but he's handled it with grace and honor, and he's doing what we need him to do for this team."

S Reggie Nelson

(on the Ravens halftime offensive adjustments) "They made their adjustments, and we made ours. Unfortunately they just did a good job of running the ball. We just have to watch the film to see what we did wrong in the running game and try to fix it. We have a great challenge next week, so we have our work cut out for us."

(on the defense forcing four interceptions in the last 2 games) "That's always positive. We're playing good. We're trying to get better each week. It just so happened that it didn't go our way this week. We've got to keep playing and finish strong next week. Guys made plays on the ball today. People were in the right spots to make those plays. That's how you win games, by creating turnovers."

(on the Ravens' offensive play mix) "We watched the film. They did a good job with Lamar [Jackson] who managed the game for them. He did a great job."

WR Marcell Ateman

(on the passing game) "We did good. Certain things happen out there that we can't control. It just comes down to us executing and making plays. The second half, we didn't have the ball much. I feel like we didn't have that much time."

(on feeling pressure not having much time and the Ravens scoring) "Yes, it was a big emphasis. We don't have the ball and they're scoring. We had to make something happen quick. We didn't try to put pressure on ourselves, but we tried to make the tempo go fast. They were giving us different looks, because we're trying to move the ball like that."

(on the first-half play) "We were only down three [at the half], so coming back out we made a few big plays, but we didn't have the ball that much. Then they scored and then it just got out of hand."

(on WR Michael Crabtree) "I grew up watching Michael Crabtree, especially when Texas Tech came into the league. He's a big receiver who makes plays. I thought Gareon [Conley] played good against him today."

(on his incomplete pass that was challenged) "I thought I had the catch. When I saw it on the screen, the tip of [the football] hit the ground. I thought I had control of it when I hit the ground, but they said the tip of it had hit the ground."

LB Marquel Lee



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(on the Ravens run/pass mix) "We were prepared for that, but it's just about execution. We have to execute better as a whole. We gave up too many big plays, that's what ended up hurting us. We didn't stop the run that well today. We've got to go back to the drawing board and fix it."

(on how the defense started the game) "We came out firing. We came out with some energy. We were stopping the run early, the read option early. That was our plan, we just had to keep it up for four quarters."

QB Derek Carr

(on his ankle injury) "I hurt it pretty bad. I tried to stand up, but I couldn't. Once I got to the sideline, I tried to hurry up and get back in there. I wanted to finish the game with my team. It's important to me, and I want my teammates to know that I am going to finish a game if I possibly can. I will not take the easy way out."

(on facing the Ravens and their ball control offense) "In a way it reminded me of college, when we used to play Air Force all the time. They are going to run the ball as much as they can, and keep you off the field. They will not throw the ball 50 times and give you a lot of possessions. Their job is to kill the clock, and you're not going to get too many plays on offense."

(on being sacked three plays in a row) "I don't ever remember that happening before. It was very frustrating because we were behind by so much. We had to look for big plays. I had to hold the ball a little longer. We had some good looks, but I couldn't get the ball there."

(on the Raiders opening drive) "On the first drive we were able to get down there and score, but after a while it was a struggle. How many big plays did we have that were called back by penalties? That got old real fast. It is very tough and very frustrating. We need to cut down the penalties and execute better and I need to play better."

(on his special connection with TE Jared Cook) "'Cookie' [Jared Cook] is my guy. He's always in my ear and there are many times he will see what I see. His attitude is just, 'Put it near me and I will catch it.' He made a great play on that touchdown pass. He caught it one-handed, and got it in the end zone. We needed that. He's a heck of a player and a good friend."

(on his ankle injury keeping him out of next week's game) "I can tell you right now, I am playing next week. I am not sure what it will feel like, but I will be out there on the field."

CB Gareon Conley

(on if the Ravens offense surprised him) "They didn't surprise me at all. We expected them to run the ball a lot, and they did."

(on his impressions of QB Lamar Jackson) "He played very well today. He really gives them [Baltimore Ravens] a dual threat. He can beat you with the run, he can beat you with the pass. The important thing is to read your keys, and stay with him."

(on how the Raiders defense played) "I thought we played OK on defense. We did a pretty good job preventing big plays. We just have to keep getting better."



