

Team Rd. 1 Children	<p>Children ought to have the choice to receive vaccinations over the objections of their parents.</p> <p>Hospitals should be required to keep infants on life support as long as the parents want.</p> <p>Those who wish to adopt ought to consider adopting locally before going abroad.</p> <p>States should ban the use of corporal punishment in public schools.</p> <p>Children over the age of sixteen should have an absolute right to be emancipated.</p>
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Team Rd. 2 Election 2020	<p>The Supreme Court should rule that Voter ID laws violate the 24th Amendment.</p> <p>Democratic candidates should seriously consider a Republican running mate.</p> <p>The impeachment trial will not affect Donald Trump.</p> <p>The age to run for Senate ought to be lowered.</p> <p>Iowa ought not have its status as "First in the Nation."</p>
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Team Rd. 3 Generations	<p>Millennials are too obsessed with the feeling of nostalgia.</p> <p>An increase in Millennial voters mean nothing for the status quo.</p> <p>Gen Z will wind up worse than Baby Boomers.</p> <p>Japan should encourage immigration to deal with its aging population.</p> <p>Baby Boomers control far too much of the US economy.</p>
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Team Rd. 4 Environment	<p>TIME should not have named Greta Thunberg "Person of the Year."</p> <p>Developing nations should value economic prosperity over the environment.</p> <p>The USFG is not prepared for the disasters climate change will bring.</p> <p>Fuel-burning cars are becoming obsolete.</p> <p>The American Dream of home-ownership is exacerbating climate change.</p>
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Team Quarters	<p>Soleimani's death was a war crime.</p> <p>In criminal investigations, Apple should comply with requests to unlock iPhones.</p> <p>The Olympics should reconsider its ban on political speech.</p> <p>Space exploration is better in the hands of corporations rather than governments.</p> <p>Conservatives have won the last decade.</p>
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Team Set	<p>Fourth wave feminism is problematic.</p> <p>Free will is a myth.</p> <p>Harry and Meghan made the right decision.</p>
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Team Finals	<p>Public schools ought to move toward a four-day school week.</p> <p>The 2010s finished better than it started.</p> <p>The Astros should be stripped of their 2017 title.</p> <p>We ought not attempt to clone an extinct species.</p> <p>Legal rules are created to justify unequal distributions of power.</p>
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Round 1A Int'l Affairs	<p>The United Nations ought to impose economic sanctions on countries that do not make reasonable efforts to reduce pollution.</p> <p>Foreign governments' view of President Trump's character will cause more harm than good diplomatically.</p> <p>The United Kingdom is hurting itself more than any other country by leaving the European Union.</p> <p>Fears of Iranian retaliation are overblown</p> <p>Hong Kong is better off independent from China.</p>
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Round 1B Int'l Affairs	<p>The entire Russian Government should not have resigned.</p> <p>Spexit will follow Brexit.</p> <p>The United Nations should act to protect the Chinese Uighurs.</p> <p>Democrats are overreacting to the killing of General Soleimani.</p> <p>North Korea has not upheld their promises to the United States.</p>
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Round 2A In Memoriam	<p>"Definitions belong to the definers, not the defined." - Toni Morrison</p> <p>"If you see a snake, just kill it - don't appoint a committee on snakes." - Ross Perot</p> <p>"If we can't accept limitations, then we're no better than the bad guys." - Tony Stark</p> <p>"A lot of money and stuff like that, while it is good, it's not important." - Cameron Boyce</p> <p>"I don't think that's a fair representation of life, that you have to go to college and do well to get anywhere." - Luke Perry</p>
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Round 2B In Memoriam	<p>"Laughter is much more important than applause. Applause is almost a duty. Laughter is a reward." - Carol Channing</p> <p>"It is much easier to modify an opinion if one has already persuasively declared it" - David Koch</p> <p>"The heart of another is a Dark Forest." - Gloria Vanderbilt</p> <p>"On a mission your worst enemy is idle time." - Nipsey Hussle</p>
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“Our country is slowly but surely moving toward a culture of mediocrity.” - Elijah Cummings

Round 3A
Communication

Most people don't really know how to hold a conversation.
Communication is the most important skill an employee can have.
Memes are a terrible form of communication.
The scientific community needs to substantially improve the way it communicates with the general public.
Social media is destroying our civic culture.

