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Thank you all so much for coming. We're getting a bit of a late start, so I'm just going to try to jump right into it. What's the issues that matter most to you, the things that you're paying attention to right now.

Abortion.

You think about the country.

Jobs.

Jobs?

Welfare.

Abortion?

Yes.

Health.

Health.

Yes, healthcare.

Healthcare.

Welfare.

Welfare.

Mental healthcare, drug addiction.

Illegal aliens.

Say it again?

Illegal aliens.

Illegal aliens?

Yes, that's a big thing.

yes.

War.

War.

War with who?

Well, we seem to be fighting [CROSSTALK] yes.

I'm not sure we got [CROSSTALK]

Remember my only rule, we got to be careful we don't talk over each other. I need to be able to hear everything. Go ahead, finish for me.

Who were we last having problems with? Of course, Iraq's never going to be ending, I don't think. But China.

Yes.

What's his name?

And Iran.

He has a funny name.

Korea.

Kim Jong-un.

Yes.

Just never ending. Like to have world peace.

What I'd like to do is do a fill in the blank sentence. And just, I want you to get a word or phrase that for you would finish this sentence. Here it is, I feel blank about the way things are going in the country these days. I feel?

Scared.

Scared.

Concerned.

Hopeless.

Hang on, let me get them all. Scared, concerned, hopeless, I heard.

Scary.

Nervous.

Nervous.

Frustrated.

Frustrated. What else?

Unheard.

Unheard.

I like that one.

Who is not listening?

Politicians.

All the politicians. None of them. They just want to hear themselves. And also worried about Trump and his taxes.

Because we aren't being heard, people vote, I think a lot of people are more attention to who they are voting for and it doesn't matter if they have a D or an R after their name. It should be about the policy. And rather the flip flop on that policy. One day they'll say one thing and then the next day they're saying something else and it's frustrating because you never know where they stand so you don't know where you stand.

Who said hopeless?

I did.

Tell me, why hopeless?

Because I think all the politicians, I think they're in office for too long. They're not changing things. The social security system is totally screwed, pardon my language, but just that whole thing. And I think they're robbing the American citizens blind as far as healthcare and everything.

Cathy, was it nervous that word you said?

Concerned.

Concerned. Tell me, what are you concerned about?

I'm very patriotic, I've always considered myself very patriotic. So to see my country go in a direction that concerns me is very troubling because it's hard to still hold that patriotism, I guess to a point, when so many things are going in not a good direction.

Beth, what was your word?

I didn't have one. I agree with most of theirs.

I'm thinking of the direction of the country.

I think that the direction that our country's gone in is just, it's not a direction that I would like to see it go in, essentially. It makes me feel concerned and sometimes hopeless about, the [INAUDIBLE] to me are abortion's a big thing in my household, term limits is something else. Illegal aliens is another thing that's discussed at the dinner table, to be honest. It is concerning and I grew up in a very patriotic household. My grandfather served in the military during World War II. And I try to instill that in my children. Then they go off to college and they go to liberal schools. But my oldest daughter is totally disgusted with the country she lives in and that makes me sad, makes me very sad because I think that for people her age, 25, she's working two jobs to barely make ends meet.

I agree.

And she doesn't have any children or anything beyond a cat.

Christina, how are you feeling about the direction of the country?

Well, the drug addiction, that's a big one, it's an epidemic right now. Because I'm in recovery.

Congratulations.

I know a lot of the [INAUDIBLE] this methadone this and that and you can always tell when someone's on it. And I'm on it. And when it bothers me and I understand – you got to, you know what I'm saying, it's an epidemic and I just think that there should be more help instead of just let's put this under the carpet. The doctors prescribe it and then it's just. [CROSSTALK]

It really is.

Glenna and then Erica .

I think part of the problem is there are no answers. There aren't. There's no perfect answer. I have almost every situation right in my personal family – that every of this are facts.

Let me ask you this. What's going well? Is there anything you can point to?

The economy I believe is going well.

You were just saying how your daughter has to work two jobs.

She is. The economy's great. There's jobs for everyone, but they're all [INAUDIBLE] jobs.

Well, minimum wage goes up.

So now, my daughter lives in Pennsylvania. She lives in upstate, but something you need to know is the minimum wage is on there, \$7.75.

Wow. That's bad.

My daughter works at a factory. She works at two factories. She works at a factory and she's making \$11 an hour and can't afford her own healthcare. She's still on mine at 25 because she would not be able to afford to eat. She would be choosing rent or eat.

And how does she make rent?

She doesn't have, she has a car that we paid a considerable down payment for. And she's got a \$200 a month car payment on a nice car. And she's got, her insurance is as much as her car payment because she's 20, well, it went down, but.

So let me pull us back for a second to anything that's going well going well. What can you point to, if anything, that's going well.

I think that international relations are going better. I don't think everyone would agree with that, but I think that Trump's stance on, sorry, let's shit or get off the pot kind of deal. I agree with that. I think America overreaches itself in lots of ways internationally and we need to take care of our problems at home. We need to reel that right back in.

He's finally stepping. The president, it's been years since we've a president actually down to earth like we are and saying "screw you".

How can he owe China when we give them billions of dollars in aid every year that we borrow back from them at an interest rate. How does that even make sense?

I could say about our debt.

Fiona[ph], anything going well in the country that you can point to?

Not really.

Well, getting rid of.

Not letting everybody in. That's something good, I believe.

Hispanics and stuff.

They should come in legally if they want to come in.

He's cleaning it up.

Cleaning it up.

Jacinda[ph], anything good you can point to?

I've got to agree with Fiona now.

I'm with her and Fiona.

Not too much?

No.

So not even the economy?

No. I don't think economy's all that great.

I don't either.

We'll get back to that in a second. But let me just ask you one question and then we'll move on. But when you think about your kids, or if you don't have kids, just sort of the next generation, do you feel mainly hopeful or more doubtful about where they're going.

Sad.

Sad. Doubtful.

Doubtful. How come? What's the main reason that you're kind of more about the next generation?

They have a lot on their backs already before they even graduate college when it comes to Social Security. Someone mentioned college loans, oh my gosh, out of control right now. It's kind of hard to step into adulthood when you already have so much baggage upcoming, I feel.

And good reason, a generation that, it's entitled.

Entitled.

Oh absolutely. Absolutely.

Thank you.

They really think they're entitled to everything going on for nothing.

Most of them do. My son is amazing.

Sandra[ph]?

Yeah?

Hold on guys. It's Sandra's turn.

Just don't act no, kind of how I look at that a little bit differently. When I was growing up, everybody in our time [INAUDIBLE] town. I know I'd recognize your voice.

And we aren't together to save our.

Corn.

We did.

And when you grow up in that town, there was nothing but money. Money was everywhere. And even where everywhere, life was everywhere. There was, every little neighborhood had a store. Every neighborhood had a store.

You had an appliance store. You had a [INAUDIBLE] Even a [INAUDIBLE] I mean it was.

Do it quickly for me so that.

I'm so sorry. So anyway, we had all of these things. So everybody was working, everybody had jobs, everybody had good income. Every child went to college. Who paid for that college then? The parents that had the jobs, they did it. So no. It is no different. These children are not entitled. They deserve to get that education. We birthed those children, we should be educating those children. If we don't educate these people, they are not going to be able to put money into the Social Security system that is dying. It's our fault. We did it.

I agree with that.

We did. Until we stop doing it and take ownership to when it's out of hand.

Can you tell me what you see in the entitlement. How does it manifest itself?

Entitlement. I'm talking about certain people that the whole family, generation, generation on down is what I'm talking about. That they figured, "Well, my mother was entitled that. That's what I'm entitled too. So I've got to get what I'm entitled to." That's what I'm talking about.

So what I want to do now, I want to throw out some issues that are in the news and I just want to do word association. What's the first thing you think of, first thing that comes to mind, maybe what word you would use to describe what I'm saying. Whatever comes pops in your head. The first one is the economy. How would you describe it? What pops in your head? What, economy.

I would say it's slow. The economy's good, but.

Inflations.

The workers aren't the ones that are getting the benefit. They're not getting, back to what she was saying, when I was young, my mother didn't have to work. My father worked at the mill and we had a house, a camp, two cars, we went on trips, we went to Florida [CROSSTALK]

So what does it come down to?

Pressure.

Pressure. Economy. What comes, what pops in your head.

Crap.

Crap. Not good. Economy?

Struggling.

Struggling.

Inflation.

Inflation.

I agree with not living up to inflation. It's not meeting inflation.

How about this one? Wages keeping up with cost.

No.

That's not it.

No.

So pretty unanimous on that. How do you see that? What's the most.

I have a, my boss because I work a minimum wage job. I do sales and marketing and anybody else, you go anywhere else in the country for the sales and marketing job, you're not making minimum wage. I realize it's a small company and I had to pull teeth to get a raise. Well, now I'm up to \$12 an hour. But my boss's interpretation of this is that if you look, minimum wage is now 60% higher than it was four years ago. So therefore, in his mind, he justifies by paying minimum wage job. Everybody, almost everybody at my place is making minimum wage. He justifies that by saying, "Four years ago, you were only

making \$7.50 an hour."

Well, next time, ask him what the price of gas was per gallon four years ago.

That I think employers are justifying it that way, in that, "Look it, you're making so much more than you were." But back then, you couldn't survive either. It's not minimum wage. It should be a living wage.

Here's another word for you.

Exactly. A living wage.

Tell me what you think of when you hear this. Top 1%.

Top 1%?

Not me.

Not us.

The rich.

What was that? The rich?

Where the money is.

Where the money is.

Big corporations.

Corporations.

Movers and shakers.

Movers and shakers.

My parents own [INAUDIBLE] own a logging company and it is. It's for the rich. They have to pay off millions of dollars and just spread [INAUDIBLE] so they don't have to pay taxes anymore. Are you kidding me? I wish I could buy a \$500,000 [INAUDIBLE] just to write it off.