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Head Coach John Harbaugh

(opening statement) “OK, great to see everybody here. Appreciate everybody being here. Really appreciate the crowd – the crowd was really into it. Thanks to the fans for coming out and being loud and being into it. That was Ravens football out there. It was a Ravens stadium out there at M&T Bank. I’m thankful for that. I thought it was a complete team effort – offense, defense and special teams. Even though we started off OK ... Even though they had the first drive – not good. But, we answered a little bit. We had to grind our way through it. To use the words of Marshal Yanda, I feel like we kept grinding. Probably, the offensive line [grinded] the most in the second half, to have those long drives and have the run game going the way it went was probably the key to the game. With that, what questions do you have?”

(on if the run game was something they talked about at halftime) “It was. It was exactly what we talked about at halftime. We felt like we needed to [run the ball]; we felt like we could do it. I think the offensive line was very much in favor of doing that, as you would expect. We decided we wanted to do that.”

(on how he thought QB Lamar Jackson threw the ball) “I thought he threw it well. I have to see the tape, I guess, to know for sure, but he threw the ball well, I thought. Hopefully, that talk will go away at some point in time.”

(on if he thinks the pressure to throw the ball is in the back of QB Lamar Jackson’s head) “It’s probably part of it. It shouldn’t have to be, because I think he has proven himself in college and all that kind of stuff. Just because you can run really well doesn’t mean you can’t throw. It probably is an added layer for him, I would say. That’s the best way I could say it. But, if anyone can handle it, he can. He just has a great mindset for that kind of thing. I’m not worried about it at all that way.”

(on the variety of personnel packages the Ravens have at this point) “It’s always the different players that bring something different to the table. We had other different players out there, too. Gus [Edwards] was out there the last two weeks, and Ty Montgomery was out there more today. [Michael] Crabtree ... I thought we got Crabtree involved. Made some plays and had the chance to make some plays. The touchdown on the slant was huge. So, the answer to that is an obvious yes, and I think it applies to a lot of the young guys.”

(on if he has any update on QB Joe Flacco’s return to practice) “Well, I think the best thing I can say there, from a time standpoint ... This was going to be the timeframe ... I think it’s four weeks. It was a three-to-four-week [recovery] after the injury. Probably, most conservatively, and has kind of gone that way. I’m sure he’ll see the doctors and the hip specialist this week, and we’ll see where we’re at.”

(on how much fun he had watching OLB Terrell Suggs’ fumble return for a touchdown) “It was a lot of fun. Of course, I was saying, ‘Put it away! Put it away!’ As if I was chasing him. Suggs turned the jets on there, didn’t he? He’s still got it. It was a huge play. I would like to think that that is the beginning of our turnover train, and that’s what we’re going to hope for right there.” (*Reporter: “When you get a defensive and special teams touchdown, it makes it so much easier to win, doesn’t it?”*) “It makes all the difference in the world. Those are the game-breaking, back-breaking plays of the game. To see the punt return – I mean, our guys have worked so hard. Jerry [Rosburg, special teams coordinator/associate head coach], Chris [Horton, assistant special teams coach] and all the players have worked so hard on the technique and the blocking on that, and Cyrus [Jones] on the return, on where to take the ball and how to read the blocks, and to see that happen was big for us. We had two other ones that got called back, unfortunately. I’m looking forward to seeing how those looked. Special teams, more than anything, you have to chase perfection. From a technique standpoint, we’ve worked hard on that. It looks like it’s paying off.”

(on how much of RB Gus Edwards’ production is because defenses have to honor the quarterback as a runner and how much are other teams not giving Gus credit on the line) “Well, I think you’ve got to give credit to everybody involved in the thing. The scheme itself is good. When the quarterback can run, you do it in more of the traditional way of bootlegs and play-action passes. With the read-option stuff, and the option game, you do it with the quarterback in, and then you can do the third phase, the RPO and the pitch. So, it definitely takes a defender



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out of the equation. That's the beauty of the offense. You should never take credit away from the players who are executing the plays. Those are the guys that make it happen."

(on if he feels the momentum building around the team) "You can, you can. That's what you want to do, you want to get on a roll at some point in time in the season. We always say it's a .500 league, and at some point in time, you have to get on a roll to get out of the .500 thing. It's hard to win a game in the National Football League. You ask any coach or any player in this league. It's not like you're going to go on a 10-0 run, it's just too competitive. It's a .500 league, and it's built to be a .500 league. Then you have to find a way to make a run somewhere; to win three, four, five, even six games in a row, and to separate yourself. You can do it at any point in time throughout the season – no one says you can't do it at the end of the year. So, it's what we're shooting for, but our focus is one game at a time."

