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The same is true for the offense, but usually when the offense recovers the ball it simply tries to down it. In American football the offense cannot advance the ball if it recovers its own fumble on fourth down, or in the last two minutes of a half, unless the ball is recovered by the fumbler there are no such restrictions in Canadian football. However, if the offense fumbles the ball, the defense recovers and then fumbles back to the offense, they would get a first down since possession had formally changed over the course of the play even though the ball had never been blown dead. In American football, there is no separate signal to indicate a fumble recovery. If the offense recovers its own fumble, the official will indicate the recovery by a hand signal showing the next down. If the defense recovers the fumble, the official will indicate with a "first down" signal in the direction the recovering team is driving the ball. Some officials have erroneously used a "first down" signal when the offense recovers its own fumble and the recovery did not result in a first down. This is not the same thing as when a forward pass is attempted and is not caught. In this latter case, it is simply an incomplete pass. However, if the receiver catches the ball, but then drops it after gaining control of the ball, that is considered a fumble. Any number of fumbles can be committed during a play, including fumbles by the team originally on defense. A sometimes controversial rule is usually referred to as "the ground cannot cause a fumble". If a player is tackled and loses control of the ball at or after the time he makes contact with the ground, the player is treated as down and the ball is not in play. However, in the NFL and CFL, if a ball carrier falls without an opponent contacting him, the ground can indeed cause a fumble. This is because in those leagues the ball carrier is not "down" unless an opponent first makes contact, or the runner is out of bounds. If a player fumbles in most other leagues, as soon as the knee or elbow touches the ground, the ball carrier is considered down. An example was the fumble by Arkansas quarterback Clint Stoerner vs. The effects of fumbles vary when the ball goes out of bounds without being recovered: A fumble going out-of-bounds between the end zones is retained by the last team with possession in Canadian football, the last team to touch the ball. If the ball was moving backwards with regard to the recovering team, it is spotted where it went out of bounds. If the ball was moving forwards, it is spotted where the fumble occurred the fumble itself cannot advance the ball. A fumble going out-of-bounds in the endzone being attacked results in the defending team assuming possession via touchback if the offensive team forced the ball into the endzone. If the defensive team forced the ball into the endzone it is a safety for the offense. A fumble going out-of-bounds in the endzone being defended is ruled a safety if the offensive team forced the ball into the endzone. A fumble going out-of-bounds in the endzone being defended is ruled a touchback if the defensive team forced the ball into the endzone. The ball is turned over to the defensive team. In all cases, a fumble recovered by an out-of-bounds player is considered an out-of-bounds fumble even if the ball never leaves the field of play. In addition, a punted or place-kicked ball that touches any part of a player on the receiving team, whether or not the player ever gains control, is considered to be live and is treated like a fumble. Also, lateral passes that are caught by a member of the opposing team are recorded as fumbles as opposed to interceptions.

Play during fumbles[edit] Officials sort out possession after a fumble at the Chick-fil-A Bowl between Georgia and Virginia Tech. Since footballs tend to bounce in unpredictable ways, particularly on artificial turf, attempting to recover and advance a fumbled ball is risky even for those with good manual coordination. Coaches at lower levels of the game usually therefore prefer that players, particularly those such as interior linemen who do not normally handle the ball in the course of play, simply fall on the ball. Gaining or retaining possession is more important in most situations than attempting to advance the ball and possibly score, and there have been many instances where those attempting to do so have wound up fumbling the ball back to the other team. Recovering and advancing a fumble is also made difficult, and potentially injurious, by the effect on play. Since neither team is on offense or defense while the ball remains loose, there are no restrictions on the type of contact allowed as long as all players are making legitimate efforts to recover it. A loose ball has

