Impromptu Prep for August 3, 2020

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*Directions: The following is a round’s worth of impromptu prompts. Take time to use these prompts to sharpen your impromptu skills.*

# “Founding Father Quotes”

## Speaker 1

* “If you want something you’ve never had, you must be willing to do something you’ve never done.” ― Thomas Jefferson
* “The Constitution shall never be construed to prevent the people of the United States who are peaceable citizens from keeping their own arms.” — Sam Adams
* “Associate with men of good quality if you esteem your own reputation; for it is better to be alone than in bad company.” — George Washington

## Speaker 2

* “Those who stand for nothing will fall for everything.” — Alexander Hamilton
* “If you desire many things, many things will seem but a few.” — Benjamin Franklin
* “Never spend money before you have it” — Thomas Jefferson

## Speaker 3

* “Character is much easier kept than recovered.” ― Thomas Paine
* “It does not require a majority to prevail, but rather an irate, tireless minority keen to set brush fires in people’s minds.” ― Sam Adams
* “Give all the power to the many, they will oppress the few. Give all the power to the few, they will oppress the many.” — Alexander Hamilton

## Speaker 4

* “Democracy is two wolves and a lamb voting on what to have for lunch. Liberty is a well-armed lamb contesting the vote.” — Benjamin Franklin
* “You will never know how much it has cost my generation to preserve your freedom. I hope you will make good use of it.” — John Adams
* “No power on earth has a right to take our property from us without our consent.” — John Jay

## Speaker 5

* “As long as the reason of man continues fallible, and he is at liberty to exercise it, different opinions will be formed.” — James Madison
* “The happiness of society is the end of government.” — John Adams
* “By failing to prepare, you are preparing to fail.” — Benjamin Franklin

## Speaker 6

* “But what is government itself, but the greatest of all reflections on human nature? If men were angels, no government would be necessary. If angels were to govern men, neither external nor internal controls on government would be necessary.” — James Madison
* “Three may keep a secret, if two of them are dead.” — Benjamin Franklin
* “To believe all men honest is folly. To believe none is something worse.” — John Adams