(on if QB Joe Flacco's health allows, if he will start) "I'm not going to get into that for a number of reasons. Whether that decision has been made or not is not important for anyone to know but us. If I decide to do it one way or the other, I don't want our opponent to know. So, I'm probably not going to announce it for obvious reasons – just to make it tough on our next opponent. That's the way we'll go this week. Thanks. *(laughter)* It's a great question. It's a fair question. You want transparency? There it is."

(on if the reports saying QB Joe Flacco will practice on Tuesday are premature) "It's too premature because he has to be cleared to practice. He has not been cleared to practice yet. And, we don't practice on Tuesday; we have meetings. So, he definitely won't be practicing on Tuesday. And don't put that out there because our players don't want to hear about practicing on Tuesday."

(on if RB Gus Edwards has brought another level of physicality to the run game) "I do, I do. I think that's Gus' thing. I think everybody, every back, as their own style. They're all physical in their own way. But, Gus is 240 pounds. He's a downhill runner, so yes."

QB Lamar Jackson

(on if he was limping because he had a cramp) "Yes, a little bit. I was mad I didn't score. We'll get one sometime, but we're good. We got the victory."

(on if he proved he can throw today) "I threw two interceptions today, one more than last week, so I was kind of ticked off. But, a little bit. They said I couldn't throw the ball deep. We got one. It was a holding call, but I showed it. I proved it."

(on if there was a plan in the first half to throw more) "We're just taking what the defense gives us. We're just executing, pushing the ball down the field, [and] we came out successful."

(on his pass to TE Mark Andrews) "We saw the corner sitting there, and we saw the safety. We were going through that play a lot this week in practice, and it worked. It was what they gave us on film, and [we were] just executing. Mark made a great catch. Mark contended well, great run after. He should of scored, but..." *(laughter)*

(on if he feels like he's done enough to lead the offense) "I don't feel like I've done enough. There's always room for improvement. We're in a good spot right now. We just have to keep winning."

(on if he ever gets stuck deciding on whether to run or pass) "You can't get stuck in the league. You'll get knocked off, get your head knocked off. Bad stuff happens, so you have to make your decision and make it well. So, no, you can't get stuck."

(on what he meant by saying the team is in a good spot) "I'm saying we're winning, two consecutive wins right now, and we have to look forward to Atlanta right now. We're always looking to our next opponent."

(on how his confidence has risen after two straight wins) "Confidence? My confidence has always been there, but it's just...you have to execute when you're out there on the field. Believe. '[The team is] trusting in you, Coach



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Harbaugh is trusting in you, our O-Line is. Get the ball to our receivers, and put points on the board. So, that's my job. I'm always confident in that."

(on what changed after halftime and his two interceptions) "I was ticked off. I was like, 'Man, we have to throw some more. You all have to let me make up for that and get the ball to those guys.' And, I felt like I missed open passes that I should have hit. One to John Brown, I should have hit him, so we just have to get to practice and work on that."

(on if the interceptions are different because they were tipped) "They're still on my record, two interceptions. I don't think so."

(on if he would expect QB Joe Flacco to be the starter if he returns from injury) "That's up to coach."

(on if he sees the toll his running ability takes on defenses) "Yes, our offensive line does an incredible job. They were pushing those guys around, not just the defensive line but the linebackers and the secondary, just rolling the guys on their backs and hitting the hole hard, getting positive yards."

(on the confidence level of the team after the past two weeks) "I feel like our confidence has always been there. We just have to find ourselves. We started off well. We started off well, and then we went 0-3. We just had that little break or whatever. We came back out strong. We have to keep going forward, that's all."

(on why he seems like he's good at moving on from mistakes) "I don't think I'm good at it, because I do get mad. But, it's just like, I have to execute the next play. Don't make it worse. The interception was already worse, so I was like, 'Man, we get the ball back, I don't care what happened. We just have to go down and drive the ball down field and put points on the board instead of putting our defense out there with no points, making them look bad, making me look bad.' We just have to put points on the board, no turnovers."

