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Alright, all of the students shouldn't have made it to this page.

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1. How has the war in Ukraine affected current inflation prices? How do you predict that the war will continue to affect the inflation of the US dollar?
2. Do you predict that current and ongoing inflation will affect voters in the upcoming presidential election? If so, in what ways?
3. Do you feel that, based on current trajectories, the United States is headed for a recession? If not, why not? If so, what might such a recession look like?

1. How will the current conflict in Eastern Europe affect the international transition to renewable energies?
2. In your opinion, which method of generating renewable energy is most effective on average? What methods, if any, are over-hyped?
3. What are the costs and benefits of transitioning to renewable energy sources at an international level?

1. Describe the format of the French Presidential election process, and its strengths and weaknesses.
2. What do you predict the consequences of Macron's recent election will be, as opposed to what they could have been had Le Pen won the election?
3. What ideological and philosophical differences separated Macron and Le Pen, the two major candidates in the last election? How do you feel those ideologies reflect the current views of French citizens?

1. What factors do you think would contribute most dramatically to a national or international recession?
2. Do you feel that the international transition to renewable energy is likely to happen in your lifetime? Why or why not?
3. Despite low approval ratings, Macron was re-elected as the President of France. Why do you think his views ultimately won out over those of his opponent, Le Pen?

1. In what ways does inflation affect the average American? How do you predict their behaviors and patterns will change in response to current inflation trends?
2. What systems and processes would need to be dramatically changed in order to affect an international transition to global energy?
3. Do you feel that the controversial and divisive recent elections in both France as well as in the United States in 2021 are reflective of a global shift in political views? Why or why not?

Impromptu Round 1

Speaker One

COVID-19
humanitarian
risk

Speaker Seven

immigration
race
discovery

Speaker Two

drought
property
tomorrow

Speaker Three

stimulus checks
healthcare
harmony

Speaker Four

Joe Biden
literature
bridges

Speaker Five

Israel
divorce
presentation

Speaker Six

cyber attacks
vacation
achievement

Impromptu Round 2

Speaker One

nutrition
desire
force

Speaker Seven

science
tolerance
law

Speaker Two

experimentation
self love
courts

Speaker Three

medicine
ambition
conflict

Speaker Four

patents
uncertainty
persuasion

Speaker Five

exercise
failure
meritocracy

Speaker Six

disease
order
politics

Impromptu Round 3

Speaker One

oppression
morality
alcohol

Speaker Seven

heaven
instability
organic

Speaker Two

charity
famine
sugar

Speaker Three

soul
houses
guns

Speaker Four

joy
poverty
tobacco

Speaker Five

faith
safety
gold

Speaker Six

brotherhood
communication
energy drinks

Impromptu Quarterfinal

Speaker One

school choice
balance
delivery

Speaker Two

communism
inflation
climax

Speaker Three

energy
religion
objectivity

Speaker Four

ladder
women
houses

Speaker Five

trust
time
grass

Speaker Six

renovation
guns
animals

Impromptu Semifinal

Speaker One

common core
debate
memory

Speaker Two

religion
slavery
logic

Speaker Three

school security
institutions
style

Speaker Four

inspiration
liberty
proof

Speaker Five

competition
purpose
invention

Speaker Six

expectations
popular sovereignty
emotion

Impromptu Final

Speaker One

environment
consumption
bias

Speaker Two

finance
behavior
poetry

Speaker Three

human rights
public
language

Speaker Four

philosophy
products
satire

Speaker Five

leaders
efficiency
mystery

Speaker Six

dictatorship
business
opera

Presidential Debate Round 1

Question #1

In general, under what circumstances is it appropriate for governments local and federal to place restrictions on free speech?

Question #2

Do you feel that the Covid-19 pandemic was handled correctly on a national level? If elected as President, what plans would you set in place against future contagious outbreaks?

Question #3

Do you believe that gun control laws in America are too permissive, too strict, or just right? What, if any, gun policy changes would you push for?

Question #4

Do you believe the fourteenth amendment should be interpreted to mean that children of illegal immigrants born within the united states be granted automatic U.S. citizenship?

Question #5

In your view, what are the costs of continued sanctions against Russia? Do you feel that the American people should be asked to bear those costs?

Question #6

Does America have a systemic problem with its policing and criminal justice systems? How would you improve the state of these systems?

Question #7

Question #8

Presidential Debate Round 2

Question #1

Should affirmative action be used in hiring and/or college admissions?

Question #2

Americans are more divided than ever in the sources of news media they consume. What could you do as President to increase trust in our news media?

