Extemp Prep for January 25, 2021

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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): [Biden’s First Day](https://www.nytimes.com/2021/01/21/briefing/executive-orders-biden-climate-proud-boys.html)

* How will the Biden administration differ from the Trump administration?
* What are the highlights from President Biden’s inauguration?
* Should President Biden reverse Trump’s ruling on transgender people in the military?
* How is President Biden’s COVID-19 response different than Trump’s
* Why has President Biden halted the withdraw from the World Health Organization?
* Should the U.S. join the Paris Climate Agreement like President Biden has suggested?

# Headline 2 (World / International): [China Business](https://www.wsj.com/articles/china-overtakes-u-s-as-worlds-leading-destination-for-foreign-direct-investment-11611511200?mod=hp_lead_pos1)

* How did China outdo the U.S. in foreign direct investments?
* Should the U.S. be concerned that China surpassed them in foreign direct investments?
* How have the lockdowns affected the U.S. foreign direct investments?
* What can the U.S. do to compete with China’s foreign direct investments?
* Does China’s surpass of the US in foreign direct investments correlate to their different economic structures?
* Is it a wise move for businesses to relocate business headquarters to China?

# Headline 3 (Economy / Business / Tech): [Cancel Culture](https://www.foxnews.com/media/glenn-greenwald-cancel-culture-will-wilkinson-new-york-times)

* What can be done about “cancel culture” in American politics?
* Is “cancel culture” helpful to the political discourse in America?
* Are “cancel culture” and censorship the same thing?
* How should the targets of “cancel culture” handle the negative attention?
* Should celebrities and politicians apologize if they are “canceled”
* Can “cancel culture” be more helpful than harmful?