



Preliminary Round Topics

Students should select one topic, from those provided, to perform in the event in which they are participating. Students are expected to record only one performance using the selected topic in their event. This performance will be used at both tournaments. Because this is a swing tournament we have expanded the number of prompts in which students may choose. All Video recordings are due **Monday November 9 at 8:00PM EST.**

IMPROMPTU QUOTES: Please select one topic on which to do your speech and film the entire 7 minutes (prep and speaking time)

- 1) "Fear never builds the future but hope does" --Joe Biden
- 2) "Sometimes by losing a battle you find a new way to win the war." -- Donald Trump
- 3) "Success is not final, failure is not fatal: it is the courage to continue that counts." -- Winston Churchill

IMPROV DUO PROMPT: Please select one topic. Prompts are gender neutral and non location specific statements. (Ex. Two friends disagree over a decision). Students may play the scene either humorous or serious. Do not film prep. Film and upload only speaking time.

- 1) Two parents plan a coup
- 2) Two partners take a trip

EXTEMP PROMPT: Please select one topic. Do not film prep. Film and upload only speaking time.

- 1) Due to the closer than projected presidential race, what does the future hold for a torn America?
- 2) How will a new Covid-19 lockdown affect Western European economies?
- 3) After years of being in effect, has President Trump's immigration policy been a flop?
- 4) What could Turkey's new military defense mean for the future of US and Turkey relations?