

US SECOND PRESIDENTIAL DEBATE



1. Who said what?

Watch the video of the second debate between Obama and McCain and write O for Obama or M for McCain next to the following sentences:

1. We are in the worst financial crisis since the Great Depression –
2. I believe this is a final verdict on the failed economic policies of the last eight years –
3. We've got to give some trust and confidence back to America –
4. I know how to make America working again –
5. I am confident about American economy –
6. Last year we lost 700,000 jobs in America –
7. This is the guy who sang 'bomb, bomb, bomb Iran' –
8. This is the person who after, we hadn't even finished Afghanistan where he said, 'Next up, Baghdad.'" –
9. What would you do if the president of a country says that they are determined to wipe you off the map –
10. I want to make sure that we put enough pressure on the Iranians –

2. Fill in the gaps with the appropriate word:

"We are in the worst _____ (1) crisis since the Great Depression and a lot of you I think are worried about your jobs, your pensions, your _____ (2) accounts, your ability to send your child, your grandchild to

college. And I believe this is a final verdict on the failed economic policies of the last _____ (3) years, strongly promoted by President Bush and supported by Senator McCain, that essentially said that we should strip away regulations, consumer protections, let the market run wild and _____ (4) would rain down on all of us."

"I am confident about the American economy but we are going to have to have some _____ (5) from Washington that not only sets out much better regulations for the financial system. The problem is we still have an archaic 20th century regulatory system for 21st century financial markets.

We're going to have to _____ (6) with other countries to make sure that whatever actions we take work. But most importantly, we're going to have to help ordinary families be able to stay in their _____ (7), make sure that they can pay their bills, deal with critical issues like health care and energy and we're going to have to change the culture in Washington so that lobbyists and special interests aren't driving the process and your voices aren't being _____ (8)."

"Our _____ (9) right now is the Iranians continue on the path to acquiring nuclear weapons and it's a great threat. It's not just a threat to the state of Israel, it's a threat to the stability of the entire Middle East.

If Iran acquires nuclear _____ (10), all the other countries will acquire them too. The tensions will be ratcheted up. What would you do if you were the Israelis and the president of a country says that they are determined to wipe you off the map, calls your country a "stinking corpse." Now ***** without preconditions wants to sit down and _____ (11) with him.

Without preconditions, that's what he stated, again a matter of record. I want to make sure that the Iranians are put enough, that we put enough pressure on the Iranians by joining with our allies and imposing significant tough _____ (12) to modify their behaviour."

TRANSCRIPT

BARACK OBAMA

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JOHN MCCAIN

"As you know, we're going to have to do something about home values. You know that home values of retirees continues to decline and people are no longer able to afford their mortgage payments. As president of the United States, Alan, I would order the secretary of the Treasury to immediately buy up the bad home loan mortgages in America and renegotiate at the new value of those homes -- at the diminished value of those homes and let people be able to make those -- be able to make those payments and stay in their homes. Is it expensive? Yes. But we all know, my friends, until we stabilize home values in America, we're never going to start turning around and creating jobs and fixing our economy. And we've got to give some trust and confidence back to America. I know how to do that my friends and it's my proposal, it's not Senator Obama's proposal, it's not President Bush's proposal. But I know how to get America working again, restore our economy and take care of working Americans."

BARACK OBAMA

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JOHN MCCAIN,

"You know, nailing down Senator Obama's various tax proposals is like nailing jello to the wall. There's been five or six of them and if you wait long enough there'll probably be another one. But he wants to raise taxes. My friends, the last president to raise taxes during tough economic times was Herbert Hoover and he practiced protectionism as well which I'm sure we'll get to at some point. You know last year, up to this time we've lost 700-thousand jobs in America. The only

bright spot is that over 300-thousand jobs have been created by small businesses. Senator Obama's secret that you don't know is that his tax increases will increase taxes on 50 percent of small business revenue."

BARACK OBAMA,

"Now Senator McCain suggests that somehow you know I'm green behind the ears and you know I'm just spouting off and he's sombre and responsible."

MCCAIN

"Thank you very much."

OBAMA "This is the guy who sang 'Bomb, bomb, bomb Iran,' who called for the annihilation of North Korea. That I don't think is an example of speaking softly. This is the person who after, we hadn't even finished Afghanistan where he said, 'Next up, Baghdad.'"

JOHN MCCAIN

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