TE Mark Andrews

(on his 74-yard catch) "It's something that we've repped a lot. They dialed it up, and we just made the play. Lamar [Jackson] threw a great ball to me in stride. I thought I should have scored. I thought I was going to score, but my legs kind of gave out on me a little bit." (*Reporter: "But, you gave him the stiff arm?"*) "I did, I think I probably should have just run at that point. I was worried too much about him, but it was close. He was a fast guy – I'm not going to knock him on that. But, you've got to score on those types of plays."

(on if he regrets not scoring a touchdown) "It's tough to go 74 yards in the NFL. But, I have confidence in my speed and my ability, and I have to score on those types of plays."

(on next time he gets the opportunity) "I'm scoring. No matter what, I'm scoring. That's the first time I've really gotten knocked down from behind. I'm not happy about that."

(on if guys were teasing him on the sideline) "Yes. They all have speed camps in the summer that they want me to attend. I guess I'll be going to everyone's speed camp."

(on how much QB Lamar Jackson has sparked the offense) "It's amazing how athletic he is, and how good of a quarterback he is. He is able to do so much that makes defenses stay up late at night."

(on the Ravens dominating time of possession) "That's a big thing. Trying to take all the time of possession and take the momentum away – I've been on the other end of it where you don't have a lot of time of possession, and it's hard to win games when you don't have a lot of time with the ball. It's good to see that our run game is clicking right now – that's a positive for us."

(on the vibe in the locker room after two wins) "Losing those three games was hard, but we have a lot of fighters in this locker room. Guys are resilient. I think that's showing now with these two-straight wins."

S Eric Weddle



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(on the defense getting a turnover) “What a way to get it, with the game in the balance. [Matthew] Judon having a great rush and great coverage on the back end. The quarterback had to hold it, so everything worked together. You get a huge play with ‘Siz’ [Terrell Suggs] rumbling and stumbling down the sideline. It was a pivotal point of the game, and it sealed the win for us.”

(on the Ravens offense dominating time of possession) “It’s huge. Oakland kind of had us on our heels in the first half. Our first 15 [minutes], they were doing different things, but once we got adjusted to that, we kind of settled down. When we run the ball like we are, it makes our defense fresh. We can get to the sideline and figure out what they’re doing and make an adjustment here and there. It’s nice to see us run the ball – we just have to continue that and continue to strive for perfection. Just keep trying to get better. At this point, we cannot afford to have a setback. This game could have been that, but we focused in in the second half and pulled it out.”

(on how much of a difference time of possession makes) “We’re not dog-tired out there. Obviously, when we’re fresh, we can make adjustments. You’re not just getting scored on and then you have to go out there and make plays. You’re back out there without going over things and not get your wind back. When they went down and scored on us, to be able to answer like we did on offense; that was huge. It’s a confidence builder for us as a defense, to go out there and play free; to go out and make plays. That’s what we did at the end of the game. [Matthew] Judon was crazy those last three plays. I’m happy for him. He has made huge strides over the season. He was pressing a little bit early on. Young guys go through a stage where they’re trying to make too many plays and you don’t really play to your potential. This last month, he is playing outstanding, and has been one of our best defenders. I couldn’t be more proud of him.”

(on the opposition’s sense of urgency to score) “Our offense presents a lot of problems with the different styles of run. With Gus [Edwards] and the way he runs the ball, and then you bring in Ty [Montgomery], ‘Buck’ [Javorius Allen] and obviously, with Lamar [Jackson] out there, it definitely puts some pressure on the opposing team. They can’t have any mess-ups. They can’t have a sack or penalty, because they’re not going to get the ball back for a while.”

(on the winning streak) “It’s two games. We’re not getting ahead of ourselves. We have to get back to the lab and we have a huge game against Atlanta – a tough team – in Atlanta. It’s going to be a tough game for us.”

(on if the OLB Terrell Suggs touchdown changes the momentum) “I sure hope so. We played pretty dang good today. There was one drive in the third quarter. They basically pulled Brandon [Carr] down – I don’t know how that doesn’t get called, and then they ran a pick-wheel on Chuck [Clark]. You take those two plays away, and that early fourth down play, that’s 100 yards of their 150-yard passing attack the entire game. There’s always stuff to clean up as a defense, but we’re working hard. We’re playing together. We’re communicating and we’re working so hard in practice trying to create turnovers. Play together and focus every play. It’s showing out there in the turnovers. Hopefully, this can start a run of some big plays and turnovers – it will make our defense even better.”

