

## DOMESTIC

1. Does the Supreme Court's decision in *Learning Resources, Inc. v. Trump* portend a fracture in its conservative majority?
2. What effects will A.I. have on the U.S. midterm elections?
3. How can the US government improve the popular perception of Immigration and Customs Enforcement?
4. Has Secretary Kennedy's MAHA movement passed its peak?
5. Who will win this year's North Carolina U.S. Senatorial election?
6. How is President Trump's penchant for self-promotion affecting his administration?
7. Should the equal time provision apply to late-night and morning television talk shows?
8. What will be the lasting impacts of the Trump administration's efforts to influence higher education in the U.S.?
9. Who will be hurt the most by the DHS funding battle?
10. Can Senator Mark Kelly win the 2028 Democratic Presidential nomination?
11. How can the U.S. government increase public confidence in its public health agencies?
12. Did the State of the Union Address help or hurt the Trump administration?

## INTERNATIONAL

1. Can Mexico's security forces keep violence in check after taking out cartel leader El Mencho?
2. What does newly elected Prime Minister Tarique Rahman need to do to stabilize Bangladesh?
3. Is Chinese activity in the Arctic a threat to the U.S.?
4. Can Peter Magyar defeat Viktor Orban in the upcoming Hungarian election?
5. Can Cuba's government survive?
6. Were the Olympics a success for Italy?
7. Can Prime Minister Keir Starmer hold onto his job?
8. Should the Japanese government try to repair relations with China?
9. How has Indian Prime Minister Narendra Modi been able to maintain his popularity?
10. Can the current Iranian regime retain control?
11. What does Israeli Prime Minister Binyamin Netanyahu need to do to win another election?
12. What should Japanese Prime Minister Takaichi Sanae prioritize after overwhelming election results in her favor?

## ECONOMICS

1. How will New York mayor Zohran Mamdani be able to fund the services he is promising his city?
2. Should the American consumer be happy that the Supreme Court has declared the president's tariffs illegal?
3. Are American cities raising their minimum wages too high?
4. Should Americans be happy that Kevin Marsh has been chosen to lead the Fed?
5. Is there a rival asset ready to supplant the dollar as the world's reserve currency?
6. What does the recent weakness of the dollar portend for America's economy?
7. Is America's affordability crisis mostly a mirage?
8. Is Berkshire Hathaway in for rough times now that Warren Buffett has retired?
9. Is California's proposed billionaires' tax good for the state?
10. Is Elon Musk wise to bet the future of his empire on AI?
11. How can American bankers and business people reverse the virtual collapse in Americans' faith in big business?
12. How will the American economy be affected by the much-reduced number of unskilled immigrants who are making their way to America?

## FINALS - INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

1. Is Europe capable of sustaining the defense of Ukraine and its own borders if the U.S. shifts to a purely 'logistical' role in NATO?
2. How does Japan's inclusion in AUKUS Pillar II change the naval balance in the South China Sea
3. With the U.S. adopting a more transactional foreign policy, can the 'Five Eyes' maintain the deep, unconditional intelligence sharing that has defined it since WWII?
4. What specific conditions is Saudi Arabia waiting for before fully committing to BRICS+?
5. Can the FORGE alliance stabilize mineral prices enough to compete with China?
6. Will the 2026 deadline for a South China Sea Code of Conduct (COC) produce a legally binding document, or will it be another 'gentleman's agreement' that China ignores?
7. Can Saudi Arabia and the UAE maintain GCC unity while competing for market share against a cash-strapped Russia?
8. Can the G7 remain a functional economic bloc if the U.S. continues to pursue its 'Reciprocal Tariff' policy against its own allies?
9. As the war in Ukraine enters its fifth year, can the EU offer a credible 'Accession Pathway' that doesn't trigger a total economic collapse for current member states?
10. Will escalating tensions between the U.S. and Iran force OPEC+ to adjust oil production levels to prevent a price spike that could trigger a global recession?
11. To what extent does the success of the Quad Alliance depend on the 2026 U.S.-India interim trade deal?
12. Does the SCO's 2026-2035 strategy provide a viable economic system independent of Western oversight?