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Liverpool skipper Jordan Henderson dazzles to defy critics

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LIVERPOOL captain Jordan Henderson is enjoying proving people wrong, and will continue to do so.

The England midfielder is the club's longest-serving current player, having made his debut in August 2011, but is also one of the most maligned.

He has been left on the bench for some significant matches, most notably the first leg of the Champions League semi-final in Barcelona, but has nearly always bounced back to prove his big-game mentality.

Henderson got a chance in the Nou Camp because of Keita's injury and in the phenomenal 4-0 second-leg win at Anfield which overturned their 3-0 deficit to book back-to-back Champions League finals, he was immense for Jurgen Klopp's men.

He played through an injury, requiring a pain-killing injection and tablets at half-time, for the full 90 minutes when it appeared his match, and possibly his season, was done when he collapsed midway through the first half after falling awkwardly.

"It does mean a lot to me. I was struggling a little bit when I got a whack on the knee. It was dead. The doctor said just keep it moving," said Henderson, who ranked the brilliant win over Barca as the best of his career. "I managed to get to half-time and I had a bit of treatment, took painkillers, all that stuff which helped."

"It was an amazing night and it's an honour to be part of it and contribute."

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