

FINAL ROUND INTERVIEW (Quick Quotes)
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J.B. HOLMES (-14)



Q. I'm here with our new champion, J.B. Holmes. J.B., are you a fan of roller coasters? I'm not, because this was some kind of roller coaster ride today.

J.B. HOLMES: Yeah. Well, you know, we wanted to put on a good show for everybody, so me and Justin thought we'd three-putt a couple times from some short distances.

No, man, it was really tough on the back side. The wind was really blowing hard, it was hard putting. It was the way you want to win. You want to come down the end and be able to hit shots and make some key putts. Yeah, it had to be exciting to watch

Q. Well, it was nerve-wracking, I can tell you that. This win qualifies you for Mexico now. I don't know if you know that.

J.B. HOLMES: I do not know that.

Q. And you're not going to need these clothes in Mexico. Congratulations on being able to play next week as well.

J.B. HOLMES: Thank you very much. Appreciate it.

Q. J.B., you started the final round four shots behind Justin. I know he helped a bit, he didn't play his best, but still, what were you able to do to seize the moment down the stretch?

J.B. HOLMES: Yeah, I mean, I knew it was going to be very difficult out there to shoot a low score, so probably needed a little help from Justin. I made a couple birdies early and kind of let him feel a little bit of pressure. He had a four-shot lead and it was down to one, I think, after three or four holes. Kind of grinded it all day. Flip flopped several times, looking great. He makes bogey on 10, I make a good birdie. Next hole it looks like I'm going to make birdie, he makes birdie. I three-putt from like four feet and it flips. And then he ended up doing the same thing a few holes later. But with the wind, it was really tough out there.

Q. It's been a while since you've won out here on the PGA TOUR, which is an emphasis on how difficult it is to win. I know you don't prioritize golf of being the definition of you, but what are your emotions to finally be holding a championship trophy once again out here on this tour?

J.B. HOLMES: It's great. It's what you work hard for and work to do. Like I said, the most important thing is God and family, friends. This is just a job, and it's amazing I'm able to play

a game for a living. In the end, my family, my mom and dad and sister, my wife, my kid doesn't love me any more or less because I won. Like I said, it's an awesome feeling, it's what I come out here and try to do every week. Very difficult to do and it's been a few years since I won, so it's a good feeling.

Q. And finally, moving forward now getting a victory, emphasis what you've been working on, what kind of optimistic attitude does that put you in for the rest of this year?

J.B. HOLMES: I mean, great to be able to win early, I did a lot of good things this week, kind of had a new practice routine on the putting greens and I think that really helped. If you would have saw how I putted last week compared to this week, it was (inaudible). We spent a lot of time early in the week on the putting and I putted fantastic this week. Hit the ball really well with the irons, so just all around a good week. a TEUSZ test test test