(on S Chuck Clark stepping up in S Tony Jefferson’s absence) “That’s always our mentality – next man up. Hopefully ‘TJ’ [Tony Jefferson] will heal up quick, but if not, Chuck practices well. He has been playing well and he knows the defense, so we’re extremely confident for him to come in there and do the job needed to be successful.”

RB Gus Edwards

(on if he is exhausted) “No, I feel great. I’m happy to be able to contribute to the win.”

(on QB Lamar Jackson’s mobility) “It takes a lot of pressure off of the running backs. Especially if it’s somebody you know that can pull the ball away. He is really dangerous when he has the ball in his hands and is running.”

(on when he knows QB Lamar Jackson is going to pull the ball away) “I don’t know. I just read it and play it like I’m going to get the ball every time.”



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(on his opportunity) “That’s my mindset. It’s my opportunity, and I’m going to make the most of it. That’s going to continue to be my mindset.”

(on being the first back to rush for consecutive 100-yard games since 2015) “I’m just happy that I’m able to contribute. I’m able to get out there and help the team.”

(on his physicality) “I think that’s what the coaches are asking of me. I have to do my job every time I get in there.”

(on his downhill running style) “Being my size, it’s something that you have to do.”

(on the game today) “It was a must-win situation. We’re practicing like we have to win. Everyone in the locker room knows where we’re at right now. We’re playing with a chip on our shoulder, and it’s helping us.”

(on when he knew RB Alex Collins wasn’t playing) “I didn’t know until I came in here. They told me that I was in the lineup, and to wait back when we come out. It was really a blessing. It was a great moment for me. I owe it all to God – the position that I’m in.”

(on if QB Lamar Jackson was different in the huddle this week) “I feel like he has taken more of a leadership role. I love how he has the next-play mentality. If he makes a mistake out there, it’s the next play.”

(on what he thinks of “Gus the Bus” nickname) “I like it. I kind of heard it a little bit when I was back at the University of Miami. There wasn’t too much of it going on at Rutgers. But, now, it seems like it’s coming back.”

(on his relationship with the offensive line) “I feel like they love running the ball. They are very accountable about that. They want to run the ball. When we do it well, they’re the first ones there picking me up, and they motivate me to keep going.”

(on the Ravens dominating time of possession) “We definitely feel the defense wearing down when we get going.”

(on the difference between a mobile and immobile quarterback) “I really don’t know. Even before Lamar [Jackson] was out there, it’s pretty much been me-and-Lamar packages every time I got reps.”

G Marshal Yanda

(on how scared the doctors were who had to meet him in the medical tent) *(laughter)* “You know, heat of the battle, I was fired up, and like I said, I already gave [head certified athletic trainer] Ron Medlin a big hug, because I love the guy. It was just a little bit of friendly fire. But in the heat of the moment – obviously it’s all clear now – but they said that I possibly got hit in the head. I adjusted my facemask, so I was pulling it down – it got pushed up – so I was pulling it down, and in their minds, they thought that I was grabbing my head. And then I got rolled up on the play a little bit, so my knees were a little sore. So, I got up, and I was just moving my knees around, and they thought that I was wobbly. So, [they thought] I grabbed my head, and I got up, and I was wobbly. So, I completely get their protocol, but in the heat of the battle, I didn’t understand. I didn’t want to come off the field. I apologize for the little ... Your adrenaline is pumping, and you’re fired up, you just don’t want to come out of the game at all costs. That was a third down, and I just wanted to be out there, but after they explained everything to me, I understand now. It was the perfect storm where I pulled my helmet down to get my chinstrap readjusted, and I got up, and I was checking my knees. So, that’s what went down.”

(on how good it was to take over the game today on the ground) “It was nice. I felt like we opened up the second half, and we were just going to be committed to it. We were going to pound the rock and get after it, and it was great to open up the second half with a long drive, scoring a touchdown. That kind of just set the course for the rest of the game for us. That was huge.”

(on if they were trying to play that way earlier in the game) “You try just to run the play that is called. Everybody has a job to do, and our job is to block no matter what the play that is called. We can’t control that. In the heat of the battle, you just run the play that is called to the best of your ability. Like I said, we don’t have any input on that, so that’s [offensive coordinator] Marty’s [Mornhinweg] job.”



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(on how difficult the decision will be at quarterback if QB Joe Flacco is healthy enough to come back this week) "I'm not getting into all that. We just got done beating the Raiders, so I'm deflecting that one."

