

Thomas HindleJude Bellingham's most clutch moments: From last-gasp Euros overhead-kick for England to stoppage-time Clasico winners for Real MadridAnalysisJude BellinghamEnglandReal MadridBirminghamBorussia DortmundEuropean ChampionshipLaLigaChampions LeagueFEATURESThe 21-year-old is earning a reputation for showing up in the biggest of moments and providing late magic to inspire both club and countryHe may have only just turned 21, but the legend of Jude Bellingham continues to grow after his dramatic, 95th-minute overhead kick saved England from Euro 2024 embarrassment against Slovakia. The Real Madrid midfielder hasn't been at his best in Germany so far, but that will all be forgotten if he keeps providing moments like his most recent intervention in Gelsenkirchen.Bellingham has constantly delivered in big moments over the past 12 months, providing game-winning goals and assists to keep Madrid on track towards their La Liga-Champions League double. The ex-Borussia Dortmund man certainly seems to possess the much-discussed 'clutch gene', with his penchant for late interventions running all the way back his days as a teenager at Birmingham City.As such, GOAL has taken a look at Bellingham's most clutch moments in his young career so far...Article continues belowRichard MillsSpain player ratings vs Georgia: Rodri rescues La Roja before Lamine Yamal and Nico Williams run riot again to set up mouth-watering Euro 2024 quarter-final with GermanyPlayer ratingsSpainRodriLamine YamalEuropean ChampionshipFEATURESSpain vs GeorgiaAfter falling behind early on, Luis de la Fuente's side battled back as the Manchester City midfielder led from the front in Cologne A Rodri-inspired Spain overcame an early scare to romp to a 4-1 win over a plucky Georgia to reach the quarter-finals of Euro 2024, where they will take on hosts Germany in a mouth-watering clash between two of the tournament favourites.For 17 of the first 18 minutes in Cologne, Spain had nearly 90 percent possession and put relentless pressure on Georgia; but one breakaway attack later, Robin Le Normand put the ball into his own net after a wicked cross into the six-yard box by Otar Kakabadze.The Georgians looked so threatening on the counter-attack, and just when it looked like it could be one of those days for Spain, talisman Rodri guided a superb strike into the bottom corner six minutes before the break.Georgia goalkeeper Giorgi Mamardashvili repeatedly kept Spain

at bay until Lamine Yamal's inch-perfect cross was headed in by Fabian Ruiz in the 51st minute, and Nico Williams' terrific run and finish in the 75th minute put the contest beyond doubt before substitute Dani Olmo stroked in a fourth seven minutes from time.GOAL rates Spain's players from RheinEnergieStadion...Article continues belowGill ClarkExplained: Bizarre reason Marcelo Bielsa suspended for Uruguay vs USMNT as Gregg Berhalter's side handed potential boost ahead of huge Copa America clashCopa AmericaMarcelo BielsaUSAUruguayUSA vs UruguayUruguay boss Marcelo Bielsa has been handed a one-match ban at the Copa America and will miss the crunch group clash with the United States.Article continues belowArticle continues belowArticle continues belowUruguay facing USMNT in final group gameStars and Stripes must win to progressBielsa banned for crunch gameArticle continues belowRyan TolmichArgentina player ratings vs Peru: Lautaro Martinez steps up for missing Lionel Messi as he takes the lead in race for Copa America Golden BootPlayer ratingsArgentinaLionel MessiLautaro MartinezCopa AmericaPeruFEATURESArgentina vs PeruThe striker now has four goals in three games, having started just once during his country's perfect group stage run.Who needs Lionel Messi when you have Lautaro Martinez? We're kidding, obviously, but based on what we've seen so far in this Copa America, it may just be the Inter man that will be remembered as Argentina's most important attacker this summer.With Messi being rested, it was Martinez who stepped up once again in Argentina's third and final group stage game, leading the way in a 2-0 win over Peru. With the win, Argentina made it a perfect nine points from nine in this initial phase, joining second-place Canada in the knockout phase without so much of a slip-up.Martinez is the player most responsible for that, and he was at his best once again on Saturday night. The striker scored both, taking his total to four in three games as he furthered his case for the Golden Boot.His first came just two minutes after halftime, as he ran onto a fantastic assist from Angel Di Maria. Then, with just a few minutes remaining, Martinez closed out the game, scoring in the 86th minute to ensure that there would be no real late drama in Miami on Thursday night.It wasn't always pretty, but it was effective from Argentina, who are riding Martinez's hot streak straight into the knockouts. Messi will be back for