been described as the only situation in football where the rules are suspended. Spectators relish the suspense. Most commonly, players will "pile on" opponents already down trying to recover the ball. Some NFL players also report that pokes in the eyes, pinches or other abuse is common in post-fumble pileups, conduct which has sometimes led to confrontations, fights or even brawls. The usual aftermath of a fumble, at every level of play, is a pile of players, many still squirming diligently despite the whistle, surrounded by teammates pointing upfield the hand signal for a first down while the officials slowly extricate them in an effort to determine who has won possession. Fumbles recovered for touchdowns in the end zone are often the only way offensive linemen score points. Proper fumble recovery[edit] The most obvious way to recover a loose football would be to fall prone atop it and cradle it between both arms against the abdomen. Amateur players are seen doing this all the time, particularly when playing touch football, and it can even be seen in professional contests. However, coaches tell players not to do this in game situations if at all possible, since not only is the ball likely to squirt loose again once other players pile on, there is also a possibility of injury from the ball being driven into the soft organs with great force. Instead, players are taught to fall on their sides and augment their cradling with a thigh and upper body, if possible. This greatly reduces both the chance of losing the ball and the potential for injury at least from the ball. Coaches are also increasingly encouraging their players to use the "scoop and score" method of picking it up and attempting to return it for a touchdown. Coaches are very leery of calling this, however, as a team must be able to execute it flawlessly in order for it to have a chance of working in a game situation. The guard must also be able to run the ball competently and protect it when being tackled, both not usually part of the skill set for the position. While it is a crowd pleaser when done properly, the risk far outweighs the likely reward. For this reason it is most likely to be used in informal touch football games. It was sometimes used in the college game before the NCAA banned it in. It has almost never been used in the NFL or any other professional league. The best-known fake fumble is probably the Fumblerski play in the Orange Bowl see below. Fumbling forward, as the Holy Roller play see below demonstrated, once was a viable offensive tactic in desperate situations, but the rules have been changed to discourage that. Use in place of opening coin toss[edit] The XFL, a competing pro league which played its sole season in, used a fumble recovery instead of a coin toss to decide which team would get to choose whether to kick off or receive at the opening of the game and before overtime. A player from each team would sprint, alongside the other, toward a loose ball at the middle of the field, and whoever was able to gain possession won the right for their team to decide. The idea was that such a key element of the game would be decided by a test of playing skill, not chance. Because of a high rate of injury in these events, the idea never caught on in any other level of football, and the coin toss remains the standard. Famous fumbles[edit] Fumbles have sometimes played a role in deciding games. Some of these have been so unique as to not only earn their own distinctive sobriquets, but to change the way the game has been played afterwards.

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Morehouse College's big-play ability was more than enough to ruin Cedric Thomas' head coaching debut for the University of Arkansas at Pine Bluff on Saturday night, but it was a defensive stand.

Early life[edit] Woodson was born in Fremont, Ohio. In addition to playing cornerback, he returned punts and occasionally played as a wide receiver. He led the team with five interceptions and eight takeaways. Woodson led the Michigan Wolverines to an undefeated season and a share of the national championship in the same year. He won the Bronko Nagurski Trophy as the best defensive college player. Woodson won the Jim Thorpe Award , an award which he was nominated for the previous year. As a freshman, he had two interceptions in a victory against the 2-ranked Ohio State Buckeyes. Woodson had two interceptions in the game. The win over the buckeyes lifted Michigan to the Rose Bowl. Woodson recorded another end-zone interception in the game, helping Michigan defeat the Cougars and win a share of the national championship. Woodson had 64 tackles that season. This was the fourth consecutive year Woodson played in every game of the season. Woodson finished with two sacks, one interception, one forced fumble, and one blocked field goal. The shoulder injury came in the first half of the second game of the season. Despite the injury Woodson played the remainder of the game and was able to force a fumble. In the Super Bowl, Woodson showed signs of his injury, but still recorded an interception in a losing effort against the Tampa Bay Buccaneers. His contract was set to expire after the season. Woodson reached an agreement with Oakland and was labeled as a franchise player. The cornerback has since lauded the Packers organization, Mike McCarthy , and the people of the State of Wisconsin for having faith in him, and has declared that "it was truly a blessing coming to Green Bay. On October 22, he had a yard interception return for a touchdown against the Miami Dolphins.