Question #3

Campus speech codes are a relatively unpopular attempt by public universities to balance free speech with a safe learning environment. How do you think that Universities can best balance those concerns?

Question #4

Should the death penalty be considered "cruel and unusual punishment"?

Question #5

Some political pundits have argued that giving Supreme Court Justices a limited term would make battles of Supreme Court nominations less acrimonious and overall would be a benefit to the nation. Do you agree with this position?

Question #6

If religious practice comes into conflict with local, state, or federal law (for example in cases of religious drug use, practice of religious rites in prisons, etc.) what principles should guide when such religious practices are or are not protected by the first amendment?

Question #7

Question #8

Presidential Debate Round 3

Question #1

What do you think is the greatest potential threat to the stability of the United States?

Question #2

President Biden's recent nomination of a woman of color to the Supreme Court, as promised during electoral debates, has raised questions of whether or not a justice should be initially selected based on their demographics. As president, how would you choose nominees for the Supreme Court?

Question #3

What do you feel are the most significant cultural consequences of the Covid-19 pandemic? How would you begin to repair the social and individual upheaval the American people have sustained since March 2020?

Question #4

What federal regulations on abortion should exist?

Question #5

According to data from the 2020 census, the percentage of adults living with a spouse has decreased to 50%. As president, would you push for any family-related policy changes? How so?

Question #6

Do you believe that the second amendment guarantees Americans the right to own assault rifles?

Question #7

Question #8

Presidential Debate Quarterfinal

Question #1

Parents have increasingly made headlines as they've spoken out against school curricula including elements of critical race theory. What is the proper role of parents and the government in education, and what policies would you pursue to influence that?

Question #2

How do you think the U.S. can best balance the important concerns of religious freedom in the first amendment to the constitution with desires to protect people from identity based discrimination (for example, discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation)?

Question #3

Some localities in the United States have banned or curtailed the use of disposable plastics. Would you support a similar policy on a national level?

Question #4

Do you feel that additional measures are necessary to curb the spread of Covid-19? What, if any, measures would you take, if elected?

Question #5

Question #6

Question #7

Question #8

Presidential Debate Semifinal

Question #1

Do you feel that NATO membership should be extended to additional nations? How would you, as president, argue for or against the addition of new members?

Question #2

Claims that Justice Clarence Thomas is unduly influenced by his conservative wife, and the recent retirement of Justice Stephen Breyer in order to ensure a liberal nominee, have raised concerns among the American people that the Supreme Court is politically motivated. Do you feel such claims are warranted? If so, what should be done?

Question #3

To what extent do you think the federal government should be involved in ensuring that Americans are vaccinated against contagious diseases?

Question #4

In your view, how big of an issue is police brutality in America? As President, how would you improve our criminal justice system?

Question #5

Texas's controversial abortion bill, allowing private citizens to sue abortion providers or enablers, has sparked efforts in other states to pass similar legislation. What do you think about this legislation and its unusual enforcement mechanism?

Question #6

President Biden's plans to repeal Title 42 - the covid-era policy restricting cross-border illegal immigration - have generated rare bipartisan disapproval. As president, how would you deal with illegal immigration?

Question #7

Question #8

Presidential Debate Final

Question #1

Elon Musk purchased Twitter on Monday for \$44 billion. Do you feel that major social media platforms ought to be owned and managed by private citizens?

Question #2

Florida recently passed legislation revoking Disney's special administrative district due to Disney's opposition to Florida House Bill 1557. Do you support Florida's actions here?

Question #3

Would you describe yourself as an antiracist? What governmental and educational policies dealing with race would you espouse?

Question #4

Do you support or oppose net neutrality? What would you look for in potential Federal Communications Commissioners?

Question #5

Many have argued that the decision reached by the Supreme Court in the famous Citizens United Case inappropriately granted free speech rights to corporations. Do you agree with this view? To what extent should corporations be given rights under the constitution?

Question #6

President Biden has recently targeted so-called "ghost guns" through executive action. How big of a concern are ghost guns to you, and what gun policy would you pursue if elected?

Question #7

Question #8

Spar Topics Round 1

First Pair

- Resolved: People ought to pass a test on the constitution before becoming a citizen.
- Resolved: Long pants are better than shorts.
- Resolved: Ambition is good.

Second Pair

- Resolved: Public schools should have no standardized tests.
- Resolved: Trucks are better than cars.
- Resolved: It is usually better to take risks than to not.

Third Pair

- Resolved: It should be illegal for U.S. companies to buy foreign oil.
- Resolved: It would be better to have no spoons than to have no forks.
- Resolved: It is good to be outspoken.