those, for sure, but, from what we've seen so far, Martinez is ready to be this team's dangerman as the stakes are raised going forward.GOAL rates Argentina's players from Hard Rock Stadium..Article continues belowJacob Schneider'It hurts a lot' - USMNT star Tim Weah apologizes for red card incident in Copa America loss to PanamaTimothy WeahCopa AmericaUSA vs UruguayUSAUruguayUSMNT star Tim Weah opened up in an interview to share his feelings on his harrowing red card incident against Panama on Thursday.Article continues belowArticle continues belowArticle continues belowWeah goes in-depth on red card incidentPledges support to USMNT teammatesU.S. take on Uruguay in group finale After Endrick and Luis Guilherme, Palmeiras has already transferred its next superstar. Chelsea has reached an agreement with the Brazilian club to acquire the services of Estevao Willian, better known as 'Messinho', in exchange for 34 million euros plus another 27 million euros in variables (according to English media). The Blues have signed him to a nine-season contract. But, as he is still 17 years old, he will not arrive at Stamford Bridge until 2025. So, as Real Madrid has done with Endrick, he will remain on loan at Palmeiras to continue growing without pressure.The truth is that Estevao's name, despite still being a child, has been around for many months. Especially after the spectacular U-17 World Cup he signed with Brazil, where he scored three goals and provided three assists in just five games. Since then, his explosion has been dazzling. He made his debut with the Palmeiras first team last December at just 16 years of age and, little by little, is making a name for himself in the reigning Brasileirao champions.The nickname 'Messinho' is no coincidence. He is a left-footed winger who usually plays on the left foot with devilish foot speed, a great deal of imagination in one-on-one situations and a striking quality that is astonishing for a boy of his age. Not in vain, in the 23 games he has already played with Palmeiras' first team, he has four goals and three assists in just over 1,000 minutes.Abel Ferreira began giving him opportunities in dribs and drabs. But since he started him against Liverpool in the Copa Libertadores, Estevao has made seven starts in 11 games, which has convinced Chelsea to go all out for Brazilian soccer's latest talent. "Believe me, this kid is completely different. Estevao is something I've never seen in my coaching career," his current coach said.Last March, Endrick's

agent said that the Blues were very close to signing him. But they ended up falling asleep and Real Madrid overtook them on the right. "Endrick's signing will serve as a lesson to Chelsea. They were the first to lead the race, but they disagreed on the price. When Real Madrid entered the negotiation they were willing to pay whatever Palmeiras wanted." Since then, Chelsea have carried out an intense scouting process in South America with the aim of copying Real Madrid's own strategy. Along the way they have signed Andrey Santos, Angelo Gabriel, Deivid Washington, Kendry Paez... and now Estevao Willian, who, for the time being, will continue to simmer in Brazilian soccer.

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (AP) ? The future of the U.S. in the Copa America tournament will be decided after 90 minutes against Uruguay on Monday night. So, too, could the future of Gregg Berhalter leading the American team. After an embarrassing loss to Panama, which began with Timmy Weah's red card that forced the U.S. to play a man down most of the game and ended with a failure by its back line to preserve a hard-fought draw, the Americans have been backed into a corner. While there are paths through Group C that do not rely upon them beating the South America power at Arrowhead Stadium, that would be the most stress-free avenue for the host nation to advance to the knockout rounds. ? There can't be more pressure on the outside than what we put on ourselves as staff and as players, and how we want to perform, ? Berhalter said Sunday. ? The external stuff we can't control. All we can control ? all I can control ? is how we prepare the team to play confident and have a strong performance, and that's really my focus right now. ? There are a whole lot of people focused on Berhalter's future with the national team.

