

Exercise:

Underline conflict talk strategies in the following text and label them

First Presidential Debate between Donald Trump and Joe Biden 29 September 2020

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Chris Wallace: (01:20)

Good evening from the Health Education Campus of Case Western Reserve University and the Cleveland Clinic. I'm Chris Wallace of Fox News and I welcome you to the first of the 2020 Presidential Debates between President Donald J. Trump and former Vice President Joe Biden. This debate is sponsored by the Commission on Presidential debates. The Commission has designed the format, six roughly 15 minute segments with two minute answers from each candidate to the first question, then open discussion for the rest of each segment. Both campaigns have agreed to these rules. For the record, I decided the topics and the questions in each topic. I can assure you none of the questions has been shared with the Commission or the two candidates.

Chris Wallace: (02:10)

This debate is being conducted under health and safety protocols designed by the Cleveland Clinic, which is serving as the Health Security advisor to the Commission for all four debates. As a precaution, both campaigns have agreed the candidates will not shake hands at the beginning of tonight's debate. The audience here in the hall has promised to remain silent. No cheers, no boos, or other interruptions so we, and more importantly you, can focus on what the candidates have to say. No noise except right now, as we welcome the Republican nominee, President Trump, and the Democratic nominee Vice President Biden.

Vice President Joe Biden: (02:49)

How you doing, man?

President Donald J. Trump: (02:51)

How are you doing?

Vice President Joe Biden: (02:51)

I'm well.

[...]

Chris Wallace: (14:36)

Gentlemen, we're going to get to your economic plans going forward in a moment, but first, Mr. President, as you well know, there's a new report that in 2016, the year you were elected president, and 2017, your first year as president, that you paid \$750 a year in federal income tax each of those years. I know that you pay a lot of other taxes, but I'm asking you this specific question. Is it true that you paid \$750 in federal income taxes each of those two years?

President Donald J. Trump: (15:08)

I paid millions of dollars in taxes, millions of dollars of income tax. And let me just tell you, there was a story in one of the papers that paid-

Vice President Joe Biden: (15:16)

Show us your tax returns.

President Donald J. Trump: (15:17)

I paid \$38 million one year, I paid \$27 million one year.

Vice President Joe Biden: (15:24)

Show us your tax returns.

President Donald J. Trump: (15:24)

You'll see it as soon as it's finished, you'll see it. You know, if you wanted to, go to the Board of Elections. There's 118 page or so report that says everything I have, every bank I have, I'm totally under leveraged because the assets are extremely good, and I built a great company.

Chris Wallace: (15:42)

Sir, I'm asking you a specific question, which is-

President Donald J. Trump: (15:43)

But let me tell you-

Chris Wallace: (15:43)

I understand all of that.

Vice President Joe Biden: (15:44)

Release your tax return.

Chris Wallace: (15:45)

I understand all of that-

President Donald J. Trump: (15:45)

Let me-

Chris Wallace: (15:47)

No, Mr. President, I'm asking you a question. Will you tell us how much you paid in federal income taxes in 2016 and 2017?

President Donald J. Trump: (15:56)

Millions of dollars.

Chris Wallace: (15:58)

You paid millions of dollars in-

President Donald J. Trump: (15:59)

Millions of dollars, yes.

Chris Wallace: (15:59)

So not 750?

President Donald J. Trump: (16:00)

Millions of dollars. And you'll get to see it. And you'll get to see it.

Vice President Joe Biden: (16:03)

When? Inshallah?

President Donald J. Trump: (16:04)

But let me just tell you-

Vice President Joe Biden: (16:05)

In [crosstalk 00:16:04]?

President Donald J. Trump: (16:05)

Chris, let me just say something, that it was the tax laws. I don't want to pay tax. Before I came here, I was a private developer, I was a private business people. Like every other private person, unless they're stupid, they go through the laws, and that's what it is. He passed a tax bill that gave us all these privileges for depreciation and for tax credits. We build the building and we get tax credits, like the hotel on Pennsylvania Avenue. Which by the way, was given to me by the Obama administration, if you can believe that. Now the man got fired right after that happened, but that's-

Chris Wallace: (16:40)

Vice President Biden, you want to respond?

Vice President Joe Biden: (16:42)

Yeah, I do want to respond. Look, the tax code that put him in a position that he pays less tax than on the money a school teacher makes is because of him... He says he's smart because he can take advantage of the tax code. And he does take advantage of the tax code. That's why I'm going to eliminate the Trump tax cuts. And I'm going to eliminate those tax cuts.

President Donald J. Trump: (17:06)

That's okay.

Vice President Joe Biden: (17:07)

And make sure that we invest in the people who in fact need the help. People out there need help.

President Donald J. Trump: (17:13)

But why didn't you do it over the last 25 years?

Vice President Joe Biden: (17:16)

Because you weren't president-

President Donald J. Trump: (17:18)

Why didn't you do it over the last 25 years?

Vice President Joe Biden: (17:19)

Because you weren't president and screwing things up.

President Donald J. Trump: (17:20)

You were a Senator and [crosstalk 00:17:21]-

Vice President Joe Biden: (17:21)

You're the worst president America has ever had. Come on.

President Donald J. Trump: (17:24)

Hey, Joe, let me just tell you, Joe. In 47 months, I've done more than you've done in 47 years, Joe. We've done things that you never even thought of doing.