Fall Champs 2022 – Extemp Topics

Round One – Speaker One

Did the Democrats make a mistake in excluding paid sick leave in the imposed contract for rail workers? How should the Supreme Court rule on student debt forgiveness?

What does the designation of Spirit Mountain as a national monument mean for Indigenous Americans?

Round One – Speaker Two

What does the conviction of Joel Greenblatt mean for Matt Gaetz? Should the House of Representatives finally seat the Cherokee Nation's first Delegate to Congress? Are McCarthy's warnings to the January 6th committee anything more than empty threats?

Round One – Speaker Three

Is the scope of the special counsel too broad to be effective? Was Trump's dinner meeting with Ye and Nick Fuentes finally a bridge too far for the GOP? With control of the Senate already decided, what are the most important stakes in the Georgia runoff?

Round One – Speaker Four

Is the Biden administration being too Trumpian on immigration?

What impact will Marjorie Taylor Green have now that the GOP has control of the House? Is the appeal of the Depp v. Heard decision a good thing for survivors of domestic violence?

Round One – Speaker Five

Is the Stewart Rhodes conviction for sedition a harbinger of change?

What should be Hakeem Jeffries highest priority as the new Democratic leader in the House? What will the testimony in the trial of the Trump Organization mean for Donald Trump and his children? Round Two – Speaker One

What does fading inflation in Germany and Spain mean for the rest of the EU? Does Sam Bankman Fried's epic failure spell the end for crypto speculation? Why have the Fed's interest rate hikes had so little effect on inflation?

Round Two – Speaker Two Are the EU's fears of quantitative tightening justified? Where should savvy investors be putting their money right now? Starbucks vs. Unionization: Has Schultz met his match?

Round Two – Speaker Three

Are the European Court of Justice's changes in the way it handles money laundering cases the best course of action?

Does the November employment report promise a strong economy in the new year? Zuck vs the Apple Store: Who should come out on top?

Round Two – Speaker Four

Is Prince William's Earthshot prize an effective approach or mere PR?

Will pandemic relief fraud be the key to reigning in the tech giants?

Amazon vs Unionization: Has Bezos met his match?

Round Two – Speaker Five

Are the EU's allegations of protectionism a fair reaction to Biden and Macron's summit? Will California's reparations bill lead to further change or is it doomed to being a one-off? Is now the time to invest in tech stocks? Final Round – Speaker One Will the public protests in China create any meaningful change? Can Saudi Arabia's sports-washing elevate their position on the world stage? What should new UN Human Rights chief Volker Turk prioritize?

Final Round – Speaker Two

Does the sudden reversal of Covid regulations mean that the protests are having an impact in China? Can the International Criminal Court effectively prosecute war crimes by Russia and the Ukraine? Can Anwar Ibrahim's new government bring stability to Malaysia?

Final Round – Speaker Three What is the best way the world community can support Iranian protestors? Is Moldova Russia's next target? Will other nations follow Poland's example of charging Ukranian refugees for services and housing?

Final Round – Speaker FourHow can Ukraine best defend its energy infrastructure?Do protestors in Iran have a chance of creating meaningful change?Will the Ethipoian/Tigray cease fire hold long enough to allow for meaningful aid to reach those who need it?

Final Round – Speaker Five What will be the most meaningful changes brought on by Lulu's election in Brazil? Will the EU's proposed cap on Russian oil prices be effective? How will General Syed Asim Munir's warning influence relations between India and Pakistan?

Final Round – Speaker Six Should Nato expand in response to Russia's aggression? Does the COP27 Loss and Damage fund go far enough? What are the implications of the return of a three way arms race between the US, Russia, and China?

Final Round – Speaker Seven What should be the higher priority for the international community in dealing with Iran – protestors or nuclear capability? What is the best course of action for the US and NATO in dealing with China? What impact would the impeachment of Cyril Ramaphosa have on South Africa?