

# MLB World Series: Dodgers vs Blue Jays

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## Los Angeles Dodgers

## Tyler Glasnow

### Workout Day Press Conference

**Q. Last time you were here you guys came here with a 2-0 advantage and it was a different rival. How is it for you different facing those Brewers to these Toronto Blue Jays?**

TYLER GLASNOW: It's different game plan, different team. As far as, like, the record going into it goes, I don't think that's a huge thing. Just kind of go in and take the game as, like, its own single thing and just game plan, come out, execute, and hopefully pitch well.

**Q. What a great moment for you, man, I mean, to have the opportunity to pitch a World Series game and at home, and the possibility of winning that first win of three that you guys need in order to close at home. I believe it will be the first time that if you guys make it there will be a championship here in Los Angeles since maybe the '60s or whatever. What are the keys that you guys need to do in order to reach those three pivotal games in order to avoid this thing going back to Toronto?**

TYLER GLASNOW: I think it's just you have to play each game for what it is and not think about the future, like, three games from now. I think it's just tomorrow. We're worried about Game 3. Just execute, do what you can tomorrow, and then don't worry about anything else until you have to play those games.

**Q. I want to ask you about Vlad. Watching him live, watching him on tape, what is so impressive about him, what makes him one of the most elite hitters out there?**

TYLER GLASNOW: I think he's just, obviously, like, swing speed and power, but I think just his contact rate as well. I think when's locked in, he can hit whatever, stuff in the zone, out of the zone. He's just an overall good hitter.



**Q. Blake Snell has the binder. Yoshi has the notebook. What do you have to prep?**

TYLER GLASNOW: I have, like, a little sheet. I don't go like super in-depth. But there's a bunch of different stuff on it. Like, I don't want to give away too much stuff, but it's not a binder. It's just, like, a sheet with, like, seven to eight points that I'd like it look at, like, combined stats and stuff.

**Q. Simply, what did you think of Yoshi Yamamoto yesterday in the last two games and what's the impressive thing about him?**

TYLER GLASNOW: I mean, what's not impressive, I guess. It's crazy what he's able to do. I just think his consistency is always what impresses me, his work throughout the week, and then his pace on the mound is always very similar. It just seems like there's thinking about the game plan, but there's not a lot of external nonsense thinking. He just seems like a very focused person.

I just think the last two games have been incredible. He's just got into a rhythm, and I think as the innings have gone on, he's gotten better and better, and just to see him catch that rhythm yesterday was amazing.

**Q. Dave mentioned before at least his flight was delayed. Were you on the delayed flight, and if so, how annoying was that?**

TYLER GLASNOW: No. My flight was fine. Got in and it was good.

**Q. Having watched Shohei around and what he does, do you think others could be two-way players? Do you think looking back, if you had that inspiration, you could have hit too?**

TYLER GLASNOW: No. (Laughing.) I hit, like, in Little League and it was good. But no, I don't think anyone can do what Shohei does. I think maybe there will be future opportunities for people to try it out more. There's still guys in college that go two-way. I just think to do it at this level is -- I think Shohei can do it.



**Q. Watching him up close, what allows him to do what others can't?**

TYLER GLASNOW: You've seen it too. There's nothing I'm seeing that you aren't seeing. He's just an amazing hitter and an amazing pitcher. It's as simple as that and as complex as that. I think his preparation, I think his mindset is pretty incredible, just to juggle all this stuff. And, like, the amount of media he has to do every day and all the other off-field stuff with pitching and hitting and still maintaining being an awesome person is very impressive. So it's just he's kind of like a super human.

**Q. You spoken about it throughout the postseason, but to be the hometown kid with this opportunity here in the World Series, what does this moment mean to you?**

TYLER GLASNOW: Yeah, I'm trying to just go into it like it is any other game. Obviously, it's the World Series for a hometown team, and it's awesome, but I think for me -- I guess this whole postseason and like any start this season, I think if you go and you just handle what you can and, like, simplify it in your workday and simplify it while you're out there on the mound, I think a lot of the other stuff is just kind of noise. It's very sentimental and amazing, but I think that's kind of something I'll look back on more and focus on and really feel the feelings of it maybe when this is all done. But I'm just trying to go to work and do well.