I think the top, I think the 1% is made up mostly of the politicians, to be totally honest. That's, they should be working for minimum wage for us.

Here's another one. Healthcare laws. Healthcare.

Ridiculous.

Ridiculous.

I think they're skewed.

Can't afford to use it.

Can't afford to use it. Jessica[ph], say again?

I they're skewed. I think the prices are inconsistent for what you're getting because it depends on where you go.

Oh, absolutely.

It's all a money maker.

It is.

My husband [CROSSTALK] at Walmart for \$25 for his prescription.

Dental's ridiculous.

The copay with our insurance, I have really good insurance, our copay is \$35 a bottle and the pharmacy charges almost \$400 per bottle for his insulin. So how can I buy it at Walmart without insurance for \$25 when the same thing is almost \$400 at Walgreens.

Seems like when you have insurance, they up it because I had a procedure down at the hospital, and I have insurance. And after my insurance paid, I still owed them \$2,000. It was ridiculous. And I said, "Well, if I didn't have insurance and just paid it cash." The price, the money that my insurance paid would have covered it.

And can I just comment real quick?

Yeah.

OK. Quick and then we're going to move on.

I think that there is a cure for cancer, but this greedy government is keeping, is letting people die because they're getting so much money from the

pharmaceutical companies.

For insurance?

How many celebrities really die of it? Not many that you hear of.

They got money. Give me the pill to help me out.

Listen. I just want to say one thing. Part of it, this is such a big table and it's hard for me to hear who's at the other end. But I really just need to make sure that I hear each person, so. And then, so glad you're all excited about talking and everything. But I didn't, I need to make sure I hear everybody. And the other thing that I want to say is too that I forgot to say is I know I try to call on you if you're kind of quiet. Nobody's really quiet here, so that's great. But I may need to say, "OK. Let me hear those other people," just keep that in mind. I want everybody to be able to chime in and it's hard with this big table, so.

My bad.

Next one. Unions. Unions. What do you think?

Outdated.

Outdated.

I know someone that was in a union and they helped a lot.

Help a lot.

But I didn't.

Stephanie[ph]?

Hard to get into unless, really hard to get into sometimes.

I don't think in Maine, I don't think we're familiar with unions as well
[CROSSTALK]

If you worked in the mill for different goals.

Quiet please.

Maybe you are, but I've lived in Maine pretty much my whole life. I'm very

unfamiliar with unions and I don't know if I'm pro or against.

Coming from Boston, unless you were a minority, you really, if you were an average white guy or, well even a white woman because now you're a minority there too, you could get, you have a better chance. But a white man? My husband be a Native American. He tried six times to get into that union. Even sponsored by union members. But the minority got in before him, even being a Native American.

That's not fair.

Wow. That's not fair.

Let's do the next one. Immigration. Immigration.

I think it's on track, personally. It's going well. I think closing the borders down. Have you seen the news coverage? People are just flying across that border. And I understand that people want to come here. America is fantastic and I think if you do it legally, you are welcome with open arms. But illegal immigration needs to stop.

And then they want to come here and then change everything to their country, go back to your own country.

I agree.

I agree 100%.

Wendy? Your thoughts on immigration?

I agree. I think if you're here, if you want to be here, there's a process to go through. If you don't want to follow the process, every other country won't let you in. You can't get in.

Re-open Ellis Island. Bring them all back to Ellis Island and make them learn our language, learn our laws, pay the fees.

It's what it was built for. That's what it was built for.

Exactly. And now it's standing there empty. Deserted.

We need to move on. Climate change. Climate change.

BS.

Yeah. I agree.

I think it's stability.

I do.

No, I don't.

You don't think it's real?

No, I don't.

Exaggerated.

What about the science? There's too much science for it not to be true.

Yeah. I am very, very [CROSSTALK]

So allow me, I believe [CROSSTALK] How many people felt.

I think it's probably true. I feel like it's a problem. But [CROSSTALK]

I think there's some truth [CROSSTALK]

There's a lot happening. And the rest of you are saying, "Nuh, more BS."

I think people fail to realize that the weather patterns are always in a cycle. So if you, I have a brother-in-law that researched weather patterns back into the 1700s and 1800s and if you watch them, it just all comes around.

Kelly[ph]? Your thoughts on climate change? What do you think?

I don't believe it. No.

Don't believe it.

No.

Not at all?

Not really. No. I agree. I agree with you. I think it goes in cycles and I just, I don't really.

But Vanessa[ph], you think that there's something to it. Tell me what you think.

Yeah. Because they're finding proof. The polar bears would be, the icebergs, and now the temperature of the water is getting warmer when there's no way it's supposed to be warm for the polar bears. So I just see facts more and more.

I think it's concerning, but I'll think it's a threat level 10. I think we need to start small steps, but it's not like we need to do some green planet, totally revamp everything we do and drink our pee. I don't think that's necessary.

I'm not saying drink your pee, but at what point is it going to be bad enough for you to decide that you need to do something?

Is something going to happen? Naturally, a lot of people, they're doing that. Going underground, they're going to be bunkers [CROSSTALK]

You got to think of corrosion in the atmosphere.

We have too many people talking right now. Too many talking. Erica [ph], do you think now is the time that something needs to be done now?

We've known since the 80's. The big oil corporations did the research, did the studies, and they knew that the climate changing, the global warming, greenhouse gases, they knew all that. They told the politicians. They told the politicians don't do anything about it because we're going to make sure you're getting that money on your campaign so you could be elected. That was in the 80's. We're in what, 2020. Things are progressively getting worse. You watch the news, what happens?

I need to move on. But I just wanted to know where you were on how urgent you felt it was. The next one. Affordable Care Act or Obama Care.

Bullshit.

Oh god, neither.

Bullshit?

Neither.

Neither, what?

Neither Obama Care or it's such a-. It lets too many people through the cracks.

It's not, I would almost be more in favor of a universal healthcare than what is available right now because what I've seen is not OK.

And paying in if you don't have it, that's not fair. Whatever people can't afford it and then they have to pay with their taxes and that's right.

Exactly. And now I'm in the process.

I agree.

[CROSSTALK] a woman buying a can of tuna fish because of freaking Obama.

Halie, what process?

I'm in the middle of it right now. My daughter was fighting cancer. My husband and I could not afford health insurance for us. We afforded it for our children and my daughter was covered. But right now, we are being penalized. Asked thousands of dollars, because we didn't pay back the penalty on time. So Massachusetts went and slapped a \$900 penalty on me on a \$300 fine because I didn't have healthcare that I'd never used and my husband's Indian. And if he got really sick, he couldn't come up to the island.

[CROSSTALK] my husband's Native too.

I need to move on. We have a lot here, so we just have to do this quick. But thank you. You guys are great. Medicaid. Medicaid.

Medicaid. That's main care.

Medicaid's for the elderly too.

That's Medicare.

Oh Medicare.

Low income.

Great program.

And if low income can have it, why can't you? Honestly, because I know how much we pay for health insurance.

Christina[ph]? Your thought, Medicaid. What do you think?

I don't know. I look at it like, so my step father is very bad with dementia right now. So they just paid their house off, but my mother, I don't understand the law but she said that if he goes into a nursing home, they'll lose it.

That's not fair. This man paid his house off and he's going to lose it because he has [CROSSTALK]

That's so very, wrong with that.

Any other thoughts about Medicaid?

Medicaid, I think, if I, you take and use it, and they will take whatever you have to pay it off.

[CROSSTALK] you have kids, it's not like.

Let's move on. The tax cuts that passed last year. The tax cuts that passed last year. Thoughts, feelings, what first thing that comes to mind?

I'll need extra money in my check.

I thought it was nice. I see, when I was working I saw more and it was nice. It was just moving apples or whatever, in my opinion. It took from this time we're going to get it and it kind of spread it out so it was kind of the same. It was great but it was kind of the same.

I was going to say, this is the first year we didn't get a refund.

I disagree. It worked well for us.

I didn't have children, so I don't get all that extra per child like people do. But I pay in a lot of taxes.

But that child income, that almost cuts people even. So I don't have to be like, might've had, he made a hundred dollars more with a \$5,000 hand and he had that [INAUDIBLE] so it almost, what's the point? It makes it so you don't have to pay any kind of money. I don't understand that.

Jacinda, your thoughts on the tax cuts from last year?

Well, I've always said I don't agree, and I know there's some people that say, "Well, if you don't agree with getting all that money back, you shouldn't take it." And I just figure, to be honest, I got a huge amount of money back this year because I have three kids. It's great and it brings you almost to a level, I mean

I'm still at the poverty level, but it brings you to a level that you can do something with that money. We're buying a house and we're able to do that because of that. If I didn't have that, I wouldn't be able to.

I didn't get crap back. And I paid in a ton.

And I paid in, too.

So that's unfair. I mean, great.

We're going to move on. Big corporations. Big corporations. What do you think of? First thing that comes to mind.

Cheat.

Greedy.

Cheat. Greedy.

Greedy.

They don't pay their share.

Pay their share.

They need to pay their share.

They do. They do need to pay their share. I think it's great. A lot of greed.

Stop hiding behind loop holes.

Exactly.

President included. He hasn't paid taxes in years because of his, well, that giant loophole on his losses.

The next one. Pharmaceutical companies.

Scammers. Money. Bad. I really do [CROSSTALK]

Evil. I say dead, evil, evil.

Yes it's all pharmaceutical's money.

If they look at it –

It's all about the bottom line with them.

About the bottom line, OK.

The doctor pushes it, sometimes they get a re – a thing back on it, I think.

I watched something the other day, the US government paid for the, for the trials, for a drug they paid for the actual like finding the drug and all the research for the drug, and now this drug costs US citizens like \$3000 a month but you can get it in Australia for seven dollars.