(on how much momentum and excitement QB Lamar Jackson has given the offense) "Yeah, it's been great. Obviously, we came out and ran the ball effectively and obviously the threat of Lamar keeping the ball – running the football – that puts a lot of stress on the defense. That's tough for them to defend, so I'm happy to see that we're doing that and keeping them honest."

(on if opposing defenses are a little more worn down in the second half than they were earlier in the season) "Yeah, I just feel like if you run the ball more, the more carries you get, I just feel like that takes the air out of the defense. Those long drives – I think one drive they said was 19 plays – we had a quarter in between the third and the fourth quarter. But, yeah, that takes the air out of their pass rush, and that's tough on the defense."

(on what he was thinking when OLB Terrell Suggs picked up the fumble and returned it for a touchdown) "Oh, I'm fired up for him. Obviously, old man out there [is] still getting it done, just like me. Us old guys have got to stick together. I'm super happy for him. It was funny though, I remember the old days where he's looking to pitch it [to] Ed Reed, Ray Lewis, the old days of Ed [Reed] trying to pitch it. And he's looking to pitch that to Ed [Reed] or Ray [Lewis], and obviously those guys are gone now, so he had to run that sucker in there. *(laughter)* So, I was happy for him that he scored, but it was just funny to see the old-school pitch. Back in the day, they used to do that all the time, so I was happy for him."

OLB Matthew Judon

(on if his touchdown celebration in the tunnel was rehearsed) "[Vice president of public relations] Chad [Steele] told me to smile. *(laughter)* No, it wasn't rehearsed. It was just spur-of-the-moment celebrating."

(on where he went during the celebration) "Just to the tunnel and back. I almost fell, though. Don't run up those things with cleats on the concrete."

(on what he thinks when he sees OLB Terrell Suggs' fumble recovery for a touchdown) "He's still got it, man. He's a little kid. He outran everybody, I don't know how, but he did it. Those hamstrings pulled through. *(laughter)* He doesn't have any ball security. We're going to work on that, but good for him. He made some people miss, got up the sideline and scored, and we needed that. We were kind of missing turnovers and touchdowns on defense, and it was good that our veteran leader got one."

(on if having success with sacks on three straight plays was something he saw coming) "As a pass rusher, you never get discouraged. They said they'd come in bunches, and so I just kept rushing the passer. I didn't know when it was coming. I hoped it was coming, and I got a couple today. I'm very happy. The inside push helped, and then some sauce also helped."

(on the emotions of the team after two straight wins) "We just have to keep winning. We just have to keep going out there and preparing for the team and keep executing and keep going out there and having fun. We can't ever get discouraged. It's a tough league to win in, and we play some good teams. Those teams weren't slouches, and we're still playing good teams. We're just coming up with those plays that win games."

(on if it felt different to have more time to rest due to the offense staying on the field) "In those types of games, the offense kind of has to pass the ball, because they don't know when they're going to get the ball back. They go three-and-out, and we go 15-play drive, seven minutes, it's tough, so they're like, 'We have to score, we have to answer, we have to have a rebuttal,' and they kind of come out and pass the ball. And, as pass rushers, you love that, because you get to pin your ears back. Shout out to Lamar [Jackson]. *(Jackson enters room)* As defensive linemen, we get to pin our ears back and go get the quarterback."

(on if it was a relief for the defense to get a big turnover to put away the game) "Yes, but the offense went back out there and they grinded and pounded. Shout out to the offensive line and running backs, Lamar [Jackson]"



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making some plays. It's tough, it's tough. I've played scrambling quarterbacks, running quarterbacks. It's tough for [a defense], but we come out and get a couple plays, and [our offense] just killed the fourth quarter."

OLB Terrell Suggs

(on the TD and that it was his first in 10 years) "It seemed like it took me forever to get there. I was in disbelief. I was like, 'This is for sure going to get called back.' Once the defense was celebrating with me, I was like, 'Oh, this counts, OK, cool.' But I had nothing in the tank. I was gassed."

(on what the coaches said the ball security as he was running) "Yeah, they [said] it looked like Ed Reed. No ball security whatsoever. I was like, 'Absolutely.' I was actually looking to pitch it, but I'll take the touchdown."

