

2012 Ray Dahlin Invitational
Extemp Questions

Round 1 –

Speaker 1:

Is Paul Ryan the reason Mitt Romney lost the election?
What was President Obama's strategy in the 2012 election?
What the Republican Party do with control of the house of representatives?

Speaker 2:

What role did Mitt Romney's religion play in the 2012 election?
How did President Obama win the 2012 election?
What media outlet has been most trustworthy during the election?

Speaker 3:

Did Mitt Romney's donors receive their money's worth?
What policy should the Democrats pursue next?
Should the American people trust electronic voting machines?

Speaker 4:

What are the lessons of the 2012 election for the Republican Party?
Is Joe Biden possible presidential material?
What role did soft money play in the 2012 election?

Speaker 5:

Could Mitt Romney have won the presidential election?
How important were gender issues in the 2012 election?
Is the two party system broken beyond repair?

Speaker 6:

Will Paul Ryan be on the Republican ticket in 2016?
Has President Obama received a mandate from the electorate?
What role did unions play in the 2012 election?

Speaker 7:

Did Fox News end up hurting the Romney campaign?
What strategy did President Obama use in the closing weeks of the campaign?
Is there a place for third party politicians in the House and Senate?

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Round 2 – Pacific Rim

Speaker 1:

What is the main goal of President Obama's upcoming visit to Myanmar?
Should Tibet expect a reduction in human rights abuses?
What can be done to help reduce the damage from Tsunamis across the Pacific Rim?

Speaker 2:

How will history judge Hu Jintao?
Is Australia right about the Kyoto Protocol?
What is the next hot market in the Pacific Rim?

Speaker 3:

Is Japan's economy finally bouncing back?
Is the trial of Gloria Arroyo fair?
Can China's Green Dam Internet filter do an effective job of censorship?

Speaker 4:

Should Indonesia welcome President Obama's second term?
Is peace on the way for East Timor?
Can Vietnam's economy survive the global recession?

Speaker 5:

What should the West expect from Xi Jinping?
Is Aung Suu Kyi proving to be a good political figure?
Is Papua New Guinea's government being overly sensitive about international insults?

Speaker 6:

What will the next five years hold for India?
How far will the conflict over the Sankaky/Daiyou islands go?
Will Bangladesh drown under rising sea levels?

Speaker 7:

Does Taiwan's destiny lie with mainland China?
Should the United States close the military bases on Okinawa?
What is the safest currency in the Pacific Rim?

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Final Round –

Speaker 1:

What steps can the United Nations take to improve world peace?

Is there any such thing as 'clean coal'?

Can Germany continue to carry the economic growth of the Eurozone?

Speaker 2:

Is the World Trade Organization living on borrowed time?

What should be put first... workers wages, or environmental causes?

Will there be permanent peace in Ireland?

Speaker 3:

Can the International Monetary Fund improve the way it helps third world countries modernize?

Should the United States ratify the comprehensive nuclear test ban treaty?

Are the former Yugoslav Republics finished with genocide and religious war?

Speaker 4:

Will NATO become stronger in the 21st century?

Is the US being fair to China's solar power industry?

Are the Basque people gaining power in Europe?

Speaker 5:

Was the NAFTA treaty a good idea?

Does the Fukushima disaster signal an end to global nuclear power?

Is Russia unfairly influencing Polish politics?