Yes.

And I think the drug –

And we [CROSSTALK]

We hold the patent.

We hold the patent, exactly, you see that, too?

Yes.

The United States government holds the patent.

But the pharmaceutical company makes all the money. We get nothing for it.

We get nothing and we won't [CROSSTALK]

We get to pay for the development, we get to, just like with big corporations, we get to pay for the cleanup –

But we would not, we, the US government –

They don't pay for it.

They won't take them to court.

OK, next one. Outsourcing.

It's a shame.

A shame?

It's sad.

I think they should [CROSSTALK]

It's taken people's work away.

Yes.

Just to save money.

Or if they outsource –

Just to save money.

Exactly. And they're taking everybody's jobs away. It, yes, it's really sad.

Halie, what do you think about outsourcing?

The same, I agree. Yes, I agree.

OK, Glenna, outsourcing?

Yes. Definitely.

Student loan debt, someone [CROSSTALK]

Outrageous.

– **brought that up.**

Oh my gosh. Insane. Like what a racket, what a racket. I should have known better, I should have gone on that racket, holy smokes.

You start working and you've got \$100,000 in student loans. It's a great job but, they want a lot of money monthly so it gets hard with a mortgage and –

And then you're just paying off the interest let alone the principle, you're not even touching the principle. It's crazy.

Yes, it is ridiculous. I went to school, the same school my daughter's going to. We pay them \$5000 a semester, my daughter has \$10,000 in student loans

every year and we still end up paying for books, for her place to live, and everything else. It is insane. And student loan debt is ridiculous. Sadly, these young kids who don't know [INAUDIBLE] they're doing to begin with, signing up for a frigging loan at 18, they don't know.

Right, right.

Right.

They wouldn't get otherwise if it weren't a student loan.

Yes, nobody else is going to give them \$10,000 a year in credit at 18 with no freaking job.

But they take a 20 minute course.

Here's the next one.

You know it.

The next word is retirement.

Never.

It won't happen.

It will never happen.

[CROSSTALK] it's caring it's [CROSSTALK]

Can't do it?

I don't think they can.

Can't afford it.

I don't think they [CROSSTALK]

Never.

Unaffordable.

Yes, that's a good word.

Unaffordable. Jacinda, retirement?

I don't know. I'm not thinking that far ahead. I think at this point, you only, you live day to day.

OK, and Jessica?

I'm 33 and I haven't even started saving for retirement so I can't imagine it's going to be very good.

I felt [CROSSTALK] may not like a time and place. My retirement plan is your college payments [CROSSTALK]

I'm passed that and I don't have anything saved. Because I never could.

You can't, yes.

Because you can't.

I'm almost 50. Retirement?

You have to survive.

Right, I pray there is still social security.

Here's the next one. Tariffs.

Well, stupid.

We end up paying for them.

OK. Vanessa?

I agree with her.

OK, we end up paying for them. Sandra?

We yes, we pay, we're paying for it 100%. We're going without because of that, look at the farmers, what's going on with them and it's us. We're the ones that, we're not going to have the food, we're not going to be able to put heat in our homes come next winter because of what's going on right now.

OK, tariffs other thoughts, reactions?

I don't really know a whole lot about it.

OK. Thank you, thanks for sharing that. Tariffs, anybody else like have anything?

I don't really know much about it.

Don't really know, OK. How about this one: trade agreements with other countries. Trade agreement with other countries?

I think it's essential but I think some people take it the huge, out of control area of not, again it's all the about, I guess thinking of corporations like the high ups, they don't care what trickles down. They want to know what they're going to get. And that's kind of how I feel about that situation.

He evolved himself.

Yes.

You shouldn't be allowed to leave then, you know how they just packed up and left United States, moved to Mexico, or whatever other country that they moved to and all the goods coming back here. Crying out loud, we're selling lumber out of our area up to Canada. We're cutting it. It's going up to Canada. Canada's selling it back to us and then we're going –

Sorry.

[CROSSTALK]

I'm sorry it's the [INAUDIBLE] you know.

But no, it's ridiculous. And we shouldn't allow it. NAFTA was a huge mistake. The thing is, if you're worried about global warming, don't buy anything from China because we're sending stuff over there, we're going over there to make this stuff because there are no laws regarding the ETA or regulations.

You don't know what you're getting back from them, I mean [CROSSTALK] look how many incidents, like Claire had to pull makeup off the counter because it has –

Right.

Because they don't care [CROSSTALK]

They don't have to.

[CROSSTALK] people, they want to kill a few off, you know.

[CROSSTALK] watch and learn. [CROSSTALK]

We've got lots of over talk there. It's really going to be hard for me to make sense of that tape. Let me just ask you, going back to the economy for a second, what do you think about this economy? Who are the winners? Who's doing well?

Corporations.

Yes.

Mm-hmm.

Corporations?

The top 1%.

Top 1%.

Yes.

People who don't have the worries of day to day life of am I going to be able to afford food for this, am I going to be able to afford gas for my tank this summer or this winter to have to heat, am I going – they don't have those problems. Their problems are like I'm going to get a new car just because I feel like getting one. I just got a bonus for all the hard work I did [CROSSTALK]

Reality TV.

So it's the 1%, it's corporations. Anybody else that you see as winners in this?

No.

Who's losing out? Who's falling through [CROSSTALK]

The typical American person.

We all are. Everybody [CROSSTALK]

The blue collar.

The middle class and the poor.

Yes.

Yes, the blue collar and the poor.

[CROSSTALK] The middle class is really taking it hard. And I've never been
[CROSSTALK]

The middle class gets the worst.

The middle class is [CROSSTALK]

They're not going to be able to be [CROSSTALK] even running a [CROSSTALK]

Or it gets bigger.

It's getting larger.

It's going up. We're all floating.

Exactly.

Yes. We're sliding.

There's no middle class anymore. I don't really feel there's much of a middle class.

And that goes back into the entitlement [INAUDIBLE] it wasn't because, there's so many that's not out there working now, because they're sitting at home thinking their entitled with stuff.

OK. There should be pens in front of you. Can everybody locate a pen and let me know if there's any missing because I have some here if we need one.

Thank you.

Anybody else need a pen? No one, OK. The reason I ask is because I'm going to be passing out some paper. Now, really important, I don't want you flipping ahead, OK? I will tell you when to turn the page, alright? So we're all going to be on the first page here in the front. When you get this, I

want you to put your first name, last initial up here at the top. I think, yes, it's only on that first page. Just put your first name, last initial. We're just doing this first page. On the first set of lines, you're going to be writing any good things that come to mind when you think about President Donald Trump. On the second set of lines, it's any doubts or concerns you have. You do not have to write full sentences, OK? You can if you want to but you can just write bullet points or ideas or, you know, kind of do a brain dump, OK? So I'm going to pass these out, take one and pass them. So take one and pass. And you're only staying on the first page, do not flip ahead, OK?

Well I reached [CROSSTALK]

The more you say that –

OK. all right. So again, first name, last initial –

A sixteen year old [CROSSTALK]

Up at the top and-

I don't have anyone.

You don't?

Good things about Donald Trump, let's go to the bottom first.

Everybody get one? OK. First name, last initial in the first set of lines, it's any good things about Donald Trump. In the second set of lines, and doubts or concerns about Donald Trump, and again, it doesn't have to be full sentences, bullet points are fine.

It is warm in here.

OK, good, thank you for [INAUDIBLE]

But I also, I do suffer the hot flashes.

Yes, I hear you. I had this discussion [CROSSTALK]

I think a lot of us do.

Yes.

All right, keep writing if you need more time. For those of you who are done, I'd like to hear what you wrote. Good things about Donald Trump. Irene, let me start with you, what would you write?

On the good things? The Bory Building. The exporting the immigrants that are illegal, keeping our patriotism, fighting like they took the pledge of allegiance out of some schools. He fights for that. He is trying for world peace, he doesn't let terrorism taking over our country. He stands up to these other leaders.

What tells you that, that he –

Watching him. And what he says. I mean he's talking about the guys that got their head cut off, you know, and telling them what kinds of wimps they are and, you know, they're just not going to do that. I really think there's no proof that he's doing anything but I think he is.

OK. all right. Doris. What did you write. Good things.

Good things? I think he tells it like it is. He's, he digs in and gets to the bottom of things, he gets things done, he's just a go-getter. He doesn't sugar coat things. He just, I just – that's how I feel.

OK, Christina, good things.

I mean she said he's blunt. I don't really understand the border thing very much, we've been in Mexico a ton, so I don't know if it's just for the illegals or is wall, does it affect us going over.

No, just illegals.

It doesn't OK. So he, yes, OK, sorry.

Christina, why is it a good thing that he's blunt?

Because I think Presidents, a lot of times, they like to skirt around things. They like to use a lot of words that we don't understand and, you know, let's not get right into, just [INAUDIBLE]

Yes.

OK.

And that's what we need.

Can understand him.

Yes.

He speaks [INAUDIBLE]

OK. Stephanie?

Pretty much, very similar to what everybody is saying. He's not a pushover, he's not a puppet on a string. You know, I'm all for a woman in office but I think Hillary would have been, just a puppet. I think there would have been a bunch of men behind her telling her what to do. He does stand strong for his beliefs, he doesn't back down. I do appreciate that. I do appreciate what he, trying to tighten up our borders and get these illegals out and, you know, I think sometimes he's a little too quick to say "they're all illegal" unless they're teens but, you know, I get his point, I do agree with that. I do definitely agree with that.

OK. Erica , good things?

He knows how to divide and conquer.

OK.

That's the only one thing I think I have to say. He has a great comb over, too.

Glenna, good things?

I didn't write anything.

Nothing good. OK.

I don't think I could put enough for [CROSSTALK]

I'm sorry, I've got to stick to my guns.

Whitney?