(on looking to pitch it) "Watch it again. I'm [trying] to pitching it to [CB] Jimmy [Smith] and get a block. I'm not a touchdown guy. I would rather switch places with [OLB] Matt [Judon], but we'll take it."

(on the play of the defense and the fact that it got a score) "I dropped one early. The defense is still a little mad at me about that one, but we got one. We got a good win in there. We'll enjoy it tonight. Tomorrow, it's on to Atlanta."

(on if a play like his TD can lead to more turnovers) "Yeah, it can be. Momentum is definitely contagious, so hopefully it will start to avalanche for us."

(on if he spent much time watching the offense) "Yeah, they did a good job sustaining drives, making plays when they had to. We played well enough to win. It wasn't perfect. We're going to enjoy it though, like I said, but it's back to work tomorrow."

CB/RS Cyrus Jones

(on the punt return touchdown) "We knew coming in that their punter was kind of inconsistent, and he was going to give us returnable balls. Like I do every week, I just try to possess the ball first and make a play after that. God bless those guys that are up front blocking for me. They set the wall up, and I just try to make a couple people miss and get around the corner, and we made that happen."

(on how long he dreamed about that moment, not just in the NFL, but in Baltimore) "Since I got here, and to do it in Baltimore, that's a life-long dream, in front of my hometown. I mean, it's an unbelievable feeling. I've been through a lot. I can't really put it into words. I'm going to sit back and relish on it for this night and get back to work on the next week."

(on if that was an emotional moment) "Definitely emotional. I think it will hit me later on, but it was so much going on, I couldn't really dwell on the moment. I had to get my mind back right. It definitely feels good to get in the end zone and to just, you know, feel I got my swagger back a little bit after everything I've been through these past couple of years. So, it feels great."

(on where the team is now) "I think it's the same as it was before we went into a slump. Everybody is always confident. Everybody comes to work with the right mindset every day and to work hard and to learn from our coaches what they're trying to teach us and what they're trying to have us do out there on the field. We're going to treat this like any other week. Get back to work, enjoy it for the night, and [move on]."

(on getting a chance to play some slot corner today) "I knew it would happen eventually. I wasn't really dwelling on not playing much defense. It gave me time...learning [the] defense more. I would rather take my time and get out there than to not know what I'm doing and be rushed out there. Timing is everything, and like I said, I'm just going to try to keep making the most of my opportunities, whatever they are."

CB Jimmy Smith



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(on the play of the defense) “We got [a touchdown] today, and we needed it. We got some sacks. We’ll live on this hype for today and get back to the drawing board and see what we need to do. I feel like a lot of guys took a lot more shots at the ball. We’re trying [for turnovers]. It’s not like we’re not trying, but today it rolled our way.”

(on OLB Terrell Suggs and not pitching him the ball) “I yelled as soon as he got it, ‘Pass it,’ and he looked back, but he was right for not pitching it. I’m happy he got in the end zone. We needed that.”

(on the life QB Lamar Jackson has given the team) “It’s a change of pace. You know what I mean? He’s scoring points. There’s a new offense, and it’s moving.”

(on the Terrell Suggs non-pitch) “I yelled at him when he first got it, but then thank God he didn’t pitch it. He was going to. There’s no question, but when I yelled it is when he first got it, and then when he broke to the side, he was about to pitch it when [WR Marcell Ateman] was about to tackle him. Thank God he didn’t; he got in the end zone.”

(on the defense and how a play like that touchdown can change things) “You see how quickly momentum takes over a game. You get a sack, a touchdown. Turnovers get momentum. A six, scoring on defense – that gives momentum. Punt returns for touchdowns; it’s all momentum. That’s kind of the wave you need to ride, especially at this point in the season.”

(on where the team’s mindset is now after two-straight wins) “I know us in the secondary, we know what we’ve got next with Atlanta. So, we’ve got more than our hands full, and to keep this train going we’re going to have to play one of our best games. That’s what we’re looking forward to already.”

RB Ty Montgomery

(on the first two drives of the second half) “That felt great. Once we got rolling, we talked about that we wanted to keep it going. They didn’t want to tackle us, and our offensive line was getting a great push and getting us great lanes to run through. And that’s exactly what you want to do.”

(on his game today) “I am just so grateful to be here, and I am thankful to the Ravens for giving me the opportunity. I’ve got great guys around me and coaches around me, and I am grateful for the role they’ve given me, being able to be productive and help this team.”

