



Tiger Woods

Quick Quotes

Thursday, April 6, 2023

Q. Tiger, with the putting, how much of it is just not having competitive reps under your belt?

TIGER WOODS: I didn't have very good speed early. I had two three-putts, and consequently I'm a couple over par. I didn't hit my irons close enough today.

I didn't give myself very good looks. Need to do a better job of that going forward to hopefully get myself back in this tournament.

Q. Leg feels good? How does the leg feel?

TIGER WOODS: Sore.

Q. Can you explain what you felt that last approach by the bunker?

TIGER WOODS: Well, I was trying to hook it more than that and trying to put it in the left gallery or left bunker and give myself an angle. I didn't do that.

Then again, try not to hosel rocket over to the right either. That hosel was sitting there right next to that golf ball.

Q. I meant the hopping in the bunker. It looked awkward.

TIGER WOODS: It's on my left leg. I'm good. Hop on the left leg is fine. If I did it on the other one, not so fine.

Q. How would you grade your round today, different parts of your game?

TIGER WOODS: I felt like I drove it good. I just didn't do the job I need to do to get the ball close. Today was the opportune time to get the ball -- get the round under par, and I didn't do that today.

Most of the guys are going low today. This was the day to do it. Hopefully tomorrow I'll be a little bit better, a little bit sharper, and kind of inch my way through it.

This is going to be an interesting finish to the tournament with the weather coming in. If I can just kind of hang in there, maybe kind of inch my way back, hopefully it will be positive towards the end.

Q. Can you talk us through 3?

TIGER WOODS: Second shot on 3? I hit it kind of high on the face. It wasn't -- I was trying to spin it, and it came out kind of hopping and was kind of a tumbler.

Q. What's 13 like for you now?

TIGER WOODS: Well, I hit good drives. Xander and I both hit good drives. We were down there. He was at 219. I was 218 front. But we weren't sitting very good in the first cut right there.

So it wasn't really an opportune time to go for it, so we both laid up.

Q. Was that sort of the intention they were looking for to have to make you think about it?

TIGER WOODS: Yeah, if you hit it up more the left side like Viktor did, Viktor played a cut there, and he got up the left side.

Yeah, there's less options off the tee. There's no really 3-wood there. You just hit driver and maybe turn it just a touch. Or you can hit what Viktor did. You can cut it off that tee, and you have room. He hit some kind of 4-, 5-iron to the green.

Q. Are there other shots where the pain is more focused, or is it something that's constant?

TIGER WOODS: It's constant.

Q. Tiger, can you talk us through 11?

TIGER WOODS: Yeah, 11, the wind laid down just a little bit, and I hit a good 5-iron in there right where I was looking. We were trying to keep it short of that bunker so we have an angle. The wind just laid down.

I missed a spot by two yards, and it careened off the edge of the slope and gave myself basically no shot.

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