

Novice Night Extemp Round 1 - (The Midterms/Africa)

1. Does Texas's new congressional map give Republicans enough cushion to survive a blue wave?
2. Will declining public confidence in USPS election-mail delivery suppress mail-in voting this fall?
3. How much will rising gas prices shape voter sentiment in swing districts?
4. Can exiled former president Umaro Embalo win the presidential election in Guinea-Bissau?
5. Will Democrats' polling lead in the generic congressional ballot lead to actual gains?
6. Are pirates returning to Somalian waters?
7. Is Ethiopia sliding towards war?
8. Is South Africa doing enough to protect its women?
9. What should the Democratic Republic of the Congo be doing to control its ebola outbreak?
10. Do Democrats have a realistic path to flipping the Senate?

Novice Night Extemp Round 2 - (US Politics/International Relations)

1. Is South Korea's stance on North Korean denuclearization softening?

2. Is there a link between democratic decline and international conflict?

3. Why are independent voters turning away from President Trump in the midterm elections?

4. Should Americans expect a cease-fire in Iran ahead of the midterm elections?

5. Should Poland be preparing for increased Russian aggression?

6. Should Algeria reconsider its severing of ties with the UAE?

7. Should the Protect College Sports Act pass?

8. Should Congress pass a law to ensure military promotion boards remain insulated from political appointees?

9. Has Pete Hegseth's purge of military officials made the military weaker or more efficient?

10. Is there a potential of de-escalation in the conflict between Ukraine and Russia?

Novice Night Extemp Round 3 - (US Foreign Policy/Europe)

1. What foreign policy issue will have the greatest impact on the results of the U.S. midterm elections?
2. Should Congress formally declare war on Iran?
3. Is Russia approaching NATO's "red line"?
4. Should Congress modernize the War Powers Resolution in response to the Iran Conflict?
5. Has Russia's conflict with Ukraine forever altered Europe's security apparatus?
6. Should the United States be pushing for a two-state solution in Israel?
7. Is Giorgia Meloni doing enough to rescue the Italian economy?
8. Have NATO allies done enough to protect themselves from Russian cyberattacks?
9. What would constitute a victory for the US in the Iran War?
10. Will the EU/Ukraine drone partnership change the trajectory of the war with Russia?