Chapter 3 : Greatest NFL Player at Every Jersey Number, 00 to 99

Four plays later, Carson Wentz hit rookie tight end Dallas Goedert for a yard touchdown and the Eagles took a lead into halftime. They never again trailed, in winning,

We run down the best of the best, from He was elected to the Pro Football Hall of Fame in his first year of eligibility. Nagurski came straight out of central casting for the nascent NFL, combining size, determination and toughness into one terrifying package. At the time of his retirement, the time Pro Bowler held NFL records for passing yards and touchdowns since broken. He still holds the records for attempts, completions and consecutive starts, among other milestones. He set a rookie record with points for the legendary Bears. Giants , Minnesota Fran the Man was known for his scrambling, and he did amass 3, rushing yards and 32 touchdowns on carries. But he was also a prolific passer, piling up 47, yards a record at his retirement and leading the league in completions in three of his last four seasons. Rams , Philadelphia The Dutchman still holds the single-game record for passing yards , but he was far from a one-hit wonder. Van Brocklin led the NFL in yards per attempt four times in a five-year period, and his Brady has won He led the NFL in yards and completions in four of his first six seasons, including a 5,yard, TD campaign in that shattered existing single-season records. Fouts was the first player in history to throw for 4, yards in three consecutive seasons. Starr led the NFL in completion percentage and passer rating four times apiece, and he excelled at protecting the football and limiting turnovers. Montana led the NFL in completion percentage five times and won four Super Bowls, posting an to-0 TD-to-interception ratio in the big game. Unitas finished with 40, passing yards and TD passes. Sanders â€” like Jim Brown before him â€” enhanced his legend by retiring at the peak of his powers. Sanders also excelled as a return man with nine career TDs via kick or punt return. Smith led the league in rushing yards four times and was part of three Super Bowl-winning Dallas teams. He posted 52 career interceptions and forced 25 fumbles, and he was selected to 12 Pro Bowls in his career, the most ever for a cornerback. His 71 career interceptions rank third all time, and he holds the NFL record for interceptions returned for touchdowns He was inducted into the Pro Football Hall of Fame in He had 1, career tackles and 24 interceptions and made eight Pro Bowls. Louis Faulk established the blueprint for dual-threat running backs, amassing 19, yards from scrimmage and touchdowns. In , playing for the Greatest Show on Turf in St. Louis, he joined Roger Craig as the only players with 1, yards both rushing and receiving in a single season, compiling 2, yards from scrimmage. Rams , Indianapolis , L. Raiders , Atlanta Dickerson took the NFL by storm, setting rookie records for rushing attempts , yards 1, and touchdowns He topped himself the following season with 2, rushing yards, an NFL record that still stands. Dickerson, who led the NFL in rushing four times, finished with 13, career yards and 96 total touchdowns. He had a brilliant career, but it was extremely short â€” basically four full seasons followed by three injury-shortened ones, leaving him 55th all time in rushing yards. But what a marvel those four seasons were, culminating with 2, yards and 23 total TDs for the Super Bowl champs in Shell played in games, second-most in Steelers history, and retired as the NFL strong safety career leader in interceptions with The eight-time first-team All-Pro averaged 5. He holds an unbreakable record with his yard touchdown jaunt on Monday Night Football in Dorsett ranks one spot ahead of Brown on the all-time rushing list with 12, yards. Payton finished with 16, rushing yards, second all-time, and total touchdowns. Louis A inductee into the Pro Football Hall of Fame, Williams was an eight-time Pro Bowler who finished with tackles, 55 interceptions and nine touchdowns. His fumble return yards are an NFL record. Louis Rams , Pittsburgh The Bus rumbled his way to 13, career yards sixth all-time during a career that was remarkable for its longevity as well as its production. Giants The five-time Pro Bowler and two-time Super Bowl champ was punishing and relentless with the football and was arguably the best fullback in NFL history, posting three straight 1,yard seasons, remarkable for his position. He rushed for a career-best 1, yards for the undefeated Dolphins. Raiders , N. For his career, Lott had 63 interceptions, 16 forced fumbles and 17 fumble recoveries. Polamalu was a two-time Super Bowl champ and eight-time Pro Bowler and finished with tackles, 32 interceptions and 14 forced fumbles. He finished his Hall of Fame career with 11, rushing yards and rushing TDs. In career games, the reliable McDonald posted 1, tackles, 40 interceptions and 16 fumble

