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# Today’s debate:

## ‘US election: who’s gonna win?’



‘On 10 September, Harris was widely considered to have won her TV debate with Donald Trump. The Trump camp then refused to accept the traditional second presidential debate.’

Thurs, Oct 26 2024, 10:00 am

<https://www.speakeasy-news.com/the-rocky-road-to-the-white-house/>

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The Guardian view on the US presidential election 2024: a Democratic government is the one we need

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HARRIS	90%
TRUMP	10%

The Trump camp must be scared of the Harris camp to not wanting a second debate! 😂

My prediction : Harris must win easily!

Amanda, Fri, Oct 26 2024, 10:30 am

HARRIS	50%
TRUMP	50%

Kamala Harris may lead our country. First black woman president! Go Kamala, Go! ...

However Trump may be the next president too according to the polls... 😞

Rayshaun, Fri, Oct 26 2024, 12:30 am

HARRIS	00%
TRUMP	100%

Rayshaun, are you kidding? A woman, president ?!

There is no way. Kamala Harris can't win this election. Our country needs a firm hand to make it great again. I am strongly convinced after this debate: Trump is our guy!

Dwayne, Fri, Oct 26 2024, 1:15 pm

HARRIS	80%
TRUMP	20%

The poll might change after this debate. Trump might represent a better president after 4 years not being one. He might take wiser decisions in order to win the election.

CJ, Fri, Oct 26, 03:00 pm

Read these excerpts from Kamala Harris’s official Facebook page.



**Kamala Harris**  
@KamalaHarris

The most practical thing we can do is cut taxes for working and middle-class families.

That is what @Tim\_Walz and I will do.



**Kamala Harris**  
@KamalaHarris

We will work with builders and developers to construct three million new homes and rentals.

And we will help first-time buyers get their foot in the door with \$25,000 down payment assistance.



**Kamala Harris**  
@KamalaHarris

When I’m president, we will double the number of registered apprenticeships.



**Kamala Harris**  
@KamalaHarris

No one who grows up in America’s greatest industrial or agricultural centers should be abandoned.

We will offer tax credits to strengthen factory towns—retooling existing factories, hiring locally, and adding good union jobs.



**Kamala Harris**  
@KamalaHarris

As president, I will increase the start-up deduction by 10 times, to \$50,000—and provide low and no-interest loans to small businesses that want to expand.



**Kamala Harris**  
@KamalaHarris

I will cut taxes for 100 million Americans—and if you are making less than \$400,000 a year, your taxes will not go up.

Work on words.

Search the text for the English translations for :

- réduire les impôts : .....
- location : .....
- (contrat d’)apprentissage : .....
- .....
- embaucher : .....
- augmenter : .....
- emprunt / prêt financier : .....

Comprehension.

1. What issues does Kamala Harris address in these Facebook posts ? Tick the correct answers.

- ☐ immigration
- ☐ healthcare
- ☐ criminality
- ☐ foreign policy
- ☐ education
- ☐ environment
- ☐ economy
- ☐ housing
- ☐ national security
- ☐ employment
- ☐ law and order

2. Spot and highlight key ideas in Harris’s program.

Now, think !

Repérez dans le texte un mot répété qui permet d’exprimer une prédiction ? .....  
Quel mot permet d’exprimer ... - une hypothèse ? ..... - une certitude (datée) ? .....  
Repérez et classez dans chaque colonne du tableau une ou deux phrases, selon qu’elles expriment une prédiction seule, une hypothèse future ou une certitude future.

Prédiction seule	Hypothèse future	Certitude future

## L'EXPRESSION DE L'HYPOTHESE AU FUTUR

PRACTICE AND GET READY FOR YOUR TASK - Put Donald Trump's program into full sentences.

### What would Trump do in power?

Here's a look at what he stand for on different issues.

#### ECONOMY

- Deliver lower interest rates (something the president does not control)
- Impose higher tax on imports
- Propose a number of tax cuts worth trillions (mostly helping the wealthy)

#### IMMIGRATION

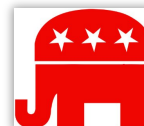
- Deport undocumented immigrants to ease pressure on housing
- Seal the border by completing the construction of a wall and increasing enforcement

#### FOREIGN POLICY

- Disentangle the USA from conflicts elsewhere in the world
- End the war in Ukraine in 24 hours through a negotiated settlement with Russia
- End the war in Gaza

#### LAW AND ORDER

- Demolish drugs cartels, crush gang violence and rebuild Democratic-run cities that he says are overrun with crime
- Defend the Second Amendment, the constitutional right to bear arms



— Adapted from an article published on BBC on November 1, 2024  
<https://www.bbc.com/news/articles/cwy343z5311o>

### GO FURTHER

1- Listen to an extract from Barack Obama's 2009 inaugural speech.

<https://youtu.be/RShdL1jB7-Q?si=9iND4CL3vUTq4xie> <https://youtu.be/yCFhpYMhaqY?si=YxEKV8tOX4i68965>

2- Listen again and read the extract : spot repetitions, work on pauses, liaisons and emphasis.

<https://obamawhitehouse.archives.gov/blog/2009/01/21/president-Barack-obamas-inaugural-address>

3- Can you imitate the former President ? Yes, you can ! Do it !



## CHOOSE YOUR FINAL TASK

#### COMPÉTENCE ÉVALUÉE

Écrire une note pour transmettre des informations d'intérêt immédiat et faire comprendre les points considérés comme importants.

#### SCÉNARIO

Vous êtes le candidat élu. Préparez un discours pour répondre aux interrogations du peuple américain sur votre politique.

- Détaillez les mesures que vous envisagez de prendre dès votre investiture.
- Évoquez les difficultés que vous pourriez rencontrer.

#### COMPÉTENCES ÉVALUÉES

Raconter un événement, une expérience ou un rêve, décrire un espoir ou un but.

Mettre en voix son discours par la prononciation, l'intonation et la gestuelle adéquates.

#### SCÉNARIO

Vous êtes le président élu. Prononcez votre discours d'investiture devant le peuple américain.

- Saluez-le et remerciez-le de vous avoir choisi.
- Détaillez les mesures que vous envisagez de prendre dès votre investiture.
- Évoquez les difficultés que vous pourriez rencontrer.