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2024 Presidential Debate

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Kamala
Harris

Donald
Trump

Linsey
Davis

David
Muir

NUCLEAR RISK

Nuclear weapons modernization / new Cold War

Russia and tactical nuclear weapons in Ukraine

Iran's nuclear program / Iran nuclear deal

Nuclear testing / Project 2025

Advanced / small nuclear reactors

"Nuclear warming"

CLIMATE CHANGE

Anything about extreme temperatures, storms, wildfires

Environmental regulation / Project 2025 / Inflation Reduction Act

Carbon dioxide / emissions / carbon capture

Small modular nuclear reactors

Fracking

"Bird killers" (or windmills)

DISRUPTIVE TECHNOLOGIES

AI-enabled disinformation / deep fakes / election interference

Regulation of social media

AI in military command and control / autonomous weapons / drones

Regulation of AI

Data privacy / cybersecurity

Elon Musk

BIOSECURITY

Pandemic preparedness / global pandemic treaty

H5N1 / Bird flu / Monkeypox

COVID

Vaccines / vaccine skepticism / RFK Jr.

Regulation of risky biological research (or COVID lab leak theory)

Synthetic biology / biological terrorism

BONUS POINTS

"Comrade Kamala"

"Weird" or "Unserious"

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