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Extemporaneous Speaking Questions



International Extemporaneous Speaking

1. How Are Australia's new 2035 emissions targets a hopeful sign in the fight against climate change?
2. How will a resurgent Islamic State of Iraq and Syria (ISIS) shape Syria's future?
3. How will the Grand Ethiopian Renaissance Dam affect Ethiopia and its neighbors?
4. Is NATO responding effectively to Russia's recent provocations?
5. Is convicting former Brazilian President Jair Bolsonaro [JAH-ear boh-L-soh-NAH-roh] an important victory for democracy?
6. Is the High Seas Treaty a big win for ocean health?
7. What are the implications of the new mutual defense pact between Pakistan and Saudi Arabia?
8. Why are tensions escalating between Venezuela and the United States?
9. Why is Israel struggling to decisively defeat Hamas?
10. Will Donald Trump [daa nuhld truhmp] and Xi Jinping [shee jin ping] maintain a productive diplomatic relationship?

United States Extemporaneous Speaking

1. Are new Senate rules on the confirmation of executive branch nominees a positive step toward fighting gridlock?
2. Is the Trump Administration's exploration of the causes of autism a positive step for public health?
3. How will congressional redistricting battles affect the political climate in the United States?
4. How would charging \$100,000 for an H-1B visa impact the economy of the United States?
5. What does Jimmy Kimmel's suspension reveal about the state of free speech in the United States?
6. Is the United States political climate starting to shift in favor of meaningful gun control?
7. To what degree should the president have influence over Federal Reserve Board policy?
8. What is the significance of United States Attorney Erik S. Siebert's resignation?
9. Will Charlie Kirk's assassination ultimately increase or decrease political polarization in the United States?
10. Will the use of military force against suspected drug traffickers reduce drug related crime?