## Men's Olympic Golf Competition

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## **Justin Thomas**

**Quick Quotes** 

## Q. Tell us how the tournament went for you? How do you feel?

JUSTIN THOMAS: Not well. I think the scores are pretty self explanatory but it was nice to play well today. The experience was great, it's a shame that there wasn't able to be fans because Japan always has an unbelievable turnout and just with the amount of volunteers that were here, let alone if fans could have been here, it would have made a special week even more special. So it was a shame, but it's great, I mean with all that's going on in the world, especially here, we're fortunate that we were able to compete and it's pretty cool to say that I'm an Olympian.

## Q. I don't know what your expectations would have been before you got here, but after the fact how do you feel? Did it live up to your expectations, exceed them?

JUSTIN THOMAS: It's just, it's so different. It was cooler than I thought it was. I'm more proud of being here than I thought I would be. I thought I would be proud, but the first like day or two I immediately found out that this is like the coolest thing I've ever been a part of. The Ryder Cup is cool, the Presidents Cup's cool, but this is just so different. I grew up watching the Ryder Cup, the Presidents Cup, the majors, and never grew up watching this, so no one was ever able to relay or say how it felt being an Olympian, especially a golfer. And so it was really -- I was never hitting putts as an 8, 10 year old on the putting green to win the Olympics and win a gold medal. So I think when you don't have the ability to dream something, when you get here it's, it can sometimes just take you by surprise and this definitely exceeded that.

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