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At Lord's - a spell of summer heat gave the West Indians and their supporters new meat. Gone were the chills of near defeat at Edgbaston, as Skipper May led his team into the field for the second test.

On a lively wicket, England's victory hopes were based on speed.

And Trevor Bailey on the warpath - unleashed his seam attack to capture seven West Indian scalps

Bailey's last victim was rival fast bowler dimension caught and bowled.

West Indias 127 for nine

Then Freedy Truman soon polished off Ramadhin at the same score. The Tourists' last seven wickets had fallen for only forty-eight runs.

Determined to hit back, Worrell opened the the Tourists - bowling to Richardson - who was partnered by new England cap, Don Smith of Sussex.

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Peter May went at the same total. But Richardson, partnered by Cowdrey steered England out of trouble with a fine seventy-six. Starting the second day seven runs in front with six wickets in hand - England hit out for a winning lead.

Evans scored a lightning 82 - in a breezy stand with Cowdrey...
Following his century at Edgbaston, Cowdrey hit a great 152 - out of an England total of 424.

So, 297 runs behind, The West Indies faced a hard task to prevent England's first victory of the series

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