I agree with the whole illegal alien thing. I like him because he wasn't a career politician and he's not in it for the money.

Absolutely.

Also, he wasn't Hillary. And he says what he wants to and he doesn't care if he offends people.

And you say he's not in it for money.

Well he didn't need the money. I mean it's, he's not –

He's donated all the money that he's gotten as president of the United States.

OK.

Has he?

yes.

He's pissed. He wants to make it.

OK. Beth, good things?

Not a career politician, his views on illegals and building the wall, he's looking at repealing parts of ObamaCare and the inventory insurance, he wasn't Killary, he's a conservative, he has backbone, doesn't talk out of both sides of his mouth, his stance on terrorism, and he stood up to North Korea.

OK. Peggy?

They've covered it [CROSSTALK]

Cathy.

I know it's kind of inappropriate but I've put he's got big balls. Like when it comes down to like saying what he needs to say. And I'm not, I don't agree so much that, I mean he obviously says what he want to say, Twitter, and I agree that he doesn't care if he offends people but it's not in a hateful way. He says what he needs to say, to get what he needs to say, to get it across.

He doesn't need to own, he's politically correct.

Right, he's not trying to people please, and there are so many politicians, that's all they do, it's like, like you said, talking out of two sides or your mouth, whatever, you say something, but you do another thing and with him, he says it, he does it, bam. And I love that. I can respect that.

Is it OK if he does offend people sometimes?

You're going to offend people. I wish people in America would understand that

just because we disagree, that we can still be friendly. We can still disagree and be OK, that's fine, I don't have to agree with everyone for everything to be OK.

Freedom of speech until you hurt someone's feeling.

[INAUDIBLE] the Boston Harbor, you know, I mean like seriously.

Yes.

He's not intimidating being a president. The other ones, it's all about power. And it's not about that.

He really wants to get stuff done.

It's about I'm keeping my, you know, country the way it should be.

All right, so let's look at doubts and concerns. What did you write in terms of doubts and concerns? Fiona, can I start with you? I always get whoever's chewing.

Just that, about the health care and the medication cost and all that

What about health care, in terms of Donald Trump? Like what are you concerned about?

Just need more health care for the people that fall through the cracks.

OK. So do you feel he hasn't addressed that or what?

It just needs more attention, that's all.

Needs more attention, OK. Irene, what did you write for doubts?

Me?

I'm sorry, I was looking at Cathy.

I thought so [CROSSTALK]

She didn't [CROSSTALK]

Go ahead, Cathy.

I said Irene and I was looking at Cathy.

It's OK.

My biggest doubts kind of, I put Twitter and the media misrepresentation, it's not so much his, about him, it's about how people are repre – like representing his and him in the media. I think from now on maybe Presidents shouldn't be allowed on Twitter.

But if they want to watch whatever [CROSSTALK]

And I'm not saying, I mean yes, he says things that are sensitive and he does things but, you know, everyone on Twitter does things like that and I think just singling him without reason is not OK. The media's misrepresentation is horrendous. I can't read one article without someone being like "well that's Trump's fault, well thank you Trump." I'm like "oh yes, Trump had something to do with the State of Maine's up in the-" like I just, everyone wants to blame him.

Do you have any doubts and concerns about him or?

I think he's doing a great job, I'm glad I voted for him and he's doing the best he can with the people who are in the Senate, in the house representative, I truly believe.

OK. Doris, any doubts or concerns for you?

Sometimes I just think he's a little bit rude, you know. A little bit hot headed.

Hot headed, OK.

But basically I think it's all good.

OK.

I mean.

OK. Irene, you're shaking your head.

Yes. I mean, well I think he's a riot. You take the football player that wouldn't stand up, you know, Trump's like "fire him." I was all for that. And I was laughing because he was pissed, so I just –

All right. Glenna, doubt or, what concerns do you have?

Visibility of your protect us, and to not bring us to our knees as a nation.

What are you thinking, though? What are you concerned about?

I think he's hot headed. I think that he does it for showmanship. I don't think he knows what he's doing. And I'm frightened. I don't think, I think that, yes, he says what people want to hear because it's fun to watch, it's, but I find it quite disgraceful, and I think that a lot of people are suffering because of it. And, you know, I'm – have a son in the airforce, you know. Like he could die because of him.

OK. Erica ? Doubts and concerns?

His mental status, his tweets. His tweets are the reason I just have no confidence in him. I mean, he says one thing one day, he says something else the next. He contradicts himself. Doesn't seem like he has a lot of common sense sometimes. He think he's above the law. I'm worried that he may not leave if he's voted out. He goes against his own security advisers and sometimes it seems like he has his own agenda which I understand, he's President, but a lot of it I see when he does his rounds and stuff that it's what gets the most attention is what he says. He plays to the crowd. And I think we could all agree that if he made fun of one of our loved ones because of a disability, we'd be upset.

Yes.

OK. Other doubts and concerns?

There's a dance on the LBGTQRS, and I say that, my daughter's a lesbian, so I can, I do say that to her. A, B, C, D, E, F, G. I don't know them all. I don't agree with it myself personally but they deserve equal rights. I mean they should be, if people are firing them because of who they love, not their job production, they should not be allowed to do that. My opinion, I am very conservative across the board usually, but when it comes to what's going on in someone's bedroom, and it doesn't affect what's going on in the workplace or anything else. It shouldn't even be an issue. I don't care –

Exactly. [CROSSTALK]

You're doing what. But the end of the day deserve, I said to my daughter, you wanna get married, good. Because I think you should be able to enjoy the joys of divorce too.

Why, separate for us only.

That's right. You got it.

Doubts and concerns, any other doubts and concerns that I haven't heard?

And he's part of the one percent, that concerns me. Even though he gives his paycheck back to the US, he's still part of the one percent. And he may be giving his check back but at the end of the day I don't know what – and I like Trump but I don't know what his other motivations are and what he's setting up for himself when he's done.

Is it a concern that he's part of the one percent? What does that say about his that he's part of the one percent?

Well Trump hasn't heard the word no very often and when he does he fires you. If you disagree with Trump it just seems like OK well I'll replace you to somebody who does agree with me. Because that's the thing of being born with that silver spoon in his mouth and never having to honestly, not that he's never worked because I do believe he is a hardworking man. But with help and.

He didn't know that you had to pay when you went to grocery store. Come on.

He's never had to count his own money.

And that was from his own mouth. So media did not say that.

That's concerning.

Any other doubts or concerns that I haven't heard? What do you think?

He might be good at business but as far as president I don't know for sure.

I have my doubts about him being good at business.

You don't know that, you don't know if he knows exactly what he's doing?

Right.

What tells you that or what gives you?

Just everything in general, what everybody has been talking about him.

He's not a typical politician.

No he's not.

I like that.

I like that too.

And maybe that's what this country needs I don't know but it kinda make me a little leery.

Some of us did know [INAUDIBLE] too.

Any doubts for you?

[INAUDIBLE] that's all.

Do you have any doubts about him?

I think just his personal behavior and his morals. But again it comes down to what he does own his own time or what he's done in the past, it doesn't affect me and it doesn't seem to affect or not affecting job performance.

Let me ask you this, regardless of how you feel about president Trump, what would you say is his greatest accomplishment so far?

The borders.

I would say North Korea.

North Korea or the borders.

I'd say North Korea because the borders really aren't still secure yet, and he hasn't really finished that.

No.

That's still work in progress. We got wide open borders right now.

So that's a work in progress.

He's trying but.

Not the borders so you would say North Korea?

I would say North Korea he could take some credit for that or his advisors but he can.

How about the rest of you, do you think that his greatest accomplishment North Korea?

So far.

So far?

So far.

Yeah.

Ticking people off, that's his greatest accomplishment.

What about the greatest disappointment so far?

I thought he'd act quicker on the healthcare thing, he really ran on that when he was going in the campaign. And I really thought there would be some, no more fees, no more this, we'll hammer this down because it's obviously not working. It's been a little drawn out. And I understand it's not entirely, there's a lot of politics down there especially on the Democratic side but I just wish that would have gone a little smoother, faster.

Well am I crazy to believe, didn't he rule in the Supreme Court or one of the courts that Obama care was unconstitutional?

Yeah, they did.

So I am surprised that he hasn't done anything yet on that, on the healthcare. And I'm really disappointed about the abortions. We're going back to the 1920s.

I agree with that too.

Prolife pro what, I think the reason why he is prolife or the abortions clinics don't have the money that these pharmaceutical companies have to lobby and to stay. And we're putting women's lives, kids, my kids age. It's a personal choice. And you're going back to where they're gonna start using the coat hangers again and doctors are gonna get prosecuted. And it's awful. It's awful we're taking four steps backwards on that one.

I wish we could see a president who would have personal opinions but not thrust his personal –

Exactly.

Opinions upon the country. I am glad everyone has their own opinion on prolife prochoice whatever you wanna be.

Exactly.

But that should, you should not project that on to me.

And the prochoice people don't have the money that some of the prolife the pharmaceuticals, they don't have it. They don't have the lobbyist for that.

Where is the Trump on abortion? What?

He is prochoice.

He's a Pro-Lifer.

Prolife, sorry.

He's a Pro-Lifer.

I think that it boils down to we need a president that is pro responsibility. I do not believe that we need medically necessary 750,000 abortions a year. Personally I find that very offensive. But at the end of the day we're responsible if you're going to have sex then you need to prevent it. It takes two, there's multiple kinds of birth control, and you all should be using something because birth control does help. Chances that both are gonna fail at the same time are a lot slimmer than and.

I just wanna get back to Trump. So greatest disappointment would be? Let's come to a consensus on that. What's the greatest disappointment so far?

I think it's social relations. I wish he had handled it a little bit better, I wish he had just kind of reign in a little bit. Shut that Twitter down.

Are we pretty [CROSSTALK] ?