recoveries. He is now the defensive backs coach for the Buffalo Bills. He finished with 57 career interceptions. The versatile Johnston had more career receptions than carries. He was a key contributor for three Super Bowl-winning teams in Dallas. Mitchell helped integrate the Washington Redskins in , a season in which he led the NFL in receptions 72 and receiving yards 1, During a career that produced 83 receiving and rushing scores, Mitchell had a yard TD reception and a yard TD run. He recovered two fumbles in Super Bowl XX. Despite playing on mostly losing teams, Butkus was perhaps the most feared player in NFL history due to his matchless intensity and aggression. He recovered 27 fumbles in his career and forced countless others. He also intercepted 23 passes and finished his career with 1, tackles. Giants Lawrence Taylor made the headlines, but Carson was the rock at middle linebacker for the great Giants defenses of the s. Carson led the Giants in tackles in five seasons and was a team captain in . He was first-team All-Pro every season from and finished with career sacks. Giants One of the greatest players in history, LT made his reputation as a fearsome pass rusher from his outside linebacker position, finishing his career with . He had double-digit sacks in six different seasons and led the NFL in fumble recoveries in and . He also won a Super Bowl ring in San Francisco. The gap-toothed Lambert specialized in intimidation but was also effective against the pass, with 28 career interceptions. His 53 takeaways 32 interceptions, 21 fumble recoveries are the most by a non-defensive back. Ham was on four Super Bowl-winning teams in his year career. Newton was a six-time Pro Bowler, tied for second most among Cowboys offensive linemen behind only teammate Larry Allen. He played in three Super Bowls with the Dolphins, winning two. Upshaw and tackle Art Shell formed a legendary left side of a dominant offensive line. With the Bucs, he even became the oldest player to score his first touchdown reception, at 36 years, days. The seven-time Pro Bowler and five-time first-team All-Pro was an offensive line stalwart for two different franchises, helping the Broncos to their first Super Bowl win in the last season of his career in a game in which the Broncos rushed for yards. Nitschke had 25 career interceptions and was a key member of five NFL Championship teams. He also shares the NFL record with four career safeties. He recovered an NFL-record 30 opponent fumbles and was credited with sacks. Vikings coach Bud Grant called him the greatest player he ever coached. In more than 5, passing plays during his career in Seattle, Jones gave up a total of only 23 quarterback sacks and was penalized for holding just nine times. Hannah was named All-Pro every season from until his retirement following the season. He holds the NFL record for games played by a lineman with . In Super Bowl IX, Greene became the first player ever to record an interception, a forced fumble and fumble recovery in a single Super Bowl. A time Pro Bowler, Greene finished with . A testament to his athleticism: Roaf considered playing basketball at Louisiana Tech before focusing solely on football and becoming one of the greatest tackles in NFL history. Childress had 13 multi-sack games in his career, and he shares the NFL record for fumble recoveries in a single game with three. Brown was a nine-time Pro Bowler who finished with 1, catches for 14, yards and touchdowns. He never missed a game in his year Browns career, finishing with receptions for 7, yards, both franchise records. The Hall of Famer then embarked on a successful front-office career with the Browns and Ravens. He holds the NFL single-season touchdown reception record 23 in , the single-season touchdown reception record for a rookie 17 in , and is second on the NFL all-time regular season touchdown reception list with . Youngblood was credited with . The six-time Pro Bowler finished with 1, receptions for 14, yards and 82 touchdowns. He was NFL MVP in , the only defensive lineman to be so honored and one of only two defensive players ever to earn the award. After his retirement, he embarked on a distinguished legal career that included 22 years on the Minnesota Supreme Court. Through Week 9 of the season, Peppers has . His sacks are second all time, and his nine consecutive seasons with at least 10 sacks are an NFL record. He led the NFL in sacks in with . Through Week 9 of the season, Ware has . He is a nine-time Pro Bowler and four-time first-team All-Pro. He finished his career with . The Hall of Famer had tackles in games with Seattle. He was the second-fastest to sacks, behind only Reggie White.

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One of my keys for him this year was that he needed to take that next step and make more game-impacting plays, and recovering two fumbles counts. leading to big plays.

Chapter 8 : Charles Woodson - Wikipedia

The gifted, instinctive Ham was one of the greatest big-play linebackers of all time. His 53 takeaways (32 interceptions, 21 fumble recoveries) are the most by a non-defensive back.

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