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and win the goal-differential tiebreaker if Panama beats Bolivia; draw with Uruguay and hope Panama and Bolivia draw or Panama loses; or lose against Uruguay, hope for lowly Bolivia to beat Panama and then win the goal differential tiebreaker. Our focus as a collective is to go out and win. That's our team goal," said U.S. captain Christian Pulisic, an ardent Berhalter supporter. "We're all here. We're all hungry. We all want to win. And that's what is motivating us." Pulisic also does buy into the belief that there is more pressure on this particular team, given how many of its players are playing at high levels across Europe. Some have even referred to it as the best generation of players the U.S. has had. "I think it's easy to do that, to say we have players playing at such high levels across Europe and add the pressure," he said, "but you see other national teams doing that as well, saying, 'This is such a good generation. You can't let people down.' We don't need any additional pressure besides what we put on ourselves on a day-to-day basis. That outside noise, it does not affect me personally. People can say what they want. All we can do is do our best." The U.S. knows it will be playing without Weah, whose suspension was extended to two games Sunday by the Confederation of South American Football for his punch to the head of Panama's Roderick Miller; Weah also was fined \$3,000. The team is less certain about the availability of goalkeeper Matt Turner, who hurt a leg during a collision in the opening minutes against Panama and was replaced by Ethan Horvath at halftime. Berhalter said Turner did "limited training" on Saturday and again Sunday, but would not say whether he expects him to be in goal. The Americans aren't the only ones who will be shorthanded. Uruguay coach Marcelo Bielsa will miss Monday night's match after South American soccer's governing body ruled the team broke tournament rules by being late to the field after halftime of wins over Panama and Bolivia. CONMEBOL also levied a \$15,000 fine to the Uruguayan Football Association. Berhalter doesn't expect La Celeste to deviate from its aggressive, counter-attacking style without Bielsa on the sideline. Nor does Berhalter think Uruguay will back off knowing it is virtually assured of advancing to the knockout rounds. "My estimate would be that they play their strongest team," he said. "I think you go into this tournament wanting to advance and do your best possible job. Their work is not

done, either. My guess is they're going to play their strongest team. That means as Pulisic said last week the Americans may have to play the best game of our lives. Or at least something close to it. To be honest, Pulisic said Sunday, thinking back, I don't think that's true. I don't think we have to play the best game of our lives. I think we have to play a really strong game. I know we have a good enough team to do that. And eventually over the 90 minutes we can grab a goal and go ahead and win the game. We just need a really strong performance. The best game of our lives would be great, he added with a smile, but that doesn't happen a lot.

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COLOGNE, Germany (AP) — Khvicha Kvaratskhelia found himself in space on the halfway line and spotted Spain goalkeeper Unai Simón out of position. Why not take a shot? The Napoli winger's effort bounced just wide of the post this time, but it was so nearly spectacular and showed an ambitious Georgia team that seemed to have no fear of failure at Euro 2024. The lowest-ranked team in the tournament lost 4-1 to Spain in the round of 16 on Sunday, but it went down fighting after taking the lead early on. Any sadness from the loss will fade as players appreciate just what they achieved, Georgia coach Willy Sagnol predicted. I'm sure in some days we will realize what we have done and I think happiness is going to come back very quickly, Sagnol said. Before the tournament began, Sagnol just wanted his team to gain experience on its debut in such a major competition as an independent nation. Results were secondary and political turmoil at home threatened to overshadow the whole campaign. Then Georgia pulled off one of the biggest shocks in tournament history by beating Portugal 2-0. Suddenly it was in the knockout stages and the players were promised a \$10.7 million bonus from a politically connected billionaire back home. Another bonus was on offer for beating Spain.

