# The 149th Open

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# Sergio Garcia



#### Q. Can you reflect on your first round here at the Open?

SERGIO GARCIA: Yeah, no, it was a nice round. Very happy with it. Obviously very happy with the finish. Even happier after how the morning started, where because of terrible traffic coming in, even though I left the house with plenty of time, I needed a little bit of help from a couple very nice English policemen on the bikes to get me here with only about 35, 40 minutes to tee off, when usually I like to be here around an hour and a half, hour and 25.

It just, I don't know, we just got stuck. We couldn't move, and thankfully they helped us a little bit and got us here in time. I was able to do a very quick practice, very quick warmup, but it worked out okay because I played nicely.

### Q. Can you tell us what the highlight of your round was out there?

SERGIO GARCIA: Yeah, I'm actually quite impressed how good the scoring has been. Obviously the course, it's a little bit softer because of the rain that we had, but it was quite windy out there. There were a lot of tough holes. There were a lot of holes that you needed to hit very good drives and good long irons into the greens.

Obviously the guys are playing great and they're shooting some good scores, so I was very pleased to be able to finish birdie-birdie and shoot a couple under.

# Q. How important is it for the rest of your week that you got off to a really nice start?

SERGIO GARCIA: It's always nice. It doesn't mean that it's going to do -- it's going to make or not your week, but obviously if you start nicely, it gives you a little bit more confidence. It gives you a little more -- you relax a little bit more. I'm very excited about that.

Obviously I felt like I hit a lot of good shots out there. I made some good putts here and there. Overall it was a good solid day and I'm excited to keep going more, doing more of the same.

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