

## **Round 1: Domestic**

Speaker 1

- 1. Should the United States continue to utilize a for-profit prison system?
- 2. Is the US Justice system delivering life sentences too frequently?
- 3. What can the American social system do to reduce rising homicide rates?

Speaker 2

- 1. Has Biden's first year in office been productive?
- 2. With one year of hindsight, was Biden the correct choice for the Democratic party?
- 3. Is Biden's term turning into Jimmy Carter 2.0?

## Speaker 3

- 1. Is the "Defund the Police" movement dead?
- 2. Has the Black Lives Matter movement achieved lasting change?
- 3. Is abolishing police departments a feasible solution to mistreatment of black Americans by police officers?

Speaker 4

- 1. At what age should universal public education begin in the United States?
- 2. Will American schools struggle to assemble enough staff to operate in 2022–2023?
- 3. Should teachers go on strike as the new school year begins?

Speaker 5

- 1. Has the CDC's handling of quarantine guidelines shaken their credibility?
- 2. Are the CDC's guidelines for quarantine of healthcare workers endangering those most often exposed to COVID-19?
- 3. Should the CDC be replaced by a private organization?

Speaker 6

- 1. Is "Latinx" an appropriate term for Progressives to use?
- 2. Is the infatuation with space travel by the wealthy a detriment to societal progression?
- 3. Are NFTs an example of the overapplication of the blockchain?

Speaker 7

- 1. Should the screenshot function be disabled on pages where NFTs are displayed?
- 2. Are "Smart Guns" the answer to the US' epidemic of mass shootings?
- 3. Will Facebook be deemed a monopoly?

#### Speaker 8

- 1. Will there be a second US Civil War?
- 2. Do the US filibuster rules need revision?
- 3. Will the Department of Justice' Anti-Domestic Terrorism unit be effective in curbing white nationalism?



## **Round 2: International**

Speaker 1

- 1. Should the international community refuse to release funds to the Taliban government until their human rights record improves?
- 2. Does Chile need more or less neoliberalism?
- 3. Will New Zealand's anti-smoking plan work?

Speaker 2

- 1. How can Ukraine best prepare to defend itself in case of a Russian invasion?
- 2. Are Erdogan's policies making Turkey's economic situation worse?
- 3. Will the Uyghur Genocide ever be addressed on a global scale?

#### Speaker 3

- 1. Is Gambia's truth commission working?
- 2. Should African countries rely on their neighbors more than the United Nations to put down internal rebellions?
- 3. Will Libya be able to hold a fair and impartial presidential election?

#### Speaker 4

- 1. How can the Chinese government encourage its population to spend more in 2022?
- 2. Is Aung San Suu Kyi the best leader for Myanmar's democratic movement going forward?
- 3. Now that China has gained more control in Hong Kong, should China make a move on Taiwan?

## Speaker 5

- 1. How can Boris Johnson reverse his eroding political position?
- 2. Should the British Conservative Party give Boris Johnson the boot?
- 3. Two years after its finalization, was Brexit a good choice for the United Kingdom?

## Speaker 6

- 1. What can cure the dysfunction that plagues global democracies?
- 2. Should the United States be boycotting the 2022 Winter Olympics?
- 3. Should professional players be required to be vaccinated in order to play their sport? Speaker 7
  - 1. Was repealing India's farm laws the correct move?
  - 2. Will China escalate its aggression towards India over the border in Eastern Ladakh?
  - 3. Can India solve its inflation before it goes out of control?

## Speaker 8

- 1. Should the Cuban Embargo be removed?
- 2. Has Africa become the battleground of the West's emerging rivalry with China?
- 3. Is the global policy of disallowing travelers from the US an unjust policy?



# **Round 3: COVID**

Speaker 1

- 1. Should the United States Federal Government mandate vaccines for all citizens?
- 2. Are the booster shots the best hope for the end of the pandemic?
- 3. Are current labor shortages due to the requirements by many employers for proof of vaccination?

Speaker 2

- 1. Should Texas have rescinded its mask mandate?
- 2. Was Judge Jenkins correct in his ruling on Gov. Abbot's ban on mask mandates?
- 3. Should the use of masks be discouraged in light of the new Omicron variant?

#### Speaker 3

- 1. Has the shift to online learning produced permanent changes in education?
- 2. Should schools require masks or vaccines to attend in-person?
- 3. Are universities responsible to protect their students from risks of being in public?

#### Speaker 4

- 1. Should Airlines expand their vaccine policy for travel?
- 2. Should passengers be removed for refusing to wear a mask on a flight?
- 3. Should the suspension of air travel be considered as a viable means for reducing the spread of pandemic viruses?

## Speaker 5

- 1. Should foreigners be allowed to travel to the US, independent of vaccination status?
- 2. Is it best practice for state governments to ban mask mandates in schools?
- 3. Will 2022 be the year COVID ends?

Speaker 6

- 1. Should hospitals give preferential treatment to those patients who have been vaccinated?
- 2. Should the U.S. prioritize COVID vaccinations or COVID treatments?
- 3. Should the US government continue to be in charge of the distribution of Monoclonal Antibodies?

Speaker 7

- 1. Which country had the best response to COVID-19?
- 2. Should those who funded research at the Wuhan lab be held responsible for the pandemic?
- 3. Will we learn to live with COVID-19?

Speaker 8

- 1. Will prices of lumber and other related goods fall post-COVID-19?
- 2. Should landlords be allowed to evict for skipping rent, even during COVID-19?
- 3. Will there be another housing crisis, similar to 2008, post-pandemic?