Round 3B
Communication

The Prime Directive is unethical.
We should go back to writing letters.
Newspapers are the more reliable source of news.
Face-to-face communication is overrated.
Academic communication standards are unnecessary.

Round 4A
Econ / Finance

The USFG should cancel all student loan debt.
The US federal budget process is broken beyond repair.
American resentment for taxation is unjustified.
The trade war with China will be net beneficial to the United States.
We need to break up Amazon.

Round 4B
Econ / Finance

The Trump Administration deserves substantial credit for an improved US economy.
There is no good way to alleviate wealth inequality in America.
Big Tech companies should be regulated like banks.
Automatic tipping hurts the service industry.
Fears of an impending recession are overblown.

Round 5A
Entertainment

#OscarsStillSoWhite
The depiction of mental health in "You" is problematic.
Live action adaptations of video games are a bad idea.
Judge Judy ought to retire.
Blues is America's classical music.

Round 5B Entertainment	<p>Baby Yoda will save Star Wars.</p> <p>Netflix didn't kill Blockbuster; Blockbuster did.</p> <p>Jeopardy! ratings will drop without Alex Trebek.</p> <p>Louis Armstrong is America's J.S. Bach.</p> <p>Broadcasted award shows are no longer important.</p>
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Round 6A Domestic Policy	<p>Healthcare ought to be addressed before National Security.</p> <p>The United States ought to implement a wealth tax.</p> <p>Raising the age to purchase cigarettes will not curb teenage smoking.</p> <p>The USFG should move forward with implementing the Equal Rights Amendment.</p> <p>The military draft ought to be reinstated.</p>
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Round 6B Domestic Policy	<p>Congress ought to re-establish Net Neutrality.</p> <p>The USFG should improve conservation efforts for endangered species.</p> <p>The United States needs a constitutional convention.</p> <p>California ought to be split into different states.</p> <p>Government should be run like a business.</p>
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Round 7A Meta-Debate	<p>All team rounds ought to use open cross-examination.</p> <p>Tournaments ought not feature themed rounds.</p> <p>IPDA should adopt longer speech times.</p> <p>Competitors ought to be allowed to use technology during IPDA rounds.</p> <p>3-on-3 Team IPDA Tournaments should be established.</p>
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Round 7B Meta-Debate	<p>We purport to facilitate "real-world debate," but we do not.</p> <p>Weighing mechanisms are unnecessary.</p> <p>IPDA needs a new sweepstakes formula.</p> <p>IPDA should substantially reform its rules regarding evidence.</p> <p>Prep time ought to be increased in Team IPDA rounds.</p>
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Octafine	<p>There should be work requirements to receiving SNAP benefits.</p> <p>San Francisco will win the Super Bowl.</p> <p>Lil Nas X deserves to be on Billboard's country charts.</p>
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Quarterfinals	<p>The human race will eventually be dominated by extraterrestrial life.</p> <p>The American capitalist market is not free.</p> <p>If there is a Supreme Court vacancy in 2020, the Senate should refuse to fill it.</p> <p>The WWE should stop doing shows in Saudi Arabia.</p> <p>Cartesian dualism has ruined human identity.</p>
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Semifinals	<p>Fears on automation are overblown.</p> <p>Taylor Swift is rightfully the "Artist of the Decade."</p> <p>Gordon Ramsay does more harm than good for restaurants.</p> <p>Science has destroyed natural selection.</p> <p>Senators do not have an obligation to be impartial in an impeachment trial.</p>
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Finals	<p>eSports aren't sports.</p> <p>Debate tournaments should feature no more than four preliminary rounds.</p> <p>The USFG should adopt a balanced budget amendment.</p> <p>Apple should stop releasing a new iPhone every year.</p> <p>Yelpers are problematic.</p>
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