**Q. When we were talking about the Brewers, a lot of the conversations about just kind of their bat-to-ball skills. Similar conversation when you look at this Blue Jays lineup. Is that something that you can kind of build off of with how you were able to navigate through their lineup from what you've been seeing, just with these first two outings from Blake and then from Yoshi, that you can kind of use to prepare yourself for kind of what your plan is going up against the Blue Jays?**

TYLER GLASNOW: I think there's some -- I don't know how related the two are. I think there's some similarities with contact and not a lot of strikeouts. But I've faced the Blue Jays a lot. I've got a plan of what I want to do. I think watching the first two games can be helpful.

But I guess as far as, like, comparing the two, they're just such two different teams, and I think it's just more about the individual game plan, and I think it's just about executing pitches. And if you execute pitches, regardless of the right one or the wrong one, I think it usually works out for you.

**Q. With the limited innings you had this year because**

**of the shoulder, do you feel in any way fresher now than you would eight months into another season or is it just not comparable?**

TYLER GLASNOW: I don't know, I just think every season's so different, and I've kind of been limited innings every season, so I don't know if I have a ton to pull from. I think it's just so different. Certain seasons you're out of spring and you don't feel great. You get two months into season, you feel good. Certain seasons you feel great for three months, and then you feel bad. It just depends on the season, it depends on what you're going through. Everyone's going through something in season. It's just timing and random stuff and how your mechanics are playing and how your body feels. But I don't know if there's any, like -- I think it's just different for everybody.

**Q. Is it fair to say you feel as good as you've felt at any point in the season?**

TYLER GLASNOW: Yeah, I feel good right now. I think the biggest thing too has just been -- I think, like, even the last few starts of the season working with Connor and Mark and just getting to somewhere I'm, like, comfortable, keep it easy, and just getting me locked in mechanically to where I can just be athletic and free thinking has been super helpful.

And they have been so awesome this whole year, and especially this last month or so. I think I probably feel the best I have all season right now.

**Q. More to the baseball fan side of you. Is there any specific World Series memories that you have? Favorite moment, favorite pitching performances maybe?**

TYLER GLASNOW: Oh, man, I have a terrible memory. I'm sure once I leave this room I'll remember five different things. But the only thing that comes up to mind now is -- I remember like the Giants and Angels World Series. Just being with my cousin. I just remember where I was at the time, and like the whole Rally Monkey thing. And, like nothing super specific but, I remember that.

And obviously, too, I think the Giants runs were always pretty crazy, just watching that for like the 10, 12, 14 years.

And then I guess a specific thing would be like Bumgarner, that was always pretty, that was incredible, just watching him go out there and ball out, I would say. Yeah, I think that's all I can think of right now.

**Q. The Dodgers front office is getting a lot of credit for putting together this foursome of starting pitchers,**

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**having you guys all pitching so well at the same time in October. When you're out for two months is there in your head any kind of, well there's a silver lining to this, I'm going to be really fresh and ready to go in October?**

TYLER GLASNOW: Yeah, I think so. I think it's the thing you tell yourself to not be so pissed off that you're hurt, I guess. I think when it happened this year I definitely was frustrated. I think it wasn't as crazy as it was previous years or I wasn't as frustrated, just knowing it was like something minor, compared to like Tommy John and other stuff. So I knew it wasn't a huge deal. You never want to get hurt in season and I think for me it's been a personal goal to stay healthy all season long. It's always something I say in the beginning of the year. And at the moment it happened I was frustrated, but it is. Like I went and I talked with Gomer, Andrew and we were like, whatever, you'll be out a little bit. The goal is to be for the postseason, like why came here was to pitch postseason games. So it was kind of like, all right, this sucks, but it could be so much worse. So I think coming back from that injury the only thing I had in my mind was just to come out and be healthy for postseason.

**Q. Do you feel like that's part of a plan around here, that the end goal is always to be at your best in October?**

TYLER GLASNOW: I think that's probably everyone's, every team's goal. I would hope it would be. I think you formulate your team not only to -- like obviously you want to do well in season, but I think that should be everyone's goal, to, like, try to build the best playoff team you possibly can. You obviously have to get there -- and it's a little different for the Dodgers, they have done so many things for so many years, from development to signing guys to, like they're in a different position than most guys. But I think any team that has the potential of going to the postseason I think that should probably be the number one thing of when you, it's a month of baseball and you have to maybe formulate your team around having the best month you possibly can.

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