(on QB Lamar Jackson) “Lamar [Jackson] is definitely fun to watch. He’s great to be around, real loose, and when he’s on the field, there’s a great energy. That’s what I love about him. He plays fast, trusts his instincts, and it’s definitely fun to be a part of.”

(on this locker room) “Shoot man, we have a bunch of guys that are hungry, that want to make big plays, guys that when the opportunity is there, they definitely want to take advantage of it. Today, it all worked. Offense, defense, special teams; I love this locker room.”

DT Brandon Williams

(on are the Ravens turning it around) “Hey look, we’re really thankful for these two wins, but when I tell you this, I really mean it, we’re taking it just one game at a time. We have a lot of big games ahead of us, but we’re ready for it, can’t wait for Atlanta.”

(on the three consecutive sacks by OLB Matthew Judon) “When they come, they come in bunches, when it rains, it pours. That was his time, he took advantage on all three of those sets he had. Sacks, hat trick? That’s amazing. Plus, the sack fumble and then [Terrell] Suggs to the house? That’s amazing. A guy like [Matthew] Judon, you see it every day in practice. He works hard, he prepares for the game, and it was bound to happen. Today, he shined.”



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(on the team's mentality with five games to go) "For us, it's really do or die. At the same time, we're taking it one game at a time, one play at a time, one practice at a time. We only worry about us, not about them."

WR Michael Crabtree

(on his touchdown catch) "When they target me, I just want to do well for the team, and that was a great call at that time. Just happy to get the win."

(on any special meaning that came against the Raiders) "Oh, no. I feel the same that I would against everybody. I don't think as a player you can get too caught up in who you are playing. I have nothing against the Raiders. As a matter of fact, I love the Raiders. I love them all. I love the guy upstairs, Mark Davis. I have nothing but love for him. Ain't no bad blood between anybody, I just go out here and play ball."

(on being greeted by many Raiders after the game) "What do you mean? They're my friends. I do stuff with them in Dallas, in the offseason, and they show up. Ex-players, players that are playing there now. It's just love. It's a brotherhood. This isn't just football, this goes further than that, and I appreciate them all."

(on the two drives after halftime) "Lamar [Jackson] was just being Lamar. It's the Lamar show. You just have to sit back and watch, because he's electrifying. He's going to run with his feet, because that's what he does. He's going to throw it, he's going to run it, because that's Lamar Jackson."

(on how much energy and confidence QB Lamar Jackson has brought to this offense) "A lot. Just his attitude, he's got a winning spirit. Everything he does, he does well. He practices hard, you can't beat that. He's only going up from here. I am just a witness and a receiver, at his disposal."

(on how much QB Lamar Jackson proved he could throw the ball today) "You've got to understand, that last week, was just one week. Today is only two weeks. You're talking about two weeks the guy has been playing. Come on man, he's only 22-years-old. He's got room to grow. You've got to let him grow. You can't put too much on him now, you have to let him grow. It takes a lot to play football in this league."

(on if he can think of anyone he can compare QB Lamar Jackson to) "No. Nobody has feet like that. No quarterback that I can think of. You name me one? [Michael] Vick? Maybe, but that's it. Lamar Jackson's the man."

ILB C.J. Mosley

(on the three sacks by OLB Matthew Judon) "It's great players making great plays. That put that game away, and that extra effort put the game away."

(on if anything has changed in the last three weeks with this team) "Nope, same mentality. Great game today, but Atlanta is a great challenge next week, and that's just the way we're looking at it. Week-to-week, game-by-game. We just move on to the next opponent, and we know what they bring. Great quarterback, great receivers, great offense; we've got a lot of work to do."

(on QB Lamar Jackson's performance) "If you're a defense preparing for him, you basically just have to pick and choose what you think is going to happen, and you never really know. You're guessing all game. Our offensive coordinator has done a great job of calling plays and using Lamar [Jackson]'s versatility. Today, we didn't allow him to take too many hits, running the ball. He only ran when he had to, a couple of plays were designed for him to run. But for the most part, it was pretty balanced, and he did a great job. We really feel good about it."

(on the two long drives keeping the defense off the field) "It's great to see our offensive line going to work, and pounding the ball, because you know what that does for our defense. It keeps us off the field, refreshes us and makes it easier to play down the stretch. When our offense is on the field running the ball, it's a direct correlation to us winning."