Extemp Prep for July 13, 2020

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*Directions: The following is a tournament worth of extemp questions focusing on three headlines from the previous week. Take time to practice answering each question, a simulation of current events at the time of this release, to keep you geared up for competition. Use the hyperlinks to read up on the latest for each topic.*

# Headline 1 (U.S. / Domestic): [Opening Schools](https://news.google.com/search?q=opening%20schools&hl=en-US&gl=US&ceid=US%3Aen)

* Should colleges like UC Berkeley be allowed to circumvent authorities from deporting foreign students?
* Do you agree with Betsy DeVos that there is no excuse for not opening schools?
* What are the benefits for opening schools in the fall?
* Can distance learning sufficiently substitute for onsite learning?
* Will states comply to the Trump Administration’s pressure to reopen schools?
* What is the pathway to reopening schools safely?

# Headline 2 (World / International): [World Health Organization (WHO)](https://news.google.com/search?q=World%20Health%20Organization&hl=en-US&gl=US&ceid=US%3Aen)

* Should the President pull the United States out of the WHO?
* Will pulling out of WHO help or hurt America’s fight against Covid-19?
* What are the reasons behind Trumps pulling out of WHO and do they justify the pull?
* Should the WHO be held accountable for their questionable ties with the Chinese?
* Will pulling out of WHO help or hurt America’s international influence on issues of health?
* Is Coronavirus killing the World Health Organization?

# Headline 3 (Economy / Business / Tech): [Spending Cuts](https://news.google.com/search?q=Spending%20Cuts&hl=en-US&gl=US&ceid=US%3Aen)

* How are states managing their spending cuts due to government shutdowns?
* What government budgets are the most vulnerable?
* Should more be done to save the budgets of public schools?
* Should states with depleted budgets before Covid-19 be exempt from federal bailouts?
* How should state governments file for bankruptcy?
* Will bankrupt states return to financial stability?