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Turkey, Georgia scored off an elaborate passing move. In its 1-1 draw with the Czech Republic, Georgia nearly won but missed a crucial shot on the last kick of the game. The shock win over Cristiano Ronaldo and Portugal was built on audacious dribbling in the midfield and goalkeeper Giorgi Mamardashvili hurling himself at the ball for crucial saves. Where Georgia goes from here is unclear. Sagnol deflected a question about whether he might stay for the qualifying campaign for the 2026 World Cup in the United States, Mexico and Canada. "Sometimes you have to take the time to sit and look at what you have done and I think we can sit in peace and quiet, everyone, and look at the last year," he said. "Now it's the end of a journey but I'm sure the next one will be also very exciting."___AP Euro 2024: <https://apnews.com/hub/euro-2024>FRANKFURT, Germany (AP) ? Portugal coach Roberto Martinez knows to respect the underdog, having already seen his team lose to Slovenia when the round of 16 opponents at the European Championship met in a friendly in March. Portugal lost by the same 2-0 score to Georgia in a Euro 2024 group game, and Martinez was asked Sunday about the underdog trend at the same time that Slovakia was frustrating England with a lead that lasted until the last seconds. "All the teams here have a lot of personality. They believe that they can win," Martinez said ahead of Portugal facing Slovenia again on Monday. "The same applies to Slovenia. They are very well organized, competitive, and believe in what they're doing," he said in translated comments. Portugal, the European champion in 2016 and still with the veteran presence of Cristiano Ronaldo and Pepe, is a big favorite. Slovenia is playing its first elimination game in the knockout rounds at a major tournament, its fourth in 32 years as an independent soccer nation. "It's a historical moment for Slovenian football," Martinez said, praising his counterpart Matjaž Kek. "We admire what their coach is doing because their national team plays like a club." RELATED COVERAGE Fearless Georgia departs Euro 2024 but leaves behind plenty of highlights Slovakia didn't take its loss to England so well at Euro 2024 as coach lashes out and captain cries Kylian Mbappé says he feels like he's in a virtual reality game wearing his mask at Euro 2024 "They attack very quickly. (Andra?) "porar and (Benjamin) "e?ko have a very strong bond, and they kept a clean sheet against England. "That 0-0 against England was a third straight

draw for Slovenia, one of six teams still unbeaten at Euro 2024. Kek joined in the mutual respect, calling Martinez "a gentleman, he always behaves like that." The game is likely to follow a pattern. Portugal leads the tournament in most time possessing the ball and Slovenia has the least, with UEFA assessing their scores as 64.3% and 36.7%. "They don't need a lot of possession to be dangerous," Martinez said. Portugal midfielder Bruno Fernandes expects patience to be key to beating goalkeeper Jan Oblak, who he described as one of the world's best. "We know we have to tire them out, make them run around," he said. "If we can't do it on the inside we will do it on the outside and use the wings." The winner Monday in Frankfurt will move on to play France or Belgium on Friday in Hamburg. ____AP Euro 2024: <https://apnews.com/hub/euro-2024> GELSENKIRCHEN, Germany (AP) " Their captain was reduced to tears. Their coach clashed with an England player and took aim at the referee. Slovakia didn't take its heartbreaking exit from the European Championship so well on Sunday. "We needed 30 seconds and could celebrate, but that's soccer, I'm speechless," Slovakia captain Milan "kriniar said after his team conceded a stoppage-time equalizer to England and then lost 2-1 after extra time. The pain was etched over "kriniar's face and it was easy to understand why. Slovakia was so close to reaching the quarterfinals of a major tournament for the first time since becoming an independent state in 1993 and from taking down another huge soccer nation at Euro 2024 in the process, having already beaten Belgium in the group stage. Ivan Schranz's 25th-minute strike put the 45th-ranked Slovaks ahead against England and it needed arguably the goal of the tournament " an overhead kick by Jude Bellingham in the fifth minute of additional time " to breach a defense that hadn't until that point allowed a shot on target. "They scored a goal from a player who is valued at 100 million euros. This was a team worth 1.5 billion (euros). You concede just half a meter and you will get punished," Slovakia coach Francesco Calzona said. "So I don't want to blame anyone." RELATED COVERAGE Fearless Georgia departs Euro 2024 but leaves behind plenty of highlights Portugal sure to respect Slovenia in Euro 2024 round of 16 with fresh memory of upset losses Kylian Mbappé says he feels like he's in a virtual reality game wearing his mask at Euro 2024 That, though, didn't stop Slovakia's Italian

coach from having a pop at England goalkeeper Jordan Pickford for time-wasting and the referee for always coming to our bench and never going to (England's) bench. Indeed, Calzona went on the field seemingly to remonstrate with the match officials when he was involved in a confrontation with England midfielder Declan Rice. Some pushing ensued and Rice was seen shouting at Calzona. Rice was supposed to go to the referees and say goodbye and leave. I wanted to speak to the referees," Calzona said. Slovakia's players can leave Germany with their heads held high. I told the players they did a great job, they were fantastic," he said. "We played on a par with all our opponents, played attacking football. Tonight we played against the team that many consider favorites to win the tournament. We were very close to making it, to qualifying for the quarterfinals and it disappeared with a few seconds to go."___AP Euro 2024: <https://apnews.com/hub/euro-2024>