## **Sample Extemp Topics**

August 30, 2004

- 1. Was Arnold Schwarzenegger's decision to speak at the GOP Convention a good idea?
- 2. Will Zell Miller's speech at the GOP convention help Bush amongst Democrats?
- 3. Will the delay of Microsoft's Windows Longhorn help their rivals?
- 4. Will the purported hijackings of two Russian passenger jets increase conflict with Chechnya?
- 5. Can John Howard overcome criticism of his support of the war in Iraq in elections?
- 6. Will Allawi's visit to Iran improve relations between Iran and Iraq?
- 7. Will the deadlock in the talks between the Sudanese government and Darfur rebels get foreign forces to intercede in the bloodshed?
- 8. Will the French taken hostage in Iraq cause France to help the US and Britain in Iraq?
- 9. Athens 2004: Was it worth the money to host the Olympics?
- 10. What effect will the annual Census Bureau's income distribution have upon the presidential election?
- 11. What effects do the claims that Larry Franklin was spying for Israel have on the presidential election?
- 12. Is the Kerry campaigns ties to pro-Democratic 527s hypocritical?
- 13. Should the Florida Supreme Court declare that Terri Schiavo can be allowed to die?
- 14. Is Dick Cheney's contradictory stance on gay marriage going to harm the Bush-Cheney ticket?
- 15. Should Bush change his policy on Iraq now that he admits that he made a miscalculation?
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