Extemp Prep for August 17, 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): [Kamala](https://news.google.com/search?q=nra&hl=en-US&gl=US&ceid=US%3Aen) [Harris](https://news.google.com/search?q=kamala%20harris&hl=en-US&gl=US&ceid=US%3Aen)

* Will Kamala Harris help or hurt Joe Biden’s election chances?
* Was a better candidate for VP left out of Joe Biden’s decision to choose Kamala Harris?
* Has Kamala Harris underwhelmed the Democrat voter?
* Will Kamala Harris’ record as a overly ambitious prosecutor help or hurt her standing with the Democratic party?
* Now that Kamala Harris is the running mate, what soundbites from the primary debates will haunt her?
* What key issues will dominate the debate between Kamala Harris and Mike Pence?

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

* Will Israel’s new relationship with U.A.E. be as successful as Egypt or Jordan?
* Will improved diplomatic ties between Israel, the US, and U.A.E. bring the promised potential to the region?
* Who is the greatest benefactor of the new diplomatic ties announced between Israel, the US, and U.A.E.?
* Will other Gulf Arab states follow the U.A.E.’s lead in forming relations with Israel?
* Mr. Netanyahu sees Israel as a strategic ally in the region rather than an enemy. Will the rest of the region eventually agree?
* How is Iran the biggest loser with peace between Israel and the Arab world?

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

* Which presidential candidate does Wall Street support?
* Will the stock market continue to rise despite a second wave of Covid-19?
* Will China’s First Capital merger successfully take on Wall Street?
* As media feeds on death and destruction, does Wall Street gain or lose?
* Will Wall Street continue to edge up as jobless claims drop?
* What is the next most exciting IPO on Wall Street?