Yeah, they're [INAUDIBLE].

So I want to ask you a couple of things about things he said, and ask how he's doing on them. When he was running he said he would be a voice for forgotten Americans. A voice for forgotten Americans. Do you remember him saying that? What do you think?

I think he forgot about us.

How is he doing on that? Is he a voice for forgotten Americans?

No.

No.

He forgot about the forgotten Americans. Because if he was a voice he'd be doing something about the drug epidemic, he'd be doing something about healthcare. Because those are the forgotten Americans.

Exactly they're [CROSSTALK].

So not so good on this?

But is it any different than any other president though?

No.

We have veterans living on the side of the road.

That's sad.

That's wrong.

Alice what do you think? Is he a voice for forgotten Americans or?

I don't even think he knows. Like they said he's in the one percent, he's been a one percent for very long so he doesn't understand the struggling. Which I get he's a hard worker but unless you've been there you don't know what it's like.

[CROSSTALK] opposition and have him live our life for a month.

Exactly, we don't. [CROSSTALK].

He probably would not like it. He wouldn't last a day.

So another thing he said when he was running is that he would drain the swamp. Do you remember that drain the swamp?

I do.

So he could fill it with his own people.

So how is he doing on draining the swamp?

I think he's trying but there're a lot of career politicians in the swamp as he likes to call it, and they are making a career of being a politician instead of people doing something for their country because they want to help their country move forward. It shouldn't be a career. You should do something for a little bit and then get back to your career as a lawyer or teacher or whatever else you do. You shouldn't just be.

Don't be too comfortable.

Exactly.

And they just go on and on.

So how is he doing on draining the swamp?

I think he's trying.

Trying.

I don't think he succeeded very much.

Correct.

I don't either.

I think there's been progress but not a –

Draining.

Significant but they're steps forward.

What tells you that there's been progress?

We'll he pisses people off. At the end of the day he has stopped some of the Democrats from getting what they want at the end of the day which good bad or otherwise, politics is not, I hate the two party systems to be honest because I think that both parties were up here and now they're both way up here and most of America is right here. And I think that a lot of us are conservative financially. And, but as far as draining the swamp, I think he's doing, he's trying.

Erica you said so he could fill it with his own people. What do you see

happening?

I just see him filling, the positions that he's filling, it seems like it's a conflict of interest to put those people in that position.

Like who? Who are you thinking about?

Just names of people from, I'm trying to think of is it?

Ben Carson.

There you go.

Did you see that Stormy.

Oreos look at.

It has to do with the housing it's just, it's just so many.

Actually the head of education what's her name?

DeVos.

Oh my gosh.

Oh my.

Oh my gosh.

That was not a good choice.

That was not.

No. And it's every one of them. I personally in the very the beginning I told my husband, I think that Trump is appalling. I think people, and this goes back, if you go back I love watching a lot of these history things you go back in time. And this stuff started back in the 30s. This was all in the making back in the 30s, it's all coming around into fruition and it's all part of that. And I think Trump is just as innocent in this and I think he was too stupid to realize it. And it's all talking about [CROSSTALK].

It comes down to is he doing something different than other president. Because any other president gets [CROSSTALK].

Because then they say you are.

He is.

And they do and they surround themselves with their own people.

He is different.

Everybody is appalling.

Do you feel like he's different Vanessa?

Yes.

How is he different? And then I'll let you go.

Well like I said, Obama whatever let's go to war, just do, but he didn't care about the crime and the immigrants coming in here. He was all for that. He wants, us Americans are losing what we believe in and when they take away we can't say this because we're gonna offend an immigrant. They're gonna take away stand up and do.

Let me read one more and I just wanna get your reactions to this. President Trump when he was running and he still says this, he wants to put America first. How is he doing with putting America first?

Calming terrorism, he's getting on terrorism.

Doris, putting America first is he, how is he succeeding with that or not?

I think he's doing OK.

Doing OK. What tells you that he's doing OK on that?

And I, his beliefs and stuff. I just I think he's doing OK.

Stephanie?

Pulling his money that we were supporting half the clean up the environment that we were paying. And everybody gets such an uproar that we pulled out of that big conservative-ship for, what was it for? I can't even think of the right word right now.

Paris support.

But we were paying for all these other countries. I'm all for support for the green, to support the green but pay for America. Why are we paying for Japan or why are we paying for these other small countries?

So pulling out of the Paris treaty was for you putting America first. Give me other examples of how he?

Putting penalties on companies who over, do things overseas. So making it harder for people, trying to keep things in America to keep things in America that's the.

Giving them the incentive to keep manufacturing here.

Exactly.

Alice any, how do you think he's doing on putting America first?

I don't think he's putting America first.

You don't.

I think that a lot of the money, I think it should be in America. There're kids that are hungry who are hungry and stuff like that and I think it should be more, I don't know. Am I saying that right?

Yeah. Giving money to other countries.

America should come first before we can lend stuff over.

There should not be any.

There's a veteran here that needs it.

So what I'm gonna do now is I'm gonna show you guys some videos. Let me just check this real quick just to make sure that it was in the. I'm gonna show you guys some videos of president Trump speaking about various issues. And then we're gonna look at some of his tweets too and just get reactions. The videos are between one and two minutes so try to pay attention and then we'll do a quick what did you think and then we'll keep going on that.

You must love your job.

I would love to have your job.

Isn't it fun?

So I wanna make sure that the volume is good.

I think I know what I wanna do now.

So everybody ready to watch?

[PRESENTATION PLAYS]

I'm just gonna stop right there. Reactions. What do you think? What stood out? What was your feeling when you heard him talking?

I think he's right about that.

He's bragging.

What Peggy?

I think he's right –

He's right.

Cutting them all off about us being a piggy bank for everybody and that needs to stop.

Vanessa?

I agree.

Doesn't just stop, we got people in our country suffering.

Those who.

I sometimes wish.

And there're kids in our country that're starving to death, that should never happen.

I definitely, and he's not a great speaker, everyone knows that. But he's getting across what he needs to get across. But I sometimes feel like he's trying to sell

things. When he always says it's gonna be fantastic it's gonna be great. You don't need to sell to me, just tell me what's happening. I feel like he does that like it's gonna be fantastic it's gonna be great. I'm sure it's gonna be great.

Like he's enjoying himself.

It's like you don't have to sell this to me. You're not a salesman you're a president so just get it across.

And this kind of can be [CROSSTALK].

Erica what do you feel when you hear him talking like that?

I wanna get on my phone and fact check him.

Do you feel like there was something he said that wasn't true?

I've seen, I've heard him and seen him say so many things that aren't true. He's over 10,000 lies so far into his presidency that I can't believe him. So I have to fact check him to see if he's telling me the truth.

Actually it would be nice when he said of the money that has come in since his presidency and the money that China has lost since his presidency. I wish he would have –

Numbers.

Numbers or from this report or from this.

Examples.

To show you that.

Reference points.

That way I wouldn't have to fact check him.

Reference points.

Because it's true unfortunately you don't know what's true nowadays, people can say anything they want. So I wish when he had something compact to say to make you go towards his agreement and on his side, he would have the facts to back it up.

But then again it ain't so easy for the president. He can't just say I want this signed off and it's gonna happen tomorrow. He's got the house to go through. And if they're fighting against him, he only can go so far.

Flip the page in your packet for me if you would. I would like you to read a tweet from president Trump on the same subject. Actually there. So read that and you could write on it or whatever. And I'm just gonna set this up and we'll talk about the tweet.

I think it's standard.

So our great patriot farmers will be one of the biggest beneficiaries of what's happening now. Hopefully China will do us the honor of continuing to buy our great farm products, the best. But if not, your country will be making up the difference based on a very high China buy. Reactions to this tweet?

So subsidize, get back to subsidizing the farmers again.

We had stopped.

We've been stopped.

We stopped.

Should we be subsidizing the farmers?

Well actually there was just a report out about the – you're hiring [INAUDIBLE] subsidize farmers let me say that please are regular ones. But what I just heard a couple of days ago was the ones that are really getting the benefits, are not – and this was by talking to these lower end farmers that're actually pretty big deal ones but they're not your huge companies. And they are not getting the subsidies [INAUDIBLE]. But that grows great big huge farming ones are. And they don't need it. And they're saying we don't even need it.

Thoughts about this tweet, reactions what stands out?

I know this is stupid but the teacher in is saying please this is not even close or grammatically correct.

Thank you. [CROSSTALK]

Stop.

Thank you.

You're suppose, you're our president. Take a second, put a period in there for a second.

Spell check.

And another thing stop all you – I wrote down [CROSSTALK]

[CROSSTALK] my president doesn't do it.

One at a time.

I wrote down stop while you're ahead. I think he doesn't need to be saying, kind of threatening China at the end. I don't think that needs to be there. Just stop. We've got the best product. Stop period.

So let's look at another video. [PRESENTATION PLAYS] I'll stop right there. Reactions to?

No me. Rising with –

That's exactly what I thought.

The blue collar, not me.

Not me.

No.

I think he's brought –

Not me in terms work.

Work back into the country.

Well not [INAUDIBLE] either.

What, say again Kelly?

I think he has brought work back into the country like manufacturing. He's bringing that back into the country but as far as people making enough money to live off, no, that's not happening. Blue collar work, that's not happening, not here anyway.

Not in Maine?

No.

[CROSSTALK] Business is coming back.

I'm sorry Fiona, I can't hear you.

I think he brought the bigger business stuff back because he is a business man but as far as the other part, no.

So you are not feeling that, how does that make you feel?

Where [CROSSTALK]

Where is it?

Where is this because it is not where I know.

All right, we're not seeing it.

It's big city.

It could be in Washington.

Or New York City or something. We don't know.

