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# Extemporaneous Speaking Questions



## International Extemporaneous Speaking

1. How long can Israel maintain public support for the war against Hamas?
2. How will China's fast-growing EV sector impact the automobile industry?
3. How will the election of Lai Ching-te affect U.S.-China relations?
4. Is democracy in the Democratic Republic of the Congo getting healthier?
5. What are the broader regional implications of escalating U.S.-led attacks on Houthis?
6. What are the greatest challenges facing Guatemala's new President Bernardo Arévalo?
7. What is the significance of Japan's successful moon landing?
8. What steps should the United Nations take to better aid internally displaced persons?
9. Why are tensions between Ethiopia and Somalia increasing?
10. Will tensions between Iran and Pakistan continue to escalate?

## United States Extemporaneous Speaking

1. Are centrists in the U.S. strong enough to pull the nation out of its hyper-partisan abyss?
2. How can our public health system better help young people dealing with trauma?
3. Should menthol cigarettes be banned?
4. To what extent do political endorsements matter?
5. What lessons does the demise of Sports Illustrated offer for other publishers?
6. What should the Biden Administration do next to address student debt?
7. Why are DEI programs at public universities under heightened scrutiny?
8. Why are public debates among major presidential candidates becoming less common?
9. Why is the Supreme Court's reconsideration of Chevron v. NRDC important?
10. With the S&P 500 hitting an all-time high, should investors expect a bear or bull market for the rest of 2024?