



# NEW ENGLAND PATRIOTS

## Postgame Transcripts

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### **Devin McCourty, Safety**

(On reserve players filling in for starters)

"We've got a lot of guys that are chomping at the bit to get out there and show they can play, so it's always a next-man-up mentality and guys showed that today."

(On the team's performance despite losing players to injury)

"That's why it's a true team game, complementary football. Even the drive at the end of the game, we didn't get any points, but that was big. We got them to us all their timeouts and we moved the ball down the field, so it showed up big at the end of the game."

(On whether the team let up in the second half because they're human)

"We're not humans, we're robots [laughs]. We've got to play better. I think for us defensively, it's our mentality [that has to get better.] You never know. You come out here some days and the offense will be hot, other times we have to step up and make some plays. That shows by going out there and being consistent. When you get into touch games, you can rely on consistency. To come out in the second half and not play well shows that it's September and we've still got a lot of work to do."