Let's do another tweet. If you would turn, it says handout three on here. The Republicans have created the best economy in the history of our country and the hottest jobs market on planet Earth. The Democrat agenda is a Socialist's nightmare. The Republican agenda is the American Dream. Vote GOP.

Well Republicans –

It's kind of childish.

Everybody please. I need to remind you again. One person at a time. Wendy's started speaking. We need to wait.

The Republicans typically are for business and like it or not, business runs on profit so I get both sides of that, whereas the Democrats are more social

programs and what not so I think he is trying to be a combination of both but he is a business man first of all so he is going to want to break those business –

Do you feel what he says about the job market is true?

There are more jobs, but there aren't jobs with higher wages that are going to make it easier to live.

And what about this Socialists nightmare. The Democrat agenda is a Socialist's nightmare. What do you think about that? How do you feel about that when you read that?

We're a republic. Everyone thinks we are a democracy. We're not a democracy, we are a republic and in my mind it does not equate to socialism. We need to help people who can't work and have wages and those sorts of things. We do need some of those programs but –

It comes back to the entire –

A part if the problem is the way the programs are run. When I was in business we first caught the cut, making all kinds of money. Believe me I was looking perfectly fine and we were getting over \$900 in food stamps. The day we had to shut our business down and then became part of the welfare system, I dropped down to \$234. I feed my kids on \$234 a month. That's what happened.

I think everyone wants to be helpful and to help people and to do all these things but we are not a bottomless bank account.

But that's not where the problem is. The problem is in with the people who are actually doing a job. The mother that they took the children from, she got the foods. In the beginning we weren't allowed to get anything because the mother was collecting so we got nothing. Zero help.

I'm sorry. I don't want to get too into –

I know, I apologize.

No, don't worry about it. Socialist nightmare. Is that what the democrat agenda is? How did you feel when he described it that way? Doris, let me ask you.

I think that sounds immature.

Immature.

I think it's very immature and it's not professional.

Stephanie?

I think we are just so concerned about republicans and democrats, just what you said earlier, Beth. That mainly most Americans are in the middle. They've got to stop this republican-democratic war and start being concerned about the American people.

When you say "they", is Trump part of that?

Yes. He is.

I think everyone in Washington is.

When I see socialist or socialism I think there goes more of my check and taxes. Honestly, that's what I see.

Do you feel that we do have socialism?

Honest to God, I think that people who don't work or work and makes less than my household does has better than what I do because, I have to pay more for my daughter's college, I have to pay for my own groceries, I pay for my own healthcare, I pay my healthcare bills.

Let's go onto the next one. This one's pretty short so pay attention. "Possibly changing but we have 101 or 102 all-time high record stock market. We have just about the best unemployment in history including the absolute best for African American Asian as you know and Hispanics, so we have all these records we have been setting. Our [INAUDIBLE] is strong, our second amendment is good. Everything is good, so do we make American great again or do we go with cheers to way or the other, or do we go with let's keep America Great because she you some". It was very quick. Your reaction to that, what stands out? Christie and Olivia, I'll start with you. Gut reaction, what did you feel?

I didn't get much out of it.

So you didn't get much out of it? Jacinda, what did you think?

It helps us suss out how we are doing. We do need to see progress. He's got to show up some numbers, put up something.

I was going to say that as he was saying that, the ticker tape along the bottom was 7,000 jobs from Ford being shut down so it's like – .

To me that was just a political speech. I think he was just blowing smoke up our ass.

I think he believes if he tells us stuff often enough we will believe him because –

We want facts, and we want real facts.

We do need facts.

He needs to be fact checked some of the time.

A lot of the time.

All right, thanks to Republican leadership, America is winning again, America is being respected again all over the world because we are finally putting America First.

There is some truth in that I believe.

But there's that divide again. There's that Republican/Democrat divide. It's almost like he's nailing

Do you know what we should do? We should make our own party?

We can never get an independent truly in there. Look at Ralph Nader.

We're all kind of talking again. Cathy, what do you think about this?

I wish, and this is again really stupid teacher stuff, there's no need for caps. It's sounds like he's like thanks to Republican leadership, I mean this this is just me being a teacher and whatever, we're winning again and we're being repeated. Just say it like a normal person.

He's just making that divide stand out.

Is America more respected now?

No, I don't think so.

No, we're the joke of the world.

It depends on who you ask.

When it comes to North Korea, I think there's a little respect going on.

I think so too.

Halie, what do you mean, it depends on who you ask? Where do you think we are respected or not respected?

I think in the higher ups, truth to be told, if they weren't, if they weren't a puppet on a string, more people would come out and say what they truly believed, and I think it also goes with some of these leaders. I don't really think he has Kim Jong Un as good friend. I think a lot of it is smoke screens. I think maybe he does take some credit for it. They're not de-nuked. They are far from de-nuked. They all have their little secrets, him included.

Jacinda, are we well respected do you think?

I think initially when he was first elected, no. I think the world was laughing but personally, I liked him so it didn't matter to me. I think as he goes on and should he get elected for a second term I think he will be able to continue and gain more respect as he goes.

Fiona, what do you think? Are we more respected?

I don't think so.

Doris, What do you say?

Just everything is just always up in the air and we don't have any proof on anything and he's always talking about one thing, then he's off on different subject.

Well, I think the amount of protests of all the places he goes internationally kind of gives us an idea about what they think of us.

Look at his trip to England.

Exactly, it wasn't as big as they anticipated but they are constituents in a totally different country who have no idea what is going on here. They just see it from I watched it from E news and I saw this happen or I watched CBS and this happened or whatever the main station.

Are they mad because they've lost jobs back to America or because we've cut

funding to their country.

Bingo.

Are they mad because they are socialism with a monarchy over there in England and they rely on the Queen to dole out the money because that's how they pay for their healthcare, through those sorts of funds even though –

Does it matter how a country does it? You don't care? You don't care.

Most of them are jealous of America anyway so they hate us Americans. Period.

Honestly, his title demands a certain level of respect and I think other politicians give that because of his title but not because of necessarily who he is. I think he loses the respect because of these.

Doris, does it matter to you if other countries respect us?

Yes, because I think we should have respect.

And do you think that America is respected?

No, not really. I think it's getting better like you said but I think at the beginning it was a great big joke. It's like this guy is a business man and he's not a politician.

That's exactly what I thought.

If it is getting better, why are they respecting us more now?

I don't know. He just seems to be getting into things and trying to fix things but this Twitter stuff, seriously? This whole Twitter stuff is a joke.

We have one more video to watch?

Wouldn't you love to be a fly on the wall to hear about the men talk?

Are you guys ready? One more video. One more video. Can you focus please? "To defend our jobs and also defending our borders, and it's tough just like I said. Don't betrayal of American workers [INAUDIBLE] the Democrat Party pursuit of open borders. They want everyone to come in and they are coming in by the thousand and I'll tell you what. Our border patrols, our law enforcement, they are working in apprehending 30, 40, 50,000 people at times. In just short periods of time, they laws are so bad. If you don't release you they arrest you. They arrest people working in law

enforcement. It's a disgrace. Democrat-backed policies have left our borders overrun, our detention facilities overwhelmed. As fast as we build them, they fill them up and our hospital, schools and public resources are overburdened. Our country is full. We do not want people coming up here. Our country is full." Reactions?

He's right on.

He is right on.

I don't agree with the country is full. If you want to come here legally, there are avenues to take and then we will let you in gladly. I don't agree with the numbers because I think they were exaggerated. I know that thousands do cross the border illegally at any given time. 30 to 50,000 over what time-frame? Over a year, over a month? That would have been nice to know as well.

I agree totally with that she said. Democrats don't want an open wall. We want people to come in legally. The illegal immigrants and stuff, but I'm also against people being arrested for helping them and giving them water and food. You see them and what are you going to do? You going to watch them die?

Did you see the illegal one that came in? Grabbed the American girl, raped her and killed her? What if that was your daughter? He was illegal.

But if you look at the numbers, the people who are in the country illegally commit less crimes than the people who are already here.

[CROSSTALK] They cause drugs wars in America.

Doris, your reaction to what he said?

You just made me draw a blank and there was something that I wanted to say.

Halie, anything about his speech, his words?

You know, it goes with kind of what Connor [ph] and everyone is saying. I'm for bringing people in, you want to come in legally and do your learnings and what not and pay the fees but they need to do something to boost these borders to get the protection they want.

And it costs us a lot of money to send them all back home.

Another tweet. Flip the page please. " We had a standard emergency at our southern border. Border patrol and military and local law enforcement are

doing a great job but without the wall, which us not under major construction, you cannot have border security. Drugs, gangs and human trafficking must be stopped."

True.

It's going to be a yes.

Other countries shoot when you intrude.

I was just going to say that. Other countries don't let people in. They kill them, they put them in jail.

You get your head cut off.

Is it a state of emergency?

Yes, absolutely.

No, I think so.

Can I get a show of hands? How many people say it is a state of emergency. One, two, three, four, five, six, seven. And then the rest of you are not?

I'm not convinced it was created as he said. Everybody hurried out and flooded the border because it was going to close.

I think it is a problem but I don't think it's not a state of emergency.

Doris, you said you think it's a problem.

I don't think it's a state of emergency.

When he talks about building the wall, how do you feel about Trump?

I think we should build the wall.

We should have a wall.

At first I didn't think so but now I think we should have a wall.

Christina, where are you on the wall?

I don't know. I have been here a ton and I'm a very hard worker. The ones that want to work, the ones that want to come in. He says the country is full. Is that because we don't have the money for the ones who want to come over and live on welfare and stuff.

Well come in legally then.

After Congress, we have to go through 17 different check points about how we're – it doesn't make sense. They can control us but we can't control them but we're the better country. What is going on?

Well it also goes into the wage things because the immigrants are the ones who are willing to work for the low wage and we're not, so it affects our hourly wage too because they are willing to work for peanuts.

That's because most Americans would not do the job they would do.