Fourth Pair

- Resolved: Congressmen should not receive salaries when the government goes into debt.
- Resolved: Real house plants are better than fake house plants.
- Resolved: It is good to be competitive.

Fifth Pair

- Resolved: It should be illegal to ride in a car without wearing a seatbelt.
- Resolved: It is more important to care for yourself than to care for your neighbor.
- Resolved: Life without love is not worth living.

Spar Topics Round 2

First Pair

- Resolved: Congressmen should not serve in office longer than six years.
- Resolved: It is a bad idea for children to play tackle football.
- Resolved: Jewelry is useless.

Second Pair

- Resolved: Government zoning of private property is generally good.
- Resolved: Girls under twelve should not be allowed to wear makeup.
- Resolved: Tanning is a bad idea.

Third Pair

- Resolved: It should be illegal for private citizens to own an automatic weapon.
- Resolved: Children should have an allowance.
- Resolved: A car that looks good is no better than a car that does not look good.

Fourth Pair

- Resolved: Government should provide all citizens with a free college education.
- Resolved: It is very important for children to play outside.
- Resolved: Whitening your teeth is useless.

Fifth Pair

- Resolved: It's better to write on paper than on a computer.
- Resolved: It's better to do a project yourself than to pay someone to do it for you.
- Resolved: Having long hair is better than having short hair.

Spar Topics Round 3

First Pair

- Resolved: Daylight saving time should be abolished
- Resolved: It is better to be a good cook than to be able to fix cars.
- Resolved: Making another person feel bad is bad.

Second Pair

- Resolved: The death penalty should be abolished
- Resolved: It is better to be able to make furniture than to be able to sew.
- Resolved: Cloning humans would be morally wrong.

Third Pair

- Resolved: It should be illegal for individuals to own tigers.
- Resolved: It is better to be a good gardner than to be good with computers.
- Resolved: Wasting food is morally wrong.

Fourth Pair

- Resolved: Every Citizen should pay an equal percentage in taxes.
- Resolved: It's better to be good at art than to be a good musician.
- Resolved: It is wrong for businesses to charge higher prices because they can.

Fifth Pair

- Resolved: It's better to have live house plants than fake house plants.
- Resolved: Taking care of babies is easier than taking care of toddlers.
- Resolved: It would be better to go to space than to go to the bottom of the ocean.

Spar Topics Quarterfinal

First Pair

Resolved: The U.S. should ban the manufacture of cars that run on gasoline within fifteen years.

Resolved: Flip flops are better than tennis shoes.

Resolved: It is generally good to be cautious.

Second Pair

Resolved: Assassinations of political leaders are acceptable in war.

Resolved: All children should learn to play a musical instrument.

Resolved: Perfume is useless.

Third Pair

Resolved: The government should put higher taxes on products it deems harmful.

Resolved: It is better to be a good athlete than to be good at making friends.

Resolved: It is morally wrong to waste money on useless things.

Fourth Pair

Resolved: Homeowners should be required by law to mow their lawns.

Resolved: People should aspire to be beautiful.

Resolved: It is better to be realistic than to be hopeful.

Spar Topics Semifinal

First Pair

- Resolved: Illegal immigrants in America should be given a path to citizenship.
- Resolved: Superheroes are bad role models for children.
- Resolved: It is better to dream realistically than to dream big.

Second Pair

- Resolved: State governments should invest money toward supporting the arts.
- Resolved: Non fiction books are superior to fiction books.
- Resolved: It is wrong to want an expensive car.

Third Pair

- Resolved: The government should provide all people with access to the internet.
- Resolved: Video games are harmful to children.
- Resolved: The opportunity for leisure is a human right.

Fourth Pair

- Resolved: Small government is generally better than large government.
- Resolved: Professional athletes are generally bad role models for children.
- Resolved: Americans should buy American made products.

Spar Topics Final

First Pair

Resolved: Teenagers who commit violent crimes should be tried in court as adults.

Resolved: Whether food tastes good or bad is purely a matter of opinion.

Resolved: America is headed in the wrong direction.

Second Pair

Resolved: There should be no speed limit on freeways.

Resolved: It is as important for children to have good friends as it is to have a good education.

Resolved: Preserving the culture of a society is as important as economic progress.

Third Pair

Resolved: The president should be elected by popular vote.

Resolved: It is better to be persuasive than it is to be intelligent.

Resolved: No one should ever die from hunger.

Fourth Pair

Resolved: Citizens should be able to vote at age 14.

Resolved: It is morally wrong to own a lot of money without giving large amounts of it to good causes.

Resolved: It is morally wrong to use fear to persuade people.