That's not true either because I lived in Florida and there were people that would have worked in those fields for the same pay but it was much better not to have to pay the social security that goes along with it.

And the unemployment and everything that goes along with an documented worker.

So we've got to move on 'cause I got a lot of still a good amount of stuff we still have to cover. What I want to do now, don't flip the page yet actually. Stay on that. I have a couple of things I want to throw out. You know before we were doing the word association, I'm going to do that again. These are mostly names but I'm going to do them pretty quickly. The first one is kind of laws. " The House of Representatives with over 100 newly elected women which is now controlled by democrats." What comes to mind?

Thank God it's women. It has nothing to do with them.

[CROSSTALK] I don't understand. Why are you laughing?

I don't know.

I need to understand. What are you thinking of when they talk about the House of Representatives, what do you think of?

I don't think it matters if it is men or women or whoever.

Beth, what's your comment?

Well, all I know is the one that I don't even remember her name because they go by her initials now, but she is just ridiculous. That woman winds me up, she is just ridiculous.

Anyone know who she is talking about?

A. O.C.

Alexandra Ocasio-Cortez.

I'm exactly the opposite. I think she's one of the best things ever.

Women in white. Way to go.

I think it's fantastic, as a woman, to have more women in a place like that but they are not necessarily the women I agree with their views. So, meh, that's how I feel about it.

And Beth, why don't you like her?

I think she is not educated on the, she is one of those entitled. She is entitled.

What tells you she's entitled?

She thinks that everything, she should get a bunch of stuff for nothing. For example moving to Washington DC, you applied for a job essentially. You got elected to go to congress and now you're whining and complaining because you don't have an apartment in DC, and how are you going to afford it? Oh that'd be with my tax dollars. And you can't afford it on a six figure income now? Come on, give me a freaking break.

How about calling attention to the fact that housings are affordable even at her wages.

I'm not disagreeing with that but come on, the sad reality is there're people on social security and disability getting \$700 a month and they seem to do OK in DC too.

Because it'll [CROSSTALK].

Let me, does anybody else know who she is?

You've gotta live by your means.

No. That's where my brother-in-law is.

We're gonna move on. The next name on there, speaker of the house Nancy Pelosi.

I think she's rude.

Oh god.

We, Halie what do you think?

She is just out to fight Trump.

Out to fight Trump [CROSSTALK].

Out to fight Trump. I don't think she even makes sense sometimes, I really don't.

She's a little low.

She don't.

She's what?

She's a little low.

She's a little low.

She just, I don't know she just.

She's just trying to cause trouble.

That's a weird politician.

Trying to cause trouble.

Trying to cause trouble. One at a time please. Alice what's your?

I agree with her.

Agree with who? There were lots of different things said. What?

Well no, she's just out to cause problems. It's almost like she just likes –

Out to cause problems.

The argument like let's see what I stir up.

Peggy?

I agree with it too she's a trouble one.

How about senator Judy Lee or Mitch McConnell?

Terrible.

Hiding something.

What? Hiding something?

Hiding stuff. [CROSSTALK].

Wendy?

I have no opinion.

No opinion. You don't know him or?

I don't even know who he is.

No, that's fine, totally fine. Vanessa?

I don't either.

I'm not real familiar with his actions yet.

Not real familiar?

Yeah.

I'm familiar with the name but not familiar enough to form an opinion on him.

Kelly?

Same, I don't really know him.

Really?

Cathy anything?

Walt Disney.

Same I don't really know much about him.

So we don't really know Mitch McConnell very well?

No.

No.

Joe Biden.

Soft republican.

Which one?

Soft republican.

Soft republican.

Joe Biden, oh jeez. He, I don't know. He was great with Obama, but as a president he's not just strong enough. He's just not, he's a great vice president. He was great for background and taking pictures whatever but I don't know. And the whole touching people I just, that's just stay away from that.

That's kinda.

I don't think you knew that.

Any other words you could use to describe him?

Disrespectful.

Disrespectful?

Yes.

Yeah.

Been there done that. We already had Clinton in Office.

Oh my.

He reminds me, he does. He reminds me too much of Clinton, he really does.

Oh my god I love her.

Another puppet on a string.

And Doris why do you think disrespectful? What?

Just the way he is and touching women and he's not professional and he's just I don't know.

Next name Bernie Sanders.

Oh good [INAUDIBLE].

Sell out.

Sell out?

I was totally behind him when he first came out way back when, and then as soon as it became a little bit too hard Hillary bought him off and he was like peace out, I'm gonna buy myself a new house.

[INAUDIBLE] would be good.

He's too old.

What a letdown.

Too old.

Too old. Bernie Sanders any thoughts Wendy?

I would say the same let down.

Let down.

[CROSSTALK] I would say he's at least consistent.

Consistent.

He showed his strengths.

Better than Hillary. Just without him there.

He gives to the politicians that he represents.

He showed his strengths.

We're talking over each other again. Elizabeth Warren?

Oh my god.

I don't know her.

I feel like she's another trouble makers. It's just you see her in the news just making trouble just saying stuff just to be inflammatory and it's like why? We have all these issues in the country, why make it worse? Nancy Pelosi, why make it worse? Let's do something together.

Elizabeth Warren, Kristian any thoughts on her?

I don't really know her, I'm sorry.

That's fine. Anybody else?

I think she just likes the confrontation liar liar pants on fire.

All I can think of when you say that is [INAUDIBLE].

Liar liar pants on fire that's all I can think of. Just –

She has good policy.

Thank you.

Erica says some good policies. Anything in particular?

At least she's the only democratic, she's the only one running for Democratic Party that I have seen that has spelled out a policy. At least you can go on and you can look and you can say you agree or disagree. The other ones haven't.

Couple of more names, and I need to go quickly here. Pete Buttigieg?

No.

I never heard of him.

Anybody know who he is?

Never had of him.

I have no clue.

No clue. How many people at least heard the name? Can you just tell me?

It sounds familiar.

Just two of you. Senator Susan Collins.

Well I know her.

Wishy washy.

What? Wishy washy?

Outdated.

Republican.

Outdated.

Outdated.

She needs to get done. She needs to.

Republican. Doris what're you saying?

I think she needs to get done, she needs to move one. She's been there too long.

Been there too long?

Yes.

Yeah. Been there too long.

Fiona you're shaking your head too.

Gotta move on.

Senator Angus King?

Oh no.

You like him?

I like Angus King too.

I don't like him.

What, he needs to go also?

I don't know, I like Angus King.

You like him?

Yeah.

I like him. I don't always agree but I like him.

Time for him to take the truck.

What word would you use to describe him?

[INAUDIBLE].

He's a nice person. He's a nice –

Nice person.

Business but doesn't mean he's gonna be great.

He seems down to earth.

Down to earth. What did you say Vanessa?

I agree with that she said.

Well I didn't hear. What was?

He's a nice person I don't think the professionalism for politics for him.

Not professional. Anything else about Angus King? Congressman Jared Golden?

I have hope for him, I think he's been doing pretty good.

I do too.

Is that the young guy?

Yeah.

How would you describe him, what about him?

He's young he's a veteran.

Boos of energy.

He's a veteran.

He's got some good idea.

Good ideas.

I think he's.

Hopeful.

Hopeful?

He's –

Yes, absolutely.

Hopeful.

Anybody paying attention to the democratic presidential race at all?

No.

Not really.

No.

Erica is but that's it. Anyone come to mind any names pop out when you think about the democratic candidates?

Hillary.

But she's not running.

She's not?

Yeah.

Thank god she's not running.

I know most of the names but nothing ever jumps out of me that I'm like yeah.

What are the democratic's priorities if you were to list one or two or three things that they have been talking about?

Keeping or I think honestly and giving us a bone here and there to make us think that they're doing something to help the little people. That's what I think of when I hear all their stuff and social programs and this and that. And I also think there goes my check. More of my check and.

Doris what do you think when you think of democratic priorities?

I don't like democrat republican. I just think we're a country and I like some democratic stuff, I like some republican stuff, I like some in the middle. It's just like something, I don't have a side. We just all need to work together and [CROSSTALK], we all need to work together and make this country work.

Flip the page to handout six for me if you would.

I think the democrats want us to look good on paper. I think they care about more of us looking good on paper and statistics numbers and stuff –

They need the stuff.

Than it really is.

Please read handout six for me. This is, these are some reasons why some people are concerned about Donald Trump. I want you to star two that you find more concerning. How you feel about him, which of these two concern you the most. Two stars there.

I can only do two?

It's not fair.

Two.

Jeez.

You picked a great spot if it falls on there. I keep seeing that.

It's not wide open.

I actually need to turn it off. Thank you for reminding me. I forgot that I.

I think probably don't.

Is everybody done choosing their two or do you need more time?

I'm good.

People are done.

Everybody is done? Because I want to read, I wanna go down and have you raise your hand if you starred it. And I really need everybody to pay attention so we only have to go through it one time. Did anybody star A? Raise your hand? One two stars. Did anybody star B? One star. Anyone star C? One, two, three, four stars. Did anybody star D? One, two, three, four stars. Anybody E? One, two. Is that a hand? No, two of these.

Sorry, I was itching. I'm so sorry.

Any F? Raise your hand if you're F.

F.

One, two, three, four, five, six, seven on F. So F was one that really stood out. He promised better and cheaper healthcare for everyone but insurance rates have increased for everyone, and putting a 50 percent increase in premiums in the individual market and it's gonna make older workers pay five times more than they're. Why did that one standout so much to everyone here?

Because –

It affects as all.

It's.

It affects us all.

It's my life. I took a job full-time job for the insurance and half of my check every two weeks has gone to pay for that insurance and I don't make minimum wage.

So it affects us, it's something you're really, you're feeling?

Yes.

D, he promised zero cuts to social security Medicare and Medicare but supported healthcare plans have drastically cut Medicaid. Now he and the republicans are gonna cut Medicare and social security to pay for the trillion dollar increase in the deficit from [INAUDIBLE], that was D. Four of you chose that one. Why did that one stand out?

Cuts to social security and to me that's the elderly and disabled. And they're some of the most, those are the people that need it the most.

And C, promised to end business as usual and trade, but his trade deal with Mexico was negotiated in secret by the corporate lobbyist to give special protection for the oil companies and pharmaceutical companies that make higher drug cost for consumers.

Again the one percenters.

Big business buying them.

The business one percenter?

Yeah.

One percenters and the lobbyist.

That's for [INAUDIBLE].

Flip to the next page for me, it says candidate one here. I want you to read this and underline anything that stands out. If there's a word or a phrase in here that stands out to you, and then we'll talk about it. Just read through it and underline anything that stands out to you. Is this candidate someone you would consider voting for?

No.

No.

No, how come? Why is that Stephanie?

Because that one line, our political system is broken and he's blaming everything on Donald Trump. We were broken before Trump got in that office.

And if he thinks it's middle class to have a six figure income as a public servant then he's sadly mistaken.

And he thinks middle class is meant as a compliment. Because, we'll he say it's not always meant as a compliment. I'm sorry, I read it wrong. I read it wrong. Never mind.

What stood out here for you Irene?

Huh?

What stood out in here? What stood out? What jumped out at you?

I guess he will forever and fundamentally alter the character of this nation. I think he is doing the opposite.

I like the line we always do better when we act as one America.

Absolutely.

And by saying that in the middle of this whole thing where he's basically criticizing anyone who voted or supported Trump, what are you doing? You're doing the same damn thing that you are accusing Trump of doing.

Fiona, how about you, anything in here stand out for you?

Well it's just about what they were talking about already. About the middle class and about who else go by and just the whole thing in general.

Is there anything positive in there for you, anything that you like?

Not really.

Doris anything you like in there?

Yeah. I said we need a president who works for all Americans.

All Americans stood up. The only part that stands out.

Alice how about for you, anything in here that you like?

I know I kinda like how, move on. I kinda like how he says it was he's recognizing the middle class and not the one percent. But we are the ones that have middle class, we are the ones that are suffering. And but I agree with everybody else, he's attacking Donald Trump. He's blaming everything on him and you're right it was broken before.

Erica , what stood out for you here?

When I first started reading it I had one thought. As I read the whole thing I realized that he was trying to say that he understands our perspective. And he understands how we got to where we are now. We did fill this country with middle class. This is what our forefathers and people that, our relatives that built this. Our political system is broken. We have big money in politics, we have pharmaceutical companies telling the legislators and stuff what to allow and what not to allow. It takes.

Is this someone you would vote for?

Yeah. I'd at least listen more of what he has to say.

Or she.

Anything in here you really don't like that turns you off?

I think, me personally I think it would be heard to find a president who works for all Americans. Not everyone is gonna agree. There's never ever gonna be a president that everyone loves.

JFK is gone.

I know.

I just feel like [CROSSTALK].

But even then they didn't all love JFK [CROSSTALK]

Anything else you don't like in here?

And I don't like him attacking Trump. Everyone blaming Trump for everything is not the answers.

No.

Blaming is not the answer.

Exactly.

You know what would be great, is if a presidential candidate came out said this is what I believe in. Hey my other, the guy I'm running against probably a great person too but vote for me. Instead of all this crap and digging in everyone's past.

Cutting each other down.

Give me break.

Let's flip to the next page there's another candidate here. Read this one, underline anything that stands out and we'll talk about it when everybody had a chance to read it.

This one is on point.

It is. With a bunch of bullshit.

Irene what bullshit?

Well trillions that we can use to build an economy, that won't happen.

Why not?

It won't, they won't have that. It'll go elsewhere. It'll go for the government markets all, they'll just make more money. The rich will get richer.

It'll support new programs for other people.

And including universal childcare, student loan, debt relief. Which I agree on that, but that seems like it's what it's all going for.

If this could all happen it would be a wonderful country.

I agree with that.

It's just not.

This would be beautiful but.

But Doris?

The thing is.

But this.

Hang on.

Well it maybe could happen but there's just so much corruption and it's just so broken down that to make this work, but this would be wonderful.

Stephanie?

It would.

I agree because the lobbyist wouldn't.

I wanna hear Halie, hold on.

The lobbyist would never let this happen. Just like gun controlling those guys, the gun controlling, they're never gonna, there's so much money out there they're never gonna allow this to happen.

But are you like some other people who say it would be great if it could?

Not all of it, not. I don't think we should punish. Just because you're a millionaire you don't have to pay, you shouldn't have to pay for every poor person in this world.

Well no they shouldn't.

It should be more, they could contribute more.

Well pay your fair share.

But you should have to pay your fair share.

Absolutely contribute their fair share, absolutely. Not fight, not slide through all these loop holes like they do. Close the loopholes.

Fiona I wanna hear from you, what's stood out here for you?

If he could most of this, I'd vote for him. But is it realistic? No I don't think it is.

How can the government tells somebody that owns a home or an apartment what they can and can't charge for rent? They can't. That's, and we do not live in a democracy. That right there tells me there're dumb and don't know what country they're in. Period, end of discussion.

Alice you said it would be nice if all this could happen. What stood out for you that sounds good here?

In school we talked a lot about what's different Canada and stuff it's a universal child care it's amazing. Their tax are a little bit higher but their dental all this stuff. And then we don't, it's so hard to afford anything. Dental we, I have great jaws, they look great. I still pay a ton of money for, I guess it would be great to have universal childcare I think.

And Cathy what stood out for you here?

I agree with what everyone said. It would be great but who's gonna pay for all this? We could get so much from the richest families but the trickle down I don't know. I don't know if it would actually go down to universal healthcare. And the green deal, I don't even wanna see that. Outrage, that should be out of there. Down payments and the green deal, down payment oh my gosh we'd have, we wouldn't pay off the green deal for a million years. I saw that.

Jacinda Jacinda what's your thought on this, what stood out for you?

I think it, on the surface it sounds good and I think political speech writers do this to make you feel like you're gonna be some great united front because they're using, pointing out that things are rigged and people are rigging the politics. But it won't be easy and united we can do this altogether. And that sounds great but the reality of it is that they can't work together. Democrats and Republicans cannot work together.

We don't, so no hope for this?

No.

You don't have any hope for this?

Not really.

The end of lobbying would be a miracle but it would take a miracle to end it.

Erica , last thought on this one, what stood out for you here?

I agree with we could start by ending lobbying as we know shut the revolving door between Wall Street and Washington. That's the biggest source of corruption that's why nothing can get done in Washington. You've got a few people who are telling politicians what to do, and where to go and how long. And we allow voting of back-end.

Insurance companies, pharmaceutical.

Here's what I want you to do now. I want you to compare this page and the previous page. And you have to pick one or the other that you lean towards. Your view point is closer to one or the other. Even if maybe you would never vote for either one of them. Which are you closest to?

The first.

The first one.

Wait, I want you to circle it or a put a star on it or something. Indicate it on some way on the page. I want everybody to pick either candidate one or candidate two, and then once everybody has a chance we'll, I'll hear you. Everybody pick one?

I don't agree with either.

I know I just said pick one.

I know you. I know you have to but.

The one that's closest to your view. Closest to your view. Even if you wouldn't vote for either one which one is closest to your view? You already picked one? Who needs more time? Pick one? So how many people picked candidate one? Raise your hand so I can count. One, two, three, four, five, six, seven, eight on candidate one. And candidate two? Should be two hands. Just a couple more things and we are not gonna actually talk about them out loud. But I still want you to give some thought and based off your answers. On handout nine, I want you to write a note to president Trump about anything you want him to know. And again it doesn't have to be full sentences, you could just do, I want you to know blah, blah, blah or whatever. But what would you say to president Trump? It could be anything. Write a little postcard a little note.

Tweet.

A tweet, sure. A tweet will be fine. And once you're done with that, you can go to handout ten and just make a choice here, we're not gonna talk about it. I want you to make a choice there one or the other. And once you're done you can pass in those packets to me please. So two things. My colleague Chad is gonna have a thank you for you. A little token of our appreciation for coming. Don't go spend it all down the hall OK. [LAUGHTER]. It's up to you, you could spend it however you want, it's your money. But just it was useful to make that joke. The other thing is that there are gonna be some folks waiting out there for my second group and I would really like them to come in fresh and not know all the stuff that we were talking about. And so it's fine if you wanna keep discussing this but if you wouldn't mind going out here going to the lobby or going to the casino, whatever. But just not right in front of my next group of people.

So you're telling us to go to the casino then and spend our money.

You know what, I love this. This is the first time I've been I really love this.

We'll have a drink and let's discuss this stuff.

You guys, you were so wonderful, thank you so much.

Thank you.

Thank you.

It's interesting.

I loved it.

It was really interesting.

It was awesome.

Nice meeting you.

Nice.

Nice to meet everybody.

Nice to meet you all.

It's very nice meeting you all.

Sometimes people are shy they don't so.

Respectfully. [CROSSTALK].

See they could learn something from a room full of women who come in a room and agree to disagree.

So maybe congress isn't a bad thing.

No.

And we know how to run things we've been running the home for years. Men don't know nothing.

That's what they say, behind every strong man there's a stronger woman?

Yes, exactly. [CROSSTALK].

You guys take care. And if someone wants to take their box of lunch you can take it. [CROSSTALK]

You have the kids home?

You do?

That's funny.

Well that's what you say today.

Thank you so much. [CROSSTALK].

Thank you.

Erica ?

My, thank you. My little one this morning she says good luck mom. And I said honey I'm going to a focus group I don't need luck, I just get to, they're gonna pay me to actually listen to what I have to say –